



RHODE ISLAND DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT

OFFICE OF WATER RESOURCES

235 Promenade Street
Providence, Rhode Island 02908

June 13, 2024

Martha Rohrer
1050 Tuckertown Road
South Kingstown, Rhode Island, 02879

RE: Application No. **24-0077** in reference to the property located:

Approximately 750 feet northwest of Curtis Corner Road, Utility Pole No. 45, and approximately 930 feet northeast of its intersection with South Road, Assessor's Plat 39-3, Lot 7, South Kingstown, RI.

Dear Ms. Rohrer:

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 May 6, 2024.

Per Rule 250-RICR-150-15-3.23, the **Statewide Buffer Zone Designation, the wetlands on your property fall 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.
- 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:

- Swamps:
 - Forested swamp (B-series wetland), greater than 10 acres = **75-foot Buffer Zone.**
 - Shrub swamp (A-series wetland), 1 acre or more = **75-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. B1-1 through B1-13, B2-1 through B2-26 and A1-A14. It is our determination that the wetland edges delineated on-site are substantially accurate. Corrections and/or modifications to the delineated edge are required, however, which include the following:

- Relocate flag B2-9 twelve feet (12') southwest.

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.

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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