



Town of Sturbridge Conservation Commission

Request for Determination of Applicability Application Coversheet/Checklist

Date 10/5/2022

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| Parcel | | Applicant name | BRUCE GRAN AND BEVERLY LITCHFIELD |
| Address | 136 LAKE RD | Address | 136 LAKE RD |
| Assessors | STURBRIDGE | Email | bhgran.ct@yahoo.com |
| Map/Plat | 9/136 | Phone | 508-347-9407 |
| Book & Page | 48268-135 | | |
| Owner name | BRUCE GRAN AND BEVERLY LITCHFIELD | Representative | N/A |
| Address | 136 LAKE RD | Address | |
| Email | bhgran.ct@yahoo.com | Email | |
| Phone | 508-347-9407 | Phone | |

Components of a Complete RDA

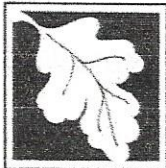
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| State Form: WPA Form 1 | Included? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| Plan | Included? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| Property Owner Permission (if applicable) | Included? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No N/A |
| Narrative | Included? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| TOPO Map identifying locus with scale | Included? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| Natural Heritage Map with WH, PH, & VP data | Included? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| Tax Form | Included? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| Fees \$ _____ | Included? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| Abutter Information | |
| ★ Certified abutters list (within 200') | Included? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| ★ Abutter notification form | Included? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| ★ Affidavit & proof – bring to hearing | Present them at the hearing |
| Other Attachments, e.g. | |

Conservation Commission Wetland Permit Process

| NOI | Process |
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| 1 | Obtain a Certified list of all abutters within 200' of property lines from the Assessor's Office. <i>(may take 10 business days)</i> |
| 2 | Obtain a Tax Form Sign-Off by the Finance Department |
| 3 | Submit applications (see bullets below) by noon of the Tuesday deadline (16 days before the desired hearing): <ol style="list-style-type: none"> To Sturbridge Conservation Commission: 301 Main St., Sturbridge, MA 01566 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This coversheet (1 paper copy) Complete application -- see the checklist on the other side of this page (2 paper copies and 1 pdf) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Plans must be stamped by an engineer if any component of the project requires engineering. Check To Mass DEP Central Regional Office: 8 New Bond Street, Worcester, MA 01606 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Complete application -- see the checklist on the other side of this page (1 paper copy) Email a complete application to CERO_NOI@mass.gov To Property Owner: (if different from Applicant) 8 New Bond Street, Worcester, MA 01606 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Complete application -- see the checklist on the other side of this page (1 paper copy) |
| 4 | Upon receipt of a complete application, the Conservation Agent will schedule a Public hearing/meeting. |
| 5 | Once you are provided the date and time of the hearing, notify all abutters within 200' of the property line using the Town's "Notification to Abutters Form" by certified mail, certificate of mailing, or hand delivery with signatures 7 business days prior to the Hearing. (Present proof of notification prior to the beginning of the public hearing.) |
| 6 | The Conservation Agent will place a legal ad in a local newspaper and the Applicant will be billed for the ad. |
| 7 | Stake the project. 2 weeks in advance of the public hearing, stake all proposed structures, erosion control barriers, stormwater systems, etc. within Con Com jurisdiction. (Agent will confirm requirements) |
| 8 | The Conservation Commission and/or Agent will perform a site visit before the public hearing to confirm existing conditions and proposed work. If you wish to be informed of the time of the visit, please contact the Con Com office. |
| 9 | Attend the public hearing/meeting. The applicant or representative is required to provide proof of abutter notification (including Affidavit of Service), proof of legal advertisement, briefly present the project, and answer any questions about possible impacts on wetlands. At the end of the hearing, the Con Com will either: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Issue a Determination (DET) or Approve a continuation of the public hearing to allow time for additional information to be provided. |
| 10 | Receive and read the decision. Some Determinations may include conditions. Contact the Con Com if you have any questions. |
| 11* | Wait-out the 10-Day appeal period. A decision of the Con Com can be appealed by MassDEP or by any abutter, applicant, or 10-citizen group within 10 business days of the decision. |
| 12* | Install SCC file number sign and erosion controls. |
| 13* | Schedule and attend a pre-construction site visit. Contact the Conservation office to schedule the site visit. |
| 14* | Execute the project. The project must be completed within 3 years, unless an extension of the permit is issued; extensions must be requested at least 30 days prior to the expiration of the permit. |

*may be applicable for some Determinations with conditions

INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.



