

Applied River and Wetland Restoration Founded 1983

March 7, 2024

Lynnfield Conservation Commission 55 Summer Street Lynnfield, MA 01940

Re: RDA for Potential Native Plantings and Erosion and Sediment Control Best Management Practices in Alcove of Ipswich River During Dam Removal

Dear Lynnfield Conservation Commission:

On behalf of the applicant and owner, Bostik, Inc., Inter-Fluve is pleased to provide a Request for Determination of Applicability (RDA) associated with the South Middleton Dam Removal project. The South Middleton Dam Removal project has received an Order of Conditions from the Town of Middleton (MassDEP File Number 222-086) to remove the dam and restore a freeflowing Ipswich River. The current impoundment upstream of the dam consists of the pre-dam river channel and multiple alcoves that were likely wetlands prior to dam construction. During the dam removal, the impoundment will be slowly drawn down to minimize sediment movement from these alcoves to the river channel. This RDA is for possible erosion and sediment control best management practices (BMPs) in an alcove of the Ipswich River approximately 1,600 feet upstream of South Middleton Dam within the Town of Lynnfield. The alcove will be monitored during the controlled draw-down of the impoundment and BMPs will be initiated, if necessary, to limit downstream movement of sediment. BMPs include native seeding and planting and/or installation of a turbidity curtain. Temporary erosion and sediment controls will be removed once the vegetation becomes established within the alcove. The stabilization measures will be installed and removed by hand with no ground disturbance or use of heavy machinery. The resource areas will not be altered as a result of the proposed BMPs. The alcove is currently characterized as land under water and freshwater wetland; therefore, it is an Area Subject to Protection under M.G.L. c. 131, § 40 as defined in 310 CMR 10.02(1).

We request that the Conservation Commission exempt the possible best management practices described above from the requirement to submit a Wetlands Protection Act Notice of Intent as no ground-disturbing activities are proposed and the actions will benefit the regulated resource areas.

Permit applications for Clean Water Act Section 404 from U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, and Chapter 91 and Section 401 Water Quality Certification from MassDEP have been submitted and

are in review. The anticipated period of construction is from summer to early fall of 2024 during the low flow season.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions: 617-852-7744, nmelson@interfluve.com. Thank you for your review and consideration.

Sincerely,

Nick Nelson, CERP

Fluvial Geomorphologist, Regional Director



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Municipality

General Information A.

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1.	Applicant:		
	Daniel	Welch	
	First Name	Last Name	
	Bostik, Inc., 211 Boston Street		
	Address		
	Middleton	MA	01949
	City/Town	State	Zip Code
	978-423-9133	dan.welch@arke	ma.com
	Phone Number	Email Address	
2.	Property Owner (if different from Applicant):		
	First Name	Last Name	
	Address		
	City/Town	State	Zip Code
	Phone Number	Email Address (if kn	own)
3.	Representative (if any)		
	Nicholas	Nelson	
	First Name	Last Name	
	Inter-Fluve Inc		
	Company Name		
	220 Concord Ave, 2nd Floor		
	Address		
	Cambridge	MA	02138
	City/Town	State	Zip Code
	(617) 714-5537	nnelson@interflu	ve.com
	Phone Number	Email Address (if kn	own)
B.	Project Description		
1.	a. Project Location (use maps and plans to ident	ify the location of the a	rea subject to this request):

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0 Rear Main Street	Lynnfield		
Street Address	City/Town -71.03659 Longitude (Decimal Degrees Format with 5 digits after decimal e.gXX.XXXXX)		
42.57113			
Latitude (Decimal Degrees Format with 5 digits after decimal			
e.g. XX.XXXXX)			
Book 17390, Page 374	Parcel ID: 0005 0000 0147		
Assessors' Map Number	Assessors' Lot/Parcel Number		
Assessors' Map Number b. Area Description (use additional paper, if necess Alcove of Ipswich River, approximately 1,600 feet upstre	sary):		
b. Area Description (use additional paper, if necess	sary): eam of South Middleton Dam		
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How to find Latitude and Longitude

and how to convert to decimal degrees

Date



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B. **Project Description (cont.)**

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

The project is the removal of the South Middleton Dam in Middleton, MA. We anticipate impounded sediment to be passively released following dam removal. We propose a controlled draw-down of the impoundment during the removal of the dam to slowly dewater and allow alcoves along the former impoundment to revegetate and self-stabilize. The alcove identified here will be monitored during the drawdown and best management practices, such as installation of a turbidity curtain and active native seeding and planting, will be initiated if necessary to limit the downstream movement of impounded sediment during dam removal.

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).

Reference Cover Letter - no ground disturbance is proposed					
. a.	If this application is a Request for Determination of Scope of Alternatives for work in the verfront 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.				
	Provide evidence (e.g., record of date subdivision lot was recorded) supporting the classification ove (use additional paper and/or attach appropriate documents, if necessary.)				



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C.	Determination	S				
1.	request the Lynnfield Conservation C		e following determination(s). Ch	eck any that apply:		
	 a. whether the area di jurisdiction of the Wei 	r map(s) referenced above is an	area subject to			
	b. whether the boundaries of resource area(s) depicted on plan(s) and/or map(s) reabove are accurately delineated.					
	c. whether the Activit Protection Act and its	ferenced above is subject to the	Wetlands			
	d. whether the area and/or Activities depicted on plan(s) referenced above is subject to the jurisdiction of any municipal wetlands' ordinance or bylaw of:					
	Lynnfield					
	Name of Municipality					
	Riverfront Area as					
automatica de la constitución de						
D.	Signatures and	d Submittal Requ	ıirements			
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.						
	re by the applicant to ser rmination of Applicability.		ner may result in dismissal of th	e Request for		
Sig	atures:					
			e placed in a local newspaper a nds Protection Act regulations.	t my expense		
	Signature of Applicant	W	3/11/2024			
	11-11/1		3/18/2024			
	Signature of Representative (if a	any)	Date			

MAP ATTACHMENT January 26, 2024

