



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

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Rhode Island Army National Guard  
Elizabeth Lyndon Shorr  
2841 South County Trail  
East Greenwich, RI 02818

**RE:** Application No. **25-0065** in reference to the property located:

Within Camp Fogarty Training Site, approximately 950 feet west of South County Trail, approximately 2,250 feet northwest of its intersection with South Road, Assessor's Plat 18, Lot 95, East Greenwich RI.

Dear Ms. Lyndon Shorr:

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 by the DEM on March 4, 2025.

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

- **River Protection Region 2**

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 outward two-hundred feet (200') from the edge of a river or stream.
- Contiguous areas that extend one-hundred feet (100') from the edge of all other freshwater wetlands.
- Areas subject to storm flowage (ASSF).

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

- **Swamp** (A series flagging) – between 1 and 10 acres – and associated **50-foot Buffer Zone**
  - An additional 25 feet of buffer zone is adjacent to flags A8-A10 and A53 & A54 due to a stream within 50 feet of wetland edge (**75-foot Buffer Zone** at these flags).
- **Swamp** (C series flagging) – less than 1 acre – and associated **25-foot Buffer Zone**.
- **Stream** – located near flags A53, A10 and flowing southeast, dissipating nearest flag A8 – and associated **100-foot Buffer Zone**.

The DEM has completed an inspection and review of the wetland edges delineated by you on-site and are referenced as Flag Nos A1-A61, B1-B7, and C1-C10. It is our determination that those wetland edges delineated on-site are substantially accurate. Corrections and/or modifications to the delineated edge are required, however, which include the following:

- Wetland flags FA45-A51 delineate an ASSF, not swamp. This wetland type does not have a buffer zone.
- Wetland flags B1-B7 can be removed from the site plan, as wetland was not found in this area.

Please note that our inspection of the subject property has revealed the presence of other freshwater wetlands not specifically delineated by you. Therefore, you should not infer that any verification of wetland edges carried out by this Department to date represents a determination that this is the extent of all wetlands or jurisdictional areas on your property. The Department has verified only those edges delineated and shown by you on-site and on the site plans submitted with your application and as qualified in this letter. Should you wish to verify the edge of additional wetlands, a new application will be required.

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 Lucianna Faraone Coccia of this Office telephone: (401-537-4225) should you have any questions regarding this letter.

Sincerely,



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