



RHODE ISLAND
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT

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April 6, 2017

Stephen E. Hopkins
P.O. Box 66
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RE: Wetland Application No. 16-0179 and RIPDES Program File No. RIR 101458 in reference to the property and proposed project located:

Approximately 600 feet north of Keach Dam Road, by utility pole no. 21; approximately 935 feet north-northeast of the intersection of Lake View Drive and Keach Dam Road, Assessor's Plat 12, Lot 134, Gloucester, RI.

Dear Mr. Hopkins:

Kindly be advised that the Department of Environmental Management's ("DEM") Freshwater Wetlands Program ("Program") has completed its review of your proposed construction a 14 lot residential subdivision (Waterview Acres) with roadway, houses, driveways, private wells, Onsite Wastewater Treatment Systems, electric utilities, and stormwater best management practices for the above referenced property ("subject property") 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 March 30, 2017.

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 plans on file with this Program.

Please note that this Determination of Non-Jurisdiction is specific to this proposed project as illustrated on the reviewed site plans, is valid until April 6, 2021, and does not remove your obligation to obtain any local, state or federal approvals or permits required by ordinance or law.

Additionally, the Program has also reviewed this project in accordance with the standards of the RIPDES General Permit for Storm Water Discharge Associated with Construction Activity ("CGP"). 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. Our review has determined that the project has been designed to meet the requirements of the 2013 GP. This determination therefore includes your final authorization to discharge storm water associated with construction activity under the CGP. For future references and inquiry, your permit authorization number is RIPDES No. RIR 101458.

Both the owner and the contractor retained to undertake the construction activity are required to comply with all terms and conditions of the CGP. This includes maintaining the Soil Erosion and Sediment Control (SESC) Plan, performing the required inspections and maintenance of the selected Best Management Practices (BMPs), and retaining inspection records. Further information on the requirements of the CGP is available at:

<http://www.dem.ri.gov/pubs/regs/regs/water/ripdesca.pdf>.

Please be aware that the RIDEM's Rules and Regulations Governing the Establishment of Various Fees require that RIPDES CGP permit holders to pay an Annual Fee of \$100.00. An invoice will be sent to the owner on record in May/June of each year if the construction was still active as of December 31st of the previous year. The owner will be responsible for the Annual Fee until the construction activity has been completed, the site has been properly stabilized, and a completed Notice of Termination (NOT) has been received by the RIPDES Program. A copy of the NOT can be found attached to the CGP on the web page referenced above.

You are responsible for the proper installation, operation, maintenance and stability of any mitigative features, facilities, and systems of treatment and control which are installed or used in compliance with this permit to prevent harm to adjacent wetlands until such time that you document that this responsibility has been assumed by another person or organization. You are also responsible for ensuring that your project complies at all times with the Rules and the RIPDES GP.

Please be advised that the Long Term Operation and Maintenance Plan, Waterview Acres, AP 12 Lot 134, Keach Dam Road Gloucester, RI, and the inspection and maintenance requirements notes on sheet 10 and 11 of the approved site plans dated March 10, 2016 shall be incorporated into the Home Owners Association's documents.

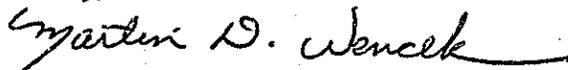
Kindly be advised that this determination is not equivalent to a determination of the type or extent of freshwater wetlands on the subject property. Should you wish to obtain such verification, you may submit an application in accordance with Rule 8.03.

In authorizing the proposed alterations, the DEM assumes no responsibility for damages resulting from faulty design or construction.

Any modification to your project that would result in an alteration to freshwater wetlands 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 contact Daniel Kowal (telephone: 401-222-4700, ext. 7416) should you have any questions.

Sincerely,



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Office of Water Resources

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Enclosure: Reviewed Site Plans

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