EcoTec, Inc.

ENVIRONMENTAL CONSULTING SERVICES
102 Grove Street
Worcester, MA 01605-2629
508-752-9666 – Fax: 508-752-9494

May 28, 2021 (Revised July 29, 2021)

Mike Staiti
Keystone Development
910 Boston Post Road Suite 310
Marlborough MA 01752

RE: Wetland Resource Evaluation, 27 Sherman's Bridge Road, Wayland, Massachusetts

Dear Mike:

On May 14, 2021, EcoTec, Inc. inspected the above-referenced property for the presence of wetland resources as defined by: (1) the Massachusetts Wetlands Protection Act (M.G.L. Ch. 131, § 40; the "Act") and its implementing regulations (310 CMR 10.00 *et seq.*; the "Regulations"); and (2) the U.S. Clean Water Act (i.e., Section 404 and 401 wetlands). Arthur Allen, CPSS, CWS, CESSWI conducted the inspection.

The subject site consists of an approximately 8.34-acre property with a single-family house and several outbuildings. The majority of the site is upland including overgrown, partially open areas and relatively undisturbed, wooded areas. The wetland resources observed on the site are described below.

Methodology

The site was inspected, and areas suspected to qualify as wetland resources were identified. No Bordering Vegetated Wetlands or Waterways were identified on the site. An Isolated Vegetated Wetland ("IVW") was identified on the site. The boundary of IVW was delineated in accordance with Federal criteria including the 1987 "Corps of Engineers Wetlands Delineation Manual" (Department of the Army, Technical Report Y-87-1), the 2012 "Regional Supplement to the Corps of Engineers Wetland Delineation Manual: Northcentral and Northeast Region (Version 2.0)" (U.S. Army Corps of Engineers - Wetlands Regulatory Assistance Program) and the 2016 "Field Indicators of Hydric Soils in the United States: A Guide for Identifying and Delineating Hydric Soils, Version 8.0" (U.S Dept. of Agriculture, Natural Resources Conservation Service in cooperation with the National Technical Committee for Hydric Soils). The plant taxonomy used in this report is based on the *National List of Plant Species that Occur in Wetlands: Massachusetts* (Fish and Wildlife Service, U.S. Department of the Interior, 1988). Hydrology, soil and vegetation descriptions, recorded at a sampling transect, can be found on the attached US Army Corps of Engineers Wetland Determination Data Forms.

Findings

Wetland A consists of an Isolated Vegetated Wetland ("IVW") located in the northeasterly corner of the site. Wetland A is associated with a seasonal ponding area. Plant species observed

include red maple (*Acer rubrum*) trees and saplings; highbush blueberry (*Vaccinium corymbosum*), sweet pepperbush (*Clethra alnifolia*), buttonbush (*Cephalanthus occidentalis*), cinnamon fern (*Osmunda cinnamomea*) and sensitive fern (*Onoclea sensibilis*). Evidence of wetland hydrology, including hydric soils, high groundwater, and saturated soils were observed within the delineated wetland. Isolated wetlands are not regulated under the Act unless they qualify as Isolated Land Subject to Flooding ("ILSF"). ILSF is present if the wetland has the potential to hold at least ¼ acre-foot of water, to a depth of at least 6 inches. Engineering calculations are required to confirm the presence or absence of ILSF. If ILSF were present, the boundary would fall within the delineated IVW. A 100-foot Buffer Zone extends horizontally outward from the edge of Isolated Vegetated Wetlands under the Wayland Wetland Bylaw. There is no Buffer Zone associated with ILSF under the Act.

Bordering Land Subject to Flooding is an area that floods due to a rise in floodwaters from a bordering waterway or water body. Where flood studies have been completed, the boundary of Bordering Land Subject to Flooding is based upon flood profile data prepared by the National Flood Insurance Program. Section 10.57(2)(a)3. states that "The boundary of Bordering Land Subject to Flooding is the estimated maximum lateral extent of flood water which will theoretically result from the statistical 100-year frequency storm." The project engineer should evaluate the most recent National Flood Insurance Program flood profile data to confirm the absence of Bordering Land Subject to Flooding on the site. Bordering Land Subject to Flooding would occur in areas where the 100-year flood elevation is located outside of or upgradient of the delineated Bordering Vegetated Wetlands or Bank boundary. Bordering Land Subject to Flooding does not have a Buffer Zone under the Act.

