July 30, 2021

Northborough Conservation Commission Northborough Town Hall 63 Main Street Northborough, MA 01532

Re: Notice of Intent 89 School Street, Northborough (Map: 73, Parcel: 36)

Dear Northborough Conservation Commission:

Goddard Consulting, LLC (Goddard) is pleased to submit this Notice of Intent (NOI) on behalf of the applicant, Damon Accardi, for the property known as 89 School Street, in Northborough, MA 01532 (Map: 73, Parcel: 36). The applicant proposes the construction of a patio over existing lawn and gravel, directly adjacent to a single-family house. The patio is proposed within the 100-foot Buffer Zone to BVW, the 200-foot Riverfront Area to two perennial rivers, and Bordering Land Subject to Flooding. This NOI application is being filed under the Massachusetts Wetlands Protection Act (the WPA) and the Town of Northborough Wetlands Bylaw (the Bylaw).

The original and 2 copies of this application have been submitted for your review, along with a digital submittal. A list of enclosed documents is as follows:

- NOI Application (WPA Form 3)
- Wetlands Fee Transmittal Form
- Copy of Checks
- Affidavit of Service, Notification to Abutters, Certified Abutters List
- Wetland Border Report, Goddard Consulting LLC. 07/13/2021
- Orthophoto of Site, Goddard Consulting LLC. 06/16/2021
- USGS of Site, Goddard Consulting LLC. 06/16/2021
- Existing Conditions, Goddard Consulting LLC. 7/27/2021
- Proposed Conditions, Goddard Consulting LLC. 7/27/2021

1.0 Existing Conditions

The site of the proposed project consists of one land parcel totaling 0.93 acres. There is an existing single-family house with an attached deck and stairs, a shed, gravel walkway, and lawn space. Currently, heavy foot traffic has worn down a portion of lawn space adjacent to the house and created bare spots that don't grow grass. The barren soils caused by the heavy foot traffic are subject to erosion during heavy rain events and pose the risk of sediment flowing toward the downgradient wetlands.

Bordering Vegetated Wetland was delineated across the sides and back portion of the site. The wetlands are dominant in red maple, American elm, silky dogwood, winterberry, northern arrowwood, and greater bladder sedge. MA DEP data sheets are attached for further

information. The adjacent forested uplands are dominant in white ash, American elm, autumn olive, and Canada goldenrod.

The Assabet River flows along the eastern property boundary, from south to north. A tributary river flows just off-site, near the northern property boundary from west to east. The entire parcel falls within the 200-foot Riverfront Area. The existing house and driveway are within the 100-foot Riverfront Area. The western portion of the proposed patio will fall within the 100-foot Riverfront area.

According to the MassGIS data layers for NHESP, the property is not located within an Estimated Habitat of Rare Wildlife / Priority Habitat of Rare Species. No potential or certified vernal pools or Outstanding Resource Waters (ORW) are mapped within the site or immediate vicinity. The property is not within any Areas of Critical Environmental Concern (ACEC). A portion of the property does fall within FEMA 100-year floodplain "Zone A", with no base flood elevation (BFE). The flood zone encompasses the majority of the parcel excluding the area from the existing house and driveway to the southwestern corner of the lot.

2.0 Project Summary

The project proposes the construction of a patio (800 SF) over existing lawn and gravel adjacent to a single-family house. The patio is proposed within the 100-foot Buffer Zone to BVW, 200-foot Riverfront Area, and Bordering Land Subject to Flooding. At its closest point, the patio is proposed 11 feet from the BVW boundary and 75 feet from the MAHW line of a river. Erosion controls will be installed along the limit of work in the form of staked mulch stock to prevent sediment from entering the wetlands if erosion were to occur during construction.

3.0 Regulatory Compliance

The project is subject to the regulations set forth in the Wetlands Protection Act and the Northborough Wetlands Bylaw, therefore the project must comply with the performance standards for each resource area impacted. The following resource areas will be discussed below:

- Buffer Zone to Bordering Vegetated Wetlands
- 200-foot Riverfront Area
- Bordering Land Subject to Flooding

3.1 Compliance with the Bylaw

As the project proposes the construction of a patio within the 25-foot no build zone and the 100-foot Riverfront Area, it is subject to regulations under the Northborough Wetlands Bylaw. The four conditions stated below show that the project remains compliant under the Town of Northborough Wetlands Bylaw and poses no adverse risks to the resource areas, even though the patio is proposed within the 25-foot no build zone.

The Town of Northborough Wetlands Bylaw Regulations [4.2.3 General Performance Standards] states that the Commission may allow work within the 25-foot no build zone to BVW if the applicant demonstrates:

(1) alternatives have been considered and in the judgment of the Commission no practical alternative is available;

Alternatives have been considered by the Applicant, however the alternative plans would not accomplish the goal of the proposed project. The goal of the project is to replace existing lawn and gravel with a uniform patio material (pervious pavers that can infiltrate stormwater). Currently, heavy foot traffic has worn down the lawn grass and created bare spots that don't grow grass (see Photo 1 and 2).



Photo 1: The barren soils caused by heavy foot traffic pose the risk of erosion and sedimentation of the wetlands off to the left side of the photo. The proposed patio will extend from the driveway to the edge of the lawn (the footprint of the patio is shown in purple). Beyond the lawn, the topography slopes down to uplands and eventually wetlands. The patio will extend toward the stairs and a gravel area off camera to the right of the stairs.

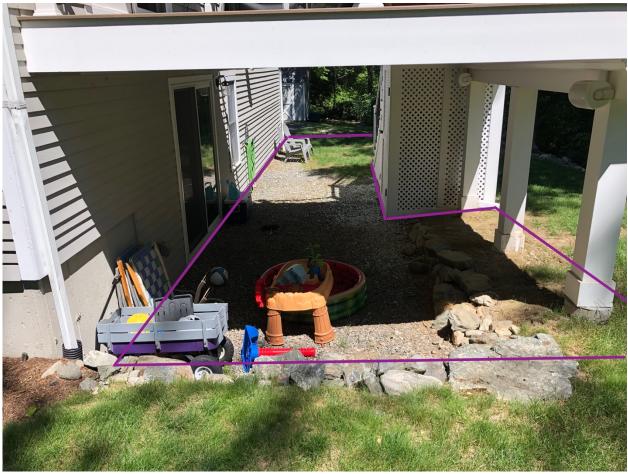


Photo 2: The proposed patio extends beneath an existing deck. Beneath the deck there is a gravel walkway and a retaining wall that will be shifted back a foot or two during the patio construction.