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Bureau of Resource Protection - Wetlands

WPA Form 1- Request for Determination of Applicability

Massachusetts Wetlands Protection Act M.G.L. c. 131, §40

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A. General Information

Important:

When filling out forms on the computer, use only the tab key to move your cursor - do not use the return key.



1. Applicant:

BRUCE GAAN + BEVERLY LITCHFIELD
Name

bhgran-ct@yaho.com
E-Mail Address

136 LAKE RD
Mailing Address

FISKDALE
City/Town

MA
State

01518
Zip Code

508-347-9407
Phone Number

N/A
Fax Number (if applicable)

2. Representative (if any):

Firm _____

Contact Name _____

E-Mail Address _____

Mailing Address _____

City/Town _____

State _____

Zip Code _____

Phone Number _____

Fax Number (if applicable) _____

B. Determinations

1. I request the STURBRIDGE make the following determination(s). Check any that apply:
Conservation Commission

- ☒ a. whether the area depicted on plan(s) and/or map(s) referenced below is an area subject to jurisdiction of the Wetlands Protection Act.
- ☐ b. whether the boundaries of resource area(s) depicted on plan(s) and/or map(s) referenced below are accurately delineated.
- ☐ c. whether the work depicted on plan(s) referenced below is subject to the Wetlands Protection Act.
- ☒ d. whether the area and/or work depicted on plan(s) referenced below is subject to the jurisdiction of any municipal wetlands ordinance or bylaw of:

Sturbridge
Name of Municipality

- ☐ e. whether the following scope of alternatives is adequate for work in the Riverfront Area as depicted on referenced plan(s).



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C. Project Description

1. a. Project Location (use maps and plans to identify the location of the area subject to this request):

136 LAKE RD

Street Address

FISKDALE

City/Town

9 / 136

Assessors Map/Plat Number

Parcel/Lot Number

- b. Area Description (use additional paper, if necessary):

SINGLE FAMILY LAKEFRONT IMPROVEMENT

- c. Plan and/or Map Reference(s):

Title

Date

Title

Date

Title

Date

2. a. Work Description (use additional paper and/or provide plan(s) of work, if necessary):

Trees and Trails Landscape Consulting Report
DATED 9/29/2022

CLEARVIEW CONSTRUCTION SERVICES, LLC



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C. Project Description (cont.)

b. Identify provisions of the Wetlands Protection Act or regulations which may exempt the applicant from having to file a Notice of Intent for all or part of the described work (use additional paper, if necessary).

3. a. If this application is a Request for Determination of Scope of Alternatives for work in the Riverfront Area, indicate the one classification below that best describes the project.

Single family house on a lot recorded on or before 8/1/96

- ☐ Single family house on a lot recorded after 8/1/96
- ☐ Expansion of an existing structure on a lot recorded after 8/1/96
- ☐ Project, other than a single-family house or public project, where the applicant owned the lot before 8/7/96
- ☐ New agriculture or aquaculture project
- ☐ Public project where funds were appropriated prior to 8/7/96
- ☐ Project on a lot shown on an approved, definitive subdivision plan where there is a recorded deed restriction limiting total alteration of the Riverfront Area for the entire subdivision
- ☐ Residential subdivision; institutional, industrial, or commercial project
- ☐ Municipal project
- ☐ District, county, state, or federal government project
- ☐ Project required to evaluate off-site alternatives in more than one municipality in an Environmental Impact Report under MEPA or in an alternatives analysis pursuant to an application for a 404 permit from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers or 401 Water Quality Certification from the Department of Environmental Protection.

b. Provide evidence (e.g., record of date subdivision lot was recorded) supporting the classification above (use additional paper and/or attach appropriate documents, if necessary.)



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D. Signatures and Submittal Requirements

I hereby certify under the penalties of perjury that the foregoing Request for Determination of Applicability and accompanying plans, documents, and supporting data are true and complete to the best of my knowledge.