The Massachusetts Rivers Protection Act amended the Act to establish an additional wetland resource area: Riverfront Area. Based upon a review of the current USGS Map (attached), there are no mapped streams on or within 200-feet of the site. Furthermore, based upon observations made during the site inspection, there no unmapped streams located on within 200 feet of the site. Accordingly, except as noted above, Riverfront Area would not occur on the site. Riverfront Area does not have a Buffer Zone under the Act, but may overlap other wetland resources and their Buffer Zones.

The Regulations require that no project may be permitted that will have any adverse effect on specified habitat sites of rare vertebrate or invertebrate species, as identified by procedures set forth at 310 CMR 10.59. Based upon a review of the *Massachusetts Natural Heritage Atlas*, 14th edition, Priority Habitats and Estimated Habitats from the NHESP Interactive Viewer, valid from August 1, 2017, and Certified Vernal Pools from MassGIS, there are no Estimated Habitats [for use with the Act and Regulations (310 CMR 10.00 *et seq*.)], Priority Habitats [for use with Massachusetts Endangered Species Act (M.G.L. Ch. 131A; "MESA") and MESA Regulations (321 CMR 10.00 *et seq*.)], or Certified Vernal Pools on or in the immediate vicinity of the site. A copy of this map is attached. There are also no mapped Potential Vernal Pools on the site. The IVW wetland has seasonal ponding characteristics although it was observed to be nearly dry at the time of my site visit on May 14th. This observation indicates that the hydroperiod of the IVW is

too short to facilitate successful reproduction of vernal pool species. Therefore, the IVW is likely not a functional vernal pool.

The reader should be aware that the regulatory authority for determining wetland jurisdiction rests with local, state, and federal authorities. A brief description of my experience and qualifications is attached. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at any time.

Cordially,
ECOTEC, INC.

Arthur Allen, CPSS, CWS, CESSWI
Vice President

Attachments (5, 10 pages)

EcoTec, Inc.

ENVIRONMENTAL CONSULTING SERVICES
102 Grove Street
Worcester, MA 01605-2629
508-752-9666 / Fax: 508-752-9494

Arthur Allen, CPSS, CWS, CESSWI
Vice President
Soil & Wetland Scientist

Arthur Allen is the Vice President of EcoTec, Inc. and has been a senior environmental scientist there since 1995. His work with EcoTec has involved wetland delineation, wildlife habitat evaluation, environmental permitting (federal, state and local), environmental monitoring, expert testimony, peer reviews, contaminated site assessment and the description, mapping and interpretation of soils. His clients have included private landowners, developers, major corporations and regulatory agencies. Prior to joining EcoTec, Mr. Allen mapped and interpreted soils in Franklin County, MA for the U.S.D.A. Natural Resources Conservation Service (formerly Soil Conservation Service) and was a research soil scientist at Harvard University's Harvard Forest. Since 1994, Mr. Allen has assisted the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection and the Massachusetts Association of Conservation Commissions as an instructor in the interpretation of soils for wetland delineation and for the Title V Soil Evaluator program.

Mr. Allen has a civil service rating as a soil scientist, an undergraduate degree in Natural Resource Studies and a graduate certificate in Soil Studies. His work on the Franklin County soil survey involved interpretation of landscape-soil-water relationships, classifying soils and drainage, and determining use and limitation of the soil units that he delineated. As a soil scientist at the Harvard Forest, Mr. Allen was involved in identifying the legacies of historical land-use in modern soil and vegetation at a number of study sites across southern New England. He has a working knowledge of the chemical and physical properties of soil and water and how these properties interact with the plants that grow on a given site. While at Harvard Forest he authored and presented several papers describing his research results which were later published. In addition to his aforementioned experience, Mr. Allen was previously employed by the Trustees of Reservations as a land manager and by the Town of North Andover, MA as a conservation commission intern.

Education:
1993-Graduate Certificate in Soil Studies, University of New Hampshire
1982-Bachelor of Science in Natural Resource Studies, University of Massachusetts

Professional Affiliations:
Certified Professional Soil Scientist (ARCPACS CPSS #22529)
New Hampshire Certified Wetland Scientist (#19)
Registered Professional Soil Scientist – Society of Soil Scientists of SNE [Board Member (2000-2006)]
Certified Erosion, Sediment & Stormwater Inspector (#965)
Massachusetts Approved Soil Evaluator (#13764)
Massachusetts Arborists Association-Certified Arborist (1982 – 1998)
New England Hydric Soils Technical Committee member
Massachusetts Association of Conservation Commissions member
Society of Wetland Scientists member

