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DEP WQC APPLICATION # 25-WW09-0009-AMD
DEP File # 255-0874
EEA # 16571
NAE-2021-02497
401 WQC Amendment Application Complete: 5/1/25

RE: 401 WATER QUALITY CERTIFICATION – AMENDMENT # 2
Application for: BRP WW 09
WATER QUALITY CERTIFICATION FOR DREDGING – MINOR PROJECT

AT: Lowes Pond Dam – Oxford
French River Basin

Dear Mr. Salomaa:

The Department of Environmental Protection (“MassDEP”) has received your request, dated April 28, 2025, to modify the previously issued 401 WQC for the above-referenced project. This modification is necessary to approve the design changes required for a new dewatering technique. This revised approach will result in the dredging of approximately 60 cubic yards of sediment, which will be transported to an appropriate off-site facility. Although 401 WQC Amendment Application # 25-WW09-0009-AMD was generated for this request, this amendment will also be tracked under the project’s initial 401 WQC Application # 23-WW08-0018-APP and Authorization # WW08-0000046.

The change to the original 401 WQC will be the addition of the following conditions.

Condition 4 b. All work shall be performed in accordance with the following additional documents and plans: [Pursuant to 314 CMR 9.05(1), this condition is necessary as these documents outline how the execution of the project will meet the criteria of 314 CMR 9.07 thereby protecting water quality and preventing degradation to wetlands and waters of the Commonwealth]:

- Application for Amendment of 401 WQC for Dredging, DEP Application # 25-WW09-0009-AMD, dated April 28, 2025, as revised through May 1, 2025, with attachments.
- Plan entitled “MassDCR Abandoned Dams, Lowes Pond Dam, Contract No. P19-3264-D4A,” consisting of 3 sheets, various scales, received by MassDEP on May 1, 2025, signed and stamped by Douglas B. Gove, Jr., PE, and attached to this 401 WQC Amendment.

Condition 16. All sediment management activities authorized under this 401 WQC shall be conducted under the supervision of a Licensed Site Professional (“LSP”). Pursuant to 314 CMR 9.02, this condition is necessary to ensure that the management of the contaminated sediment is overseen by a Qualified Environmental Professional.

In accordance with the provisions of Section 401 of the Federal Clean Water Act as amended (33 U.S.C. § 1251 *et seq.*), M.G.L. c. 21, §§ 26-53, and 314 CMR 9.00, MassDEP has determined there is reasonable assurance the project or activity, as conditioned herein, will be conducted in a manner which will not violate applicable water quality standards (314 CMR 4.00) and other appropriate requirements of state law.

This letter serves as Amendment # 2 of 401 WQC Application # 23-WW08-0018-APP. Notwithstanding the additional conditions, all conditions included in the original 401 WQC and Amendment # 1 for this project shall remain in force. Failure to comply with this 401 WQC is grounds for enforcement, including civil and criminal penalties, under M.G.L. c. 21 § 42, 314 CMR 9.00, M.G.L. c. 21A § 16, 310 CMR 5.00, or other possible actions/penalties as authorized by the General Laws of the Commonwealth.

Should you have any questions, please contact Derek Standish at (617) 875-3843 [derek.standish@mass.gov].

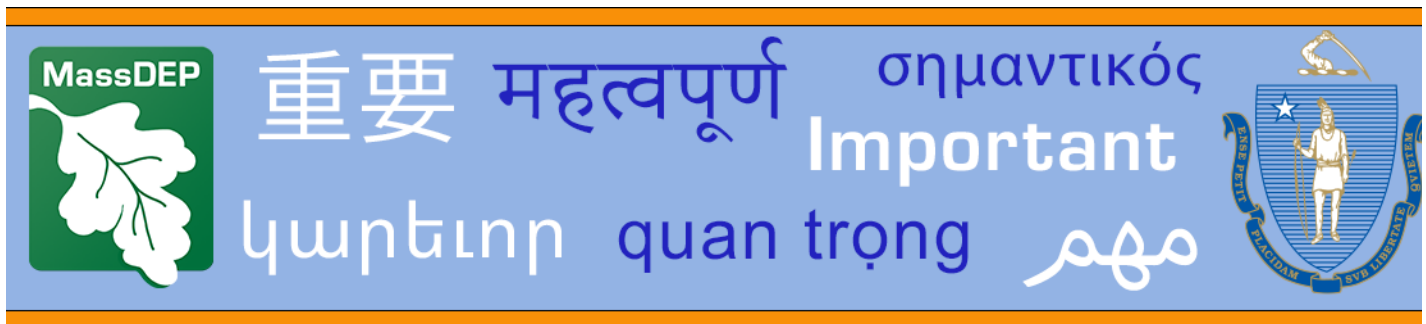
Sincerely,



Lisa Rhodes
Wetlands Program Chief

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attachments: Communication for Non-English Speaking Parties document
Plans of Record



