Town of Ayer CONSERVATION COMMISSION

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MEETING AGENDA (In Person) Thursday, November 10, 2022



7:00 PM

GENERAL BUSINESS / OPEN SESSION

- Approval of Meeting Minutes for October 27, 2022
- Public Input

Request for Certificate of Compliance – DEP File number 100-0461 Lot A, 138 Washington Street Northeast Site Development

Request for COC – DEP File number 100-0462 Lot B, 136 Washington Street Northeast Site Development

Discussion, Alternative Pond Treatments, Susan Tordella

Discussion, Ayer Pocket Forest Project, Jim Newman, Linnean Solutions

CONSERVATION OFFICE AND MEMBER UPDATES

9:00 PM

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Next Scheduled Meeting: 7 PM, December 8, 2022



November 2, 2022

Mr. Joseph Levine Northeast Site Development, LLC P.O. Box 2264 Acton, MA 01720

VIA EMAIL ONLY

Re: Certificate of Compliance Review Lot A/MA DEP File Number 100-0461 138 Washington Street, Ayer

Dear Mr. Levine:

Oxbow Associates, Inc. (B. Butler) examined the subject property for its completion and compliance with the outstanding Order of Conditions issued for File Number 100-0461 on October 23, 2022. The project proposed as "Lot A" is now assigned the address of 138 Washington Street and the home and amenities are substantially complete.

In brief, the areas disturbed for construction are now occupied by well developed lawn grasses and landscaping, with dense new grass so that there is no anticipated risk of erosion beyond the limits of the existing lawn. Wetland flags are still observable, remote from the area of work at the limit of the delineated wetlands. Further, the boulders, intended to demarcate the fifty-foot wetland buffer horizon are in place, and each appears to significantly exceed the required minimum 1.5-foot dimensions specified in the Order.

There is no evidence of construction related erosion and the erosion control protecting the inner 50-foot buffer within the wooded perimeter has been removed from the site and disposed of.

Representative site photographs are appended on the following page. The site and project are stabilized as is required for the issuance of a Certificate of Compliance and we do not anticipate any threat to the statutory interests from the stabilized site with clearly demarcated boulder perimeter located fifty horizontal feet from the resource area. Sincerely,

Oxbow Associates, Inc.

Brian O. Butler, President

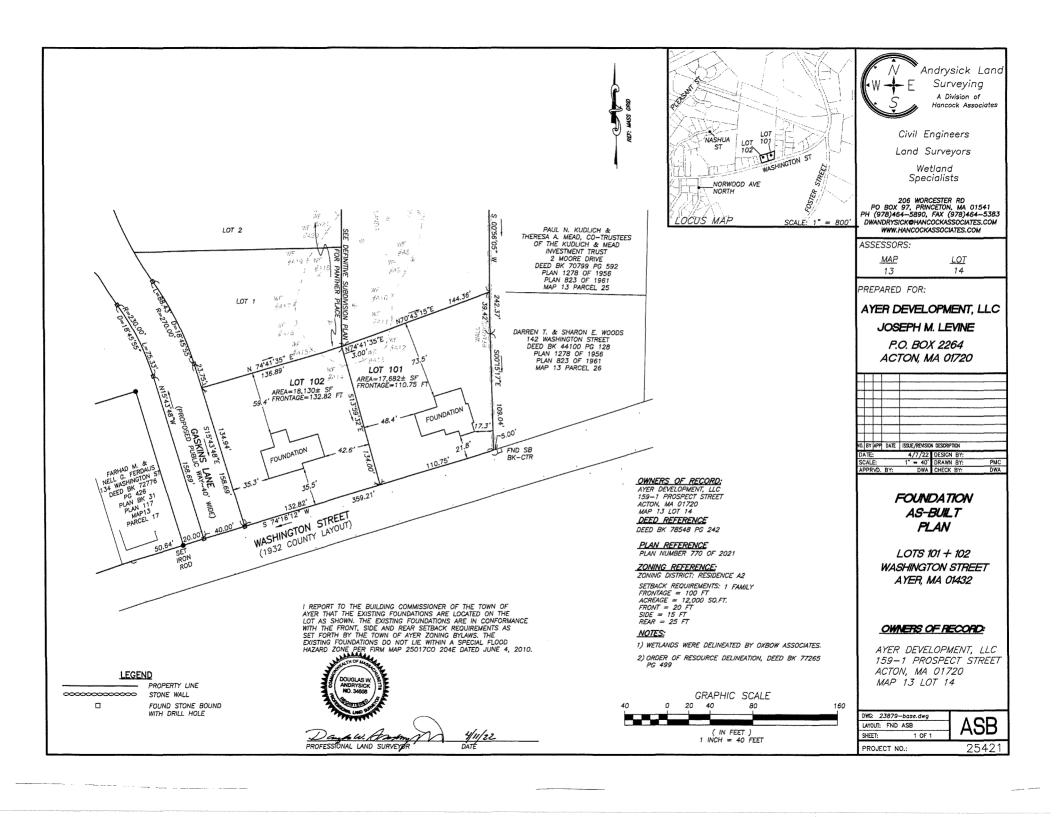
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Site Photographs – 138 Washington Street/Lot A October 23, 2022



Top: View of rear yard of 138 Washington St., showing boulder border and stabilized lawn.

