



RHODE ISLAND  
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT

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TDD 401-222-4462

November 1, 2011

Linda Shaw  
P.O. Box 664  
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Re: Application No. 11-0087 in reference to the location below:

Approximately 500 feet east of the intersection of Scituate Avenue and Pippin Orchard Road,  
Assessor's Plat 34, Lot 7 and portion of Lot 51, Cranston, RI

Dear Ms. Shaw:

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 September 29, 2011.

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:

- Swamp (A, D, and E series flags)
- Perimeter wetland (that area of land within 50 feet of the edge of any bog, marsh, swamp, or pond)
- Shrub wetland (unflagged; see below)
- 1 Forested wetland (B series flags)
- Special aquatic site (C series flags)
- River ("Furnace Hill Brook")
- Riverbank wetland (the area of land within 200 feet of the edge of any flowing body of water 10 feet wide or greater)
- Floodplain

The DEM has completed an inspection and review of the wetland edges delineated by you on-site. It is our determination that the wetland edges delineated on-site are substantially accurate. These wetland edges have been shown on the site plan submitted with your application and are referenced as A1 through A21, D1 through D30, E1 through E7, B1, B2, B3, and B6, and C1 through C9.

Please note that our inspection of the subject property has revealed the presence of other freshwater wetlands not specifically delineated by you. An isolated shrub wetland approximately 10 feet wide by 28 feet long is present approximately 15 feet southwest of wetland flag D3. Therefore, 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 any 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 Kate McPherson of this Office telephone: (401-222-6820, ext. 7732) should you have any questions regarding this letter.

Sincerely,



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