



RHODE ISLAND DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT
OFFICE OF WATER RESOURCES
235 Promenade Street
Providence, Rhode Island 02908

November 12, 2019

Vel-Tree Property, LLC
Nicholas Veltri, Member
159 Colonel John Gardner Road
Narragansett, RI 02882

RE: Application No. 19-0248 in reference to the location below:

Approximately 850 feet north of Scituate Avenue and approximately 1,000 feet northwest of its intersection with Fountain Avenue, immediately east of Route 295, Assessor's Plat 44, Lot 18, Johnston, RI

Dear Mr. Veltri:

Kindly be advised that the Department of Environmental Management's ("DEM") Freshwater Wetlands Program ("Program") has completed its review of your **Request to Determine the Presence 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 August 26, 2019.

Based upon the Program's observations and review, it is our determination that no freshwater wetlands are present on the subject property. However, freshwater wetlands are present in close proximity to the subject property. These freshwater wetlands are regulated by this Department and include, but are not limited to, the following type(s):

- Pond (Hughesdale)
- Perimeter wetland (that area of land within 50 feet of the edge of any bog, marsh, swamp, or pond)
- River (Dry Brook)
- 200-foot Riverbank Wetland (the area of land within 200 feet of the edge of any flowing body of water 10 feet wide or greater)
- Flood plain

This letter does not constitute an approval or permit for any proposed project on the subject property. Pursuant to R.I. Gen. Laws § 2-1-21(a) of the Freshwater Wetlands Act and the Rules and Regulations Governing the Administration and Enforcement of the Freshwater Wetlands Act, 250-RICR-150-15-1, a permit is required from this Program prior to the commencement of any activity which impacts or alters freshwater wetlands.

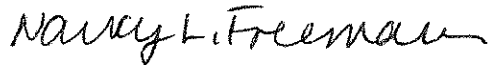
In accordance with 250-RICR-150-15-1.8(B)(3), this determination of the presence of wetlands is valid for a limited period of four (4) years from the date of issue.

You are hereby advised that on July 10, 2015, significant revisions to the RI Freshwater Wetlands Act (R.I. Gen. Laws § 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 determination letter.

Any application submitted after promulgation of the Rules will be expected to conform to the then existing and duly promulgated Rules. It is anticipated that in most cases, the changes will involve changes in regulation of areas of upland adjacent to freshwater wetlands. You are advised, in the meantime, to monitor the rulemaking process, which will include opportunities for public input and comment.

Please contact me (401-222-6820, ext. 7408) should you have any questions regarding this letter.

Sincerely,



Nancy L. Freeman, Principal Environmental Scientist
Office of Water Resources
Freshwater Wetlands Program
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C: Kevin Morin, P.E., Green Development