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From: asilva@crmc.ri.gov
Sent: Thursday, October 19, 2023 10:47 AM
To: 'Maccarone, Louis (DOT)'; 'Scott Hobson'; 'Prezioso, Andrew'; Jeff Willis; Lisa Turner (lturner@crmc.ri.gov)
Cc: 'Akinfolarin, Hamid (DOT)'; 'Richardson, Alisa (DOT)'; 'Johnstone, Erik (DOT)'
Subject: RE: East Bay Bike Path - CRMC File 2023-04-094

Hamid/Alisa-

We are going through the file to complete the Agenda package and I'm not seeing that hard copies of the revised narrative ever came in.

Did you not send the hard copies as requested?

Amy

Amy Silva
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From: Maccarone, Louis (DOT) <Louis.Maccarone@dot.ri.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, September 19, 2023 10:28 AM
To: Scott Hobson <shobson@vhb.com>; Prezioso, Andrew <APrezioso@VHB.com>
Cc: Akinfolarin, Hamid (DOT) <Hamid.Akinfolarin@dot.ri.gov>; asilva <asilva@crmc.ri.gov>; 'Cstaff1' <cstaff1@crmc.ri.gov>; Richardson, Alisa (DOT) <Alisa.Richardson@dot.ri.gov>; Johnstone, Erik (DOT) <erik.johnstone@dot.ri.gov>
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Scott/Drew,

See CRMC's request below. Please submit a hard copy of the attached response letter and revised narrative to CRMC for the file.

Thanks,
Lou

Louis Maccarone, PMP
Project Manager II, RI Dept. of Transportation
Two Capitol Hill, Providence, RI 02903
E: louis.maccarone@dot.ri.gov
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Lou-
It is the applicant's responsibility to ensure that all materials submitted to CRMC are submitted completely. This includes both hard and PDF copies.

In this case, we only need one hard copy, rather than the typical 4 copies.

Please submit.

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To save postage and time, could you just print a copy from the electronic version I sent? There was no wet signature, therefore no hard copy was previously generated.

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Hi Louis,

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Brittany Spurlock

Assistant Administrative Officer
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From: Maccarone, Louis (DOT) <Louis.Maccarone@dot.ri.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, September 13, 2023 3:37 PM
To: asilva <asilva@crmc.ri.gov>
Cc: Johnstone, Erik (DOT) <erik.johnstone@dot.ri.gov>; Richardson, Alisa (DOT) <Alisa.Richardson@dot.ri.gov>; Scott Hobson <shobson@vhb.com>; Prezioso, Andrew <APrezioso@VHB.com>; Andres Avelado <aavelado@aetnabridge.com>; Akinfolarin, Hamid (DOT) <Hamid.Akinfolarin@dot.ri.gov>; Pompei, Anthony (DOT) <anthony.pompei@dot.ri.gov>
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Amy,

See the attached response to your letter and a revised narrative for the application. Hamid Akinfolarin (copied) will be the project manager moving forward. He will coordinate with the DB team and RIDOT NRU as appropriate.

Please let us know if you would like any further information to facilitate CRMCs review.

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Subject: FW: Bike Path

Thank you Amy.

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September 6, 2023

VIA EMAIL

Department of Transportation
Attn: Alisa Richardson
360 Lincoln Avenue
Warwick, RI 02888

RE: File Number: A2023-04-094
Site Address: East Bay Bike Path Bridges, Barrington
Proj. Desc: Replacement of "East Bay Bike Path" Bridges

Dear Alisa:

The CRMC is currently reviewing your application, and has concerns that need to be addressed before further review can proceed. Please address the following issues so staff can complete review of your application:

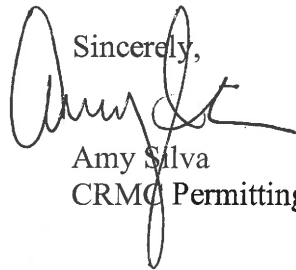
The application narrative states that recreational fishing will be prohibited on the new bridges. Recreational fishing is an existing public use of these structures and CRMC is very concerned about the loss of this public use.

The application narrative cites concern for fishing from the higher elevation, as well as the truss system precluding fishing. The narrative does not provide documentation for how the addition 3' of elevation would be a significant adverse impact to the recreational fisherpeople utilizing the structures. The design choice of the truss system does not appear to have been finalized, and the application has not adequately demonstrated that there is no design choice that would allow for this existing recreational use to remain.

Please be reminded that this application is requesting a Special Exception from the Coastal Resources Management Program, and an integral part of meeting the criteria to obtain a Special Exception is demonstrating that the project serves a "compelling public purpose". As currently described within the application, this project reduces the public purpose/use of the structures.

Staff strongly recommends that the applicant reconsider the proposed prohibition of an existing public use on these bridge structures.

