



RHODE ISLAND
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT

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David C. Lund
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Re: Application No. 08-0253 in reference to the location below:

Approximately 600 feet south of Putnam Pike (Route 44), Utility Pole No. 81, and approximately 1,100 feet east of the intersection of Putnam Pike and Absalona Hill Road, Assessor's Plat 17, Lot 120, Glocester, RI

Dear Mr. Lund:

Kindly be advised that the Department of Environmental Management's ("DEM") Freshwater Wetlands Program ("Program") has completed its review of your **Request to verify the delineated edge of freshwater wetlands**. This review included an inspection of the above referenced property ("subject property") as described by the site plans submitted with your application and received on August 13, 2008.

Based upon the Program's observations and review, it is our determination that freshwater wetlands are present on or are in close proximity to the subject property. These freshwater wetlands are regulated by this Department and include at least the following types:

- Two (2) swamps (portion of "A" & "B"-series flags; and "C" & "D"-series flags)
- Perimeter wetlands (that area of land within 50 feet of the edge of any bog, marsh, swamp, or pond).
- Three (3) forested wetlands (northerly portion of "A" & "B"-series flags; "E"-series and "F"-series)
- One (1) river (through "A"- "B"-series wetland)
- One (1) stream (through "C"- "D"-series wetland)
- riverbank wetlands (the area of land within 100 feet of the edge of any flowing body of water less than 10 feet wide during normal flow)
- areas subject to storm flowage (ASSF)
- One (1) area subject to flooding (ASF) (delineated by flags B30 through B42)
- flood plain (associated with the stream and the river)

The DEM has completed an inspection and review of the wetland edges delineated by you on-site. It is our determination that those wetland edges delineated on-site are substantially accurate. Corrections and/or modifications to the delineated edge are required, however, which include the following:

1. Eliminate wetland flags A17 through A21, B14 and B15 and connect flag A15 to B16. From Flag B13 the wetland edge roughly follows contour elevation 470 to flag A22. Also, connect flag B30 to B42. Flags A1 through A15, B16 through B30 and B42 through B46 delineate a forested wetland. The wetland delineated within flags B30 through B42 is an Area Subject to Flooding with an Area Subject to Storm Flowage. These wetland types do not require a 50-foot perimeter wetland. The remainder of the "A" and "B" series flags (downstream of contour 470) delineate swamp.

2. Eliminate wetland flags G1 through G7. This area does not meet the criteria of wetland per our Rules and Regulations. Flags CL1A to CL6A generally delineate the centerline of an Area Subject to Storm Flowage.
3. Please note that the swamp edge and river extends approximately 20 feet northwest of flag B13 (where it exits a culvert), and must be properly depicted on future submissions.
4. It is your responsibility to accurately depict all watercourses (both edges, as applicable) with associated riverbank wetlands.

You should not infer that any verification of wetland edges carried out by this Department to date represents a determination that this is the extent of all wetlands on your property. **The Department has verified only those edges delineated and shown by you on-site and on site plans submitted with your application and as qualified in this letter.** Should you wish to verify the edge of additional wetlands, an additional application will be required.

This letter does not constitute an approval or permit for any proposed project on the subject property. Pursuant to Section 2-1-21(a) of the Freshwater Wetlands Act and the Rules and Regulations Governing the Administration and Enforcement of the Freshwater Wetlands Act (Rules) a permit is required from this Program prior to the commencement of any activity which impacts or alters freshwater wetlands

This Program assumes that the edges of freshwater wetlands, as flagged or marked on site, have been accurately surveyed and portrayed on site plans submitted in support of your application. This Program makes no guarantee or representation that such survey is accurate.

In addition, you should note that freshwater wetlands are present on this property which may be regulated under Section 404 of the Clean Water Act (Federal Water Pollution Control Act, as amended 33 U.S.C. 1344). Accordingly, a permit may be required from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers for alteration of these wetland areas.

In accordance with Rule 8.03(H) of the Rules, this verification of the delineated edge of freshwater wetlands is valid for a limited period of four (4) years from the date of issue.

Please contact Andrew Charpentier of this Office telephone: (401-222-6820, ext.7414) should you have any questions regarding this letter.

Sincerely,



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