



RHODE ISLAND  
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT

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TDD 401-222-4462

May 7, 2013

J. J. Gregory  
c/o Frank Paolino  
1150 New London Avenue  
Cranston, RI 02920

Re: Application No. 13-0059 in reference to the location below:

Approximately 300 feet West of Highland Avenue (Rte 6), at 77 Highland Avenue, and approximately 400 feet southwest of its intersection with Catamore Blvd., Assessor's Plat 608, Block 2, Lots 1, 2 & 4, East Providence, RI

Dear Mr. Gregory:

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 April 12, 2013.

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
- perimeter wetland (that area of land within 50 feet of the edge of any, swamp)
- emergent plant community
- river ("Runnins River")
- riverbank wetland (the area of land within 200 feet of the edge of any flowing body of water 10 feet wide or greater)
- three (3) areas subject to storm flowage
- flood plain (associated with the river)

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 accurate. These wetland edges have been shown on the site plan submitted with your application and are referenced as:

- Flags B7 to B27 delineate an Emergent Plant Community (EPC). Please note that the depicted 50 foot perimeter wetland does not apply to this wetland type.
- Flags C1 to C2 and D2 to D6 delineate Areas Subject to Storm Flowage. Please note that a third ASSF flows into the swamp. This ASSF is north of flag E4 and is near the western property line.
- E4 to E8 delineate a swamp. Flags E1 to E3 and E9 are depicted as off the subject property and were not verified.

Please note that our inspection of the subject property has revealed the presence of other freshwater wetlands south of the 200-foot riverbank wetland that you requested not to be verified. 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 shown outside of the riverbank wetland 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 these 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.**

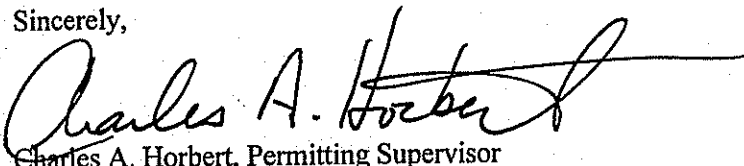
This Program assumes that the edges of freshwater wetlands, as flagged or marked on site, have been accurately surveyed and portrayed on site plans submitted in support of your application. This Program makes no guarantee or representation that such survey is accurate.

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,



Charles A. Horbert, Permitting Supervisor  
Office of Water Resources  
Freshwater Wetlands Program  
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xc: David Duranleau, Ocean State Planners, Inc.