COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE TOWN OF NEEDHAM, MASSACHUSETTS

Minutes of Meeting September 11, 2013

PRESENT: Janet Bernardo – Chairman, Lita Young – Vice Chairman, Gary Crossen

Reg Foster, Mike Retzky, Sam Bass Warner

GUESTS: John Bulian, Vice Chairman, Board of Selectmen

Kate Fitzpatrick, Town Manager

Lisa Standley, Chairman, Conservation Commission

Patty Barry, Director of Conservation

ABSENT: Carol Boulris, Mark Gluesing, Paul Siegenthaler, Patricia Carey – Staff

Liaison

STAFF: Nicole DiCicco – Recording Secretary

Ms. Bernardo called the meeting to order at 7:35 PM at the Highland Room at Town Hall.

<u>Chairman's Updates</u>: Ms. Bernardo had recently visited the Massachusetts Community Preservation Coalition website and recommended that Committee find time to visit the site as well. She saw it to be beneficial for members to review the progress of current Massachusetts Community Preservation Committee community projects.

Review of New Proposals: Ms. Bernardo reminded the Committee that the question at this meeting was whether to review these two proposals for the November 2013 Special Town Meeting or to hold the two proposals and review them for the May 2014 Annual Town Meeting.

FY2014-1, Ridge Hill Boardwalk and Bridge Replacement - Conservation

Commission Chairman Lisa Standley and Conservation Director Patty Barry presented an overview of the proposed project to the Committee including a history of the swamp trail and previous boardwalk along with current information and updated trail maps. [See Attached: Supplemental Project Information Packet] The original structure was built in the 1970's. This replacement would be a composite structure that is more environmentally "friendly" than the former wood bridge, and it will help prevent deterioration of the vegetation and wetlands. The Conservation Fund would pay for a portion of this project. Mr. Warner provided a statement [See Attached: Trails Policy] and noted that it was his belief that wider paths are desired by residents. Mr. Foster asked if there might be additional permitting or procurement delays, and Ms. Young asked why it was critical for this project to be reviewed for the November Special Town Meeting. Further delays are not expected, but the Conservation Commission is requesting that the project be reviewed for the November Special Town Meeting in order

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to be able to do the construction in the late summer of 2014, which is the optimal time of year for construction in wetlands.

FY2014-2, Rail Trail Insurance – Board of Selectmen Vice Chairman John Bulian and Town Manager Kate Fitzpatrick presented an overview of the proposed project to the Committee including revisiting the previously CPC funded Rail Trail Study, completed in May 2013. [See Attached: FY2012-2 Project Application Form and Bay Colony Rail Trail Conceptual Planning and Design Study] This request is for funds to pay for a required 5 year insurance plan as part of the requirements for the lease of the rail right-of-way. The Town would pay the full fee for the insurance, and then a state program would reimburse the Town for 50% of the cost. If CPC funds were approved, the reimbursement would be returned to the CPC. The warrant article for the lease was originally scheduled for the May 2013 Annual Town Meeting, but not enough information was available at the time, so it will be brought back to the November Special Town Meeting. Ms. Fitzpatrick explained that she has negotiated the lease with the MBTA. Mr. Bulian invited all CPC members to attend the Board of Selectmen's Public Hearing on the subject of the Rail Trail lease and insurance on Tuesday, September 17, 2013.

Ms. Bernardo thanked the proponents and asked the Committee if there were any additional questions or comments. Hearing none, she asked the Committee to vote on whether to review either proposal for the November 2013 Special Town Meeting or hold either proposal for the May 2014 Annual Town Meeting.

Mr. Retzky made a motion to review the Conservation Commission's request for the Ridge Hill Boardwalk and Bridge Replacement for the November 2013 Special Town Meeting warrant. The motion was seconded by Mr. Foster and was approved 4-1, with 1 abstaining.

Mr. Foster made a motion to review the Board of Selectmen/ Town Manager's request for the Rail Trail Insurance for the November 2013 Special Town Meeting warrant. The motion was seconded by Mr. Warner and was approved unanimously.

Community Preservation Plan Update: No updates presented.

Upcoming Meeting Schedule:

- Public Hearing: Wednesday, October 9th
- Tentative Meeting: Wednesday, October 16th, 7:30PM

<u>Adjournment</u>: Mr. Crossen made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:00 PM. Mr. Retzky seconded the motion and the meeting was adjourned at 9:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Nicole DiCicco Recording Secretary



TOWN OF NEEDHAM

CONSERVATION DEPARTMENT
Public Services Administration Building
500 Dedham Avenue
Needham, MA 02492

COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE

Ridge Hill Reservation Swamp Trail Boardwalk & Charles River Trail Bridge Replacement Project PUBLIC MEETING SEPTEMBER 11, 2013 7:30 PM - TOWN HALL HIGHLAND ROOM