I further certify that the property owner, if different from the applicant, and the appropriate DEP Regional Office were sent a complete copy of this Request (including all appropriate documentation) simultaneously with the submittal of this Request to the Conservation Commission.

Failure by the applicant to send copies in a timely manner may result in dismissal of the Request for Determination of Applicability.

Name and address of the property owner:

BRUCE GRAM AND BEVERLY LITCHFIELD
Name

136 LAKE ROAD
Mailing Address

FISKDALE
City/Town

MA
State

01518
Zip Code

Signatures:

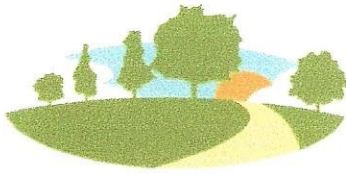
I also understand that notification of this Request will be placed in a local newspaper at my expense in accordance with Section 10.05(3)(b)(1) of the Wetlands Protection Act regulations.

Bruce H. Gram
Signature of Applicant
Beverly Litchfield

10/10/22
Date

Signature of Representative (if any)

Date



Trees and Trails

Landscape Consulting

ISA Certified Arborist #NE1075A

Thomas A. Chamberland
Cell: 508-735-5683

25 Bennetts Rd., Sturbridge MA 01566
Email: tchamberland301@gmail.com

Ms. Beverly Litchfield
136 Lake Rd
Sturbridge Ma., 01566

29 Sept 2022

Site visit and Arborist report on 3 trees located at 136 Lake Rd.

On Tuesday September 20th, 2022, I was request by the property owner to do a site visit regarding the health of a 20" DBH Oak tree. Located in the lawn area between the home and the lake shore.

This Oak tree is in declining health as observed in the die back of limbs, the "sucker growth" of epicormic limbs, the evidence of an ant infestation (indicative of interior wet wood – rot) and the prior poor pruning stub cuts and topping. (see Oak tree photo 1) The root collar flair is also depressed in 2 locations, giving indication that a large rock, most likely, is obstructing good root flair and development to properly anchor the tree. (see Oak tree photo 2 & 3).

I determine this tree to be compromised and in declining health and advise removal.

While on the property I also observed 2 Hemlock trees, located near the lake and along the western property line. Both Hemlocks (1= 8" DBH, 1=6" DBH , (see photo #4, Hemlocks) are considered dead with less than 10% live needles, with evidence of the Hemlock Wooley Adelgid present. Both trees have a slight lean toward the abutting property and boat/dock area. Both trees should be removed due to their ability to cause damage to the abutting property.

Landscaping was also discussed in replacement of these trees and have attached a drawing indicating planting locations and the creation of a 10 ft x 14 ft (140 sq ft) no disturb area between the existing shed and the lake front in the area of the 2 dead hemlocks. The hemlock stumps will be left to naturally rot & decay. This "no disturb" area will also allow for the existing native vegetation growing along the property fence line to expand into this area. The planting of: 2 Winterberry shrubs (male & female for pollination) and 1 American Cranberry in the "no disturb area". In replacement of the Oak, the planting of 1 Dogwood in the area of the Oak tree (oak tree stump to be ground down to ground level) With the existing large trees and underground leaching trenches for storm water runoff, greatly limit any other planting considerations due to concern for root incursion into the leaching areas. Plan attached

