



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

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RIDEM Division of Planning & Development
Attn: Art Zeman, P.E., Supervising Civil Engineer
235 Promenade Street
Providence, RI 02908-5657

Re: Wetlands Application No. 19-0268 in reference to the location below:

Proposed Segment 8B-2 of the Blackstone River Bikeway between approximately the intersection of Sayles River and River Street south to Cold Spring Park, A.P. 14, Lots 8, 321 and 324, A.P. 8, Lots 136, 150, 2,4, 141, and 69 and A.P. 7, Lot 6 in Woonsocket, RI

Dear Mr. Zeman:

Please be advised that the DEM's Freshwater Wetlands Program is unable to commence our review of your Application to Alter Freshwater Wetlands at the above-referenced site at this time for the following reason:

1. For Applications to Alter a Freshwater Wetland, proof of ownership in the form of a certified copy of the deed(s) is required pursuant to Rule 250-RICR-150-15-1.10(B)(2)(d). If the applicant is a government agency, the agency must demonstrate that it owns the property or holds an easement of sufficient scope to cover the proposed project (or has the requisite powers of condemnation) pursuant to Rule 250-RICR-150-15-1.7(A)(2)(d). If there is not an easement, written notarized letters of authorization must also be obtained from landowners of properties within which freshwater wetlands will be directly altered as a result of the proposed projects that expressly authorizes the applicant to apply to RIDEM Freshwater Wetlands Program for alterations as depicted on the site plans (pursuant to Rule 250-RICR-150-15-1.7(A)(2)(c)).

Upon receipt of the information requested above, the Program will commence review of your Application to Alter. Please reference the application number provided above in all communications regarding your application. If you have any questions, please call me at (401) 222-6820, ext. 7408.

Sincerely,

Nancy L. Freeman

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