



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

July 13, 2023

BCB Realty, LLC  
c/o Benjamin Brouillard  
PO Box 780  
Charlestown, RI 02813

**Insignificant Alteration – Permit**

Re: Application No. 22-0291 for the property and project located:

Approximately 165 feet southeast from Kenyon School Road at Utility Pole #1468 ½, and approximately 860 feet northeast from the intersection of Kenyon School Road and Lewiston Avenue, Assessor's Plat 10E, Lot 44-2, Richmond, RI.

Dear Mr. Brouillard:

Kindly be advised that the Department of Environmental Management's ("DEM") Freshwater Wetlands Program ("Program") has completed its review of your **Request for Preliminary Determination** application. This review included a site inspection of the above referenced property ("subject property") and an evaluation of the proposed commercial trades building, onsite wastewater treatment system (OWTS), private well and waterline, parking area, stormwater management features, retaining wall, grading, landscaping, screen plantings, temporary erosion controls, and wetland buffer markers as illustrated and detailed on site plans submitted with your application. Sheet 1 and 4 of these site plans were received on January 31, 2023, Sheets 2 and 3 were received on June 2, 2023, and Sheet 5 was received on June 26, 2023.

Our observations of the subject property, review of the site plans and evaluation of the proposed project reveals that alterations of freshwater wetlands are proposed. However, pursuant to 250-RICR-150-15-1.9 of the Rules and Regulations Governing the Administration and Enforcement of the Fresh Water Wetlands Act, 250-RICR-150-15-1, this project may be permitted as an **insignificant alteration** to freshwater wetlands under the following terms and conditions:

Terms and Conditions for Wetlands Application No. 22-0291:

1. This letter is the DEM's permit for this project under the R.I. Fresh Water Wetlands Act, R.I. Gen. Laws § 2-1-18 et seq.
2. This permit is specifically limited to the project, site alterations and limits of disturbance as detailed on the site plans submitted with your application. Sheet 1 and 4 of these site plans were received by the DEM on January 31, 2023, Sheets 2 and 3 were received on June 2, 2023, and Sheet 5 was received on June 26, 2023. A copy of the site plans stamped approved by the DEM is enclosed. Changes or revisions to the project that would alter freshwater wetlands are not authorized without a permit from the DEM.

3. Where the terms and conditions of the permit conflict with the approved site plans, these terms and conditions shall be deemed to supersede the site plans.
4. You must notify this Program in writing of the anticipated start date, and of your contractor's contact information, by submitting the Notice of Start of Construction Form prior to commencement of any permitted site alterations or construction activity. You must also notify this Program in writing upon completion of the project. The Start of Construction Form can be found on the webpage: [dem.ri.gov/stormwaterconstruction](http://dem.ri.gov/stormwaterconstruction).
5. A copy of the stamped approved site plans and a copy of this permit must be kept at the site at all times during site preparation, construction, and final stabilization. Copies of this permit and the stamped approved plans must be made available for review by any DEM or town representative upon request.
6. Within ten (10) days of the receipt of this permit, you must record this permit in the land evidence records of the Town of Richmond and supply this Program with written documentation obtained from the Town showing this permit was recorded.
7. The effective date of this permit is the date this letter was issued. This permit expires four (4) years from the date of this letter unless renewed pursuant to the Rules.
8. Any material utilized in this project must be clean and free of matter that could pollute any freshwater wetland.
9. Prior to commencement of site alterations, you shall erect or post a sign resistant to the weather and at least twelve (12) inches wide and eighteen (18) inches long, which boldly identifies the initials "DEM" and the application number of this permit. This sign must be maintained at the site in a conspicuous location until such time that the project is complete.
10. Temporary erosion and sediment controls detailed or described on the approved site plans shall be properly installed at the site prior to or commensurate with site alterations. Such controls shall be properly maintained, replaced, supplemented, or modified as necessary throughout the life of this project to minimize soil erosion and to prevent sediment from being deposited in any wetlands not subject to disturbance under this permit.
11. Upon permanent stabilization of all disturbed soils, temporary erosion and/or sediment controls must be removed.
12. You are responsible for the proper installation, operation, maintenance and stability of any mitigative features, stormwater treatment facilities, and systems of treatment and control that are installed or used in compliance with this permit to prevent harm to adjacent wetlands until documentation is provided that this responsibility has been assigned to another entity. The long-term "Operation and Maintenance Plan" (O & M Plan) shall be strictly followed. The long-term O & M Plan shall be that entitled "**Long Term Operation & Maintenance Plan Report** Vision Landscaping Storage Barn Kenyon School Road Plat 10E/Lot 44-2 Richmond, Rhode Island" w/Date of Original submittal: June 24, 2022 Revised: January 25, 2023.
13. You are obligated to install, utilize and follow all best management practices detailed or described on the approved site plans in the construction of the project to minimize or prevent adverse impacts to any adjacent freshwater wetlands and the functions and values provided by such wetlands.