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

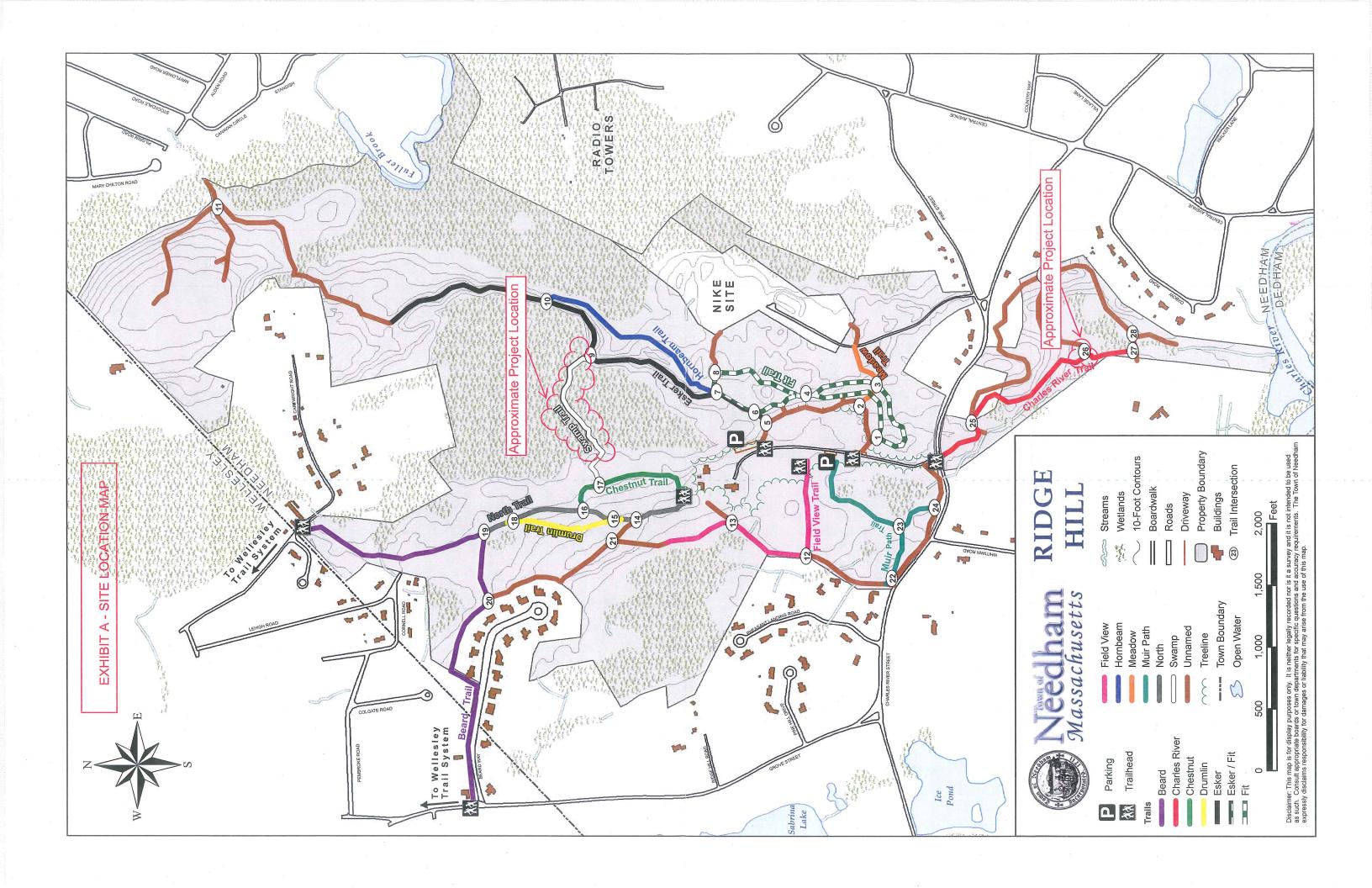
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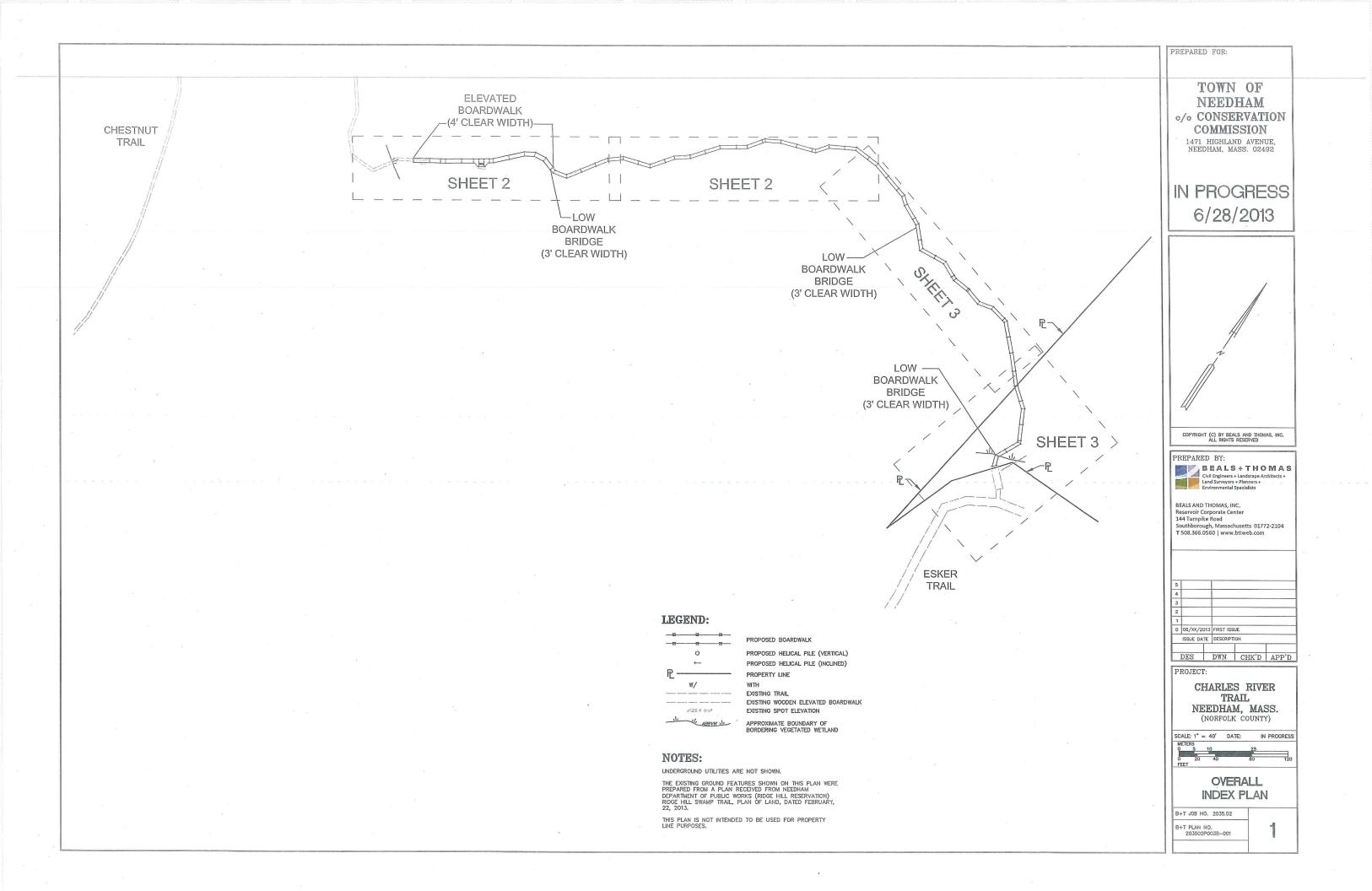
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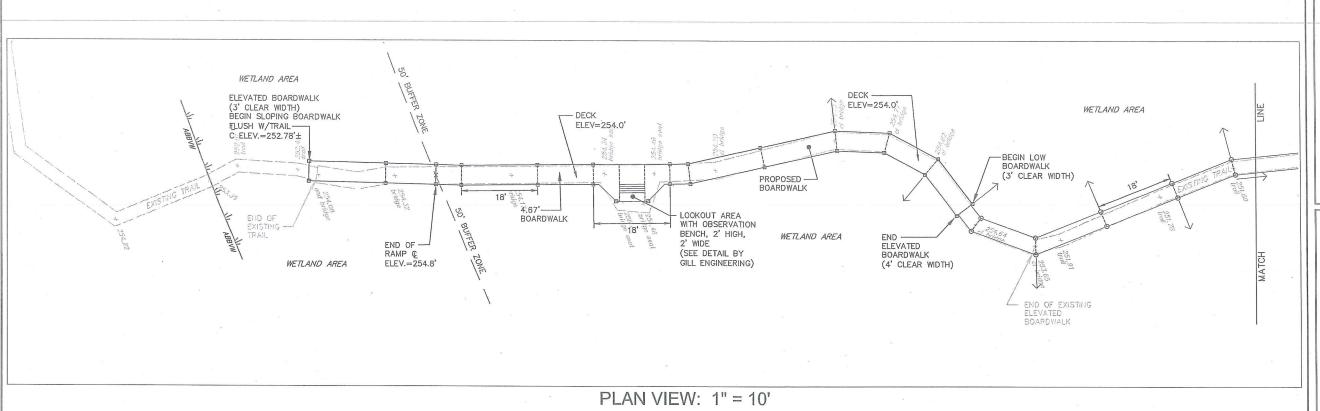