This information must be submitted within 30 days of the above date. If the information requested is not provided within this 30 day period, the application will be canceled without prejudice. If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact the office.

Sincerely,

Amy Silva
CRMC Permitting Staff

CC: Scott Hobson, VHB

Brittany Spurlock

From: asilva@crmc.ri.gov
Sent: Wednesday, October 18, 2023 2:19 PM
To: "Brittany Spurlock"
Subject: FW: Demolition of the Bike Path Bridge over the Barrington River /w 21st 1 Reconstruction of the Bike Path Bridge over the Barrington River

Follow Up Flag: Follow up
Flag Status: Flagged

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From: Jane Mainella <mainellaj@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, October 18, 2023 8:22 AM
To: mdesisto@barrington.ri.gov; Brian Hunt <bhunt@barrington.ri.gov>
Cc: Jason Knight <jason@jasonknightri.com>; aprezioso@vhb.com; asilva@crmc.ri.gov; rsinger@crmc.ri.gov; Pratt, James (DOT) <james.pratt@dot.ri.gov>; Richardson, Alisa (DOT) <alisa.richardson@dot.ri.gov>
Subject: Fwd: Demolition of the Bike Path Bridge over the Barrington River /w 21st 1 Reconstruction of the Bike Path Bridge over the Barrington River

Can an Emergency Meeting of the Barrington Harbor Commission be called to discuss this "dangerous current of the Barrington River on the outgoing tides" since the demolition of the pilings of the East Bay Bike Path Bridge over the Barrington River before the Public Hearing next Tuesday, October 24th at 6pm to approve the Reconstruction plans. The Plans need to "design out" this hazardous situation to boaters and kayakers traveling south down the Barrington River.

We have requested an on site meeting during the strong outgoing tide before next week's scheduled Public Hearing, but we have not heard back from anyone concerning this urgent situation.

Sincerely,
Stephen & Jane Mainella
81 County Rd, Barrington, RI 02806
(401)524-1773

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From: Jane Mainella <mainellaj@gmail.com>
Date: Tue, Oct 17, 2023, 1:51 PM
Subject: Re: Demolition of the Bike Path Bridge over the Barrington River /w 21st 1 Reconstruction of the Bike Path Bridge over the Barrington River
To: Richardson, Alisa (DOT) <Alisa.Richardson@dot.ri.gov>, Pratt, James (DOT) <james.pratt@dot.ri.gov>, <asilva@crmc.ri.gov>, <rsinger@crmc.ri.gov>, <aprezioso@vhb.com>, Jason Knight <jason@jasonknightri.com>, Brian Hunt <bhunt@barrington.ri.gov>, Walsh, David (DOT) <david.walsh@dot.ri.gov>, <joseph.baker@dot.ri.gov>, <erik.johnstone@dot.ri.gov>, Maccarone, Louis (DOT) <Louis.Maccarone@dot.ri.gov>

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Atlantic Marine

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Best,

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From: Jane Mainella <mainellaj@gmail.com>

Sent: Wednesday, October 4, 2023 2:41 PM

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We asked to see a copy of the Environmental Assessment and Hazard Assessment study that was done to show how the current would change due to the removal of the pilings when the East Bay Bike Path Bridge over the Barrington River was demolished. With no pilings to disperse the rapidly flowing current during outgoing tides (especially in the winter months with the Northwest wind blowing with "larger than usual" ice flows down the Barrington River) there will be a direct adverse impact on our docks, pilings, and bulkhead.

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We would like to find a solution to these problems by having an on-site meeting set up with DOT, CRMC, VHB Design, DEM, US Army Corps of Engineers, US Coast Guard, the Barrington Harbormaster, and our Representative Jason Knight to discuss the impact on our marina due to the removal of the pilings of the East Bay Bike Path Bridge over the Barrington River which has increased the volume and speed of the current during the outgoing tides making a dangerous situation for our marina and boaters. With no pilings to disperse the current during an outgoing tide, especially in the winter months when the northwest wind blows directly towards our marina; there will be a direct adverse impact on our docks, pilings, and bulkhead as the much larger than usual "ice flows" (that would have broken into smaller pieces when hitting the pilings) travel directly towards us.

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From: Jane Mainella <mainellaj@gmail.com>
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To: Richardson, Alisa (DOT); Pratt, James (DOT); asilva@crmc.ri.gov; rsinger@crmc.ri.gov; aprezioso@vhb.com; Jason Knight; Brian Hunt; Walsh, David (DOT); joseph.baker@dot.ri.gov; erik.johnstone@dot.ri.gov; Maccarone, Louis (DOT)
Subject: Fwd: Stronger Current/Tide

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From: **Affronti, Daniel M. (AGDC)** <Daniel.M.Affronti@altria.com>
Date: Sat, Oct 7, 2023 at 8:25 AM
Subject: Stronger Current/Tide
To: mainellaj@gmail.com <mainellaj@gmail.com>

Hi Jane,

I wanted to alert you to something that you may have already noticed about the Barrington River. Now that the bike path bridge has been completely removed, it has been much more challenging getting in and out of my dock slip at your marina. The current is significantly stronger than it has been in the past. I noticed a number of boats having a difficult time as they navigate under the main bridge & as they dock at the marina. I've been tying my boat up with a third line to avoid the possibility of it getting untethered. Perhaps you want to suggest the same to other boaters in the marina to ensure they are safely secured given the new current dynamic.

