



March 3, 2025

Reading Conservation Commission
C/O Charles Tirone, Director
16 Lowell St
Reading, MA 01867

Re: Minor Plan Modification – Fence & Berm
246 & 248 Walnut St Subdivision
DEP File #270-0781

Dear Mr. Tirone and Members of the Commission,

A minor plan modification is requested on behalf of the applicant, Stella Construction. The request is to install a 3 ft high berm and 7 ft high fence along the southwestern property line. Please see the included plan which depicts the modification in a blue color.

The berm and fence are intended to act as a visual and noise barrier from I-93. There is an existing chain link fence nearby which does not provide adequate screening.

The berm would be constructed from the Walnut Street right of way to the previously approved limit of work. It should be noted that the proposed berm is located within area that was disturbed prior to this project, thus there would be no increase in the total amount of disturbed area.

The new fence would be constructed from edge of the Walnut Street right of way to the outside edge of the 25 ft Zone of Natural Vegetation. It is my understanding that fence installation is exempt from state wetland permitting and is considered a “Minor Project” under Reading’s Wetland Protection Regulations.

We look forward to discussing this modification at your next public hearing. Thank you for your consideration.

Very Truly Yours,
MEISNER BREM CORPORATION

Ian Ainslie, PE

Cc: Stella Construction