The area where the patio is proposed serves as an intersection between several frequently used access paths: (1) access path from the driveway to the basement door; (2) access path from the driveway to the staircase for the deck; (3) access path from the driveway to the back yard; (4) access path from the basement door to the staircase for the deck (5) access path from the basement door to the backyard (6) access path from the shed to the backyard; (7) access path from the shed to the staircase for the deck; and (8) access path from the shed to the basement door.

The barren soils caused by the heavy foot traffic are subject to erosion during heavy rain events and pose the risk of sediment flowing toward the downgradient wetlands. The patio may provide an improvement over existing conditions because it would eliminate the risk of erosion. The pervious patio pavers would allow rainwater to infiltrate between each paver, preventing the need for stormwater management features.

Alternative 1: Patio Proposed Elsewhere On The Property An alternative to installing the patio in the heavily trafficked area is installing the patio elsewhere on the property. Although this alternative would allow the Applicant to enjoy

patio space, it would not adequately address the concerns related to the heavily trafficked area with barren soils and erosion potential. No improvement to the existing condition of the access paths would occur and the Buffer Zone would remain subject to erosion and sedimentation.

Alternative 2: Patio Not Proposed, Existing Conditions Remain An alternative to installing the patio in the heavily trafficked area is not installing the patio at all. No improvement to the existing condition of the access paths would occur and the Buffer Zone would remain subject to erosion and sedimentation caused by the heavy foot traffic and barren soils.

(2) project scope and design minimize work in close proximity to resource areas;

The project scope does not encroach closer to the wetlands than previously developed areas (existing lawn). The Applicant has demonstrated that the project scope needs to be in this specific area, close to the wetlands, due to the existing configuration of the house and access paths associated with the property. Work in this area may be minimized with the installation of the patio because there will no longer be a need to apply loam and seed to the barren areas (which happens frequently).

(3) site conditions (including but not limited to slope, soil type and hydrology) will allow prevention of wetland damage from such work; and

The patio is proposed over a level area. The only slope on site is outside of the limit of work and no risks will be created as a result of construction. Erosion controls will be installed at the edge of the work area (at the top of the slope) to prevent damage to the wetland during construction.

(4) such work will not lead to encroachment on the resource area after completion of the project.

The proposed patio will not lead to encroachment on the resource areas after the completion of the project. It is proposed over an already disturbed lawn area.

3.2 Buffer Zone Compliance under the WPA

The WPA Regulations [310 CMR 10.02(2)(b)] do not contain performance standards for Buffer Zone Alteration. All reasonable efforts to avoid, minimize and mitigate adverse impacts on the Buffer Zone have been considered, but the project design requires that Buffer Zone be altered in order to achieve the desired project design. The project design does not encroach any closer to the current wetland resource areas than the existing disturbed conditions. Erosion and sedimentation controls in the form of staked mulch sock will be installed along the limit of work throughout the project area in order to prevent any siltation into the wetlands during construction.

3.3 Riverfront Area Compliance under the WPA

The project proposes +/- 800 SF of Riverfront Area impacts. +/- 565 SF of impacts will occur in the 100-foot Riverfront Area and +/- 235 SF of impacts will occur in the 200-foot Riverfront Area. The closest disturbance to the Mean Annual High Water lines of the rivers are 75 feet and 107 feet away.

The WPA Regulations [310 CMR 10.02(2)(b)(2)(e)] contain exemptions for conversions of already disturbed properties. 310 CMR 10.02(2)(b)(2) states that:

The following minor activities, provided that they comply with 310 CMR 10.02(2)(b)1., are not otherwise subject to regulation under M.G.L. c. 131, \S 40:

$[310 \ CMR \ 10.02(2)(b)(2)(e)]$ states:

The conversion of lawn to uses accessory to residential structures such as decks, sheds, patios, pools, replacement of a basement bulkhead and the installation of a ramp for compliance with accessibility requirements, provided the activity, including material staging and stockpiling is located more than 50 feet from the mean annual high-water line within the Riverfront Area, Bank or from Bordering Vegetated Wetland, whichever is farther, and erosion and sedimentation controls are implemented during construction.

According to [310 CMR 10.02(2)(b)(2)(e)], the proposed work is not subject to regulation under M.G.L. c. 131, § 40 (the WPA) because the existing lawn is will be converted to a patio (a use accessory to a residential structure) and is located more than 50 feet from the mean annual high-water line within the Riverfront Area. Erosion and sedimentation controls will be implemented during construction, along the limit of work, in the form of staked mulch sock. Therefore, Riverfront Area performance standards from section [10.58(4)] of the WPA do not need to be met for this scope of work.

3.4 Bordering Land Subject to Flooding Compliance under the WPA

A portion of the patio (130 SF) is located within Bordering Lands Subject to Flooding (Flood Zone A). The WPA Regulations [310 CMR 10.57(4)(a)] contain performance standards for Bordering Land Subject to Flooding that the project must comply with. The performance standards are numbered below with descriptions for how the project intends to comply with each respective performance standard:

1. Compensatory storage shall be provided for all flood storage volume that will be lost as the result of a proposed project within Bordering Land Subject to Flooding, when in the judgment of the issuing authority said loss will cause an increase or will contribute incrementally to an increase in the horizontal extent and level of flood waters during peak flows. Compensatory storage shall mean a volume not previously used for flood storage and shall be incrementally equal to the theoretical volume of flood water at each elevation, up to and including the 100-year flood elevation, which would be displaced by the proposed project. Such compensatory volume shall have an unrestricted hydraulic connection to the same waterway or water body. Further, with respect to waterways, such compensatory volume shall be provided within the same reach of the river, stream or creek.

No fill is proposed for the proposed construction of the patio, therefore no flood storage volume will be lost, thus no compensatory storage will be required. The patio will be constructed at existing surface elevation.

2. Work within Bordering Land Subject to Flooding, including that work required to provide the above-specified compensatory storage, shall not restrict flows so as to cause an increase in flood stage or velocity.

The proposed patio will not restrict flows so as to cause an increase in flood stage or velocity within Bordering Land Subject to Flooding.

3. Work in those portions of bordering land subject to flooding found to be significant to the protection of wildlife habitat shall not impair its capacity to provide important wildlife habitat functions. Except for work which would adversely affect vernal pool habitat, a project or projects on a single lot, for which Notice(s) of Intent is filed on or after November 1, 1987, that (cumulatively) alter(s) up to 10% or 5,000 square feet (whichever is less) of land in this resource area found to be significant to the protection of wildlife habitat, shall not be deemed to impair its capacity to provide important wildlife habitat functions. Additional alterations beyond the above threshold, or altering vernal pool habitat, may be permitted if they will have no adverse effects on wildlife habitat, as determined by procedures contained in 310 CMR 10.60.