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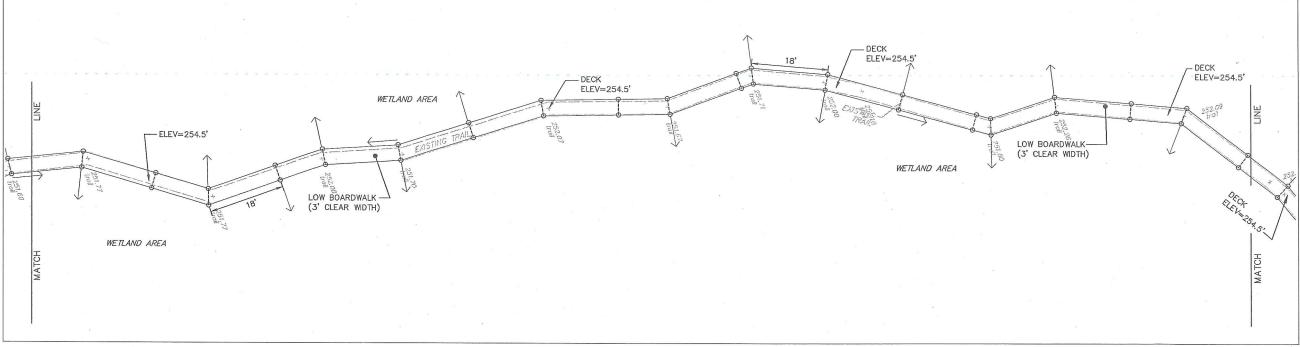
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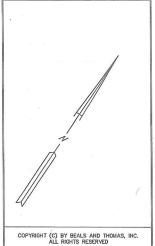
