



RHODE ISLAND
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT

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TDD 401-831-5508

March 4, 2009

RI Department of Transportation
Peter Healey, Supervising Civil Engineer
Two Capitol Hill, Room 226
Providence, RI 02903-1124

Re: Application No. 09-0046 in reference to the location below:

On the northeast side of Stone Church Road/Main Street (Route 179), at Utility Pole No. 745, approximately 60 feet north of its intersection with Colebrook Road, Little Compton, RI

Dear Mr. Healey:

Kindly be advised that the Department of Environmental Management's ("DEM") Freshwater Wetlands Program, ("Program") has completed its review of your proposed drainage system improvement 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 February 24, 2009.

Our inspection reveals that there are no freshwater wetlands regulated by the DEM on or immediately adjacent to the subject property that would be altered by this project. Therefore, no permit for this project is required from the DEM pursuant to the Freshwater Wetlands Act (Rhode Island General Law Section 2-1-18 et seq.) or Rules and Regulations Governing the Administration and Enforcement of the Freshwater Wetlands Act. This Determination is **specific to the proposed site alterations and subject property illustrated and detailed on the site plan(s) 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.

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 verification 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 the Rules.

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 feel free to contact me directly (telephone: 401-222-6820, ext. 7402) should you have any questions.

Sincerely,



Charles A. Horbert, Permitting Supervisor
Freshwater Wetlands Program
Office of Water Resources
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Enclosure: Reviewed Site Plan

xc: Carl J. Adamo, P.E., Garofalo & Associates, Inc.