



RHODE ISLAND
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT

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

April 13, 2018

Marjorie M. Lawton
1578 Snake Hill Road
North Scituate, RI, 02857

RE: Application No. 18-0039 in reference to the location below:

Approximately 250 feet northeast of Snake Hill Road, by utility pole nos. 260 and 261; approximately 1,045 feet northwest of the intersection of Stone Dam Road and Snake Hill Road; Assessor's Plat 12, Lot 71, Glocester, RI.

Dear Ms. Lawton:

Kindly be advised that the Department of Environmental Management's ("DEM") Freshwater Wetlands Program ("Program") has completed its review of your **Request to Verify Delineated Edge of 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 March 7, 2018.

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 bog, marsh, swamp, or pond)**
- **River**
- **Riverbank (the area of land within 100 feet of the edge of any flowing body of water having a width of <10 feet during normal flow associated with the unnamed river)**
- **Flood Plain (associated with the unnamed river)**

The DEM has completed an inspection and review of the wetland edges delineated by you on site and requested for verification (i.e., flags WF-112 thru WF 126 and WF-200 thru WF-225. It is our determination that these wetland edges delineated on the subject site are accurate with the following corrections/modifications/comments.

- 1) relocate flag WF-114 25 feet to the east-northeast;
- 2) relocate flag WF-122 12 feet to the northwest;
- 3) eliminate flag WF-205B and connect flag WF-205A to WF-205C;
- 4) relocate flag WF-205E 30 feet to the southeast;
- 5) relocate flag WF-206 55 feet to the south-southeast;
- 6) relocate flag WF-207 30 feet to the south-southeast;
- 7) relocate flag WF-208 15 feet to the south;
- 8) relocate flag WF-217 15 feet to the east;
- 9) eliminate flag WF-220 and connect flag WF-219 to flag WF-221; and
- 10) relocate flag WF-224 18 feet to the northwest.

Wetland edge flags WF-112 thru WF 126 and WF-200 thru WF-225, as modified above, demarcate the edge of a swamp.

The area delineated by flags WF-300 through WF-306 is not considered a freshwater wetland, but the water course that is depicted as an intermittent stream is considered a river.

You should not infer that any verification of wetland edges carried out by this Program to date represents a determination that this is the extent of all wetlands on your property. This Program has verified only those edges marked by you on site and depicted on site plans submitted with your application and as qualified in this letter.

This Program did not undertake an inspection of other areas of this property to determine the presence of any additional freshwater wetlands.

This Program assumes that the edges of the 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.

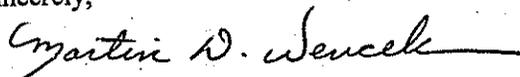
This letter does not constitute an approval or permit for any proposed project on the subject property. Pursuant to Section 2-1-21(a) of the Freshwater Wetlands Act and the Rules and Regulations Governing the Administration and Enforcement of the Freshwater Wetlands Act (Rules) a permit is required from this Program prior to the commencement of any activity which impacts or alters freshwater wetlands.

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. 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. **You are hereby advised** that on July 10, 2015, significant revisions to the RI Freshwater Wetlands Act (R.I.G.L. Section 2-1-18 *et. seq.*) were signed into law. These revisions modify, among other things, the "jurisdictional areas" recognized by the State of Rhode Island. The Department is currently in the process of amending the Rules. If you are contemplating a project on your property, and submit the application prior to the promulgation of the revised Rules, you can expect the wetlands jurisdictional areas to correspond as described in this verification letter.

Any application submitted after promulgation of the Rules will be expected to conform to the then existing and duly promulgated Rules. While these changes will not affect the location of flagged wetland edges as verified in this letter, they may affect how activities located in adjacent jurisdictional upland areas will be regulated. You are advised, in the meantime, to monitor the rulemaking process, which will include opportunities for public input and comment.

Please contact Daniel M. Kowal (401-222-4700, ext. 7416) of this Office should you have any questions regarding this letter.

Sincerely,



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Office of Water Resources

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