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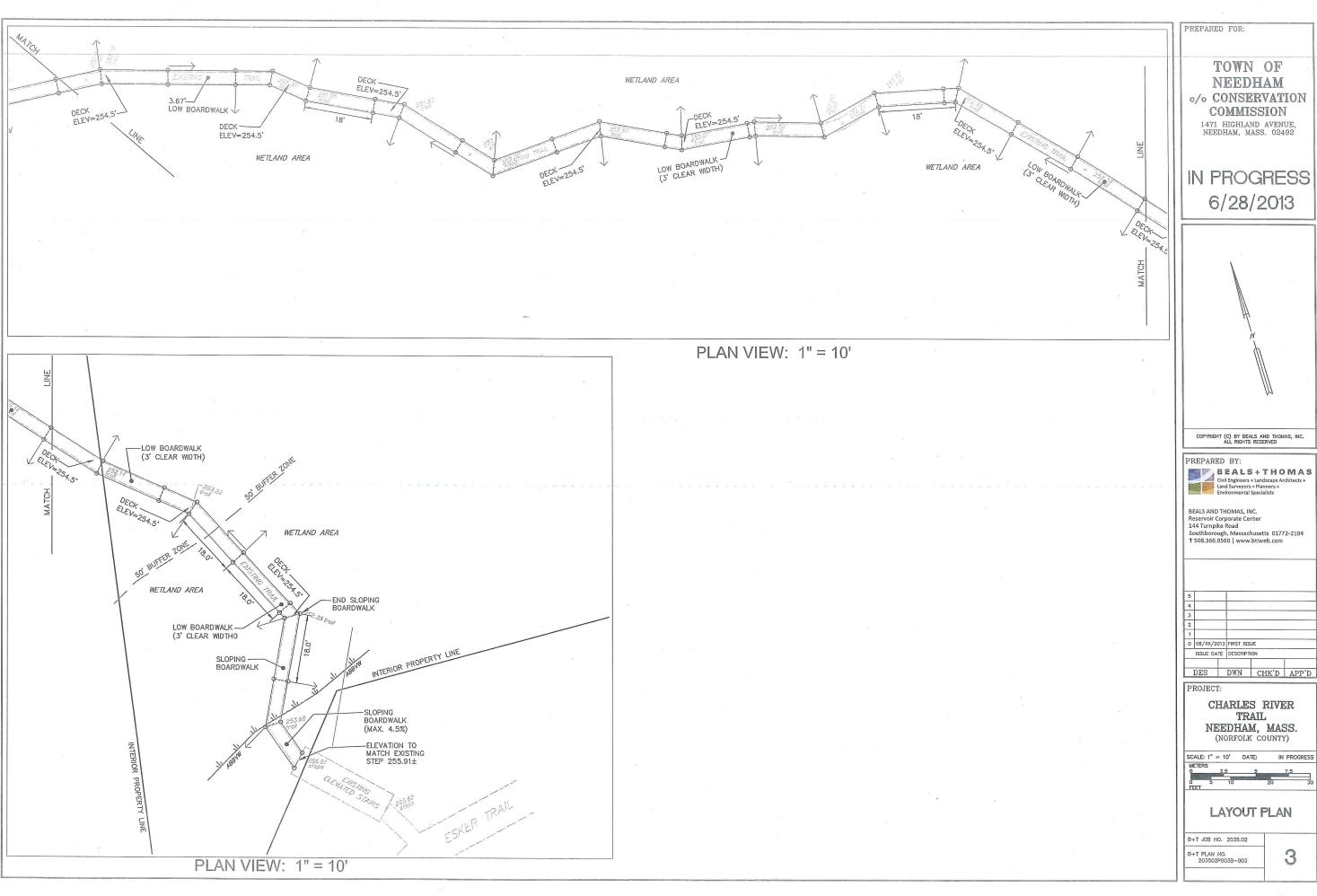
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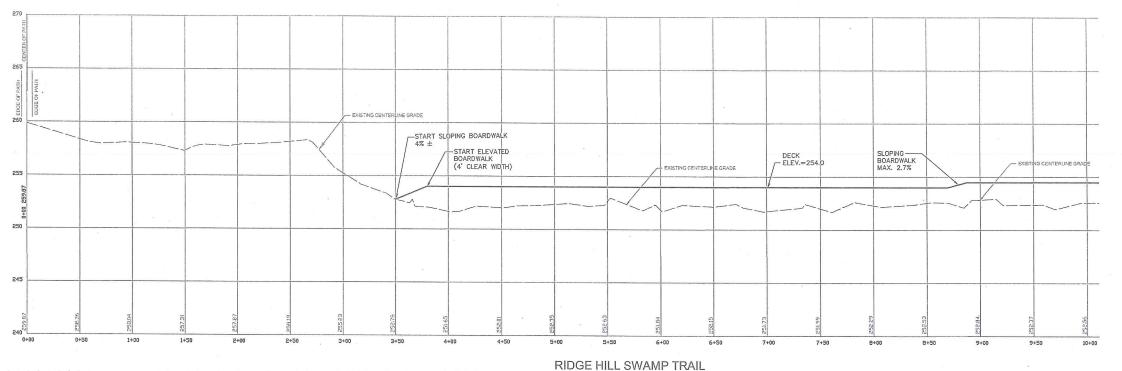
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CHARLES RIVER TRAIL NEEDHAM, MASS.

