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### 120 White Birch St., Leicester - Temporary Wetland & Stream Crossing and Restoration

The following protocol is designed to minimize, and mitigate for, any impacts resulting from the temporary wetland and stream crossing for soil testing.

1. Notify the Leicester Conservation Commission at least 48-hours prior to the stream crossing.
2. Install the erosion/siltation control barrier, at the crossing location, to protect the wetlands and to define the limits of the crossing.
3. The temporary crossing is proposed within the footprint of the permanent driveway and stream culvert. There will likely be some removal of, or damage to, wetland vegetation within the crossing footprint. The permanent loss of wetland vegetation will be mitigated within the proposed wetland replication areas. If for some reason the project and associated replication areas are not constructed, the wetlands at the crossing location will be re-planted in accordance with the wetland replication protocol presented on the project plans.
4. The stream will be crossed using a temporary span extending from bank to bank with no damage to the banks or stream bed. The temporary span will consist of timber mats or steel plates that extend at least 12-inches outside the stream banks on either side of the stream. As soon as the testing is complete, the mats or plates will be removed. The wetland will be restored or replicated, as dictated by the course of the project.