

Mr. Ross Povenmire
Director, Conservation Commission, Town of Boxford, MA

Dec 10, 2014

Dear Mr. Povenmire:

We are writing to request an after the fact determination of negligible Impact (DNI). I am including a print out of the photos, and of the drawing of the RDA plan (prepared by Chuck Johnson for our septic system replacement in the past) which you so kindly provided in your letter to me.

Twenty two years after we built our house, it was necessary to replace our driveway. It was crumbling, sinking and heaving, and no longer provided the pitch and grading necessary for water control.

On Thursday, Dec 4, 2014, Asphalt Services, Inc. excavated the driveway and installed a crushed aggregate foundation layer which was immediately power rolled for maximum compaction. The bituminous concrete courses were applied to the same area the following day, completing the job.

We did not notify our Conservation Commission for this job, as it didn't occur to us that the work could impact the wet lands.

We were replacing the driveway using the footprint the Conservation Commission had approved in 1992. And the job did not appear to present any new threats to the conservation protection.

We did not disturb the grassy area at the end of the turnaround which is the closest point of the driveway to the wet lands, and which provides protection from run off. The only work there was the lifting and replacement of a sprinkler hose line which ran right at the edge of the turnaround, in order to protect the hose from damage. In addition, any material which might have presented a runoff issue was piled inside the driveway footprint in front of the garage. And this crushed aggregate was distributed and compacted a few hours after it was delivered.

When the Conservation Commission expressed concern, we responded by requesting that Asphalt Services install an extensive barrier of waddles on the grass around the turn around, and extending a considerable distance up the driveway on the side of the moraine. (See Pictures)

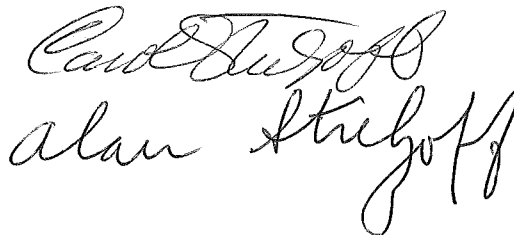
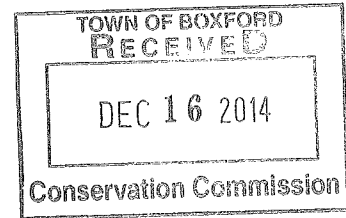
A few inches of grass at the end of the turnaround were damaged when the hose was lifted and replaced. But the rest of the grassy area between the driveway and the wetlands remains, and provides the same protection we always had. We plan to replace the grass on this few inch strip when weather permits in the spring. We may also put a little loam and grass seed on the far side of the driveway, to match up the edge of the lawn to the restored driveway surface height. However, this area is far enough away from the wetlands that it may be of no concern.

We appreciate the kind and prompt manner with which you worked with us in this matter. It caused only minimal delay in the work. We also appreciate your approval to remove the waddles. We were concerned they might cause grass die off reducing protection at the end of the turnaround.

Our check for \$50 for this application is enclosed.

Sincerely,

Carol Strelzoff
Alan Strelzoff
24 W Parish Lane
Boxford, MA 01921

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