



RHODE ISLAND
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT

235 Promenade Street, Providence, RI 02908-5767

TDD 401-222-4462

November 21, 2011

Stone Soup Cottage Works, LLC
Jonathon Gilbert, Manager
151 Pond Street
Wakefield, RI 02879

Re: Application No. 11-0179 and RIPDES No. RIR100870 in reference to the property and proposed project located:

Approximately 50 feet west of South Road, and approximately 900 feet south of its intersection with Briarwood Drive, near Utility Pole Nos. 25 and 26, Assessor's Plat 55-3, Lot 3, South Kingstown, RI

Dear Mr. Gilbert::

Kindly be advised that the Department of Environmental Management's ("DEM") Freshwater Wetlands Program, ("Program") has completed its review of your proposed 17-Lot subdivision with 16 new single-family dwellings (and one existing house), new roadways, driveways, private wells, Onsite Sewage Disposal Systems ("OWTS"), utilities, landscaping, associated site alterations and Stormwater Management Plan 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 16, 2011.

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 that this project does not represent an alteration to these freshwater wetlands and 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.

Please note that this Fresh Water Wetlands Program 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.

“Special Condition Related to RIPDES General Permit for Storm Water Discharge Associated with Construction Activity (GP) - Construction Activities which disturb one (1) or more acres of land and where storm water runoff is directed, via a point source, into a separate storm sewer system or into the waters of the State, are required to seek coverage under the Rhode Island Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (RIPDES) storm water permit. RI DEM has reviewed this project in accordance with those standards. Enclosed is your final authorization to discharge storm water associated with construction activity under the 2008 RIPDES General Permit for Storm Water Discharge Associated with Construction Activity. For future references and inquiry, your permit authorization number is RIPDES No. RIR100870.

RIDEM strongly recommends that you obtain written assurances from contractors or subcontractors retained to undertake construction activity that they will comply with all applicable requirements of the RIPDES GP. Owners and operators of construction sites authorized to discharge under the RIPDES GP are encouraged to participate in the RIDEM's Voluntary CONSTRUCTION SITE STORMWATER COMPLIANCE PROGRAM. More detailed information about the program can be found on the RIDEM's Office of Customer and Technical Assistance (OCTA) website:

<http://www.dem.ri.gov/programs/benviron/assist/ms4/index.htm>.

Participation in this program will ensure that your site is less likely to cause environmental impacts due to erosion or impact the local drainage system and is prepared for regulatory compliance inspections. If you would like to discuss how you might participate in the voluntary program, please call Michelle McCaughey from the RIDEM – Office of Technical and Customer Assistance at (401) 222-6822 ext. 7269 or Brian Lafaille from the RIDEM – Office of Water Resources RIPDES Permitting Program at (401) 222-4700 ext. 7731.”

Enclosed please find one (1) copy of your site plans stamped REVIEWED by this Program. Please contact me (telephone: 401-222-6820, ext. 7408) should you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Nancy L. Freeman

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Enclosures: Reviewed Site Plan
RIPDES Permit No. RIR100870

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