

The State of New Hampshire

Department of Environmental Services



Robert R. Scott, Commissioner

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WETLANDS AND NON-SITE SPECIFIC PERMIT 2019-03033

NOTE CONDITIONS

PERMITTEE: NH DEPT OF TRANSPORTATION

C/O ANDREW O'SULLIVAN

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CONCORD NH 03302

PROJECT LOCATION: MEREDITH NECK ROAD, RIGHT-OF-WAY, MEREDITH

TAX MAP #S05, LOT #ROW

WATERBODY: PAGE BROOK

APPROVAL DATE: AUGUST 11, 2020 EXPIRATION DATE: AUGUST 11, 2025

Based upon review of the above referenced application, in accordance with RSA 482-A and RSA 485-A:17, a Wetlands Permit and Non-Site Specific Permit was issued by the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services (NHDES). This permit shall not be considered valid unless signed as specified below.

PERMIT DESCRIPTION: Dredge and fill 365 square feet (SF) within the bed and banks of Page Brook (tier 3, impacting 136 linear feet [LF]) in order to replace an existing 4.8-foot-tall by 4.2-foot-wide by 27-foot-long concrete arch culvert with a 4-foot-tall by 8-foot-wide by 30-foot-long box culvert with 12-inches of embedded stream simulation.

THIS APPROVAL IS SUBJECT TO THE FOLLOWING PROJECT SPECIFIC CONDITIONS:

- 1. All work shall be in accordance with plans by Stoney Ridge Environmental, LLC., dated May 28, 2019, and with plans by the New Hampshire Department of Transportation (NHDOT) revised through January 10, 2020, as received by the NH Department of Environmental Services (NHDES) on July 15, 2020. Any revisions to the plans shall be submitted and approved by the NHDES Wetlands Bureau prior to initiation of work.
- 2. This permit is contingent on review and approval, by the NHDES Wetlands Bureau, of final stream diversion/erosion control plans. Those plans shall detail the timing and method of stream flow diversion during construction, and show temporary siltation/erosion/turbidity control measures to be implemented.
- 3. This permit is not valid until the applicant/owner obtains construction easements on abutting parcels or written permission from abutting property owners if work is beyond the ROW. The permittee shall submit a copy of each recorded easement to the NHDES Wetlands Bureau prior to construction.
- 4. No person undertaking any activity shall cause or contribute to, or allow the activity to cause or contribute to, any violations of the surface water quality standards in RSA 485-A and Env-Wq 1700.
- 5. Any further alteration of areas on this property that are subject to RSA 482-A jurisdiction will require a new application and further permitting.
- 6. Work shall be done during low flow and in dry conditions.
- 7. Appropriate siltation and erosion controls shall be in place prior to construction, shall be maintained during construction, and shall remain until the area is stabilized. Temporary controls shall be removed once the area has been stabilized.

