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October 30, 2023

Stephen Quink
37 South Shore Drive
Sturbridge, Massachusetts 01566

RE: Project Location: 168 Lane 7 , Sturbridge
Project Description: Raze and rebuild home, hardscapes, walkways, patios, and stairs to pond

DEP Wetlands File No.: 300-1177

NHESP File No.: 23-8733

Heritage Hub Form ID: RC-65652

Dear Applicant:

Thank you for submitting the MESA Project Review Checklist, site plans (dated 9/18/2023) and other required materials to the Natural Heritage and Endangered Species Program of the MA Division of Fisheries & Wildlife (the "Division") for review pursuant to the Massachusetts Endangered Species Act (MESA) (MGL c.131A) and its implementing regulations (321 CMR 10.00).

Based on a review of the information that was provided and the information that is currently contained in our database, the Division has determined that this project, as currently proposed, **will not result in a prohibited Take** of state-listed rare species. This determination is a final decision of the Division of Fisheries & Wildlife pursuant to 321 CMR 10.18. Any changes to the proposed project or any additional work beyond that shown on the site plans may require an additional filing with the Division pursuant to the MESA. This project may be subject to further review if no physical work is commenced within five years from the date of issuance of this determination, or if there is a change to the project.

Please note that this determination addresses only the matter of state-listed species and their habitats. If you have any questions regarding this letter please contact Melany Cheeseman, Endangered Species Review Assistant, at Melany.Cheeseman@mass.gov, (508) 389-6357.

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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Everose Schlüter". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Everose Schlüter, Ph.D.
Assistant Director

cc: