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Attachments: Watch Hill Yacht Club Dredge Permit CRMC file #22-11-010.pdf

Good Morning, please see attached letter offering comments from the Town of Westerly on the Watch Hill Yacht dredging project. Any question or concerns do not hesitate to reach out, thank you Shawn Lacey

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Re: Watch Hill Yacht Club Dredge Permit CRMC file #22-11-010

Please accept this correspondence as a request for a hearing in the above-captioned matter. This hearing is requested to ensure that the above-captioned application contains complete and accurate information regarding the requested permit to dredge. A review of the application shows that it fails to correctly identify the Fort Road Right of Way throughout the application.

The application suffers from the following deficiencies:

1. Although the address for the applicant, Watch Hill Yacht Club, is identified as 1 Fort Road, it is also referred to as being on Bay Street. The correct address is 1 Fort Road, Westerly, Rhode Island. This inconsistency should be corrected.
2. The correct address for the Westerly Yacht Club, 1 Fort Road, Westerly, Rhode Island, is not identified in any of the maps submitted by the applicant in support of its application. This omission should be corrected.
3. On Sheet 2 of 11, in the construction narrative, the project description reads in part, " The subject property is located at 151 Bay Street in the Town of Westerly... and is part of an existing operational Marina known as the Watch Hill Yacht Club...." Also, on the same sheet under general notes, paragraph 1 it states, "The subject property is... located directly off Bay Street." This information in the construction narrative and the general notes is both

inaccurate and incomplete. The dredging project is not directly off Bay Street as the application states; it is directly off Fort Road. The identified proposed route of travel between the dredge site and the destination site is shown as being along Bay Street. However, the dredging site is directly off Fort Road. This error needs to be corrected.

4. As noted, the Watch Hill Yacht Clubs address is 1 Fort Road, the dredge site. Part of the staging area appears to be on Parcel 185-31-1, which also appears to be the location for the dredged material. However, the Watch Hill Fire District is identified as the owner of 151 Bay Street Parcel 185-31-1. This inconsistency should be corrected.
5. The address of 151 Bay Street is shown on the application engineering drawings in the identification blocks on the right side of the drawings, where it lists Watch Hill Fire District as 151 Bay Street. 1 Fort Road should also be identified in that column for Maintenance Dredge at the Watch Hill Yacht Club.

The Fort Road Right of Way is omitted from material portions of the application. The designation of the Fort Road Right of Way should be required to make this application complete and accurate. Additionally, the permit should address the obstruction of the Fort Road Right of Way as noted in number 4 above. This is required to comply with Westerly Code of Ordinances, section 86-42, a copy of which is attached hereto. Thank you for your consideration in this matter, and the Town of Westerly looks forward to a complete and accurate application and permit for this project.

Sincerely,



Shawn M. Lacey
Town Manager