

RHODE ISLAND

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT

OFFICE OF WATER RESOURCES 235 Promenade Street, Providence, Rhode Island 02908

December 8, 2017

Catholic Cemeteries C/o Anthony Carpinello, Director of Cemeteries 80 St. Mary's Drive. Cranston, RI 02920

RE: Application No. 17-0265 in reference to the property and proposed project located:

Approximately 55 feet north of Batcheller Avenue, utility pole no. 6; approximately 560 feet westnorthwest of the intersection of Chester and Batcheller Avenues; Assessor's Plat 8, Lots 1267, 253-257, Cranston, RI.

Dear Mr. Carpinello:

a.

Kindly be advised that the Department of Environmental Management's ("DEM") Freshwater Wetlands Program ("Program") has completed its review of your proposed construction of a two story duplex building and a single family building with underground infiltration systems, rain gardens, and grading 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 November 6, 2017.

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 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 of Non-Jurisdiction 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 <u>Rhode Island Soil Erosion and Sediment Control Handbook</u> 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:
 - 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.

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Please be advised that the Program's on-site inspection at the subject property has revealed that a "Limit Of Disturbance" stake has been placed approximately five feet within the subject 50 foot perimeter wetland. You must ensure that all depicted proposed work activities remain outside of the subject 50 foot perimeter wetland as indicated on the reviewed site plans.

Please note that this Determination of Non-Jurisdiction is specific to this proposed project as illustrated on the reviewed site plans, is valid till December 8, 2021, and does not remove your obligation to obtain any local, state or federal approvals or permits required by ordinance or law.

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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Martin D. Wencek, Permitting Supervisor Freshwater Wetlands Program Office of Water Resources

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Enclosure: Reviewed Site Plans

xc: Stanley Pikul, Cranston Building Official Paul Carlson, PE, InSite Engineering Services, LLC