



RHODE ISLAND
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT
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October 2, 2007

City of Woonsocket
Attn: Alan R. Brodd, City Engineer
169 Main Street
Woonsocket, RI 02895

Insignificant Alteration – Permit

Re: Application No. 07-0226 in reference to the location below:

Approximately 400 feet south of Diamond Hill Road, near Utility Pole No. 40, and approximately 1450 feet southeast of its intersection with Wood Avenue, Assessor's Plat 35, Lot 217, Woonsocket, RI

Dear Mr. Brodd:

Kindly be advised that the Department of Environmental Management's ("DEM") Freshwater Wetlands Program ("Program") has completed its review of your **Request for Preliminary Determination** application. This review included a site inspection of the above referenced property ("subject property") and an evaluation of the proposed new interceptor sewer line connecting a sewer easement south of the project with an existing sewer line located under Diamond Hill Road as illustrated and detailed on site plans submitted with your application. These site plans were received on May 24, 2007.

Our observations of the subject property, review of the site plans and evaluation of the proposed project reveals that alterations of freshwater wetlands are proposed. However, pursuant to Rule 9.03 of the applicable Rules and Regulations Governing the Administration and Enforcement of the Fresh Water Wetlands Act ("Rules"), this project may be permitted as an **insignificant alteration** to freshwater wetlands under the following terms and conditions:

Terms and Conditions for Application No. 07-0226:

1. This letter is the DEM's permit for this project under the R.I. Fresh Water Wetlands Act, Rhode Island General Laws (RIGL) Section 2-1-18 et seq.
2. This permit is specifically limited to the project, site alterations and limits of disturbance as detailed on the site plans submitted with your application and received by the DEM on May 24, 2007. A copy of the site plans stamped approved by the DEM is enclosed. Changes or revisions to the project which would alter freshwater wetlands are not authorized without a permit from the DEM.
3. Where the terms and conditions of the permit conflict with the approved site plans, these terms and conditions shall be deemed to supersede the site plans.
4. You must notify this Program in writing immediately prior to the commencement of site alterations and upon completion of the project.

5. A copy of the stamped approved site plans and a copy of this permit must be kept at the site at all times during site preparation, construction, and final stabilization. Copies of this permit and the stamped approved plans must be made available for review by any DEM representative upon request.
6. The effective date of this permit is the date this letter was issued. This permit expires four (4) years from the date of issue.
7. Any material utilized in this project must be clean and free of matter that could pollute any freshwater wetland.
8. Prior to commencement of site alterations, you shall erect or post a sign resistant to the weather and at least twelve (12) inches wide and eighteen (18) inches long, which boldly identifies the initials "DEM" and the application number of this permit. This sign must be maintained at the site in a conspicuous location until such time that the project is complete.
9. Temporary erosion and sediment controls detailed or described on the approved site plans shall be properly installed at the site prior to or commensurate with site alterations. Such controls shall be properly maintained, replaced, supplemented, or modified as necessary throughout the life of this project to minimize soil erosion and to prevent sediment from being deposited in any wetlands not subject to disturbance under this permit.
10. Upon permanent stabilization of all disturbed soils, temporary erosion and/or sediment controls consisting of silt fencing, if used, must be removed.
11. You are obligated to install, utilize and follow all best management practices detailed or described on the approved site plans in the construction of the project to minimize or prevent adverse impacts to any adjacent freshwater wetlands and the functions and values provided by such wetlands.
12. All plantings of shrubs, trees or other forms of vegetation as shown or detailed on the approved plans, or detailed in this permit, must be installed as soon as possible after completion of final grading; weather and season permitting.
13. Buffer zone plantings of trees and/or shrubs proposed between the project and any adjacent freshwater wetland areas, except for necessary replacement, must be allowed to develop naturally without being subjected to mowing or manicuring.

This permit is valid for the original applicant only unless transferred pursuant to the Rules.

You are required to comply with the terms and conditions of this permit and to carry out this project in compliance with the Rules at all times. Failure to do so may result in an enforcement action by this Department.

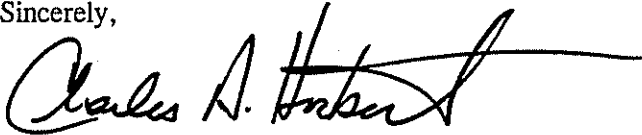
In permitting the proposed alterations, the DEM assumes no responsibility for damages resulting from faulty design or construction.

This permit does not remove your obligation to obtain any local, state, or federal approvals or permits required by ordinance or law and does not relieve you from any duties owed to adjacent landowners with specific reference to any changes in drainage.

Kindly be advised that this permit is not equivalent to a verification of the type or extent of freshwater wetlands on-site. Should you wish to obtain such a verification, an application may be submitted in accordance with the Rules.

Please contact Kate McPherson of this office (telephone: 401-222-6820, ext. 7732) should you have any questions regarding this letter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Charles A. Horbert". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Charles A. Horbert, Permitting Supervisor
Freshwater Wetlands Program
Office of Water Resources
CAH/KHM/khm

Enclosure: Approved site plans

xc: Arthur Zeman, DEM Water Resources, Wastewater Design
Joseph P. McCue, Natural Resource Services, Inc.