No important wildlife habitat functions will be impaired by the proposed project because the patio is proposed in a heavily trafficked area of existing lawn and gravel space adjacent to the existing house.

4.0 Conclusion

Goddard Consulting believes that the proposed project will not have any adverse impacts on the interests identified in the Wetlands Protection Act. The project meets all regulatory compliance standards under the Wetlands Protection Act and the Town of Northborough Wetlands Bylaw, therefore Goddard Consulting respectfully requests that the Northborough Conservation Commission issues an Order of Conditions approving the proposed project. Please feel free to contact us if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Goddard Consulting, LLC

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Wetland Scientist

CC: Mass DEP - Central Regional Office, Wetlands Division, 8 New Bond Street, Worcester,

MA 01606

Damon Accardi, 89 School Street, Northborough, MA 01532



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Important:

When filling out forms on the computer, use only the tab key to move your cursor - do not use the return key.





Note: Before completing this form consult your local Conservation Commission regarding any municipal bylaw or ordinance.

A. General Information	1	

1. Project Location (Note: electronic filers will click on buttor			tton to locate project site):		
89 School Street		Northboro	ough 01532		
a. Street Address		b. City/Towr)	
Latitude and Langitur	do:	42.31448	81 -71.6350503		
Latitude and Longitud	Je.	d. Latitude	e. Longitude	-	
Map: 73		Parcel: 36			
f. Assessors Map/Plat Nur	nber	g. Parcel /Lo	ot Number		
2. Applicant:					
Damon		Accard	i		
a. First Name		b. Last N	lame		
c. Organization					
89 School Street					
d. Street Address					
Northborough		MA	01532		
e. City/Town		f. State	g. Zip Code		
(508) 732-8276		damon.accard	li@gmail.com		
h. Phone Number	i. Fax Number	j. Email Address			
3. Property owner (requ	Property owner (required if different from applicant):				
a. First Name		b. Last N	ame		
c. Organization	c. Organization				
d. Street Address					
e. City/Town		f. State	g. Zip Code		
h. Phone Number	i. Fax Number	j. Email address			
4. Representative (if an	y):				
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a. First Name		b. Last N			
Goddard Consulting	LLC				
c. Company	ha 0				
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Northborough		MA	01532		
e. City/Town		f. State	g. Zip Code		
(508) 615-2041			rdconsultingllc.com		
h. Phone Number	i. Fax Number	j. Email address			
5. Total WPA Fee Paid	(from NOI Wetlan	d Fee Transmittal Form):		
\$165 + \$40 (bylaw)	!	\$70.00	\$95.00 + \$40 (bylaw)		
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A. General Information (continued)

6. General Project Description:

The addition of a patio to a single-family house over existing lawn within the 100-foot Buffer Zone to BVW, the 200-foot Riverfront Area to two perennial streams, and Bordering Land Subject to Flooding.

7a.	. Project Type Checklist: (Limited Project Types see Section A. 7b.)		
	1. Single Family Home	2. Residential Subdivision	
	3. Commercial/Industrial	4. Dock/Pier	
	5. Utilities	6. Coastal engineering Structure	
	7. Agriculture (e.g., cranberries, forestry)	8. Transportation	
	9. Other		
7b.	7b. Is any portion of the proposed activity eligible to be treated as a limited project (including Ecological Restoration Limited Project) subject to 310 CMR 10.24 (coastal) or 310 CMR 10.53 (inland)? 1. Yes No If yes, describe which limited project applies to this project. (See 310 CMR 10.24 and 10.53 for a complete list and description of limited project types)		
	2. Limited Project Type		
	If the proposed activity is eligible to be treated as CMR10.24(8), 310 CMR 10.53(4)), complete and Project Checklist and Signed Certification.	an Ecological Restoration Limited Project (310 attach Appendix A: Ecological Restoration Limited	
8.	. Property recorded at the Registry of Deeds for:		
	Worcester		
	a. County	b. Certificate # (if registered land)	
	56670	337	
	c. Book	d. Page Number	
В.	3. Buffer Zone & Resource Area Impacts (temporary & permanent)		
1.	Buffer Zone Only – Check if the project is located only in the Buffer Zone of a Bordering Vegetated Wetland, Inland Bank, or Coastal Resource Area.		
2.			
	Check all that apply below. Attach narrative and any supporting documentation describing how the project will meet all performance standards for each of the resource areas altered, including standards requiring consideration of alternative project design or location.		

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For all projects affecting other Resource Areas, please attach a narrative explaining how the resource area was delineated.

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B. Buffer Zone & Resource Area Impacts (temporary & permanent) (cont'd)

Resource Area	Size of Proposed Alteration	Proposed Replacement (if any)	
a. Bank	1. linear feet	2. linear feet	
b. Bordering Vegetated Wetland	1. square feet	2. square feet	
c. Land Under Waterbodies and	1. square feet	2. square feet	
Waterways	3. cubic yards dredged		
Resource Area	Size of Proposed Alteration	Proposed Replacement (if any)	
d. 🛛 Bordering Land	130 SF	130 SF	
Subject to Flooding	1. square feet	2. square feet	
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	3. cubic feet of flood storage lost	4. cubic feet replaced	
e. Isolated Land			
Subject to Flooding	1. square feet		
	2. cubic feet of flood storage lost	3. cubic feet replaced	
	Inland; Assabet River and a tributary river to the Assabet River		
f. 🛛 Riverfront Area	1. Name of Waterway (if available) - sp		
2. Width of Riverfront Area	(check one):		
25 ft Designated Densely Developed Areas only			
200 ft All other pro	jects		
3 Total area of Riverfront Are	ea on the site of the proposed proj	ect: +/- 38,880 SF	
square feet			
4. Proposed alteration of the Riverfront Area:			
800 SF	565 SF	235 SF	
a. total square feet	b. square feet within 100 ft.	c. square feet between 100 ft. and 200 ft.	
5. Has an alternatives analysis been done and is it attached to this NOI? ☐ Yes☐ No			
6. Was the lot where the activ	rity is proposed created prior to Au	ugust 1, 1996? ⊠ Yes ☐ No	
3. Coastal Resource Areas: (See	e 310 CMR 10.25-10.35)		

Note: for coastal riverfront areas, please complete Section B.2.f. above.



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B. Buffer Zone & Resource Area Impacts (temporary & permanent) (cont'd)

Check all that apply below. Attach narrative and supporting documentation describing how the project will meet all performance standards for each of the resource areas altered, including standards requiring consideration of alternative project design or location.

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supplementary
nformation you
submit to the
Department.