Refereed Publications:
Soil Science and Survey at Harvard Forest. A.Allen. *In*: Soil Survey Horizons. Vol. 36, No. 4, 1995, pp. 133-142.
Controlling Site to Evaluate History: Vegetation Patterns of a New England Sand Plain. G.Motzkin, D.Foster, A.Allen, J.Harrod, & R.Boone. *In*: Ecological Monographs 66(3), 1996, pp. 345-365.
Vegetation Patterns in Heterogeneous Landscapes: The Importance of History and Environment. G.Motzkin, P.Wilson, D.R.Foster & A.Allen. In: Journal of Vegetation Science 10, 1999, pp. 903-920.


USGS TOPOGRAPHIC MAP
WAYLAND, MA
27 Sherman's Bridge Road
NAT GUARD
OXBOW
OXBOW
RD
126
ROAD
Hathaway Hill
BM 87.0
STATE
MENT AREA
GMNWR
SUDBURY
Round Hill
ROAD
44.3
44.0
38.5
BM 37.0
Sherman Bridge
ROAD
56.5
OLD
SUDBURY
45.2
LINCOLN
Swamp
GREAT MEADOWS NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE
GMNWR
Meadows
PIPELINE
ROAD
Hazel
Brook
200 m
1000 ft
Scale = 1:18,056
212,624.78m 904,565.29m

National Flood Hazard Layer FIRMette

FEMA

71°21'43"W 42°24'4"N

71°21'6"W 42°23'38"N

0 250 500 1,000 1,500 2,000 Feet

1:6,000

Basemap: USGS National Map: Orthoimagery: Data refreshed October, 2020

Legend

SEE FIS REPORT FOR DETAILED LEGEND AND INDEX MAP FOR FIRM PANEL LAYOUT

SPECIAL FLOOD HAZARD AREAS
- Without Base Flood Elevation (BFE) *Zone A, V, A99*
- With BFE or Depth *Zone AE, AO, AH, VE, AR*
- Regulatory Floodway

OTHER AREAS OF FLOOD HAZARD
- 0.2% Annual Chance Flood Hazard, Areas of 1% annual chance flood with average depth less than one foot or with drainage areas of less than one square mile *Zone X*
- Future Conditions 1% Annual Chance Flood Hazard *Zone X*
- Area with Reduced Flood Risk due to Levee. See Notes. *Zone X*
- Area with Flood Risk due to Levee *Zone D*

OTHER AREAS
- NO SCREEN Area of Minimal Flood Hazard *Zone X*
- Effective LOMRs
- Area of Undetermined Flood Hazard *Zone D*

GENERAL STRUCTURES
- Channel, Culvert, or Storm Sewer
- Levee, Dike, or Floodwall

OTHER FEATURES
- 20.2 Cross Sections with 1% Annual Chance
- 17.5 Water Surface Elevation
- Coastal Transect
- 513 Base Flood Elevation Line (BFE)
- Limit of Study
- Jurisdiction Boundary
- Coastal Transect Baseline
- Profile Baseline
- Hydrographic Feature

