

Hanover Conservation Commission

Site Visit for Wetlands Administrative Permit for Croall farm, submitted by Lars Richardson, Owner. Monday, Nov. 12, 2012.

Present: Ruth, Jim Kennedy, Doug McIlroy, Ed Chamberlain, John Richardson (father of Lars Richardson) and Ehrhard Frost (forester for Lars Richardson)

At issue are 4 sites where drainage improvements for logging roads are being proposed. The owner proposes to replace culverts at two areas where there are potential wetland and wetland buffer impacts.

At site #1 on the plans submitted by Erhard Frost, we agreed with him that an oversized culvert based on NPCS (?) sizing be embedded a minimum of 1-ft with stones placed in culvert bed for stream simulation.

At site #4, we agreed to a 15-in culvert be placed. The owner should monitor a nearby area that will drain through this culvert for persistence as a vernal pool. If a vernal pool is verified, then the owner should make a provision for a wooden weir to control the drainage through the pipe to maintain the function for the vernal pool.

The other two culvert sites do not have wetland or wetland buffer impacts.

We noted that the application omits the impacts on the 25 to 75 -ft buffer zone, but has the impacts on the 0 to 25-ft zone. We asked Ehrhard frost to amend his application with the updated information.

We took note that the applicant has submitted a Wetlands Minimum Impact Forestry Notification permit application with DES and has received approval from DES for this work.

We understand that the full Commission needs to make a recommendation for approval of the work proposed to the Judy Brottman, the Town's Zoning Administrator, before this application to the Town can be approved.

Ed Chamberlain, scribe.