14. All plantings of shrubs, trees or other forms of vegetation as shown or detailed on the approved plans, or detailed in this permit, must be installed as soon as possible after completion of final grading; weather and season permitting. You must notify this Program in writing upon completion of the required plantings for a compliance inspection by a Program representative.
15. Buffer zone plantings of trees and/or shrubs proposed between the project and any adjacent freshwater wetland areas, except for necessary replacement, must be allowed to develop naturally without being subjected to mowing or manicuring.
16. Any plantings which fail to survive one full growing season shall be replaced. Replacement plantings shall be similarly guaranteed for one full growing season.
17. You must provide written certification from a registered land surveyor or registered professional engineer that the stormwater drainage system including any and all basins, piping systems, catch basins, culverts, swales and any other stormwater management control features have been constructed/installed in accordance with the site plans approved by this permit. This written certification must be submitted to this Program within twenty (20) days of its request or upon completion of the project.
18. If at any time during this project there is evidence of a "Recognized Environmental Concern" as defined in ASTM E-1527-13, soils must be sampled to determine if they exceed the soil objectives outlined in 250-RICR-140-30-1, "*Rules and Regulations for the Investigation and Remediation of Hazardous Material Releases*", Rule 1.6.1(c) effective 1-8-19, ("Remediation Regulations"). If the soil sampling exceeds Table 1 or Table 2 in Rule 1.9.2 of the Remediation Regulations, the RIDEM Office of Water Resources (OWR) and Office of Land Revitalization and Sustainable Materials Management (OLRSMM) must be notified.
19. Also prior to commencement of any site alterations, permanent buffer zone markers must be installed along the limit of disturbance at the locations indicated in red ink on the approved site plans, in order to provide permanent reference points on site that are clear to present and future property owners. Acceptable permanent type markers include 4" x 4" pressure treated timber posts, galvanized fence posts with cap, or granite or concrete bounds. Markers must extend a minimum twenty-four (24) inches above grade. A permanent-type tag or sign labeled "RIDEM Buffer Zone" must be placed on each marker. A permanent-type fence at least twenty-four (24) inches tall placed along the limits of disturbance and similarly labeled may be substituted where desired. No alterations of any kind are permitted beyond these markers without first obtaining the necessary permit from this Program.
20. Immediately upon installation of the buffer zone markers, this Program must be contacted to arrange an on-site inspection. Once proper installation has been confirmed by this Program, work may be initiated on the project as herein approved.
21. This Program has made specific revisions to the approved site plans. These revisions are clearly marked in red on Sheets 2 (LandSaver 1633 has been crossed-out and replaced with ADS StormTech SC-160LP and the dimensions revised to read 73.7' x 10.5') and on Sheet 5 (Note Nos. 4 and 5 have been amended under the BMP #2 Drywell detail to read "shall") of the approved plans. This project must take place in compliance with these revisions.

Pursuant to the provisions in 250-RICR-150-15-1.7(A)(9) and 250-RICR-150-15-1.11(D), as applicable, any properly recorded and valid permit is automatically transferred to the new owner upon sale of the property.

You are required to comply with the terms and conditions of this permit and to carry out this project in compliance with the Rules at all times. Failure to do so may result in an enforcement action by this Department.

In permitting the proposed alterations, the DEM assumes no responsibility for damages resulting from faulty design or construction.

This permit does not remove your obligation to obtain any local, state, or federal approvals or permits required by ordinance or law and does not relieve you from any duties owed to adjacent landowners with specific reference to any changes in drainage.

Please contact Sophie Clode of this office (telephone: 401-222-6820, ext. 2777419) should you have any questions regarding this letter.

Sincerely,



Nancy L. Freeman, Environmental Scientist III  
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Freshwater Wetlands Program

Enclosure: Approved site plans

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