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Contact Deneen Simpson 857-406-0738

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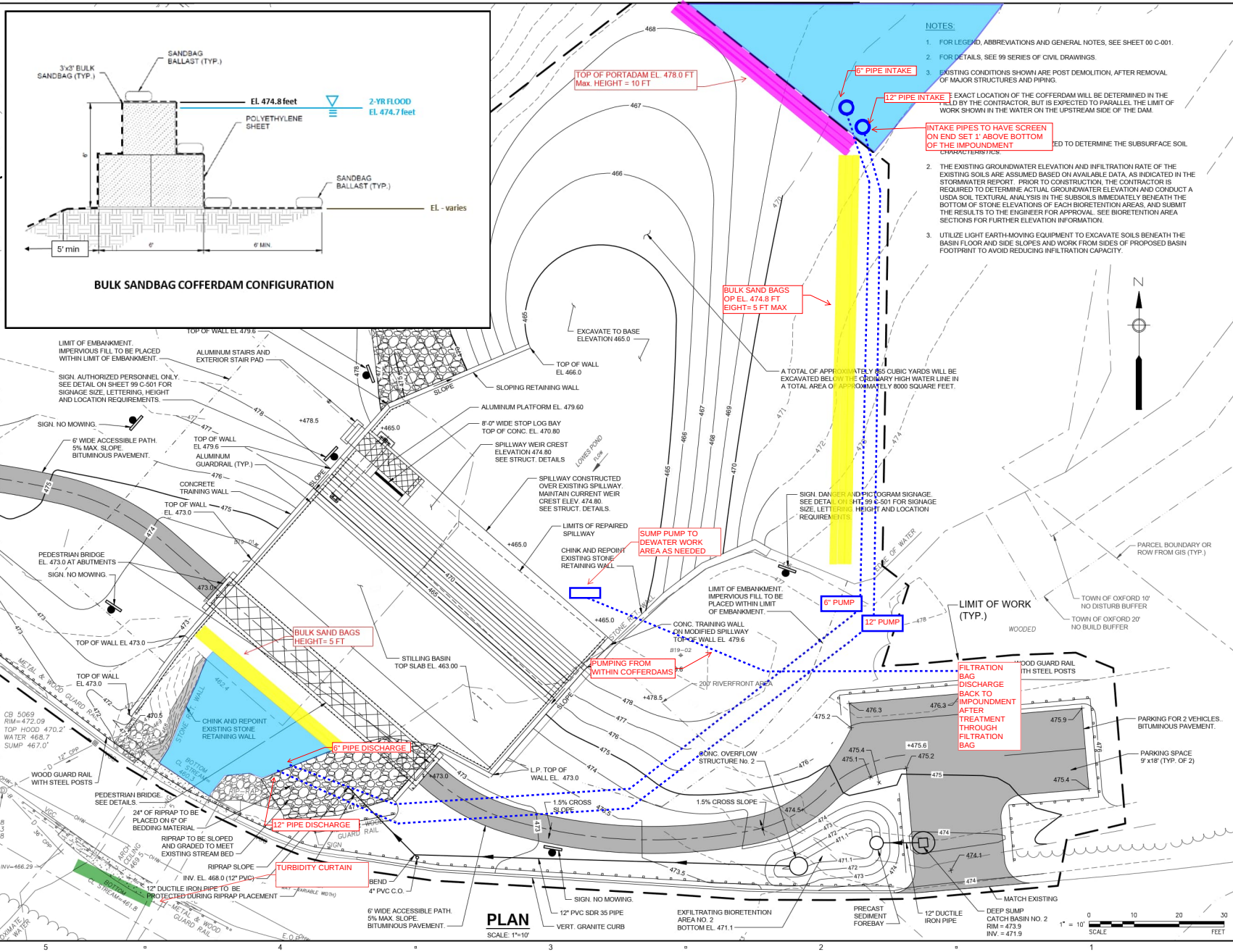
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