



The State of New Hampshire
Department of Environmental Services



Robert R. Scott, Commissioner

WETLANDS AND NON-SITE SPECIFIC PERMIT 2024-00626

NOTE CONDITIONS

PERMITTEE: NH DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
C/O ANDREW O'SULLIVAN
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PROJECT LOCATION: BRIDGE 123/118, 1-93 NORTHBOUND, MANCHESTER
TAX MAP #I-93 ROW, LOT #ROW

WATERBODY: STEVENS POND

APPROVAL DATE: APRIL 08, 2024 **EXPIRATION DATE:** APRIL 08, 2029

Based upon review of permit application 2024-00626 in accordance with RSA 482-A and RSA 485-A:17, the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services (NHDES) hereby issues this Wetlands and Non-Site Specific Permit. To validate this Permit, signatures of the Permittee and the Principal Contractor are required.

PERMIT DESCRIPTION:

Temporarily impact 3,249 sf of palustrine emergent wetland adjacent to Stevens Pond, to place crane mats creating a working platform for the purpose of repairing existing public highway infrastructure bridge support for the route 101 and route 93 interchange, NHDOT project (42753), Manchester, NH.

THIS PERMIT IS SUBJECT TO THE FOLLOWING PROJECT-SPECIFIC CONDITIONS:

1. In accordance with Env-Wt 307.16, all work shall be done in accordance with the plans for NHDOT, Manchester, interstate Route 93/101 interchange, N.H. DOT project 42753, as received by the NH Department of Environmental Services (NHDES) on March 22, 2024.
2. In accordance with Env-Wt 314.03, (a) The permittee shall notify the department in writing at least one week prior to commencing any work under the permit.
3. In accordance with Env-Wt 527.05(b), The contractor responsible for completion of the work shall use techniques described in Env-Wq 1504.06, Env-Wq 1504.16, Env-Wq 1505.02, Env-Wq 1506, and Env-Wq 1508.
4. In accordance with Env-Wt 307.03(a), no activity shall be conducted in such a way as to cause or contribute to any violation of surface water quality standards specified in RSA 485-A:8 or Env-Wq 1700; ambient groundwater quality standards established under RSA 485-C; limitations on activities in a sanitary protective area established under Env-Dw 302.10 or Env-Dw 305.10; or any provision of RSA 485-A, Env-Wq 1000, RSA 483-B, or Env-Wq 1400 that protects water quality.
5. In accordance with Env-Wt 307.03(c)(4), water quality control measures shall be capable of minimizing erosion; collecting sediment and suspended and floating materials; and filtering fine sediment.
6. In accordance with Env-Wt 307.03(c)(3), water quality control measures shall be installed prior to start of work and in accordance with the manufacturer's recommended specifications or, if none, the applicable requirements of Env-Wq 1506 or Env-Wq 1508.
7. In accordance with Env-Wt 307.03(c)(5), water quality control measures shall be maintained so as to ensure continued effectiveness in minimizing erosion and retaining sediment on-site during and after construction.

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8. In accordance with Env-Wt 307.03(c)(6), water quality control measures shall remain in place until all disturbed surfaces are stabilized to a condition in which soils on the site will not experience accelerated or unnatural erosion by achieving and maintaining a minimum of 85% vegetative cover using an erosion control seed mix, whether applied in a blanket or otherwise, that is certified by its manufacturer as not containing any invasive species; or placing and maintaining a minimum of 3 inches of non-erosive material such as stone.
9. In accordance with Env-Wt 307.03(d), any sediment collected by water quality control measures shall be removed with sufficient frequency to prevent the discharge of sediment; and placed in an upland location in a manner that prevents its erosion into a surface water or wetland.
10. In accordance with Env-Wt 307.03(c)(7), temporary water quality control methods shall be removed upon completion of work when compliance with Env-Wt 307.03(c)(6) is achieved.
11. The Contractor shall be made aware of the potential to encounter rare species and shall follow contract documents requirements detailing the reporting of observations to New Hampshire Fish & Game. All observations of threatened or endangered species on the project site shall be reported immediately to the NHDH nongame and endangered wildlife environmental review program by phone at 603-271-2461 and by email at NHDHreview@wildlife.nh.
12. In accordance with information and communication with Natural Heritage Bureau and NH Fish and Game, the crane mats will be installed from April 18 until September 27. Any installation not within the specified time frame shall require further coordination with NHB and NH Fish and Game prior to beginning or ending date, otherwise the crane mats will be completely removed from jurisdiction as stated in the coordination documents.

THIS PERMIT IS SUBJECT TO THE FOLLOWING GENERAL CONDITIONS:

1. Pursuant to RSA 482-A:12, a copy of this permit shall be posted in a secure manner in a prominent place at the site of the approved project.
2. In accordance with Env-Wt 313.01(a)(5), and as required by RSA 482-A:11, II, work shall not infringe on the property rights or unreasonably affect the value or enjoyment of property of abutting owners.
3. In accordance with Env-Wt 314.01, a standard permit shall be signed by the permittee, and the principal contractor who will build or install the project prior to start of construction, and will not be valid until signed.
4. In accordance with Env-Wt 314.03(a), the permittee shall notify the department in writing at least one week prior to commencing any work under this permit.
5. In accordance with Env-Wt 314.08(a), the permittee shall file a completed notice of completion of work and certificate of compliance with the department within 10 working days of completing the work authorized by this permit.
6. In accordance with Env-Wt 314.06, transfer of this permit to a new owner shall require notification to, and approval of, the NHDES.
7. The permit holder shall ensure that work is done in a way that protects water quality per Env-Wt 307.03; protects fisheries and breeding areas per Env-Wt 307.04; protects against invasive species per Env-Wt 307.05; meets dredging activity conditions in Env-Wt 307.10; and meets filling activity conditions in Env-Wt 307.11.
8. This project has been screened for potential impact to known occurrences of protected species and exemplary natural communities in the immediate area. Since many areas have never been surveyed, or only cursory surveys have been performed, unidentified sensitive species or communities may be present. This permit does not absolve the permittee from due diligence in regard to state, local or federal laws regarding such communities or species. This permit does not authorize in any way the take of threatened or endangered species, as defined by RSA 212-A:2, or of any protected species or exemplary natural communities, as defined in RSA 217-A:3.
9. In accordance with Env-Wt 307.06(a) through (c), no activity shall jeopardize the continued existence of a threatened or endangered species, a species proposed for listing as threatened or endangered, or a designated or proposed critical habitat under the Federal Endangered Species Act, 16 U.S.C. §1531 et seq.; State Endangered Species Conservation Act, RSA 212-A; or New Hampshire Native Plant Protection Act, RSA 217-A.
10. In accordance with Env-Wt 307.02, and in accordance with federal requirements, all work in areas under the jurisdiction of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) shall comply with all conditions of the applicable state general permit.

APPROVED:



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Land Resources Management, Water Division

THE SIGNATURES BELOW ARE REQUIRED TO VALIDATE THIS PERMIT (Env-Wt 314.01).

PERMITTEE SIGNATURE (required)

PRINCIPAL CONTRACTOR SIGNATURE (required)