Photo #1 Oak tree to be removed



**dead limbs
topped cuts**

**epicormic
sprouts**

Photo #2 Root flair Base Oak tree

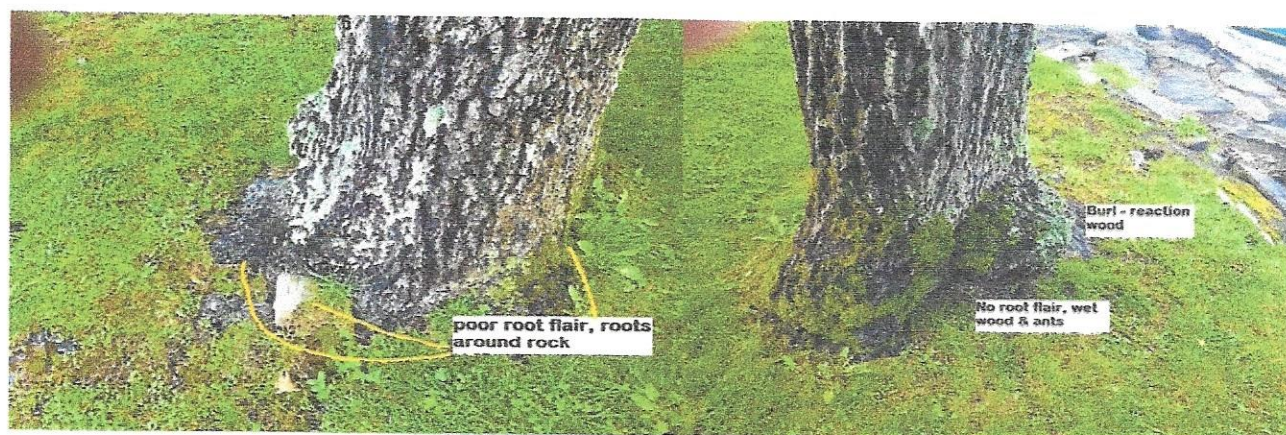
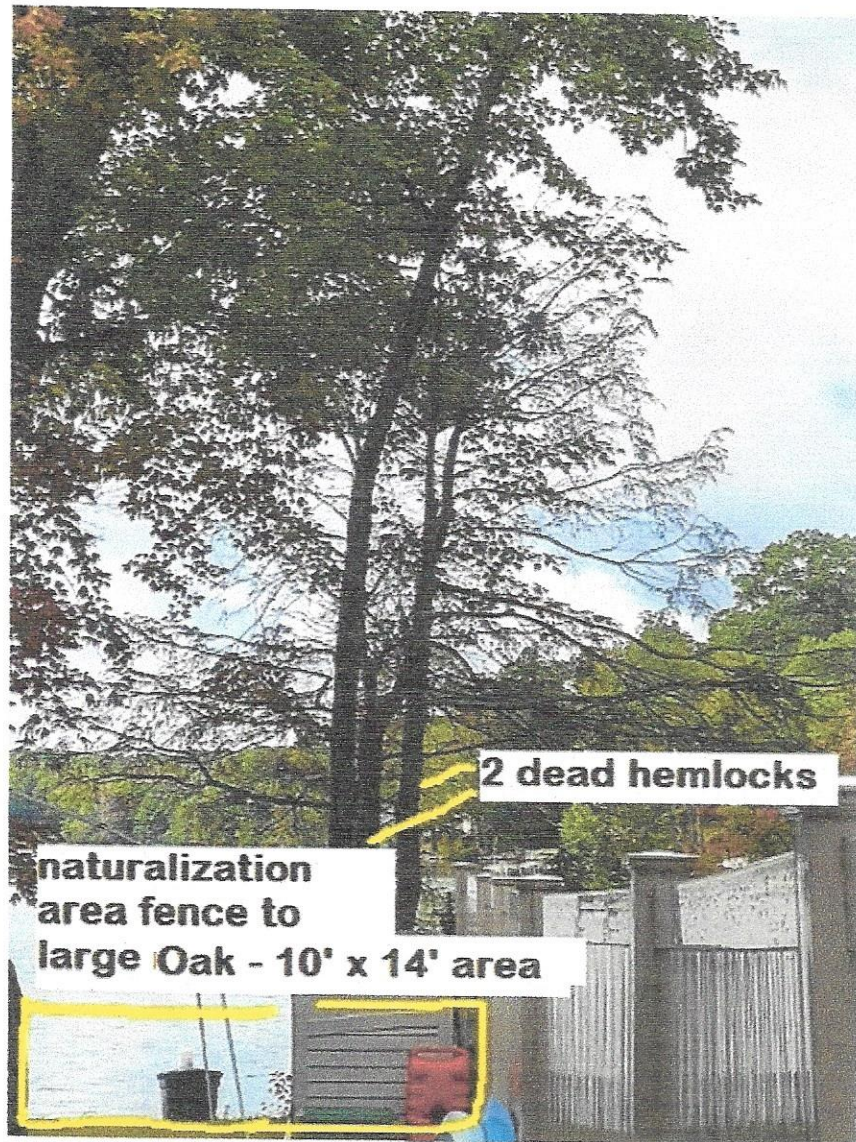
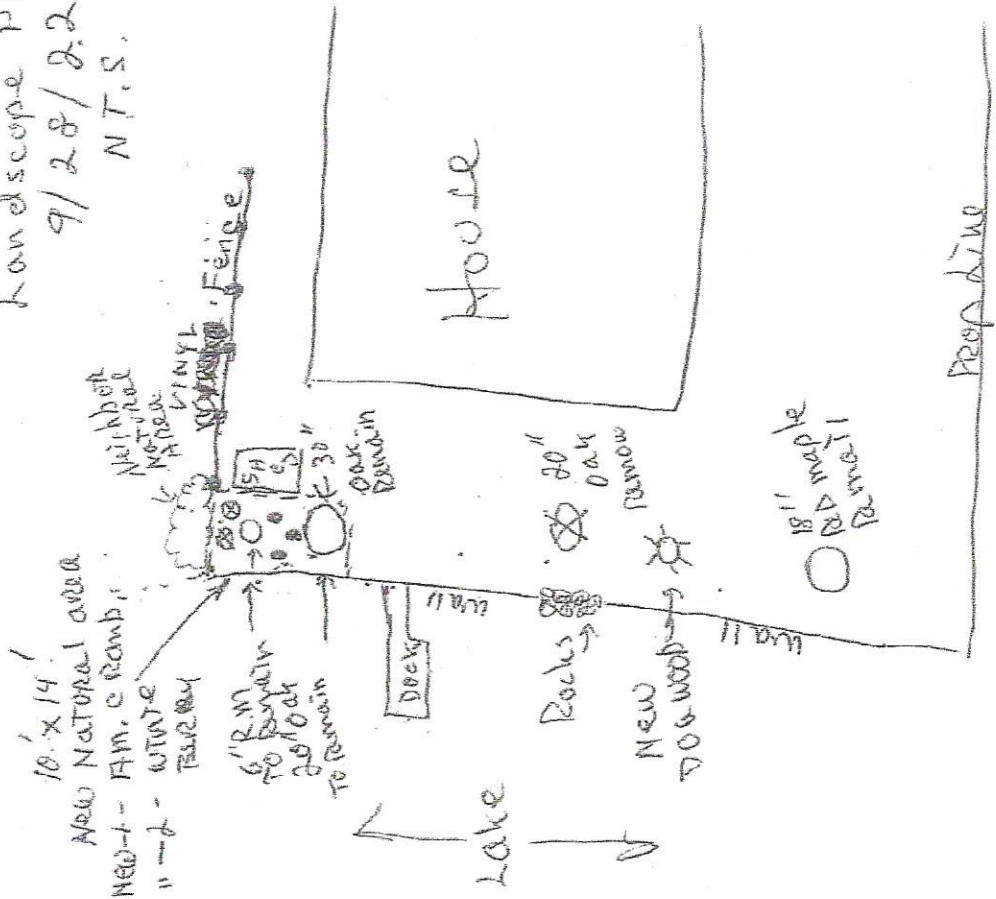