Resource Area		Size of Proposed	d Alteration	Proposed Replacement (if any)		
	a. Designated Port Areas		Indicate size ur	nder Land Unde	er the Ocean, below	
	b. 🗌	Land Under the Ocean	1. square feet			
			2. cubic yards dredge	ed		
	с. 🗌	Barrier Beach	Indicate size und	Indicate size under Coastal Beaches and/or Coastal Dunes below		
	d. 🗌	Coastal Beaches	1. square feet		2. cubic yards beach nourishment	
	e. 🗌	Coastal Dunes	1. square feet		2. cubic yards dune nourishment	
			Size of Proposed	d Alteration	Proposed Replacement (if any)	
	f.	Coastal Banks	1. linear feet			
	g. 🗌	Rocky Intertidal Shores	1. square feet			
	h. Salt Marshes		1. square feet		2. sq ft restoration, rehab., creation	
	i. 🗌	Land Under Salt Ponds	1. square feet			
			2. cubic yards dredge	ed		
	j. 🗌	Land Containing Shellfish	1. square feet			
	k. Fish Runs				ks, inland Bank, Land Under the er Waterbodies and Waterways,	
			1. cubic yards dredge	ed		
	I	Land Subject to Coastal Storm Flowage	1. square feet			
4.	4. Restoration/Enhancement If the project is for the purpose of restoring or enhancing a wetland resource area in addition to the square footage that has been entered in Section B.2.b or B.3.h above, please enter the additional amount here.					
	a. squar	e feet of BVW		b. square feet of S	Salt Marsh	
5. Project Involves Stream Crossings						
a. number of new stream crossings			b. number of repla	acement stream crossings		



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C. Other Applicable Standards and Requirements

This is a proposal for an Ecological Restoration Limited Project. Skip Section C and
complete Appendix A: Ecological Restoration Limited Project Checklists - Required Actions
(310 CMR 10.11).

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	(310 CMR 10.1	1).			
Stı	Streamlined Massachusetts Endangered Species Act/Wetlands Protection Act Review				
1.	Is any portion of the proposed project located in Estimated Habitat of Rare Wildlife as indicated on the most recent Estimated Habitat Map of State-Listed Rare Wetland Wildlife published by the Natural Heritage and Endangered Species Program (NHESP)? To view habitat maps, see the <i>Massachusetts Natural Heritage Atlas</i> or go to http://maps.massgis.state.ma.us/PRI EST HAB/viewer.htm.				
	a. Yes No If yes, include proof of mailing or hand delivery of NOI to:				
	Natural Heritage and Endangered Species Program Division of Fisheries and Wildlife 1 Rabbit Hill Road Westborough, MA 01581				
	If yes, the project is also subject to Massachusetts Endangered Species Act (MESA) review (321 CMR 10.18). To qualify for a streamlined, 30-day, MESA/Wetlands Protection Act review, please complete Section C.1.c, and include requested materials with this Notice of Intent (NOI); OR complete Section C.2.f, if applicable. If MESA supplemental information is not included with the NOI, by completing Section 1 of this form, the NHESP will require a separate MESA filing which may take up to 90 days to review (unless noted exceptions in Section 2 apply, see below).				
	c. Submit Supple	mental Information for Endange	ered Species Review*		
	1. Perce	entage/acreage of property to be	e altered:		
	(a) within	wetland Resource Area	percentage/acreage		
	(b) outsid	e Resource Area	percentage/acreage		
	2. Asse	ssor's Map or right-of-way plan	of site		
2.	wetlands jurisdict		wetland resource areas and areas outside of osed conditions, existing and proposed ated limits of work **		
	· · · —	ect description (including descriproceting)	otion of impacts outside of wetland resource area &		
	(b) Photo	ographs representative of the s	ite		

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^{*} Some projects not in Estimated Habitat may be located in Priority Habitat, and require NHESP review (see https://www.mass.gov/maendangered-species-act-mesa-regulatory-review).

Priority Habitat includes habitat for state-listed plants and strictly upland species not protected by the Wetlands Protection Act.

^{**} MESA projects may not be segmented (321 CMR 10.16). The applicant must disclose full development plans even if such plans are not required as part of the Notice of Intent process.



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	Make	a-project-review).	ble at https://www.mass.gov/how-to/how-to-file-for-ssachusetts - NHESP" and <i>mail to NHESP</i> at
	Project	s altering 10 or more acres of land, also sub	mit:
	(d)	Vegetation cover type map of site	
	(e)	Project plans showing Priority & Estima	ated Habitat boundaries
	(f) OF	R Check One of the Following	
	1. 🗌	https://www.mass.gov/service-details/e	MESA exemption applies. (See 321 CMR 10.14, exemptions-from-review-for-projectsactivities-inent to NHESP if the project is within estimated d 10.59.)
	2. 🗌	Separate MESA review ongoing.	a. NHESP Tracking # b. Date submitted to NHESP
	3. 🗌	Separate MESA review completed. Include copy of NHESP "no Take" determit with approved plan.	ermination or valid Conservation & Management
3.	For coasta		osed project located below the mean high water
	a. Not a	applicable – project is in inland resource	area only b. Yes No
	If yes, inclu	ude proof of mailing, hand delivery, or ele	ectronic delivery of NOI to either:
	South Shore the Cape &	e - Cohasset to Rhode Island border, and Islands:	North Shore - Hull to New Hampshire border:
	Southeast M Attn: Enviro 836 South F New Bedfor	Marine Fisheries - Marine Fisheries Station nmental Reviewer Rodney French Blvd. rd, MA 02744 Senvreview-south@mass.gov	Division of Marine Fisheries - North Shore Office Attn: Environmental Reviewer 30 Emerson Avenue Gloucester, MA 01930 Email: dmf.envreview-north@mass.gov
	please con		cense. For coastal towns in the Northeast Region, stal towns in the Southeast Region, please contact
	c. 🗌 Is	this an aquaculture project?	d. 🗌 Yes 🔲 No
	If yes, inclu	ude a copy of the Division of Marine Fish	eries Certification Letter (M.G.L. c. 130, § 57).

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(provided on your receipt page) with all supplementary information you submit to the Department.

