

PRICE QUOTES RATTLESNAKE GUTTER TREE WORK

The Town of Leverett is soliciting price quotes for the removal of trees along the discontinued section of Rattlesnake Gutter Road, also known as the Rattlesnake Gutter Conservation Area.

Project Goal

To remove dead trees and clean up woody debris along the road that have and will clog drainage ditches, and to remove dead trees that may threaten the stability of the stone retaining wall on the south side of the roadway, while impacting the existing drainage infrastructure, retaining wall, and live trees as little as possible.

Project Area

The project area is a gravel road approximately 2,750 feet in length. There are two entrances at either end of the project area, but there are no turn-around options on the road, which at two points narrows to 10 feet in width. There is one location along the road where large-diameter, non-chippable logs can be stacked neatly, not to exceed 8 feet wide by 6 feet tall.

Scope of Services

- 1. Remove up to 55 flagged trees along both sides of the road (including marked trees already on the ground).
- 2. Remove as much of the coarse woody debris as possible, including large-diameter stems and wood debris on the ground, within 15 feet of uphill road edge on the southern side of the road.
- 3. Fell trees to fall into the woods on the southern side of the road or onto the road surface.
- 4. Chip as much of the woody debris as possible resulting from tree removal and broadcast woodchips evenly across the uphill slope on the south side of the road at least 20 feet from the roadway.
- 5. Alternatively, or where chipping is not possible, remove felled trees from the project area and dispose.

<u>Methods</u>

It is preferred that trees be felled uphill or parallel to the road whenever possible. Any trees or sections of trees that are felled into the woods further than 20 feet can be left where they fall. When trees must be felled across the road, care must be taken to minimize impact to live trees and the stone retaining wall.

Access will be granted by the town to drive into the site through the gates at either end of the project area. Vehicular access to all areas of the old road is not assured due to the condition of the road.

Project subject to Prevailing Wage rates, schedule attached.

Contractor must have proof of worker's compensation and liability insurance.

Any restrictions, qualifications, or deviations from the services requested must appear in the Quote submitted (no form provided for this). All responses must be accompanied by a completed Price Quote Signature form, attached.

The Contractor will be held to the terms and prices within the Quote for the duration of the contract if both parties sign a contract within 60 days of opening. As the Town of Leverett is exempt from the payment of Federal Excise Taxes and Massachusetts Sales Tax, prices quoted are not to include these taxes.

The Contractor selected will be bound by all applicable statutory provisions of the laws of the United States and the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

The work will be awarded to the lowest responsible and responsive bidder with demonstrated experience (minimum three years) of tree removal and sufficient workforce and equipment to complete the job in a timely manner. The Town of Leverett reserves the right to reject any and all bids if it determines such to be in the public interest.

Prices are due in writing by June 13, 2025 at 3:00 pm to Marjorie McGinnis at townadministrator@leverett.ma.us, PO Box 300, 9 Montague Road, Leverett, MA 01054.

Questions or requests to see the land should also be made to Marjorie McGinnis at <u>townadministrator@leverett.ma.us</u>

May 15, 2025



RATTLESNAKE GUTTER TREE WORK PRICE QUOTE SIGNATURE FORM

The undersigned, hereafter called the bidder, having fully familiarized him/herself with all the required documents, hereby agrees and declares:

- 1. That prices inserted in this Price Quote cover all necessary expenses to fulfill the conditions of the contract within the time stated.
- 2. Pursuant to M. G. L. c. 62C, § 49A, the bidder hereby certifies that the bidder has complied with all laws of the Commonwealth relating to taxes, reporting of employees and contractors, and withholding and remitting child support.
- 3. The undersigned certifies under penalties of perjury that this price quote has been made and submitted in good faith and without collusion or fraud with any other person. As used in this certification, the word "person" shall mean any natural person, business, partnership, corporation, union, committee, club, or other organization, entity or group of individuals.

The following items are to be completed by the bidder, if applicable:

Our Company is:	A Corporation	
	A Partnership Individually Owned	
Individual/Company Name:		
Social Security or Federal Identification Number:		
Signature of Individual or Authorized Official:		
Address:		
Telephone Number:		
E-mail		