Photo 4: Dead Hemlock trees



136 Lake Rd
 Landscape Plan
 9/28/22
 N.T.S.

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To Remain:
 1- 6" Red maple
 1- 30" Oak
 1- 18" Red maple

New plants:
 1- Am Cranberry
 2- Winter Berry
 1- Dogwood

Create a 16' x 14' ~~new~~
 New/No maintain ~~area~~
 By shed - 30' Oak ~~dogwood~~
 Tallied

Shoreline wall repair

Work to be performed during lake drawdown

Re stack 8' section of stone wall

Install filter fabric behind wall

Fill area behind wall with $\frac{3}{4}$ stone for drainage and cover with filter fabric

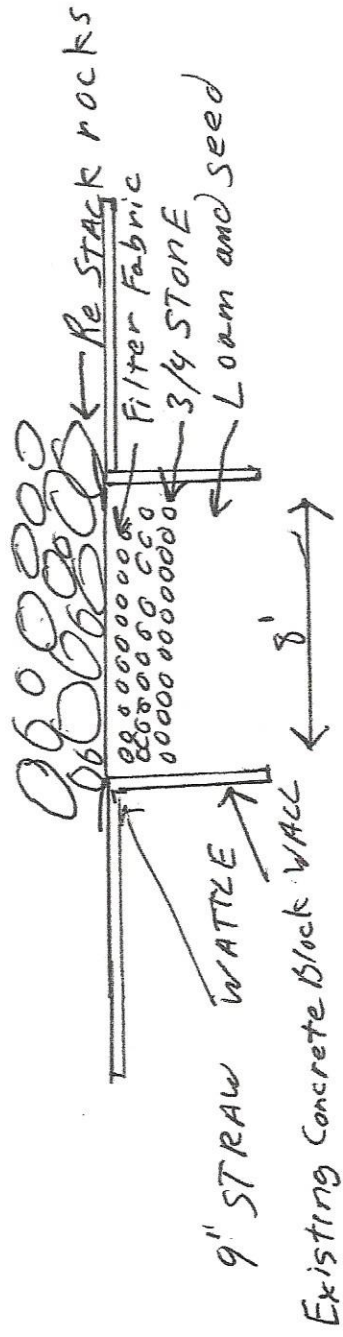
Loam and seed area behind wall

Install and stake 9" straw waddle behind stone wall

Waddle to stay in place until seed has germinated and area is stabilized

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Town of Sturbridge

Barbara A. Barry, Finance Director



Department/Board/Committee: Conservation Commission

Please verify outstanding tax/fee status for the following property owner:

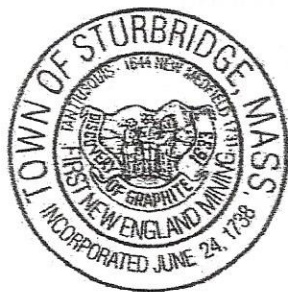
Property Owner: Beverly Litchfield

Property Location: 136 Lake Road

- ☒ The license/permit may be released.
- ☐ The license/permit may not be released.

Christina Lussier
Finance Director

9/28/22
Date



Town of Sturbridge

Ann P. Murphy, MAA. - Principal Assessor

ABUTTER LIST REQUEST (Please allow 10 days for final list)

PARCEL ADDRESS REQUESTED 136 LAKE RD

OWNER OF RECORD BRUCE GRAN AND BEVERLY LITCHFIELD

CONTACT PERSON BRUCE GRAN

SIGNATURE Bruce H. Gran

DATE 9/26/2022 TELEPHONE # 508-347-9407

COST: \$5.00 FOR EACH PARCEL REQUESTED
\$3.00 PER SHEET OF MAILING LABELS

☐ Direct Abutter

☒ Conservation (200')

☐ Planning / Zoning Board of Appeals (300')

☐ Board of Selectmen ☐ Forest Cutting (200')

☐ Liquor License (Contact assessors office for requirements)

☐ Miscellaneous (Contact assessors office for instructions)

Town Hall, 308 Main Street
Sturbridge, MA 01566

Telephone (508) 347-2503

Fax (508) 347-2521

Email: amurphy@town.sturbridge.ma.us

STURBRIDGE WETLANDS PROTECTION BY-LAW AND REGULATIONS

WETLANDS FILING FEE CALCULATION WORKSHEET

| Application Type | Qty | Town Filing Fee | TOTAL |
|---|-------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------|
| Notice of Intent (NOI): | | | |
| Residential – Single Family: | | | |
| Accessory (Deck, Shed, Pool Septic) | <u>2</u> | \$150 | <u> </u> |
| Shoreline Work | <u>1</u> | \$150 | <u>\$ 150</u> |
| New Construction | <u> </u> | \$300 | <u> </u> |
| Residential – Other: | | | |
| Subdivision/Multi-Unit | <u> </u> | \$750 | <u> </u> |
| Commercial/Industrial: | | | |
| New | <u> </u> | \$1500 | <u> </u> |
| Redevelopment | <u> </u> | \$1000 | <u> </u> |
| Limited Project (as defined in SWB & WPA) | <u> </u> | Equal to full WPA fee | <u> </u> |
| Alterations – located within Riverfront Area | <u> </u> | Additional 50% of Fee | <u> </u> |
| Application filed after Enforcement Order | <u> </u> | Double the Municipal fee | <u> </u> |
| Request for Amended Order of Conditions | <u> </u> | 50% of initial fee | <u> </u> |
| Request for Determination of Applicability (RDA): | | | |
| No Wetland Boundary Confirmation | | | |
| Residential: | <u> </u> | \$100 | <u> </u> |
| No Wetland Boundary Confirmation | | | |
| All Other: | <u> </u> | \$200 | <u> </u> |
| For Wetland Boundary Confirmation File ANRAD or NOI | | | |
| Abbreviated Notice of Resource Area Delineation (ANRAD): | | | |
| Residential – Single Family: | <u> </u> | \$100 | <u> </u> |
| All Other: | <u> </u> | | <u> </u> |
| Base Review | <u> </u> | \$300 | <u> </u> |
| Resource Area Boundary | <u> </u> | | <u> </u> |

