

## The State of New Hampshire

## **Department of Environmental Services**



## Robert R. Scott, Commissioner

May 10, 2024

GOODHUE MEREDITH REAL PROPERTY LLC 31 LOVEJOY SANDS RD MEREDITH NH 03253

Re: Request for More Information – Standard Dredge and Fill Wetlands Permit Application (RSA 482-A)

NHDES File Number: 2024-00754

Subject Property: 31 Lovejoy Sands Rd, Meredith, Tax Map #U35, Lot #11

## Dear Applicant:

On May 10, 2024, the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services (NHDES) Wetlands Bureau reviewed the above-referenced Standard Dredge and Fill Wetlands Permit Application (Application). Pursuant to RSA 482-A:3, XIV(a)(2) and Rules Env-Wt 100 through 900, NHDES Wetlands Bureau determined the following additional information is required to complete its evaluation of the Application:

- 1- The project requires mitigation in accordance with Env-Wt 313.04(a)(2). Please schedule a pre-application meeting with the mitigation team in accordance with Env-Wt 311.02.
- 2- In accordance with RSA 482-A:3, XIV, (a)2, address all concerns and comments raised in the attached package.
- 3- The Department did not receive a full set of plans for the proposed project, specify sheet C2.2 which provides important details needed to conduct a technical review of the proposed dock reconstruct project.
- 4- In accordance with Env-Wt 513.07, please provide the items required by the municipal review.
- 5- In accordance with RSA 482-A:3, XIII(a) and Env-Wt 513.10, all docking structure shall be located 20 feet from abutting property line. Boat docking facilities may be located closer than 20 feet from an abutter's property line in non-tidal waters and 20 feet in tidal waters, if the owner of the boat docking facility obtains the written consent of the abutting property owner. Such consent shall be signed by all parties, notarized and filed with the dock application with the department of environmental services.
- 6- In accordance with RSA 482-A:3, XIII(b), boat docking facilities may be perpendicular or parallel to the shoreline or extend at some other angle into a water body, depending on the needs of the landowners, factors related to safe navigation, and the difficulty of construction. However, any boat secured to such a dock shall not extend beyond the extension of the abutter's property line. Please make any necessary modification to ensure a boat or boatslip does not pass extend beyond the extension of the abutter's property line.
- 7- There appears to be a proposal to modify the town docks, please clarify the limits of the proposed project.
- 8- The applicant has claimed that the total existing boat slips along the frontage are 102, please provide evidence by illustrating on an existing condition plan the location of all 102 slips along the frontage. Same applies to the proposed docking structure.

- 9- The proposed docking structure modification does not meet the criteria of Env-Wt 513.23. Revise the plan and project proposal to demonstrate that the proposed dock modification will provide fewer boat slips and less deck area over public submerged lands than the existing docking structure.
- 10- In accordance with Env-Wt 513.16(a)(3), demonstrate how the proposed dock modification has been designed to avoid being a hazard to navigation of public waters.
- 11- In accordance with Env-Wt 513.16(a), please demonstrate that the marina reconstruction has been designed to address (1) Minimize its visual impact on abutters and users of the surface water; (2) Contain any leakage or spills of fuels, lubricants, waste products, or other pollutants from all marina operations; (3) Not represent a hazard to navigation; (4) Have designated areas for washing or other cleaning of watercraft; (5) Control and treat storm water; and (6) Include at least one pump-out facility for the removal of wastes from on-board receptacles that receive and retain wastes from toilets, sinks, showers, and other on-board sources of sewage or graywater.
- 12- In accordance with Env-Wt 513.16(b), please submit plans that shows (1) The location and specifications of any abrasive blasting, painting, or hull sanding operations; (2) The locations and specifications of (a)(4) through (6), above; and (3) The location and method for disposing of used oil and other waste products.
- 13- Address how the proposed dug-in basin meets the approval criteria of Env-Wt 515.03.
- 14- The proposed boat launch is within 50 feet of the northern abutting property line. Request for approval of a smaller set-back must be submitted in accordance with Env-Wt 518.06,(a-b)
- 15- In accordance with Env-Wt 518.04, demonstrate how the proposed boat launch will provide a public benefit in terms of navigation, rights of public passage, and the rights of the general public to use the resource accessed by the boat launch for commerce and recreation.
- 16- Provide a report explaining the expected use of the launch, including details on the type, size, and number of watercraft expected to use the launch facility and the impact the increased boat traffic may have on navigation as required by Env-Wt 518.05(b).
- 17- In accordance with Env-Wt 518.05(c) provide the following:
  - a. The proposed launch surface including the type and depth of any bedding material placed to received and support the launch surface;
  - b. The proposed height, width, and construction type of any proposed rip-rap or retaining wall associated with the stabilization of the bank where it is to be cut or filled to accommodate the launch surface; and
  - c. Required stormwater diversion methods and drainage associated with proposed launch. (Env-Wt 518.06(d).

Please submit the required information as soon as practicable. Pursuant to RSA 482-A:3, XIV(a)(2), the required information must be received by NHDES Wetlands Bureau within 60 days of the date of this request (no later than July 9, 2024), or the Application will be denied. Should additional time be necessary to submit the required information, an extension of the 60-day time period may be requested. Requests for additional time must be received prior to the

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deadline in order to be approved. In accordance with applicable statutes and regulations, the applicant is also expected to provide copies of the required information to the municipal clerk and all other interested parties.

Pursuant to RSA 482-A:3, XIV(a)(3), NHDES Wetlands Bureau will approve or deny the Application within 30 days of receipt of all required information, or schedule a public hearing, if required by RSA 482-A or associated rules.

If you have any questions, please contact me at Calvin.Diessner@des.nh.gov or (603) 271-4067.

Sincerely,

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Municipal Clerk/Conservation Commission