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C. Other Applicable Standards and Requirements (cont'd)

4.	Is any portion of the proposed project within an Area of Critical Environmental Concern (ACEC)?
	a. Yes No If yes, provide name of ACEC (see instructions to WPA Form 3 or MassDEP Website for ACEC locations). Note: electronic filers click on Website.
	b. ACEC
5.	Is any portion of the proposed project within an area designated as an Outstanding Resource Water (ORW) as designated in the Massachusetts Surface Water Quality Standards, 314 CMR 4.00?
	a. 🗌 Yes 🔀 No
6.	Is any portion of the site subject to a Wetlands Restriction Order under the Inland Wetlands Restriction Act (M.G.L. c. 131, § 40A) or the Coastal Wetlands Restriction Act (M.G.L. c. 130, § 105)?
	a. 🗌 Yes 🗵 No
7.	Is this project subject to provisions of the MassDEP Stormwater Management Standards?
	 a. Yes. Attach a copy of the Stormwater Report as required by the Stormwater Management Standards per 310 CMR 10.05(6)(k)-(q) and check if: 1. Applying for Low Impact Development (LID) site design credits (as described in Stormwater Management Handbook Vol. 2, Chapter 3)
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	2. A portion of the site constitutes redevelopment
	3. Proprietary BMPs are included in the Stormwater Management System.
	b. No. Check why the project is exempt:
	1. Single-family house
	2. Emergency road repair
	3. Small Residential Subdivision (less than or equal to 4 single-family houses or less than or equal to 4 units in multi-family housing project) with no discharge to Critical Areas.
D.	Additional Information
	This is a proposal for an Ecological Restoration Limited Project. Skip Section D and complete Appendix A: Ecological Restoration Notice of Intent – Minimum Required Documents (310 CMR 10.12).
	Applicants must include the following with this Notice of Intent (NOI). See instructions for details.
	Online Users: Attach the document transaction number (provided on your receipt page) for any of the following information you submit to the Department.
	1. Substituting Sufficient information for the Conservation Commission and the Department to locate the site. (Electronic filers may omit this item.)

Plans identifying the location of proposed activities (including activities proposed to serve as a Bordering Vegetated Wetland [BVW] replication area or other mitigating measure) relative

to the boundaries of each affected resource area.

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2.



WPA Form 3 – Notice of Intent

Massachusetts Wetlands Protection Act M.G.L. c. 131, §40

And the Town of Northborough Wetlands Bylaw

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Add	itional information (cont'd)		
3. 🗵	Identify the method for BVW and other Field Data Form(s), Determination of and attach documentation of the	Applicability, Order of	
4. 🛛	List the titles and dates for all plans a	and other materials sub	omitted with this NOI.
Sch	Existing Conditions, 89 School Street nool Street - Northborough, MA	- Northborough, MA; (2) Proposed Conditions, 89
	ddard Consulting LLC		
	repared By	c. Signed and Sta	imped by
	7/2021; 7/29/2021	1"=40'	
d. F	inal Revision Date	e. Scale	
f. Ad	dditional Plan or Document Title		g. Date
5. 🗌	If there is more than one property ow listed on this form.	ner, please attach a lis	st of these property owners not
6. 🗌	Attach proof of mailing for Natural He	ritage and Endangere	d Species Program, if needed.
7.	Attach proof of mailing for Massachusetts Division of Marine Fisheries, if needed.		
8. 🛛	Attach NOI Wetland Fee Transmittal Form		
9.	Attach Stormwater Report, if needed.		

E. Fees

1.	Fee Exempt: No filing fee shall be assessed for projects of any city, town, county, or district
	of the Commonwealth, federally recognized Indian tribe housing authority, municipal housing
	authority, or the Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority.

Applicants must submit the following information (in addition to pages 1 and 2 of the NOI Wetland Fee Transmittal Form) to confirm fee payment:

503, 504 (bylaw)	07/21/2021, 07/21/2021
2. Municipal Check Number	3. Check date
502	07/21/2021
4. State Check Number	5. Check date
Damon	Accardi
6. Payor name on check: First Name	7. Payor name on check: Last Name



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Pro	ovided by MassDEP:
	MassDEP File Number
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	Northborough
	City/Town

F. Signatures and Submittal Requirements

I hereby certify under the penalties of perjury that the foregoing Notice of Intent and accompanying plans, documents, and supporting data are true and complete to the best of my knowledge. I understand that the Conservation Commission will place notification of this Notice in a local newspaper at the expense of the applicant in accordance with the wetlands regulations, 310 CMR 10.05(5)(a).

I further certify under penalties of perjury that all abutters were notified of this application, pursuant to

the requirements of M.G.L. c. 131, § 40. Notice must be made by Certif	
hand delivery or certified mail (return receipt requested) to all abutters v	within 100 feet of the property line
of the project location.	7/2//21
Signature of Applicant (Damon Accardi)	2. Date
3. Characters of Passach Course (II different)	4 Data
3. Signature of Property Owner (if different) With Maslanka	4. Date 7/21/2021
5 Signature of Pennssentative (Mitch Maslanka, Goddard Consulting LLC)	6 Date

For Conservation Commission:

Two copies of the completed Notice of Intent (Form 3), including supporting plans and documents, two copies of the NOI Wetland Fee Transmittal Form, and the city/town fee payment, to the Conservation Commission by certified mail or hand delivery.

For MassDEP:

One copy of the completed Notice of Intent (Form 3), including supporting plans and documents, one copy of the NOI Wetland Fee Transmittal Form, and a **copy** of the state fee payment to the MassDEP Regional Office (see Instructions) by certified mail or hand delivery.

Other:

If the applicant has checked the "yes" box in any part of Section C, Item 3, above, refer to that section and the Instructions for additional submittal requirements.

The original and copies must be sent simultaneously. Failure by the applicant to send copies in a timely manner may result in dismissal of the Notice of Intent.



Important: When filling out forms on the computer, use only the tab key to move your cursor - do not use the return key.

1.

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3.





Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection Bureau of Resource Protection - Wetlands

NOI Wetland Fee Transmittal Form

Massachusetts Wetlands Protection Act M.G.L. c. 131, §40

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A. Applicant Information

Location of Project:					
89 School Street		Northborough			
a. Street Address		b. City/Town			
502		\$70.00			
c. Check number		d. Fee amount			
Applicant Mailing Ad	ddress:				
Damon		Accardi			
a. First Name		b. Last Name			
c. Organization					
89 School Street					
d. Mailing Address					
Northborough		MA	01532		
e. City/Town		f. State	g. Zip Code		
(508) 732-8276		damon.accardi@gmail.com			
h. Phone Number	i. Fax Number	j. Email Address			
Property Owner (if o	different):				
a. First Name		b. Last Name			
c. Organization					
d. Mailing Address					
e. City/Town		f. State	g. Zip Code		
h. Phone Number	i. Fax Number	j. Email Address			

To calculate filing fees, refer to the category fee list and examples in the instructions for filling out WPA Form 3 (Notice of

Intent).

B. Fees

Fee should be calculated using the following process & worksheet. Please see Instructions before filling out worksheet.

Step 1/Type of Activity: Describe each type of activity that will occur in wetland resource area and buffer zone.

Step 2/Number of Activities: Identify the number of each type of activity.

Step 3/Individual Activity Fee: Identify each activity fee from the six project categories listed in the instructions.