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LAYOUT PLAN



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RIDGE HILL SWAMP TRAIL

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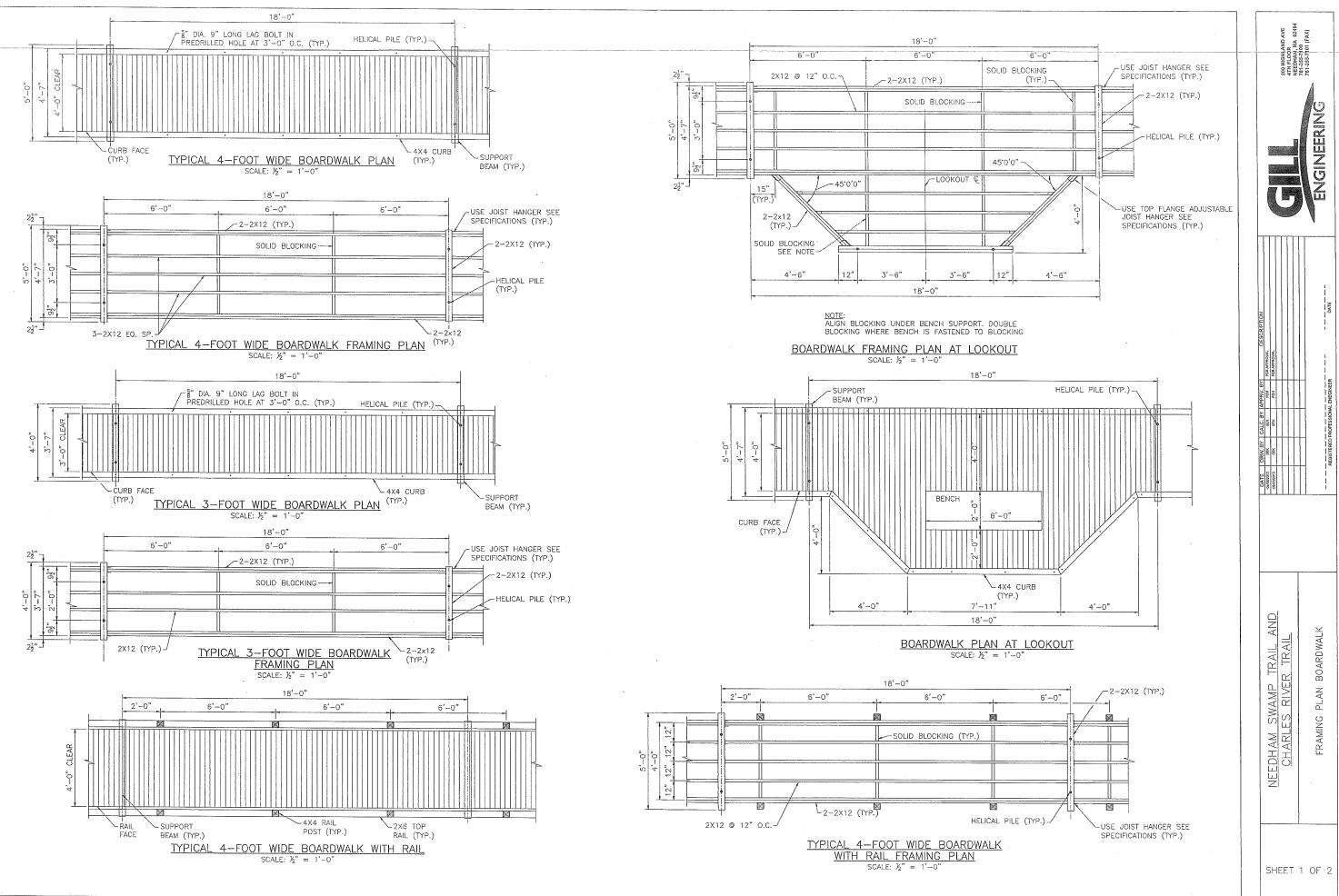
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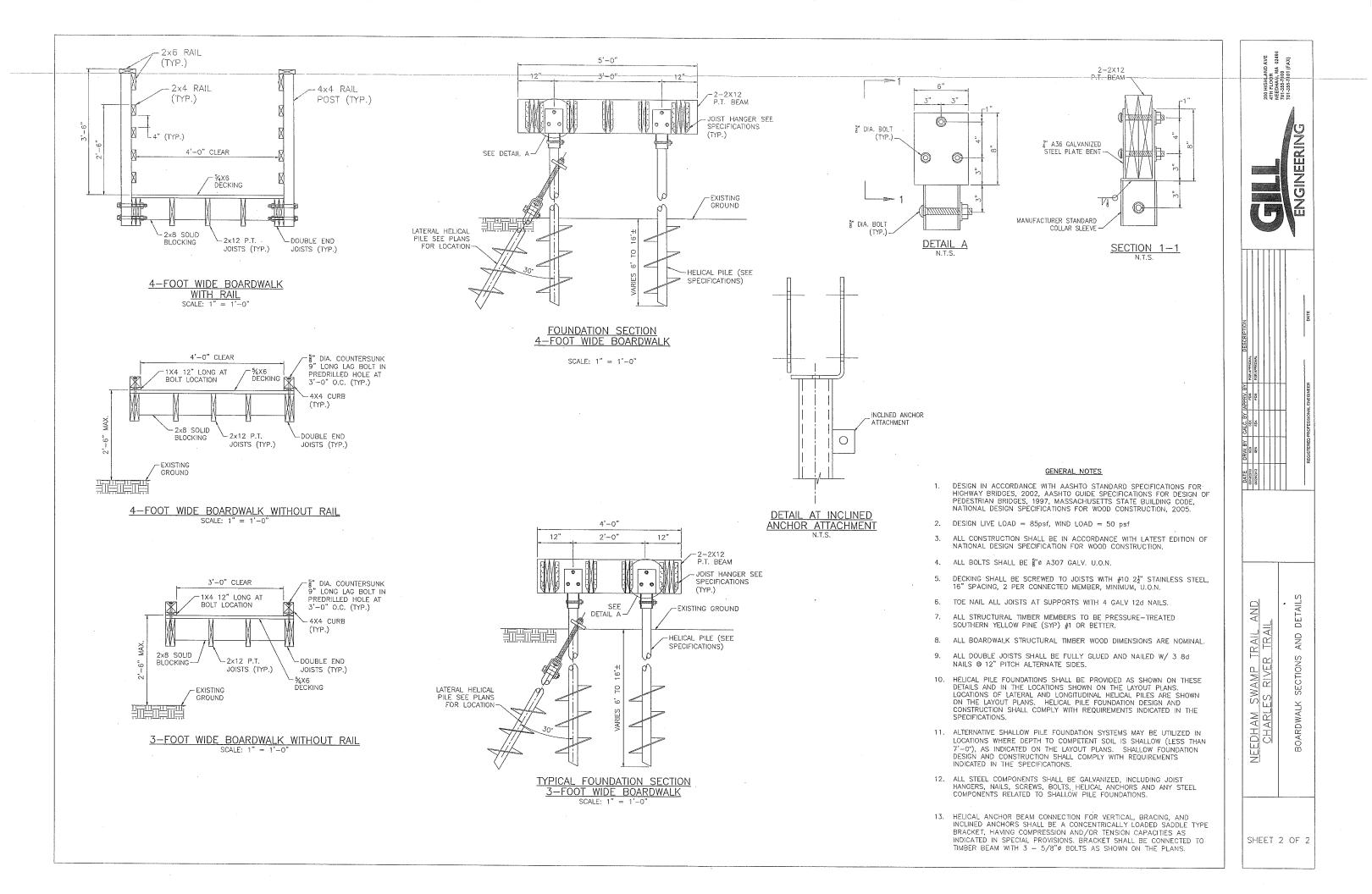
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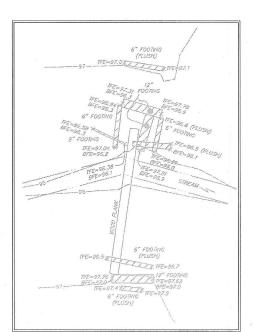