Happy to chat with you about this. Thank you.

Dan Affronti

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From: Branden Copeland <bkc415@gmail.com>
Date: Tue, Oct 10, 2023 at 6:53 PM
Subject:
To: <mainellaj@gmail.com>

Hi Jane,

I wanted to express my concern about the extremely rough currents ever since the bike path bridge was torn down. Not only have I been having lots of trouble fighting the current perpendicular to pull into my slip as the current changes very quickly from pushing me right to pushing me left, right into the other boats; but I have had much difficulty just going through the bridge, having to go fast just in order to get through. It is very strong and fast to the point where its almost pushed me back into the bridge multiple times. My wife is frightened to go out with me since it has gotten much worse. I hope someone is able to fix this problem soon as it's an ongoing hazard to all the boaters going through this channel.

Best regards,
Branden Copeland

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Sent: Wednesday, October 11, 2023 11:11 AM
To: 'Akinfolarin, Hamid (DOT)'
Subject: FW: [External] EBBP Question

Hamid-

I'm told that you are now the DOT contact for this one. I haven't had a reply yet to this question, and reports will be completed this week. Please be aware that the question of whether the new bike path bridges will accommodate fishing is still a concern. The Council is likely to have questions at the hearing.

Amy

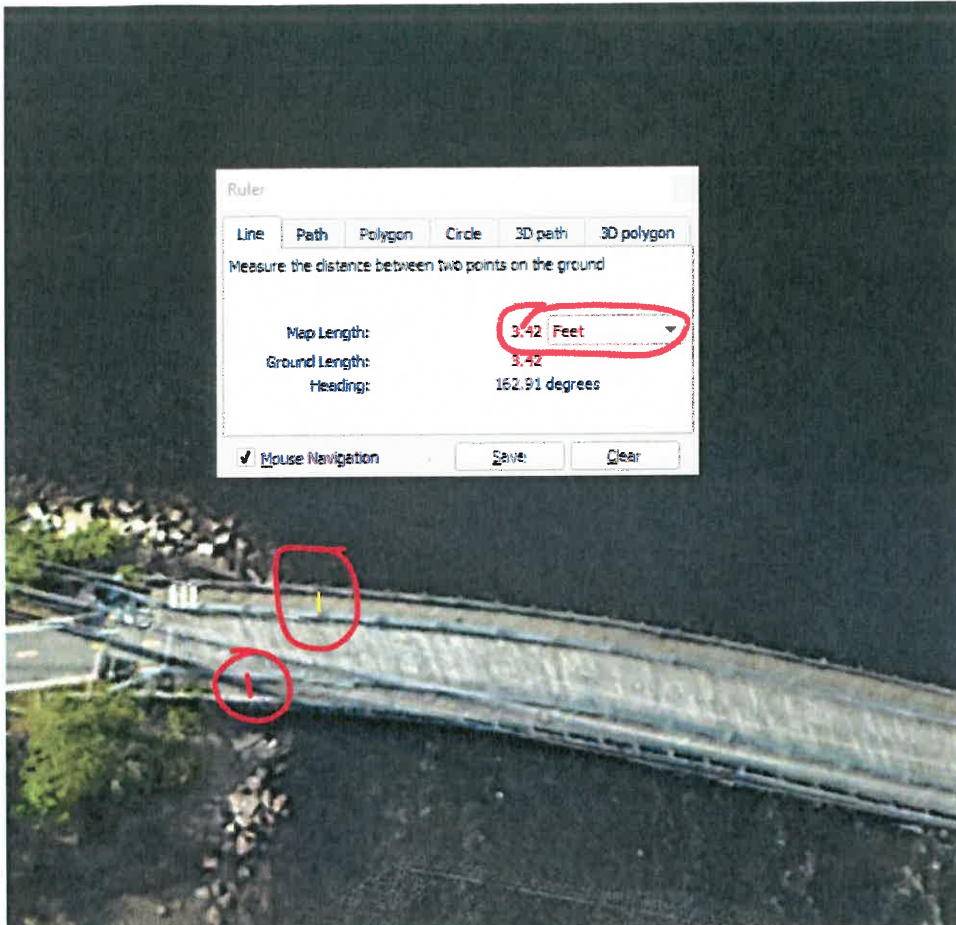
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Sent: Monday, October 2, 2023 8:45 AM
To: 'Scott Hobson' <shobson@vhb.com>; 'Maccarone, Louis (DOT)' <Louis.Maccarone@dot.ri.gov>; 'Richardson, Alisa (DOT)' <Alisa.Richardson@dot.ri.gov>; 'Johnstone, Erik (DOT)' <erik.johnstone@dot.ri.gov>; 'Akinfolarin, Hamid (DOT)' <Hamid.Akinfolarin@dot.ri.gov>; 'Andrew Prezioso' <APrezioso@VHB.com>
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From: Scott Hobson <shobson@vhb.com>
Sent: Tuesday, September 26, 2023 1:28 PM
To: asilva@crm.ri.gov
Subject: RE: [External] EBBP Question

