



December 31, 2024

Reading Conservation Commission
16 Lowell St
Reading, MA 01867

Re: 32 Harvard St – Notice of Intent
DEP File #270-0790

Dear Members of the Conservation Commission,

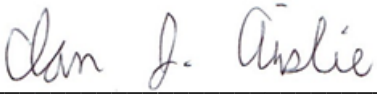
Meisner Brem Corporation has revised the Notice of Intent Plan based on feedback received from the Commission and Conservation Administrator. This revision is labeled “Revision 1” and is intended to address all comments received to-date. Please see below for an explanation of each revision:

- 1.** Two underground Cultec chambers are added to store & infiltrate roof runoff from the rear of the house and screen porch. Details of the chambers and downspouts are added to the plan.
- 2.** A replanting/renaturalization area is added to the rear of the property along the wetland. This area is 3 ft wide along the wetland edge (and within the wetland near flags 4A-7A since this area is pre-existing lawn). A planting schedule is shown on the plan depicting New England conservation seed mix, highbush blueberry shrubs, sheep laurel shrubs, and red osier dogwood shrubs. Three signs are shown to be installed at the edge of the replanting area stating “Conservation Planting Area – Do Not Mow.”
- 3.** The label for the yard regrading now states that no regrading shall take place within 5 feet of the wetland.
- 4.** A note is added stating that debris and other materials previously placed within the wetland shall be removed.
- 5.** A note is added stating that the existing paved driveway shall be used as the construction entrance.
- 6.** The material stockpile location is now shown on the plan. The stockpile will be located in front of the house, away from the wetland.
- 7.** A second line of filter sock erosion control is added directly behind the house and along the 25 ft Zone of Natural Vegetation (ZNV). The plan states that this line of filter sock is to be used for the majority of the project. The line of filter sock nearest the wetland shall only be utilized for the rear yard work. The intent of this is to keep the limit of work further from the wetland as long as possible during the course of construction.

- 8.** The plan now states that hydroseeding will be used for stabilization (rather than sodding).
- 9.** The proposed paver walkways are now shown to be pervious pavers. A detail is added to the plan. The total net increase in impervious area is now 19 SF, compared to 279 SF on the prior version of the plan.
- 10.** A rain barrel is added to collect water from a portion of the roof, at the homeowner's request. The rain barrel will be used for irrigation.
- 11.** A note is added stating that excavation and demolition material not to be re-used shall be removed from the site as soon as practicable.

We look forward to discussing these revisions at your next hearing.

Very Truly Yours,
MEISNER BREM CORPORATION



Ian Ainslie, PE

cc: Eleanor & Adam Shonkoff (Applicant/Owner);