Step 4/Subtotal Activity Fee: Multiply the number of activities (identified in Step 2) times the fee per category (identified in Step 3) to reach a subtotal fee amount. Note: If any of these activities are in a Riverfront Area in addition to another Resource Area or the Buffer Zone, the fee per activity should be multiplied by 1.5 and then added to the subtotal amount.

Step 5/Total Project Fee: Determine the total project fee by adding the subtotal amounts from Step 4.

Step 6/Fee Payments: To calculate the state share of the fee, divide the total fee in half and subtract \$12.50. To calculate the city/town share of the fee, divide the total fee in half and add \$12.50.



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Step 1/Type of Activity	Step 2/Number of Activities	Step 3/Individual Activity Fee	Step 4/Subtotal Activity Fee
Category 1: Addition of a patio	1	\$110 x 1.5 (RFA) + \$40 (Bylaw)	\$165
	Step 5/To	otal Project Fee	·
Step 6/I		Fee Payments:	
	Total Project Fee: State share of filling Fee: City/Town share of filling Fee:		\$165 + \$40 (bylaw) a. Total Fee from Step 5 \$70.00 b. 1/2 Total Fee less \$12.50
			\$95.00+ \$40 (bylaw) c. 1/2 Total Fee plus \$12.50

C. Submittal Requirements

a.) Complete pages 1 and 2 and send with a check or money order for the state share of the fee, payable to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Department of Environmental Protection Box 4062 Boston, MA 02211

b.) **To the Conservation Commission:** Send the Notice of Intent or Abbreviated Notice of Intent; a **copy** of this form; and the city/town fee payment.

To MassDEP Regional Office (see Instructions): Send a copy of the Notice of Intent or Abbreviated Notice of Intent; a **copy** of this form; and a **copy** of the state fee payment. (E-filers of Notices of Intent may submit these electronically.)

AFFIDAVIT OF SERVICE

Under the Massachusetts Wetlands Protection Act And the Town of Northborough Wetlands Bylaw

(to be submitted to the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection and the Conservation Commission)

I, <u>Mitch Maslanka</u> hereby certify under the pains and penalties of perjury that on 7/30/2021 I gave notification to abutters in Compliance with the second paragraph of Massachusetts General Law Chapter 131, Section 40, and the DEP Guide to Abutter Notification dating April 8, 1994 in connection with the following matter:

A Notice of Intent was filed under the Massachusetts Wetlands Protection Act by <u>Damon Accardi</u> with the <u>Northborough Conservation Commission on 7/30/2021</u> for property located at <u>89 School Street (Map: 73, Parcel: 36) in Northborough, MA for the addition of a patio to a single-family house over existing lawn and gravel within the 100-foot Buffer Zone to Bordering Vegetated Wetlands, the 200-foot Riverfront Area to two perennial streams, and Bordering Land Subject to Flooding.</u>

The form of the notification, and the list of abutters to whom it was given, and their addresses, are attached to this Affidavit of Service.

Mitch Maslanka	7/30/2021
(Name)	(Date)

Notification to Abutters Under the Massachusetts Wetlands Protection Act and The Town of Northborough Wetlands Bylaw

In accordance with the second paragraph of Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 131, Section 40, you are hereby notified of the following.

- **A.** The name of the applicant is: **Damon Accardi**
- **B.** The applicant has filed a **Notice of Intent (NOI)** with the Conservation Commission for the municipality of **Northborough, MA**, seeking permission to perform activities within Areas Subject to Protection under the Wetlands Protection Act (General Laws Chapter 131, Section 40).
- C. The project scope is for: The addition of a patio to a single-family house over existing lawn and gravel within the 100-foot Buffer Zone to Bordering Vegetated Wetland and the 200-foot Riverfront Area from two perennial rivers.
- **D.** The address of the lot where the activity is proposed is: **89 School Street**, **Northborough, MA (Map: 73, Parcel: 36)**.
- E. Copies of the NOI application may be examined at **Northborough Town Hall** Mondays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays from 8:00am-4:00pm, Tuesdays from 8:00am-7:00pm, and Fridays from 7:00am-12:00pm or by appointment. For additional information, call (508) 393-5015.
- F. Copies of the NOI application may be obtained for a reasonable fee from the applicant's representative, Goddard Consulting LLC, by calling (508) 615-2041 between the hours of 10 and 3 on the following days of the week: M, T, W, Th., F.
- **G.** Information regarding the date, time, and place of the public hearing may be obtained from **Northborough Conservation Commission** by calling **(508) 393-5015**.

NOTE: Notice of the public hearing, including its date, time, and place, will be published at least five (5) days in advance in a local newspaper publication (**The Worcester Telegram and Gazette**).

NOTE: Notice of the public hearing, including the date, time, and place, will be posted in the City or Town Hall not less than forty-eight (48) hours in advance.

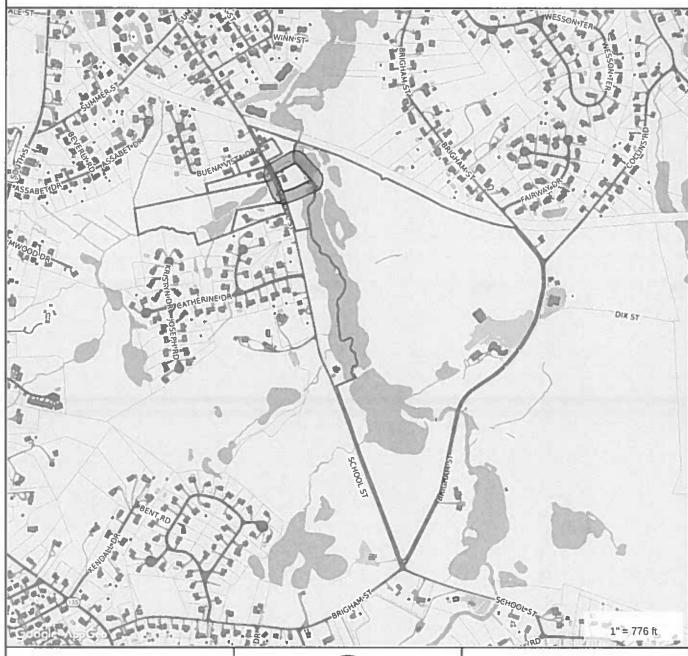
Note: You also may contact your local Conservation Commission or the nearest Department of Environmental Protection Regional Office for more information about this application or the Wetlands Protection Act. To contact DEP, call:

☐ Central Region: (508) 792-7650	Northeast Region: (978) 694-3200
Southeast Region: (508) 946-2700	Western Region: (413) 784-1100

89 School Street - 100 ft. Abutters July 13, 2021

	Address						Owner Owner	Owner
<u>Q</u>	Number	Number Street Name	Owner Name	Owner Name 2	Owner Address 1	Owner City 5	State	Zip
073.0-0041-0000.0 202	202	BRIGHAM STREET	BRIGHAM STREET JUNIPER HILL GOLF COURSE INC		202 BRIGHAM STREET NORTHBOROUGH MA	NORTHBOROUGH	MA W	1532
073.0-0038-0000.0 0	0	SCHOOL STREET	SCHOOL STREET SUBBURY VALLEY TRUSTEES INC		18 WOLBACH ROAD SUDBURY	SUDBURY	¥ A	01776
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89 School Street





MAP FOR REFERENCE ONLY NOT A LEGAL DOCUMENT

Town of Northborough, MA makes no claims and no warrantes, expressed or implied, concerning the validity or accuracy of the GIS data presented on this map.

