



RHODE ISLAND
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT
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November 15, 2007

Joseph M. Martins
41 Walker Way
Scituate, RI 02857

Re: Application No. 07-0400 in reference to the property and proposed project located:

Approximately 140 feet north of Chestnut Hill Road, and approximately 780 feet west of the intersection of Chestnut Hill Road and Indian Trail, Utility Pole No. 103 1/2, Assessor's Plat 9, Lot 153, Parcel A, Gloucester, RI

Dear Mr. Martins:

Kindly be advised that the Department of Environmental Management's ("DEM") Freshwater Wetlands Program, ("Program") has completed its review of your proposed three (3) bedroom single family dwelling with associated driveway, well, septic system, and landscaping as illustrated and detailed on site plans submitted with your application. The site plans referenced by this letter and on file with this Program were received on September 28, 2007.

Our inspection reveals that freshwater wetlands regulated by the DEM are present on or in close proximity to the subject property. Review of your proposed project, however, reveals that this project does not represent an alteration to these freshwater wetlands. It is our determination therefore that a permit for this project pursuant to the Freshwater Wetland Act (Rhode Island General Law Section 2-1-18 et seq.) or the Rules and Regulations Governing the Administration and Enforcement of the Freshwater Wetlands Act is not required. This Determination is specific to the proposed site alterations illustrated and detailed on site plans on file with this Program and is further predicated on the following:

1. Adequate measures are employed during and after site alterations to control soil erosion and to prevent any sediment from such erosion being deposited in any freshwater wetlands. You should consult the Rhode Island Soil Erosion and Sediment Control Handbook for appropriate methods to control erosion and prevent sediment from leaving your project site.
2. This determination does not authorize you to modify your project in such a way as to result in the following:
 - a. An increase in the rate and/or volume of surface water runoff flowing into, or draining or diverting from these wetlands; or
 - b. A diversion of groundwater into or away from these wetlands; or
 - c. A modification to the quality of water reaching these wetlands, which could change their natural character.

3. This Program has made specific revisions to the reviewed site plans. These revisions are clearly marked in red on the reviewed plans. Specifically, since site alterations were not proposed under this application, this determination has not reviewed, nor approved alterations on the remainder of Assessor's Plat 9, Lot 153 (west of Proposed Parcel A) as shown on the site plans stamped reviewed by this Program. If alterations to freshwater wetlands are proposed on the remainder of Assessor's Plat 9, Lot 153, a separate application is required.
4. All utility connections (including overhead electrical wires) must be installed within and/or over the reviewed limit of disturbance (to prevent clearing of wetland vegetation for wire stringing).

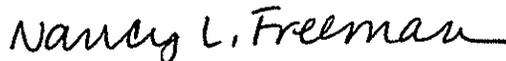
Please note that this Determination is specific to this proposed project as illustrated on the reviewed site plans, is valid for a limited period of four (4) years from the date of issue, and does not remove your obligation to obtain any local, state or federal approvals or permits required by ordinance or law.

Kindly be advised that this determination is not equivalent to a determination of the type or extent of freshwater wetlands on the subject property. Should you wish to obtain such verification, you may submit an application in accordance with Rule 8.03.

Modification to your project, which would result in an alteration or allowing your project to result in an alteration to freshwater wetlands, requires a permit from this Program. Unauthorized alterations to freshwater wetlands are subject to enforcement action.

Enclosed please find one (1) copy of your site plans stamped REVIEWED by this Program. Please contact Shawna Holdredge of this Office (telephone: 401-222-6820, ext. 7427) should you have any questions.

Sincerely,



Nancy L. Freeman, Senior Environmental Scientist
Freshwater Wetlands Program
Office of Water Resources
NLF/SBH/sbh

Enclosure: Reviewed Site Plan

xc: Brian Lombardi, Jr., Gloucester Building Official
Marcus Channell, PLS, Atlas Land Surveying, LLC.