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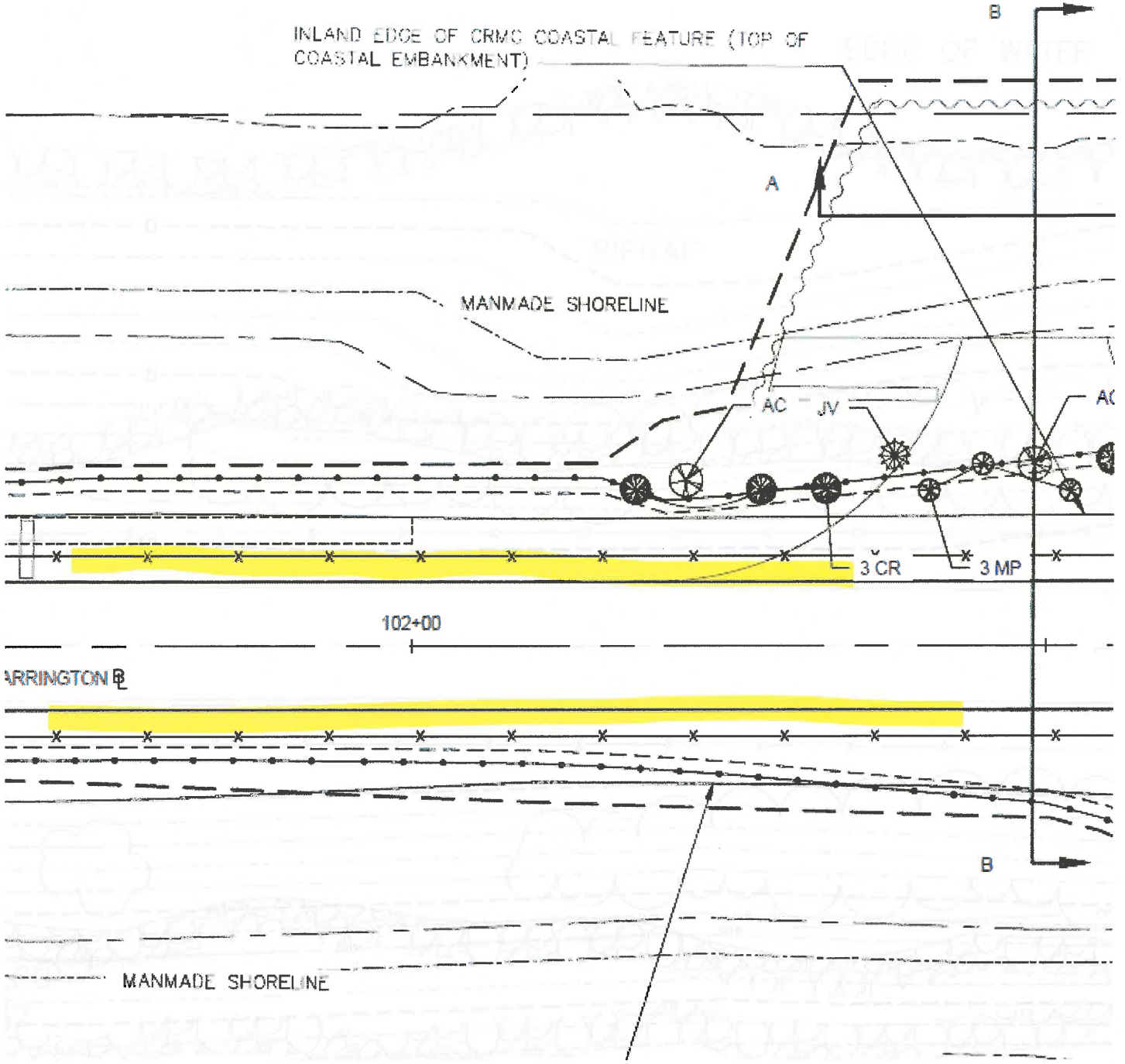
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Sent: Tuesday, September 26, 2023 11:36 AM
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