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Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection Bureau of Resource Protection - Wetlands

WPA Form 2 — Determination of Applicability
Massachusetts Wetlands Protection Act M.G.L. c. 131, §40
& Needham Wetlands Protection Bylaw (Article 6)

A.	General Information		
Fro	m:		
	Needham		
	Conservation Commission	1	
To:	Applicant	Property Owner (if diffe	rent from applicant):
	Patricia Barry – Needham Conservation Depart.	Needham Conservation	Commission
	Name	Name	
	PSAB – 500 Dedham Avenue		
	Mailing Address	Mailing Address	
	Needham MA 02492 City/Town State Zip Code	City/Town	State Zip Code
1.	Title and Date (or Revised Date if applicable) of Final		nents:
	Ridge Hill Reservation Trail and Site Location Map "E	Exhibit A"	N/A
	Title		Date
	Ridge Hill Reservation Boardwalk and Bridge Survey Title	EXHIBIT B	8/18/2011 Date
	1987 USGS Topographical Map Ridge Hill Reservation	on	1/29/2013
	Title		Date
2.	Date Request Filed:		
	March 28, 2013		
B.	Determination Pursuant to the authority of M.G.L. c. 131, § 40, the C Request for Determination of Applicability, with its su Determination.	Conservation Commissio pporting documentation,	n considered your and made the following
	Determination.		
	Project Description (if applicable):		
alo the wit the wo spe Co pro	e proposed project includes 3 exploratory soil boring the Ridge Hill Reservation Swamp Trail to obtain proposed boardwalk replacement project. The Cornin BVW along the existing trail are temporary in natural planning and design of the Swamp Trail Boardwall rk will not destroy or otherwise impair any portion of the ecified habitat sites of rare vertebrate or invertebrate. Furthermore, the Commission finds that this attect the Interests of the Act and Bylaw. The proceduction B. 2., will further ensure that this project protects	information on the peat mmission determined the re, have negligible impact k Replacement project; ne BVW. Additionally no ate species or Areas of activity would not impair lures and conditions est	layer in order to design at the proposed borings at sand are necessary for therefore, the proposed work is proposed within f Critical Environmental the ability of the BVW to ablished, as specified in
	Project Location:		
	463 Charles River St. (Ridge Hill Reservation Swamp Trail)	Needham	
	Street Address	City/Town	
	306	1	
	Assessors Map/Plat Number	Parcel/Lot Number	

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B. Determination (cont.)

The following Determination is applicable to the proposed site and/or project relative to the Wetlands Protection Act and regulations and the Needham Wetlands Protection Bylaw and regulations:

Negative	Determination	1
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Note: No further action under the Wetlands Protection Act is required by the applicant. However, if

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the Department is requested to issue a Superseding Determination of proceed on this project unless the Department fails to act on such returned the request is post-marked for certified mail or hand delivered to the proceed at the owner's risk only upon notice to the Department and to Requirements for requests for Superseding Determinations are listed.	quest within 35 days of the date Department. Work may then to the Conservation Commission.
1. The area described in the Request is not an area subject to pr Buffer Zone.	otection under the Act or the
2. The work described in the Request is within an area subject to not remove, fill, dredge, or alter that area. Therefore, said work of Notice of Intent. The proposed soil test borings will be completed using a tripogequipment is portable, enabling it to be transported along the wetlands by ATV or similar vehicle and then hand-carried to wetland. Half inch plastic sheets (i.e. Terra Mats or approved extripod legs to prevent the legs from disturbing the ground and state the existing Swamp Trail footprint.	does not require the filing of a od-mounted soil boring rig. The ne existing trails to the edge of the drilling location within the quivalent) will be placed under the
3. The work described in the Request is within the Buffer Zone, a regulations, but will not alter an Area subject to protection under does not require the filing of a Notice of Intent, subject to the following the require the filing of a Notice of Intent.	the Act. Therefore, said work
4. The work described in the Request is not within an Area subjet (including the Buffer Zone). Therefore, said work does not require unless and until said work alters an Area subject to protection under the subject to protection under the subject to protection.	e the filing of a Notice of Intent,
5. The area described in the Request is subject to protection und work described therein meets the requirements for the following Act, Bylaw and associated regulations, no Notice of Intent is req	exemption, as specified in the
Exempt Activity (site applicable statuatory/regulatory provisions)	
☐ 6. The area and/or work described in the Request is not subject	to review and approval by:
Name of Municipality	3)
Pursuant to a municipal wetlands ordinance or bylaw.	
Name	Ordinance or Bylaw Citation