Geometry updated Jan 28, 2020 Data updated Jan 28, 2020 Print map scale is approximate.
Critical layout or measurement
activities should not be done using
this resource.

July 13, 2021

Damon Accardi 89 School Street Northborough, MA 01532

Re: Wetland Border Report 89 School Street, Northborough, MA

Dear Mr. Accardi,

On June 17, 2021, the wetland resource areas were delineated at the site located at 89 School Street in Northborough, MA (see attached orthophoto and USGS maps of site). The wetland resource boundaries were flagged using the criteria in the most recent edition of the MA Wetlands Protection Act (WPA) and Regulations 310 CMR 10.00 *et al.* Hydric soil indicators, vegetational changes, hydrological indicators, and topography were all considered for delineation purposes.

The wetland resource areas delineated include: two perennial rivers (delineated as Mean Annual High Water, which corresponded with the first break in slope), and Bordering Vegetated Wetland (BVW). The edge of the BVW was delineated with wetland flags WF1 to WF19. Flag WF6 was documented with MA DEP BVW Data Sheets and those sheets are attached to this report. The BVW borders two perennial rivers along the edges of the property lines. At the northern site boundary, flags MAHW1-MAHW10 were used to delineate the mean annual high-water line of a perennial stream flowing into the Assabet River. The Assabet River mean annual high-water line was delineated with flags MAHW1A-MAHW9A.

According to the MassGIS data layers for NHESP, the property is not located within an Estimated Habitat of Rare Wildlife / Priority Habitat of Rare Species. No potential or certified vernal pools or Outstanding Resource Waters (ORW) are mapped within the site or immediate vicinity. The property is not within any Areas of Critical Environmental Concern (ACEC). A portion of the property does fall within FEMA 100-year floodplain "Zone A", with no base flood elevation (BFE).

Any work proposed within 100 feet of the BVW and 200 feet of the perennial rivers require the filing of a Request for Determination of Applicability (RDA) or Notice of Intent (NOI), depending on the nature of proposed work and/or proximity to the delineated resource areas. If you need further assistance with permitting, please contact us. We would be happy to assist.

Sincerely,

Goddard Consulting, LLC

Mitch Maslanka

Mitch Maslanka Wetland Scientist

DEP Bordering Vegetated Wetland (310 CMR 10.55) Delineation Field Data Form

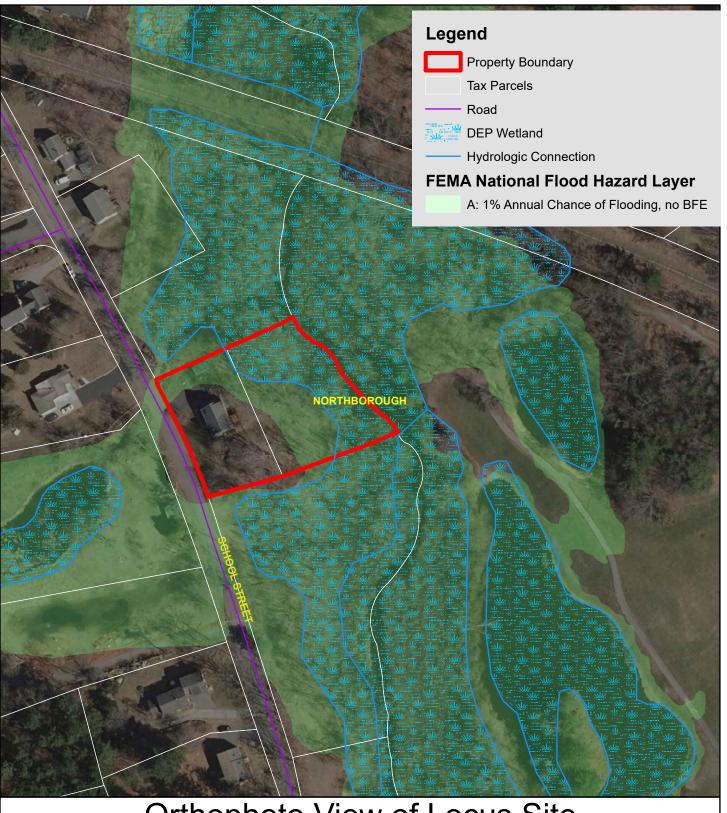
Section I. Vegetation	Observation Plot Number: GC WF6	Transect Num	ber: Upgradient	Date of Delineat	ion: 17-Jun-21
Sample Layer and Plant Species	Scientific name	% Cover	% Dominance	Dominant Plant (yes or no)	Wetland Indicate Category*
Tree Laver White Ash American Elm	Fraxinus americana Ulmus americana	38% 20.5%	65.0% 35.0%	yes yes	FACU FACW*
<u>Sapling Laver</u> American Elm	Ulmus americana	3.0%	100.0%	yes	FACW*
<u>Shrub Layer</u> Autumn Olive	Elaeagnus angustifolia	3%	100.0%	yes	FACU
<u>Climbing Woody Vine</u>					
Ground Cover		20/	7.90/		FACU
Virginia-Creeper Common Red Raspberry Jewelweed Early Meadow-rue Tall Goldenrod Wrinkle-leaf Goldenrod	Parthenocissus quinquefolia Rubus idaeus Impatiens capensis Thalictrum dioicum Solidago altissima Solidago rugosa	3% 3% 3% 3% 3% 3% 21%	7.8% 7.8% 7.8% 7.8% 7.8% 7.8%	no no no no no	FACU FACW* FACU FACU FACU
Canada Goldenrod Remarks: * An asterisk afte Morphological Adaptations: 0	Solidago canadensis r common plant name indicates stunted growth; ** indicates extreme Description:		53.2%	yes	FACU