Certificate of Compliance (COC):**Residential:**

Single Family _____ \$50 _____

Subdivision or Multi-Unit _____ \$150 _____

Commercial or Industrial: _____ \$150 _____

If Order of Conditions has Expired _____ Add an additional \$150 _____

OOC Extension Request _____ \$50 _____

Emergency Certification _____ \$50 _____

(NOI may be required to be filed following issuance of Emergency Cert)


Local Bylaw Fee (includes Town Filing Fee) \$ _____

State Filing Fee (from DEP Wetland Transmittal Form) \$ _____

Total Payable to "Town of STURBRIDGE" \$ 150

*Additional Consultant Fee may be required for reasons which may include:

- Significant amount of wetland impact;
- Extensive resource areas on a site;
- Lack of information supplied;
- Incomplete plans, reports, forms submitted;
- Supplemental information submitted.

| Parcel ID | Owner | Owner Address | Owner City | State | Zip | Property Address |
|---|---|----------------------|------------------|-------|-------|------------------|
| 380-00927-144 | ARGITIS JOHN J | 709 MAIN STREET | FSKDALE | MA | 01518 | 144 LAKE ROAD |
| 380-00927-130 | BEMIS LINDA A | 17 BOBOLINK LANE | ENFIELD | CT | 06082 | 130 LAKE ROAD |
| 380-00927-126 | DUBIN NANETTE | 868 BIXBY ROAD | EAST WALLINGFORD | VT | 05742 | 126 LAKE ROAD |
| 380-00927-142 | CLARK THOMAS M | 148 LAKE ROAD | FSKDALE | MA | 01518 | 142 LAKE ROAD |
| 492-00938-005 | IVES JOSHUA J | 5 OLD TOWNE WAY | FSKDALE | MA | 01518 | 5 OLD TOWNE WAY |
| 380-00927-134 | LAPIERRE CHERYL C | 134 LAKE ROAD | FSKDALE | MA | 01518 | 134 LAKE ROAD |
| 380-00927-132 | MORIN JOSEPH A | 132 LAKE ROAD | FSKDALE | MA | 01518 | 132 LAKE ROAD |
| 492-00928-003 | O'NEIL JAMES E | 3 OLD TOWNE WAY | FSKDALE | MA | 01518 | 3 OLD TOWNE WAY |
| 380-00927-140 | RADNER JOHN G. | 18 FOREST RIDGE LANE | AGAWAM | MA | 01001 | 140 LAKE ROAD |
| 492-00928-001 | SALISBURY ROBERT M | 1 OLD TOWNE WAY | STURBRIDGE | MA | 01566 | 1 OLD TOWNE WAY |
| 380-00927-138 | WILLARD ERIC | 138 LAKE ROAD | FSKDALE | MA | 01518 | 138 LAKE ROAD |
| 380-00927-128 | YOUNG KAREN | 168 BEEBE ROAD | MONSON | MA | 01057 | 128 LAKE ROAD |
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| | BOARD OF ASSESSORS | | | | | |
| Above persons listed are record owners as they appear on the most recent applicable tax list. | | | | | | |
| Assessors are not responsible for errors or omissions. RE: M.G.L. - Chapter 40A, Section 11 | | | | | | |
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| Abutters List - | Conservation Commission - 200' | | | | | |
| RE: 136 LAKE ROAD | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | |
| Certified Copy | | | | | | |
| Assessor: |  | | | | | |
| Date: | 9-26-22 | | | | | |
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