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Massachusetts Wetlands Protection Act M.G.L. c. 131, §40 & Needham Wetlands Protection Bylaw (Article 6)

C. Authorization

This Determination is issued to the applicant and de	elivered as follows:
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D. Appeals

The applicant, owner, any person aggrieved by this Determination, any owner of land abutting the land upon which the proposed work is to be done, or any ten residents of the city or town in which such land is located, are hereby notified of their right to request the appropriate Department of Environmental Protection Regional Office (see http://www.mass.gov/dep/about/region.findyour.htm) to issue a Superseding Determination of Applicability. The request must be made by certified mail or hand delivery to the Department, with the appropriate filing fee and Fee Transmittal Form (see Request for Departmental Action Fee Transmittal Form) as provided in 310 CMR 10.03(7) within ten business days from the date of issuance of this Determination. A copy of the request shall at the same time be sent by certified mail or hand delivery to the Conservation Commission and to the applicant if he/she is not the appellant. The request shall state clearly and concisely the objections to the Determination which is being appealed. To the extent that the Determination is based on a municipal ordinance or bylaw and not on the Massachusetts Wetlands Protection Act or regulations, the Department of Environmental Protection has no appellate jurisdiction.

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REQUEST FOR DETERMINATION OF APPLICABILITY CHECKLIST NEEDHAM CONSERVATION COMMISSION NEEDHAM GENERAL WETLANDS BY-LAW – ARTICLE 6

THIS CHECKLIST MUST BE COMPLETED, SIGNED AND SUBMITTED WITH ANY REQUEST FOR DETERMINATION OF APPLICABILITY. ALL REQUIRED INFORMATION AND NOTIFICATIONS MUST BE INCLUDED IN ORDER FOR THE APPLICATION TO BE CONSIDERED COMPLETE. SECTION 1.05(3) OF THE BYLAW REGULATIONS SHOULD BE CONSULTED.

PROOF OF NOTIFICATIONS (by certified mail, return receipt or hand delivery) All Abutters within 300 feet of the property line. (SUBMIT AT OR PRIOR TO HEARING)
PLANS (shall include the following) At a minimum must include an 8 ½ x 11 Plot Plan Plans prepared by a Registered Professional Engineer or Registered Land Surveyor are recommended but not required. Shows existing conditions (grades, structures, roads, treelines, and limits of existing lawn) Clearly shows the boundaries of all regulated resource areas (vegetated wetland, bank, bordering land subject to flooding, isolated land subject to flooding, riverfront area), including the 100-foot and 25-foot Buffer Zone limits as defined under the Wetlands Protection Act and the Needham General Wetlands By-Law and Regulations. Clearly shows the location and numbers of all wetland flags Show all work to be done, including but not limited to proposed grades, locations of all structures, roads, paths, utilities, drainage structures, trees to be removed, changes in lawn edges, plantings, and proposed tree line. Clearly shows the 25-foot "No-work Zone", and the proposed limit of work Shows the minimum distance between the limit of proposed work (erosion controls) and the edge of wetland Details of any subsurface drainage structure Detail of any erosion control measure
DOCUMENTS ✓ Written Description of the work proposed, including a description of any excavation, proposed structures, and erosion and sedimentation controls. ✓ Copy of the Assessor's Map or Subdivision Plan showing abutting and adjacent lots within 300 feet of the parcel on which work is proposed.
Signature: Vallage Date: 3/28/2013
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TOWN OF NEEDHAM
CONSERVATION DEPARTMENT



Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection Bureau of Resource Protection - Wetlands

WPA Form 1- Request for Determination of Applicability

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

A. General Information

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1. Applicant: Town of Needham - Conservation Department pbarry@needhamma. E-Mail Address PSAB - 500 Dedham Ave Mailing Address Needham City/Town 781-449-9023 781-455-7550 x222 Fax Number (if applicable) Phone Number 2. Representative (if any): Conservation Department Director Patricia Barry E-Mail Address Contact Name Same as Applicant Mailing Address City/Town Fax Number (if applicable Phone Number B. Determinations make the following determination(s). Check 1. I request the Needham Conservation Commission a. whether the area depicted on plan(s) and/or map(s) referenced below is an are jurisdiction of the Wetlands Protection Act. b. whether the **boundaries** of resource area(s) depicted on plan(s) and/or map(s) below are accurately delineated. c. whether the work depicted on plan(s) referenced below is subject to the Wetland d. whether the area and/or work depicted on plan(s) referenced below is subject to of any municipal wetlands ordinance or bylaw of: Needham Name of Municipality e. whether the following scope of alternatives is adequate for work in the Riverfr depicted on referenced plan(s).

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463 Charles River Street Street Address	Needham City/Town
306 Assessors Map/Plat Number	Parcel/Lot Number
b. Area Description (use additional paper,	if necessary):
the north-south esker (the "ridge"), through of the ridge through uplands and across the Swamp Trail is a critical link in this trail netwithe only connection between the east and waswamp, including an intermittent stream, the These structures were constructed more that	Town's largest trail networks, with trails extending along uplands east of the ridge to the former Nike site, and west gas pipeline to Cartwright Street and Grove Street. The vork. It extends across a large forested wetland, and is vest trail networks. In order to cross the wettest part of the Swamp Trail is elevated on a boardwalk and bridge. In 20 years ago, and have failed due to decay. The ign the replacement boardwalk and maintain this trail e Reservation (see Attachments 1 & 2).
c. Plan and/or Map Reference(s):	
Title	Date
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a. Work Description (use additional paper	and/or provide plan(s) of work, if necessary):
Vetlands along the Ridge Hill Reservation Swa esign the proposed boardwalk replacement properties of a tripod-mounted soil boring rig. Standardoon soil samples are collected every five feet ong the existing trails to the edge of wetlands rilling location within the wetland. Three soil brovide sufficient information to confirm the precedent of the depth to be drock and/or mineral signs.	to conduct 3 soil borings within Bordering Vegetated amp Trail to obtain information on the peat layer in order to roject (see attached). The operation will be completed and Penetration Test blow-counts are recorded and split at. The equipment is portable, enabling it to be transported by ATV or similar vehicle and then hand-carried to the porings, at both ends of the trail and in the middle, should afternative for the boardwalk to be replaced. It parent material and/or peat layer composition is crucial alk support system. Half inch plastic sheets (i.e. Terra der the tripod legs to prevent the legs from disturbing the

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Needham City/Town

ic Project Description (cost.)

