



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

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OneMetro, LLC
Michael Integlia, Jr. Member/Manager
164 Centerville Road
Warwick RI, 02886

RE: Application No. **23-0203** in reference to the property located:

Approximately 250-feet east of Metro Center Boulevard and approximately 350-feet southeast of Metro Center Boulevard and its intersection with Kilvert Street, Assessor's Plat 278, Lot 145, Warwick, RI.

Dear Mr. Integlia:

Kindly be advised that the Department of Environmental Management's ("DEM") Freshwater Wetlands Program ("Program") has completed its review of your Request to verify freshwater wetland edges. 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 October 31, 2023.

Per Rule 250-RICR-150-15-3.23, the **Statewide Buffer Zone Designation, your property falls within:**

- Urban Region

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 and other jurisdictional areas are regulated by this Department and include, but are not limited to, at least the following types:

Jurisdictional Areas:

- Freshwater Wetlands (see below)
- Buffer: All areas of undeveloped vegetated land adjacent to a freshwater wetland that is to be retained in its natural undisturbed condition or is to be created to resemble a naturally occurring vegetated area. For the purpose of defining buffer in these Rules, "adjacent to" means land area within the buffer zone.
- Floodplain
- Contiguous areas that extend one-hundred feet (100') from the edge of all other freshwater wetlands

Freshwater Wetlands and associated Statewide Buffer Zone Designation (include at least the following types):

- A-Series: Deciduous-forested Swamp and its 25-foot buffer zone. Buffer zone extended to 50-feet where the Phragmites marsh falls within 50-feet of the wetland edge (at least associated with on-site flags A-23 through A-25 and associated with at least off-site flag A-26 and beyond).

- B-Series: Pond and its 25-foot buffer zone
- C-Series: Wet meadow and its 25-foot buffer zone
- Phragmites marsh (off the subject property)
- River (Three Pond Brook) and 200-foot JA (off-site)

The DEM has completed an inspection and review of the wetland edges delineated by you on-site and are referenced as Flag Numbers C1-C7, B8-B29, A23-A25, and A40-A45. Please note that flags A26, A39, A46, A47 and A48 fall outside of the subject property lines. Although off-site flags are not verified, they appear generally accurate where observed. It is our determination that:

The wetland edges delineated on-site are accurate. These wetland edges have been shown on the site plan submitted with your application and are referenced as: Wetland Flag C-Series 1-7, B-Series 8-29, and A-Series 23-25 and 40-45.

Please note that the site plan scale is not labeled correctly and should read 1-inch = 40-feet. Please ensure that this is corrected on any future site plans. The scale has been corrected on the RIDEM file copy.

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-RICR150-15-3, a permit is required from this Program prior to the commencement of any activity which impacts or alters freshwater wetlands.

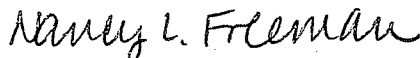
This Program assumes that the edges of freshwater wetlands, as flagged or marked on site, have been accurately surveyed and portrayed on site plans submitted in support of your application. This Program makes no guarantee or representation that such survey is accurate.

In addition, you should note that freshwater wetlands are present on this property which may be regulated under Section 404 of the Clean Water Act (Federal Water Pollution Control Act, as amended 33 U.S.C. 1344). Accordingly, a permit may be required from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers for alteration of these wetland areas.

In accordance with 250-RICR-150-15-3.9.3(H), this verification of the delineated edge of freshwater wetlands is valid for a limited period of five (5) years from the date of issue.

Please contact Sam Dufresne of this Office telephone: (401-222-6820, ext. 277-7275) should you have any questions regarding this letter.

Sincerely,



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