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- 8. Appropriate turbidity controls shall be installed prior to construction, shall be maintained during construction such that no turbidity escapes the immediate dredge area, and shall remain until suspended particles have settled and water at the work site has returned to normal clarity.
- 9. Erosion control products shall be installed per manufacturers recommended specifications.
- 10. Work shall be conducted in a manner so as to minimize turbidity and sedimentation to surface waters and wetlands.
- 11. All dredged and excavated material and construction-related debris shall be placed outside of the areas subject to RSA 482-A. Any spoil material deposited within 250 feet of any surface water shall comply with RSA-483-B.
- 12. The contractor responsible for completion of the work shall use techniques described in the New Hampshire Stormwater Manual, Volume 3, Erosion and Sediment Controls During Construction (December 2008).
- 13. Prior to commencing work on a substructure located within surface waters, the permittee or permittee's contractors shall construct a cofferdam to isolate the substructure work area from the surface waters.
- 14. Cofferdams shall not be installed during periods of high flow, whether due to seasonal runoff or precipitation. Once the cofferdam is fully effective, confined work can proceed without restriction.
- 15. Work within the stream, inclusive of work associated with installation of a cofferdam, shall be done during periods of low flow only. The permittee shall monitor local weather forecasts to avoid working during or following precipitation events.
- 16. Discharge from dewatering of work areas shall be to sediment basins that are: a) located in uplands; b) lined with hay bales or other acceptable sediment trapping liners; c) set back as far as possible from wetlands and surface waters, with a preferred undisturbed vegetated buffer of at least 50 feet and a minimum undisturbed vegetative buffer of 20 feet.
- 17. The temporary cofferdam shall be entirely removed within 2 days after work within the cofferdam is completed and water has returned to normal clarity.
- 18. Construction equipment shall be inspected daily for leaking fuel, oil, and hydraulic fluid prior to entering surface waters or wetlands or operating in an area where such fluids could reach groundwater, surface waters, or wetlands.
- 19. The permittee's contractor shall maintain appropriate oil/diesel fuel spill kits on site that are readily accessible at all times during construction, and shall train each operator in the use of the kits.
- 20. All refueling of equipment shall occur outside of surface waters or wetlands during construction. Machinery shall be staged and refueled in upland areas only.
- 21. Faulty equipment shall be repaired immediately prior to entering areas that are subject to RSA 482-A jurisdiction.
- 22. Proper headwalls shall be constructed within seven days of culvert installation.
- 23. Any fill used shall be clean sand, gravel, rock, or other suitable material.
- 24. The recreated stream channel bed must maintain a natural and consistent streambed elevation and not impede stream flow or aquatic organism passage.
- 25. Native material removed from the streambed during culvert installation shall be stockpiled separately and reused to emulate a natural channel bottom within the culvert, between wing walls, and beyond. Any imported material shall be well-graded and properly sized to match the native material found upstream and downstream of the proposed construction. All stones shall be round, without fractures, and washed in with sand and fines.
- 26. Materials used to emulate a natural channel bottom must be consistent with the streambed materials identified in the reference reach, and shall not include angular riprap or gravel unless specifically identified on the approved plans.
- 27. The permittee/permittee's contractor shall restore the banks to their original grades and to a stable condition within three days of completion of construction. Angular rock shall not be used unless it is on the approved plans.
- 28. Bank stabilization shall not extend land into the stream/river channel.
- 29. Within three days of final grading or temporary suspension of work in an area that is in or adjacent to wetlands or surface waters, all exposed soil areas shall be stabilized by seeding and mulching during the growing season, or if not within the growing season, by mulching with tackifiers on slopes less than 3:1 or netting and pinning on slopes steeper than 3:1.

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GENERAL CONDITIONS THAT APPLY TO ALL NHDES WETLANDS PERMITS:

- 1. A copy of this permit shall be posted on site during construction in a prominent location visible to inspecting personnel;
- 2. This permit does not convey a property right, nor authorize any injury to property of others, nor invasion of rights of others;
- 3. The NHDES Wetlands Bureau shall be notified upon completion of work;
- 4. This permit does not relieve the applicant from the obligation to obtain other local, state or federal permits, and/or consult with other agencies as may be required (including US EPA, US Army Corps of Engineers, NH Department of Transportation, NH Division of Historical Resources (NH Department of Cultural Resources), NHDES Alteration of Terrain, etc.);
- 5. Transfer of this permit to a new owner shall require notification to and approval by NHDES;
- 6. This project has been screened for potential impacts to **known** occurrences of protected species and exemplary natural communities in the immediate area. Since many areas have never been surveyed, or have only received cursory inventories, unidentified sensitive species or communities may be present. This permit does not absolve the permittee from due diligence in regard to state, local or federal laws regarding such communities or species;

APPROVED:

Kristin Duclos Wetlands Bureau

Land Resources Management

7. Review enclosed sheet for status of the US Army Corps of Engineers' federal wetlands permit.

BY SIGNING BELOW, I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT I HAVE FULLY READ THIS PERMIT AND AGREE TO ABIDE BY ALL PERMIT CONDITIONS.	
DWNER'S SIGNATURE (required)	CONTRACTOR'S SIGNATURE (required)