MAP PANELS
- Digital Data Available
- No Digital Data Available
- Unmapped

N

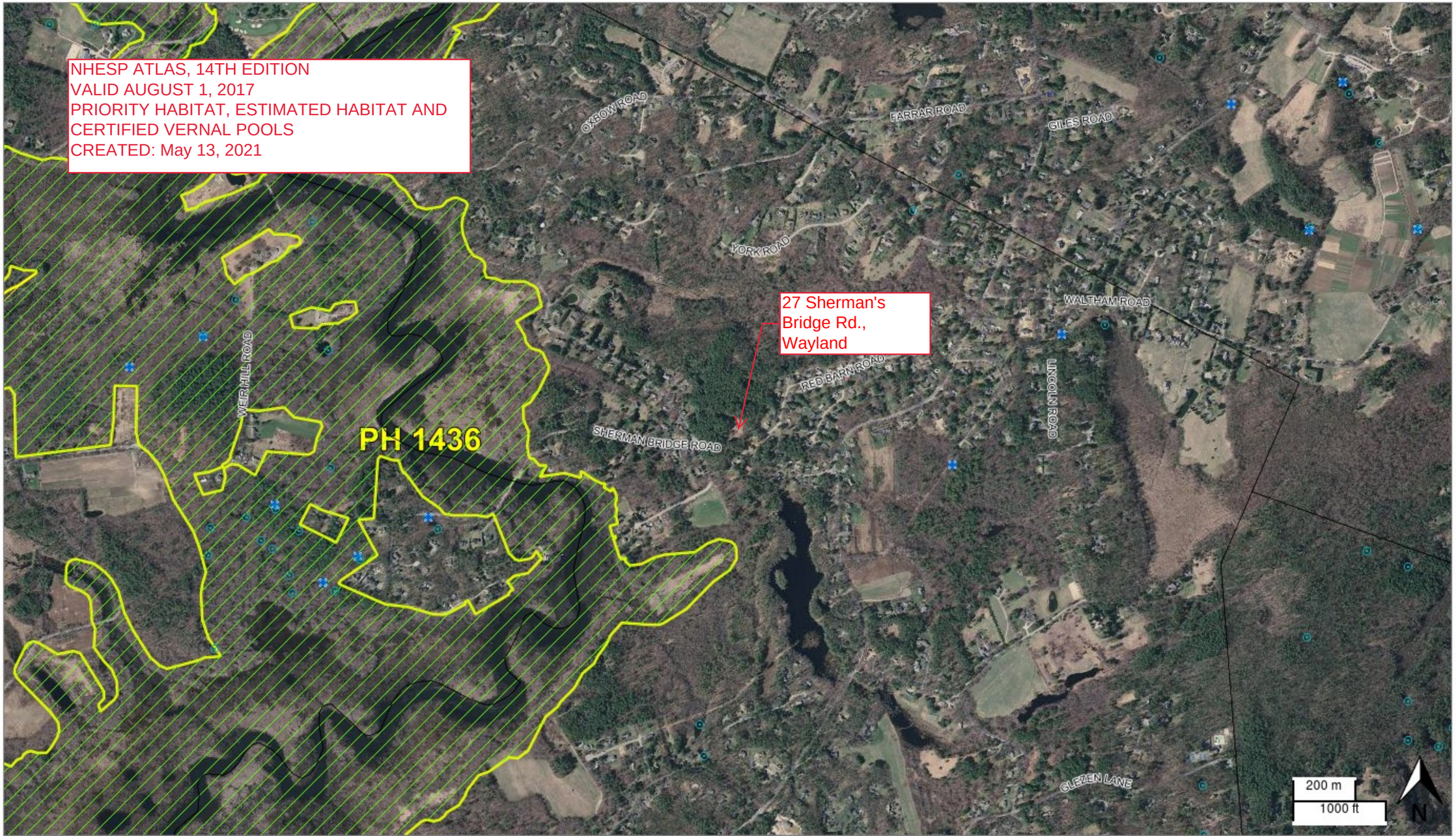
The pin displayed on the map is an approximate point selected by the user and does not represent an authoritative property location.

This map complies with FEMA's standards for the use of digital flood maps if it is not void as described below. The basemap shown complies with FEMA's basemap accuracy standards

The flood hazard information is derived directly from the authoritative NFHL web services provided by FEMA. This map was exported on 5/13/2021 at 3:06 PM and does not reflect changes or amendments subsequent to this date and time. The NFHL and effective information may change or become superseded by new data over time.

This map image is void if the one or more of the following map elements do not appear: basemap imagery, flood zone labels, legend, scale bar, map creation date, community identifiers, FIRM panel number, and FIRM effective date. Map images for unmapped and unmodernized areas cannot be used for regulatory purposes.

NHESP - 5.13.2021



Potential Vernal Pools

NHESP Certified Vernal Pools

MassDOT Roads Street Names

Major MassDOT Routes
Interstate Highways
US Roads
State

Massachusetts Towns

NHESP Estimated Habitats of Rare Species

NHESP Priority Habitats of Rare Species

2013-2014 Color Orthos (USGS)

2008-2009 Orthos (USGS)

WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA FORM – Northcentral and Northeast Region

Project/Site: 27 Sherman's Bridge Road City/County: Wayland Sampling Date: 5/14/2021

Applicant/Owner: Keystone Development State: MA Sampling Point: TPU@A1

Investigator(s): Arthur Allen, EcoTec, Inc. Section, Township, Range:

Landform (hillside, terrace, etc.): footslope Local relief (concave, convex, none): convex Slope (%): 0

Subregion (LRR or MLRA): LRR R, MLRA 144A Lat: 42.398842 Long: -71.355030 Datum: WGS 84

Soil Map Unit Name: Hinckley Loamy Sand NWI classification: n/a

Are climatic / hydrologic conditions on the site typical for this time of year? Yes x No _____ (If no, explain in Remarks.)

