



RHODE ISLAND  
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT

235 Promenade Street, Providence, RI 02908-5767

TDD 401-222-4462

July 23, 2012

Estate of John & Nella Clifford  
Michael Clifford, Executor  
489 Black Plain Road  
North Smithfield, RI 02896

Re: Application No. 12-0105 in reference to the location below:

Approximately 40 feet east of Iron Mine Hill Road near utility pole no. 109, and approximately 3,900 feet southwest of its intersection with Eddie Dowling Highway (Route 146), Assessor's Plat 81, Lot 88 (Sublot 1), North Smithfield, RI

Dear Mr. Clifford:

Kindly be advised that the Department of Environmental Management's ("DEM") Freshwater Wetlands Program, ("Program") has completed its review of your proposed three bedroom single family residence with associated septic system, driveway, well, 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 June 21, 2012.

Our inspection reveals that freshwater wetlands regulated by the DEM are present on the subject property in close proximity to the proposed project. 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.



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.

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.

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 pursuant to Rule 9.02 of the Rules. Please note that the wetland on your property extends further south, close to the "422" contour. Care should be exercised not to go beyond your illustrated "Limit of Disturbance".

Enclosed please find one (1) copy of your site plans stamped REVIEWED by this Program. Please contact Kate McPherson of this Office (telephone: 401-222-6820, ext. 7732) should you have any questions.

Sincerely,



Charles A. Horbert, Permitting Supervisor  
Freshwater Wetlands Program  
Office of Water Resources  
CAH/KHM/khm

Enclosure: Reviewed Site Plan

cc: Marc N. Nyberg, PLS, Marc N. Nyberg Assoc. Inc.  
Scott P. Rabideau, Wetland Biologist, Natural Resource Services, Inc.  
Robert E. Benoit, North Smithfield Building Official