

September 27, 2023  
Littleton Conservation Commission  
37 Shattuck Street  
Littleton, MA 01460

Re: Revised Site Plan & Responses  
0 Fort Pond (Parcel No. U27-12-3) in Littleton, MA 01460 (DEP File #204-0988)

Dear Littleton Conservation Commission,

Goddard Consulting LLC is pleased to submit this response letter and revised site plan on behalf of David Harrington, to provide responses to questions and comments that arose during the Conservation Commission Hearing on September 5<sup>th</sup>, 2023 and the site walk on September 12<sup>th</sup>, 2023 in regard to the Notice of Intent (NOI) filed for 0 Fort Pond (DEP File #204-0988).

Please see the attached revised site plan titled, Dock Siting Plan in Littleton, Massachusetts Prepared for David Harrington, dated 9/26/2023. The following site plan changes were made:

- The boat shed was moved slightly farther from the bank ( $\pm 65$  feet) into an existing cleared area on-site. No trees will be impacted by the boat shed.
- The woodchip path was adjusted to swerve around the new boat shed location.
- The title of plan and locus reference were modified

The following responses summarize questions and comments that arose during the hearing on September 5<sup>th</sup> and the site walk on September 12<sup>th</sup>.

- The applicant is not proposing a railing.
- The shed will be leveled by using gravel and pressure treated wood as a foundation.
- No motorized vehicles will be used within the 50-foot buffer zone.
- Any vegetation along the bank (within limit of work) will be cut and trimmed, no roots will be removed.
- Kayaks will be stored in the water tied to the boat dock or in the boat shed. Dock will be stored in boat shed.
- During the site walk, it was discovered that two small trees (one hickory and one red oak) will also need to be removed. The locus site is densely vegetated with native species. No invasives were observed on-site. The applicant is willing to replace the three trees that are proposed to be removed (1 large and 2 small). The location of the dock was chosen to have the least possible impacts to vegetation. The location of dock also provides equal space from the property lines to allow space for future docks for adjacent landowners.

The construction sequence is as follows:

1. Install erosion controls
2. Remove trees (1 large, 2 small)
3. Cut vegetation to ground and cover area with wood chips for (A) 5-foot wood chip path and (B) 5'x 5' sitting area
  - a. The woodchip path will be maintained as follows: Vegetation within the 5-foot wood chip path will be cut down to ground surface and larger pieces of wood chips will go on top. Maintenance of the path will include occasionally cutting of the vegetation along the path as it grows through the wood chips. This will prevent loosening the soils and potential erosion. The wood chip path will be monitored by applicant after large rain events to ensure no wood chips move downgradient.
4. Install dock - dock will be transported by hand
5. Build boat shed
6. Have Conservation Commission inspect the site to ensure it is stabilized
7. Submit a Request for Certificate of Compliance

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Zoe Sanchez at (508) 393-3784.

Sincerely,  
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