Are Vegetation _____, Soil _____, or Hydrology _____ significantly disturbed? Are "Normal Circumstances" present? Yes X No _____

Are Vegetation _____, Soil _____, or Hydrology _____ naturally problematic? (If needed, explain any answers in Remarks.)

SUMMARY OF FINDINGS – Attach site map showing sampling point locations, transects, important features, etc.

Hydrophytic Vegetation Present?	Yes _____	No X	**Is the Sampled Area**	
Hydric Soil Present?	Yes _____	No X	**within a Wetland?**	**Yes** _____ **No** X
Wetland Hydrology Present?	Yes _____	No X	If yes, optional Wetland Site ID:	

Remarks: (Explain alternative procedures here or in a separate report.)

HYDROLOGY

Wetland Hydrology Indicators:

Primary Indicators (minimum of one is required; check all that apply)

- ___ Surface Water (A1)
- ___ High Water Table (A2)
- ___ Saturation (A3)
- ___ Water Marks (B1)
- ___ Sediment Deposits (B2)
- ___ Drift Deposits (B3)
- ___ Algal Mat or Crust (B4)
- ___ Iron Deposits (B5)
- ___ Inundation Visible on Aerial Imagery (B7)
- ___ Sparsely Vegetated Concave Surface (B8)
- ___ Water-Stained Leaves (B9)
- ___ Aquatic Fauna (B13)
- ___ Marl Deposits (B15)
- ___ Hydrogen Sulfide Odor (C1)
- ___ Oxidized Rhizospheres on Living Roots (C3)
- ___ Presence of Reduced Iron (C4)
- ___ Recent Iron Reduction in Tilled Soils (C6)
- ___ Thin Muck Surface (C7)
- ___ Other (Explain in Remarks)

Secondary Indicators (minimum of two required)

- ___ Surface Soil Cracks (B6)
- ___ Drainage Patterns (B10)
- ___ Moss Trim Lines (B16)
- ___ Dry-Season Water Table (C2)
- ___ Crayfish Burrows (C8)
- ___ Saturation Visible on Aerial Imagery (C9)
- ___ Stunted or Stressed Plants (D1)
- ___ Geomorphic Position (D2)
- ___ Shallow Aquitard (D3)
- ___ Microtopographic Relief (D4)
- ___ FAC-Neutral Test (D5)

Field Observations:

Surface Water Present?	Yes _____	No X	Depth (inches): _____
Water Table Present?	Yes _____	No X	Depth (inches): _____
Saturation Present? (includes capillary fringe)	Yes _____	No X	Depth (inches): _____

Wetland Hydrology Present? **Yes** _____ **No** X

Describe Recorded Data (stream gauge, monitoring well, aerial photos, previous inspections), if available:

Remarks:

VEGETATION – Use scientific names of plants. Sampling Point: TPU@A1

Tree Stratum (Plot size: 30)	Absolute % Cover	Dominant Species?	Indicator Status
1. *Picea rubens*	20	Yes	FACU
2. *Pinus strobus*	80	Yes	FACU
3.			
4.			
5.			
6.			
7.			
	100	=Total Cover	
Sapling/Shrub Stratum (Plot size: 15)			
1. *Acer rubrum*	20	Yes	FAC
2. *Clethra alnifolia*	30	Yes	FAC
3. *Cornus alternifolia*	5	No	FACU
4.			
5.			
6.			
7.			
	55	=Total Cover	
Herb Stratum (Plot size: 5)			
1. *Toxicodendron radicans*	10	No	FAC
2. *Maianthemum canadense*	10	No	FACU
3. *Mitchella repens*	15	Yes	FACU
4. *Dryopteris intermedia*	20	Yes	FAC
5.			
6.			
7.			
8.			
9.			
10.			
11.			
12.			
	55	=Total Cover	
Woody Vine Stratum (Plot size: 15)			
1.			
2.			
3.			
4.			
		=Total Cover	

Dominance Test worksheet:

Number of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: 3 (A)

Total Number of Dominant Species Across All Strata: 6 (B)

Percent of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: 50.0% (A/B)

Prevalence Index worksheet:

Total % Cover of:	Multiply by:
OBL species	x 1 =
FACW species	x 2 =
FAC species	x 3 =
FACU species	x 4 =
UPL species	x 5 =
Column Totals: (A)	(B)
Prevalence Index = B/A =	

Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators:

___ 1 - Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation

___ 2 - Dominance Test is >50%

___ 3 - Prevalence Index is ≤3.0[1]

___ 4 - Morphological Adaptations[1] (Provide supporting data in Remarks or on a separate sheet)

___ Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation[1] (Explain)

[1]Indicators of hydric soil and wetland hydrology must be present, unless disturbed or problematic.