Section II. Indicators of Hydrology	Other Indicators of Hydrology: (check all that apply and describe)
Hydric Soil Interpretation	Site inundated:
Soil Survey	Depth to free water in observation hole:
	Depth to soil saturation in observation hole:
Is there a published soil survey for this site? title/date: Soil Survey of Worcester County, Northeastern Part - 19	985 Water marks:
map number: 102C soil type mapped: Chatfield-Hollis-Rock Outcrop Complex hydric soil inclusions:	Drift Lines:
Are field observations consistent with soil survey?	Sediment deposits:
Remarks:	Drainage patterns in BVW:
	Oxidized rhizoshperes:
2. Soil Description	Water-stained leaves:
Horizon Depth (inches) Matrix Color Mottles Color or Texture	Recorded data (stream, lake, or tidal gauge; aerial photo; other):
A 0"-3" 10yr 3/1 SL B 3"-24" 10 yr 3/4 FSL	Other:
	Vegetation and Hydrology Conclusion for Upgradient of GC WF6
	Number of wetland indicator plants
Remarks:	>= number of non-wetland plants X
	Wetland hydrology present:
	hydric soils present X
3. Other:	other indicators of hydrology present X
	Sample location is in a BVW X
Conclusion: Is soil hydric?	Submit this form with the Request for Determination of Applicability or Notice of Intent

DEP Bordering Vegetated Wetland (310 CMR 10.55) Delineation Field Data Form

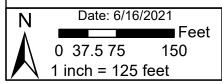
Sample Layer and Plant Species Free Layer White Ash American Elm Red Maple	Scientific name	0/ 0		Date of Delineation: 17-Jun-21	
White Ash American Elm		% Cover	% Dominance	Dominant Plant (yes or no)	Wetland Indicato Category*
American Elm	Fraxinus americana	3%	6.8%	no	FACU
	Ulmus americana	3%	6.8%	no	FACW*
Ked Maple	Acer rubrum	38%	86.4%	yes	FAC*
Sapling Layer					
American Elm	Ulmus americana	21%	87.2%	yes	FACW*
Red Maple	Acer rubrum	3%	12.8%	no	FAC*
Shrub Layer					
Northern Arrowwood	Viburnum recognitum	3%	33.3%	yes	FAC*
Silky Dogwood	Cornus amomum	3%	33.3%	yes	FACW*
Winterberry	Ilex verticillata	3.0%	33.3%	yes	FACW*
Climbing Woody Vine					
Ground Cover					
ewelweed	Impatiens capensis	3%	6.8%	no	FACW*
Blunt Broom Sedge	Carex tribuloides	3%	6.8%	no	FACW*
Greater Bladder Sedge	Carex intumescens	38%	86.4%	yes	FACW*
Remarks: * An asterisk after Morphological Adaptations: 0	r common plant name indicates stunted growth; ** indicates extreme	ly stunted growth			
	Description:	James in the course Cube:	annianta liatad as EAC EACW	on ODI	

Section II. Indicators of Hydrology	Other Indicators of Hydrology: (check all that apply and describe)
Hydric Soil Interpretation	Site inundated: Depth to free water in observation hole: 20"
1. Soil Survey	Depth to soil saturation in observation hole:
Is there a published soil survey for this site? title/date: Soil Survey of Worcester County, Northeastern Part - 1 map number: 51A soil type mapped: Swansea Muck hydric soil inclusions:	985 Water marks: Drift Lines:
Are field observations consistent with soil survey?	☐ Sediment deposits: ☐ Drainage patterns in BVW:
2. Soil Description Horizon Depth (inches) Matrix Color Mottles Color or Texture O 0"-18" 10yr 2/1 Organic	Oxidized rhizoshperes: Water-stained leaves: Recorded data (stream, lake, or tidal gauge; aerial photo; other):
C 18"-24" 10yr 6/1 Silt Loam	Other:
	Vegetation and Hydrology Conclusion for Downgradient of GC WF6
	Number of wetland indicator plants
Remarks:	>= number of non-wetland plants X
	Wetland hydrology present: hydric soils present X
3. Other:	other indicators of hydrology present X
	Sample location is in a BVW X
Conclusion: Is soil hydric?	Submit this form with the Request for Determination of Applicability or Notice of Intent



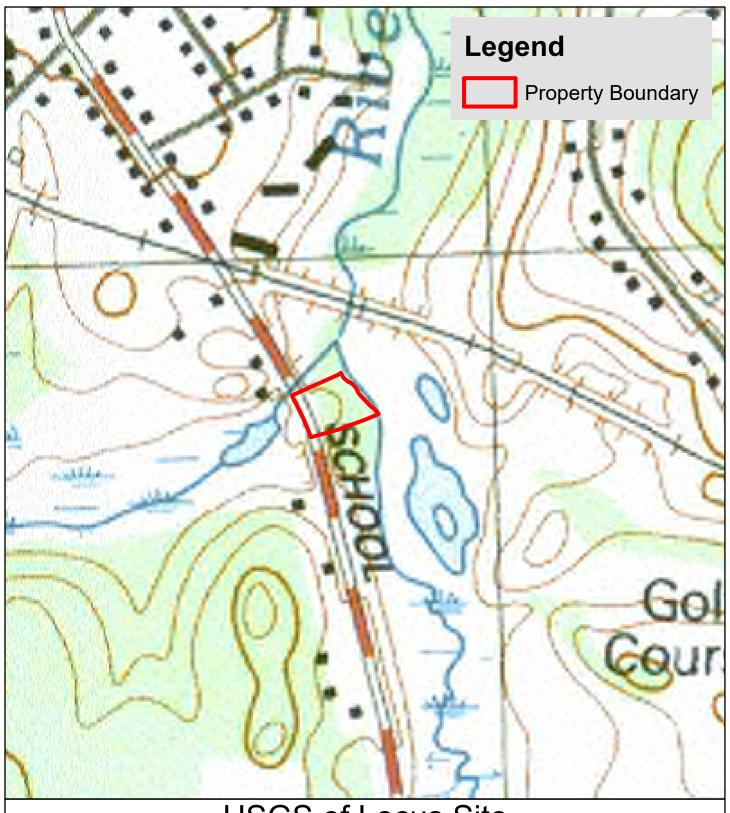
Orthophoto View of Locus Site 89 School Street - Northborough, MA

9 School Street - Northborough, MA (Map: 215, Parcel: 73, ID: 36)



GIS Data Source: "Office of Geographic Information (MassGIS), Commonwealth of Massachusetts, MassIT"

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USGS of Locus Site 89 School Street - Northborough, MA

89 School Street - Northborough, MA (Map: 215, Parcel: 73, ID: 36)

Date: 6/16/2021
Feet
0 105210 420
1 inch = 350 feet

GIS Data Source: "Office of Geographic Information (MassGIS), Commonwealth of Massachusetts, MassIT"

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