

Report to: Wallingford Parks & Recreation
Wallingford Conservation Commission
Date: March 13, 2019
From: Stewards of Tyler Mill Preserve

Tyler Mill Preserve storm cleanup: DPW started cleanup of the 2nd week of February but lost time due to the ice storm and snow events. They have resumed work again.

- a. DPW has been working again after the snow events.
- b. DPW has cleared previously cut debris and cut hazard trees for approximately .6 mile along the closed (interior) section of Tyler Mill Road, from the Maltby gate, south.
- c. Trails: Stewards cleared the Purple Trail in February but were snowed out before starting the Green Trail (hazards). Work is expected to start on the Green Trail hazards this week. Only the Pink Trail, and a few hazards at Bertini Park will remain after that!
- d. Boardwalk replacement: still on hold; need to determine location due to changes in the river's course.
- e. Re-scouting of all trails will be done as soon as winter storms end. (more trees fell)

DPW progress clearing the interior major damage area (between Purple and Green Trails, along the closed section of Tyler Mill Road). This was formerly deep shade canopy forest. Most of the trees are down, or have the tops blown off. DPW removes the twisted, hung-up, broken trees, as far in from the road edge as they can reach with the boom on the big machine. Average tree size they've removed: 12"-30" dbh, some larger.