Definitions of Vegetation Strata:

Tree – Woody plants 3 in. (7.6 cm) or more in diameter at breast height (DBH), regardless of height.

Sapling/shrub – Woody plants less than 3 in. DBH and greater than or equal to 3.28 ft (1 m) tall.

Herb – All herbaceous (non-woody) plants, regardless of size, and woody plants less than 3.28 ft tall.

Woody vines – All woody vines greater than 3.28 ft in height.

Hydrophytic Vegetation Present? **Yes** ___ **No** X

Remarks: (Include photo numbers here or on a separate sheet.)

SOIL

Sampling Point: TPU@A1

Profile Description: (Describe to the depth needed to document the indicator or confirm the absence of indicators.)

Depth	Matrix		Redox Features					
(inches)	Color (moist)	%	Color (moist)	%	Type[1]	Loc[2]	Texture	Remarks
0-16	10YR 3/2	100					Sandy	
16-20	10YR 4/6	100					Sandy	

[1]Type: C=Concentration, D=Depletion, RM=Reduced Matrix, CS=Covered or Coated Sand Grains. [2]Location: PL=Pore Lining, M=Matrix.

Hydric Soil Indicators:

- ___ Histosol (A1)
- ___ Histic Epipedon (A2)
- ___ Black Histic (A3)
- ___ Hydrogen Sulfide (A4)
- ___ Stratified Layers (A5)
- ___ Depleted Below Dark Surface (A11)
- ___ Thick Dark Surface (A12)
- ___ Sandy Mucky Mineral (S1)
- ___ Sandy Gleyed Matrix (S4)
- ___ Sandy Redox (S5)
- ___ Stripped Matrix (S6)
- ___ Dark Surface (S7)
- ___ Polyvalue Below Surface (S8) (**LRR R, MLRA 149B**)
- ___ Thin Dark Surface (S9) (**LRR R, MLRA 149B**)
- ___ High Chroma Sands (S11) (**LRR K, L)**
- ___ Loamy Mucky Mineral (F1) (**LRR K, L**)
- ___ Loamy Gleyed Matrix (F2)
- ___ Depleted Matrix (F3)
- ___ Redox Dark Surface (F6)
- ___ Depleted Dark Surface (F7)
- ___ Redox Depressions (F8)
- ___ Marl (F10) (**LRR K, L**)

Indicators for Problematic Hydric Soils[3]:

- ___ 2 cm Muck (A10) (**LRR K, L, MLRA 149B**)
- ___ Coast Prairie Redox (A16) (**LRR K, L, R**)
- ___ 5 cm Mucky Peat or Peat (S3) (**LRR K, L, R**)
- ___ Polyvalue Below Surface (S8) (**LRR K, L**)
- ___ Thin Dark Surface (S9) (**LRR K, L**)
- ___ Iron-Manganese Masses (F12) (**LRR K, L, R**)
- ___ Piedmont Floodplain Soils (F19) (**MLRA 149B**)
- ___ Mesic Spodic (TA6) (**MLRA 144A, 145, 149B**)
- ___ Red Parent Material (F21)
- ___ Very Shallow Dark Surface (TF12)
- ___ Other (Explain in Remarks)

[3]Indicators of hydrophytic vegetation and wetland hydrology must be present, unless disturbed or problematic.

Restrictive Layer (if observed):

Type: none

Depth (inches): _____

Hydric Soil Present? **Yes** _____ **No** X

Remarks:

This data form is revised from Northcentral and Northeast Regional Supplement Version 2.0 to reflect the NRCS Field Indicators of Hydric Soils version 7.0 March 2013 Errata. (http://www.nrcs.usda.gov/Internet/FSE_DOCUMENTS/nrcs142p2_051293.docx)

WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA FORM – Northcentral and Northeast Region

Project/Site: 27 Sherman's Bridge Road City/County: Wayland Sampling Date: 5/14/2021

Applicant/Owner: Keystone Development State: MA Sampling Point: TPW@A1

Investigator(s): Arthur Allen, EcoTec, Inc. Section, Township, Range:

Landform (hillside, terrace, etc.): toeslope Local relief (concave, convex, none): none Slope (%): 0

Subregion (LRR or MLRA): LRR R, MLRA 144A Lat: 42.398842 Long: -71.355030 Datum: WGS 84

Soil Map Unit Name: Hinckley Loamy Sand NWI classification: n/a

Are climatic / hydrologic conditions on the site typical for this time of year? Yes x No ____ (If no, explain in Remarks.)

