



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

August 22, 2022

Margaret Millikin Trust
c/o Charles Millikin
PO Box 1854
New Shoreham, RI 02807

Re: Wetlands Application No. 22-0266 in reference to the property and proposed project located:

Approximately 170 feet east from 1232 Pilot Hill Road, and approximately 920 feet southeast from the intersection of Seaweed Lane and Pilot Hill Road, Assessor's Plat 8, Lot 194-3, New Shoreham, RI.

Dear Mr. Millikin:

Kindly be advised that the Department of Environmental Management's ("DEM") Freshwater Wetlands Program, ("Program") has completed its review of your proposed single-family dwelling with an onsite wastewater treatment system (OWTS), detached garage/1-bedroom accessory structure, pervious driveway, electrical connection, private well and waterline, two rain gardens for stormwater management, grading, landscaping, and temporary erosion controls 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 August 5, 2022.

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 (R.I. Gen. Laws § 2-1-18 *et seq.*) or the Rules and Regulations Governing the Administration and Enforcement of the Freshwater Wetlands Act, 250-RICR-150-15-1, is not required. This Determination **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 [Rhode Island Soil Erosion and Sediment Control Handbook](#) 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:
 - a. 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.

3. This Program has made specific revisions to the reviewed site plans. These revisions are clearly marked in red on the reviewed plans. This project must take place in compliance with these revisions which includes revised sheet numbers and a revised limit of disturbance to provide a ten-foot construction envelope around the dwelling. The revised limit of disturbance is shown on Sheet 1 of 2.
4. All cut paths within freshwater wetlands, including the 50-foot perimeter wetland, must be allowed to continue to revegetate naturally without further mowing or manicuring.

Please note that this Determination is specific to this proposed project as illustrated on the reviewed site plans, is valid for four years (4) years from the date of this letter and does not remove your obligation to obtain any local, state or federal approvals or permits required by ordinance or law.

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 250-RICR-150-15-1.

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 Sophie Clode of this Office (telephone: 401-222-6820, ext. 2777419) should you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Nancy L. Freeman

Nancy L. Freeman, Principal Environmental Scientist
Freshwater Wetlands Program
Office of Water Resources

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Enclosure: Reviewed Site Plan

c: Marcus Channell, Atlas Land Surveying, LLC
Kenneth Cole, Ninigret Environmental, LLC