



**CENTRAL MAINE
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TOWN MANAGER
TOWN OF NORTH YARMOUTH
10 VILLAGE SQUARE RD
NORTH YARMOUTH, ME 04097

Reliable electricity service for your community

DEAR TOWN OF NORTH YARMOUTH,

We live in the most heavily-forested state in the nation. Having beautiful trees too close to our electrical wires can be a public safety problem or cause power outages when the wind blows or ice coats the branches. That's why we work year-round to maintain safe clearances around our lines. It's the most effective way we can reduce tree-related outages and deliver the reliable electricity service you depend on. We know trees are an important part of any community, and our local arborist is ready to work with you.

Our Tree Care crews may be conducting tree work in your community in 2021. They will prune and remove trees, brush, and other vegetation within public rights of way to ensure safe and reliable electricity service to your community. To protect the health of the trees, we hire only qualified contractors who are trained to use techniques sanctioned by the Tree Care Industry Association.

We'll keep you informed

We have a licensed arborist on staff dedicated to your community. In addition, people who live adjacent to public roads have the right to consult with us before routine work takes place. If you are interested in consulting with us about any of this tree work, please contact your local CMP Arborist, Mei-Ling Cheung at 242-5391. As always, if trees cause outages or pose an immediate hazard to safety or service reliability, we will perform emergency tree work and may not be able to consult with you beforehand.

In an effort to keep our customers informed about the Tree Care plans in your community, on the back of this letter is a **poster that you can display on a community bulletin board** in your municipal office. Customers can also visit **cmpco.com** for additional information about our Tree Care program.

We are proud to deliver safe, reliable electricity service to the communities of Maine. I look forward to working with you on Tree Care in your community in 2021. Thank you!

Sincerely,

Thomas R. Irwin
Manager, Vegetation Management

Central Maine Power's Tree Care program helps keep the lights on in your community

Tree Care is an important part of our efforts to deliver the reliable electricity delivery service your community depends on. In 2021, our qualified contractors **may be** conducting tree work in your community.

We know trees are an important part of any community and we have a licensed full-time arborist on staff dedicated to your community. To protect the health of the trees, our qualified contractors use techniques sanctioned by the Tree Care Industry Association.



Mei-Ling C., CMP Arborist, works with our qualified Tree Care specialists to provide reliable service to you.

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DEAR TOWN MANAGER:

We work year-round to reduce tree-related outages and deliver the reliable service you depend on. An important part of our Tree Care program is to prevent outages along transmission lines. In 2021, our qualified contractors may be conducting tree work in your community.

The objective is to remove and discourage the growth of trees and to encourage the growth of grasses, ferns and bushes around power lines which traverse the countryside away from highways. We use a very **limited amount** of federally approved herbicides to prevent growth. All herbicides are applied by hand, directly to the individual tree we need to control, using hand-pressurized backpacks. Additionally, when trees are removed, herbicides are applied directly to the top of the freshly cut stumps to prevent resprouting.

After the snow melts, contractors will be cutting brush over 8-feet tall and treating the stumps with an herbicide on transmission rights-of-way. These same rights-of-way will be selectively treated with herbicides during the growing season.

Landowners who object to the use of herbicides on transmission corridors next to their property may request a Landowner's Maintenance Agreement with CMP. The landowner must agree to maintain these areas to the company's specifications. Landowner Agreement forms or additional information may be obtained by writing to CMP Vegetation Management, 83 Edison Drive, Augusta, ME 04336 or by calling **Nicholas Hahn** at **207-620-4618**.

Notifying municipalities of our plans well in advance will give your municipal officials an opportunity to be better prepared to either respond to questions from your community members, or if you prefer, you may direct any inquiries about our Tree Care program to my attention. We appreciate the opportunity to deliver reliable service to our customers in your community.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Thomas R. Irwin

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