Are Vegetation ____, Soil ____, or Hydrology ____ significantly disturbed? Are "Normal Circumstances" present? Yes X No ____

Are Vegetation ____, Soil ____, or Hydrology ____ naturally problematic? (If needed, explain any answers in Remarks.)

SUMMARY OF FINDINGS – Attach site map showing sampling point locations, transects, important features, etc.

Hydrophytic Vegetation Present?	Yes X	No ____	**Is the Sampled Area**
Hydric Soil Present?	Yes X	No ____	**within a Wetland?** **Yes** X **No** ____
Wetland Hydrology Present?	Yes X	No ____	If yes, optional Wetland Site ID:

Remarks: (Explain alternative procedures here or in a separate report.)

HYDROLOGY

Wetland Hydrology Indicators:

Primary Indicators (minimum of one is required; check all that apply)

- X Surface Water (A1)
- ____ High Water Table (A2)
- X Saturation (A3)
- ____ Water Marks (B1)
- ____ Sediment Deposits (B2)
- ____ Drift Deposits (B3)
- ____ Algal Mat or Crust (B4)
- ____ Iron Deposits (B5)
- ____ Inundation Visible on Aerial Imagery (B7)
- ____ Sparsely Vegetated Concave Surface (B8)
- X Water-Stained Leaves (B9)
- ____ Aquatic Fauna (B13)
- ____ Marl Deposits (B15)
- ____ Hydrogen Sulfide Odor (C1)
- X Oxidized Rhizospheres on Living Roots (C3)
- ____ Presence of Reduced Iron (C4)
- ____ Recent Iron Reduction in Tilled Soils (C6)
- ____ Thin Muck Surface (C7)
- ____ Other (Explain in Remarks)

Secondary Indicators (minimum of two required)

- ____ Surface Soil Cracks (B6)
- ____ Drainage Patterns (B10)
- ____ Moss Trim Lines (B16)
- ____ Dry-Season Water Table (C2)
- ____ Crayfish Burrows (C8)
- ____ Saturation Visible on Aerial Imagery (C9)
- ____ Stunted or Stressed Plants (D1)
- ____ Geomorphic Position (D2)
- ____ Shallow Aquitard (D3)
- ____ Microtopographic Relief (D4)
- ____ FAC-Neutral Test (D5)

Field Observations:

Surface Water Present?	Yes X	No ____	Depth (inches): 2
Water Table Present?	Yes X	No ____	Depth (inches): 0
Saturation Present? (includes capillary fringe)	Yes X	No ____	Depth (inches): 0

Wetland Hydrology Present? **Yes** X **No** ____

Describe Recorded Data (stream gauge, monitoring well, aerial photos, previous inspections), if available:

Remarks:

VEGETATION – Use scientific names of plants. Sampling Point: TPW@A1

Tree Stratum (Plot size: 30)	Absolute % Cover	Dominant Species?	Indicator Status
1. *Acer rubrum*	20	Yes	FAC
2. *Pinus strobus*	80	Yes	FACU
3.			
4.			
5.			
6.			
7.			
	100	=Total Cover	
Sapling/Shrub Stratum (Plot size: 15)			
1. *Acer rubrum*	20	Yes	FAC
2. *Clethra alnifolia*	60	Yes	FAC
3.			
4.			
5.			
6.			
7.			
	80	=Total Cover	
Herb Stratum (Plot size: 5)			
1. *Athyrium angustum*	10	Yes	FAC
2. *Maianthemum canadense*	10	Yes	FACU
3. *Symplocarpus foetidus*	5	Yes	OBL
4.			
5.			
6.			
7.			
8.			
9.			
10.			
11.			
12.			
	25	=Total Cover	
Woody Vine Stratum (Plot size: 15)			
1.			
2.			
3.			
4.			
		=Total Cover	

Dominance Test worksheet:

Number of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: 5 (A)

Total Number of Dominant Species Across All Strata: 7 (B)

Percent of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: 71.4% (A/B)

Prevalence Index worksheet:

Total % Cover of:	Multiply by:
OBL species	x 1 =
FACW species	x 2 =
FAC species	x 3 =
FACU species	x 4 =
UPL species	x 5 =
Column Totals: (A)	(B)
Prevalence Index = B/A =	

Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators:

___ 1 - Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation

X 2 - Dominance Test is >50%

___ 3 - Prevalence Index is ≤3.0[1]

___ 4 - Morphological Adaptations[1] (Provide supporting data in Remarks or on a separate sheet)

___ Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation[1] (Explain)

[1]Indicators of hydric soil and wetland hydrology must be present, unless disturbed or problematic.