Bottom: View toward Washington St. from the 50-foot buffer perimeter showing rear of home and stabilized lawn.





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WPA Form 8A – Request for Certificate of ComplianceMassachusetts Wetlands Protection Act M.G.L. c. 131, §40

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DEP File Number:

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Important: When filling out	1.	This request is being made by:				
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computer, use only the tab		Name				
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do not use the		Acton	MA	01720		
return key.		City/Town	State	Zip Code		
		508-331-4979		V		
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Tehn	2.	This request is in reference to work regulated by a final Order of Conditions issued to:				
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		Applicant	100.0404			
		11/3/2022	100-0461 DEP File Number			
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Upon completion of the work authorized in	3.	The project site is located at:				
an Order of		138 Washington Street	Ayer			
Conditions, the		Street Address	City/Town			
property owner		13-14	101			
must request a		Assessors Map/Plat Number	Parcel/Lot Number			
Certificate of Compliance 4. The final Order of Conditions was recorded at the Registry of Deeds for: from the issuing						
authority stating		Property Owner (if different)				
that the work or		Tropolly Children (ii americally				
portion of the		County	Book	Page		
work has been satisfactorily		•				
completed.		Certificate (if registered land)				
	5. This request is for certification that (check one):					
		★ the work regulated by the above-referenced Order or the control of the	of Conditions has been satisf	factorily completed.		
		the following portions of the work regulated by the a been satisfactorily completed (use additional paper	above-referenced Order of right in the contract of the contrac	Conditions have		

☐ the above-referenced Order of Conditions has lapsed and is therefore no longer valid, and the

work regulated by it was never started.



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A. Project Information (cont.)

6.	Did the Order of Conditions for this project, or the portion of the project subject to this request, contain an approval of any plans stamped by a registered professional engineer, architect, landscape architect, or land surveyor?			
	⊠ Yes	If yes, attach a written statement by such a professional certifying substantial compliance with the plans and describing what deviation, if any, exists from the plans approved in the Order.		
	□ No			

B. Submittal Requirements

Requests for Certificates of Compliance should be directed to the issuing authority that issued the final Order of Conditions (OOC). If the project received an OOC from the Conservation Commission, submit this request to that Commission. If the project was issued a Superseding Order of Conditions or was the subject of an Adjudicatory Hearing Final Decision, submit this request to the appropriate DEP Regional Office (see http://www.mass.gov/eea/agencies/massdep/about/contacts/find-the-massdep-regional-officefor-your-city-or-town.html).



November 2, 2022

Mr. Joseph Levine Northeast Site Development, LLC P.O. Box 2264 Acton. MA 01720

VIA EMAIL ONLY

Re: Certificate of Compliance Review Lot B/MA DEP File Number 100-0462 136 Washington Street, Ayer

Dear Mr. Levine:

Oxbow Associates, Inc. (B. Butler) examined the subject property for its completion and compliance with the outstanding Order of Conditions issued for File Number 100-0462 on October 23, 2022. The project proposed as "Lot B" is now assigned the address of 136 Washington Street and the home and amenities are substantially complete.

In brief, the areas disturbed for construction are now occupied by well developed lawn grasses and landscaping, with dense new grass so that there is no anticipated risk of erosion beyond the limits of the existing lawn. Wetland flags are still observable, remote from the area of work at the limit of the delineated wetlands. Further, the boulders, intended to demarcate the fifty-foot wetland buffer horizon are in place, and each appears to significantly exceed the required minimum 1.5-foot dimensions specified in the Order.

There is no evidence of construction related erosion and the erosion control protecting the inner 50-foot buffer within the wooded perimeter, with the exception of a length near the adjacent subdivision road, has been removed from the site and disposed of.

Representative site photographs are appended on the following page. The site and project are stabilized as is required for the issuance of a Certificate of Compliance and we do not anticipate any threat to the statutory interests from the stabilized site with clearly demarcated boulder perimeter located fifty horizontal feet from the resource area.

Sincerely,

Oxbow Associates, Inc.

Brian O. Butler, President

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Site Photographs – 136 Washington Street/Lot B October 23, 2022



Top: View of stabilized lawn of 136 Washington Street from the SSE. Bottom: View of rear yard and 50-foot boulder barrier showing rear of home and stabilized lawn.



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DEP File Number:

A. Project Information

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Upon completion 3 of the work authorized in an Order of Conditions, the property owner must request a Certificate of Compliance from the issuing authority stating that the work or portion of the work has been satisfactorily completed.

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1.	This request is being made by:						
	Ayer Development, LLC						
	Name						
	PO Box 2264						
	Mailing Address						
	Acton	MA	01720				
	City/Town	State	Zip Code				
	508-331-4979 Phone Number						
	Priorie Number						
2.	This request is in reference to work regu	ulated by a final Order of Conditions issue	d to:				
	Ayer Development, LLC						
	Applicant						
	11/3/2022	100-0462					
	Dated	DEP File Number					
3.	The project site is located at:						
	136 Washington Street	Ayer					
	Street Address	City/Town					
	13-70	102					
	Assessors Map/Plat Number	Parcel/Lot Number					
4.	The final Order of Conditions was record	ded at the Registry of Deeds for:					
	Property Owner (if different)						
	County	Book	Page				
	Certificate (if registered land)						
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