Definitions of Vegetation Strata:

Tree – Woody plants 3 in. (7.6 cm) or more in diameter at breast height (DBH), regardless of height.

Sapling/shrub – Woody plants less than 3 in. DBH and greater than or equal to 3.28 ft (1 m) tall.

Herb – All herbaceous (non-woody) plants, regardless of size, and woody plants less than 3.28 ft tall.

Woody vines – All woody vines greater than 3.28 ft in height.

Hydrophytic Vegetation Present? **Yes** X **No** ___

Remarks: (Include photo numbers here or on a separate sheet.)

SOIL

Sampling Point: TPW@A1

Profile Description: (Describe to the depth needed to document the indicator or confirm the absence of indicators.)

Depth	Matrix		Redox Features					
(inches)	Color (moist)	%	Color (moist)	%	Type[1]	Loc[2]	Texture	Remarks
0-4	10YR 2/1	100					Mucky Loam/Clay	
4-10	10YR 5/3	90	7.5YR 4/4	10	C	M	Sandy	Faint redox concentrations
10-18	10YR 2/1	100					Mucky Sand	

[1]Type: C=Concentration, D=Depletion, RM=Reduced Matrix, CS=Covered or Coated Sand Grains. [2]Location: PL=Pore Lining, M=Matrix.

Hydric Soil Indicators:

- ___ Histosol (A1)
- ___ Histic Epipedon (A2)
- ___ Black Histic (A3)
- ___ Hydrogen Sulfide (A4)
- ___ Stratified Layers (A5)
- X Depleted Below Dark Surface (A11)
- X Thick Dark Surface (A12)
- ___ Sandy Mucky Mineral (S1)
- ___ Sandy Gleyed Matrix (S4)
- ___ Sandy Redox (S5)
- ___ Stripped Matrix (S6)
- ___ Dark Surface (S7)
- ___ Polyvalue Below Surface (S8) (**LRR R, MLRA 149B**)
- ___ Thin Dark Surface (S9) (**LRR R, MLRA 149B**)
- ___ High Chroma Sands (S11) (**LRR K, L)**
- ___ Loamy Mucky Mineral (F1) (**LRR K, L**)
- ___ Loamy Gleyed Matrix (F2)
- ___ Depleted Matrix (F3)
- ___ Redox Dark Surface (F6)
- ___ Depleted Dark Surface (F7)
- ___ Redox Depressions (F8)
- ___ Marl (F10) (**LRR K, L**)

Indicators for Problematic Hydric Soils[3]:

- ___ 2 cm Muck (A10) (**LRR K, L, MLRA 149B**)
- ___ Coast Prairie Redox (A16) (**LRR K, L, R**)
- ___ 5 cm Mucky Peat or Peat (S3) (**LRR K, L, R**)
- ___ Polyvalue Below Surface (S8) (**LRR K, L**)
- ___ Thin Dark Surface (S9) (**LRR K, L**)
- ___ Iron-Manganese Masses (F12) (**LRR K, L, R**)
- ___ Piedmont Floodplain Soils (F19) (**MLRA 149B**)
- ___ Mesic Spodic (TA6) (**MLRA 144A, 145, 149B**)
- ___ Red Parent Material (F21)
- ___ Very Shallow Dark Surface (TF12)
- ___ Other (Explain in Remarks)

[3]Indicators of hydrophytic vegetation and wetland hydrology must be present, unless disturbed or problematic.

Restrictive Layer (if observed):

Type: none

Depth (inches): ___

Hydric Soil Present? **Yes** X **No** ___

Remarks:

This data form is revised from Northcentral and Northeast Regional Supplement Version 2.0 to reflect the NRCS Field Indicators of Hydric Soils version 7.0 March 2013 Errata. (http://www.nrcs.usda.gov/Internet/FSE_DOCUMENTS/nrcs142p2_051293.docx)