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

The proposed exploratory soil borings within bordering vegetated wetlands along the existing trail are temporary in nature, have negligible impacts and are necessary for the planning and design of the Swamp Trail Boardwalk Replacement project. Therefore, the proposed work will not destroy or otherwise impair any portion of the bordering vegetated wetland. Additionally, no work is proposed within specified habitat sites of rare vertebrate or invertebrate species or Areas of Critical Environmental Concern.

a. Rive	If this application is a Request for Determination of Scope of Alternatives for work in the erfront 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. abo	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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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:

Town of Needham - Conservation Commission	
Name	
PSAB - 500 Dedham Avenue	
Mailing Address	
Needham	
City/Town	
MA	02092
State	Zip Code
ignatures:	
also understand that notification of this Request will be place accordance with Section 10.05(3)(b)(1) of the Wetlands Pro	ed in a local newspaper at my expense tection Act regulations.
Patricia filosoy	5/28/2013
Signature of Applicant	Date
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Signature of Representative (if any)	Date

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AFFIDAVIT OF SERVICE

Under the MA Wetlands Protection Act (M.G.L. Chapter 131 Section 40) & The Needham General Wetlands Protection Bylaw (Article 6)

I, <u>Patricia L. Barry</u> hereby certify under the pains and penalties of perjury that on <u>April 1</u>, <u>2013</u> I gave notification to abutters in compliance with the Needham Wetlands Protection Bylaw in connection with the following matter:

A Request for Determination of Applicability filed under the Massachusetts Wetlands
Protection Act and the Needham Wetlands Protection Bylaw with the Needham Conservation
Commission for property located at <u>463 Charles River Street (Ridge Hill Reservation)</u>.

The form of the notification and the list of abutters to whom it was given, and their addresses, are attached to this Affidavit of Service.

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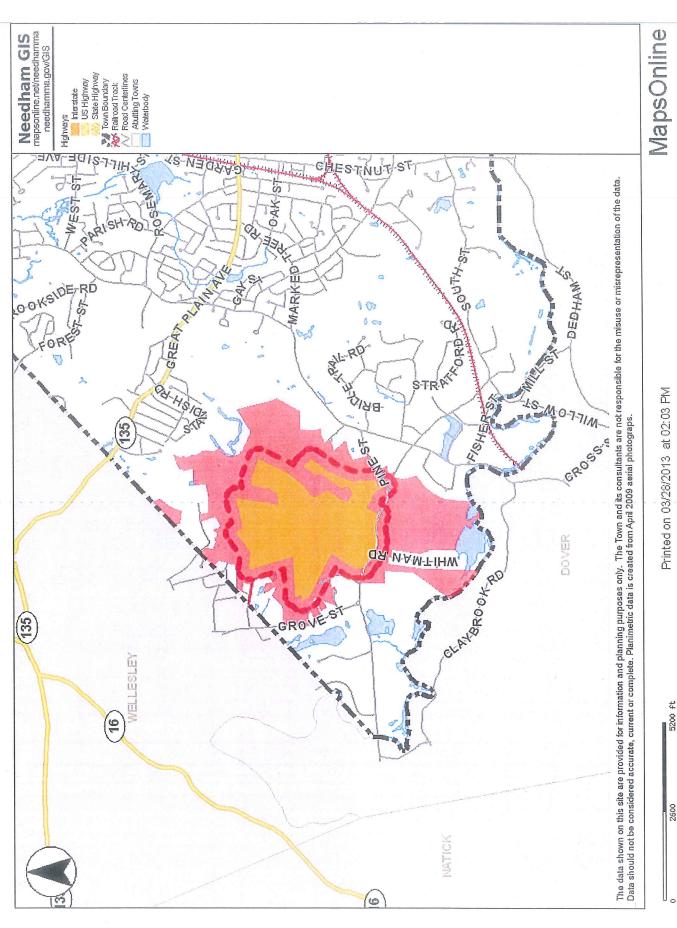
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ABUTTER NOTIFICATION

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Pursuant to the MA Wetlands Protection Act (MGL Ch.131 s.40) and the Needham General Wetlands Protection By-Law (Article 6), notice is hereby given that the Needham Conservation Commission will hold a PUBLIC HEARING at the NEEDHAM PUBLIC SERVICES ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, Charles River Room, 500 Dedham Avenue, on THURSDAY, April 11, 2013 at 8:30 p.m. to review a REQUEST FOR DETERMINATION OF APPLICABILITY filed by the Town of Needham Conservation Department to determine whether the proposed soil test borings within Bordering Vegetated Wetlands along the existing Ridge Hill Reservation Swamp Trail is subject to jurisdiction under the Act and/or Bylaw. The project area is located at Ridge Hill Reservation — 463 Charles River Street shown on Needham Assessor's Map 306 Parcel 1. All interested parties are invited to attend. A complete copy of the filing may be inspected by appointment at the office of the Conservation Commission, 500 Dedham Avenue.

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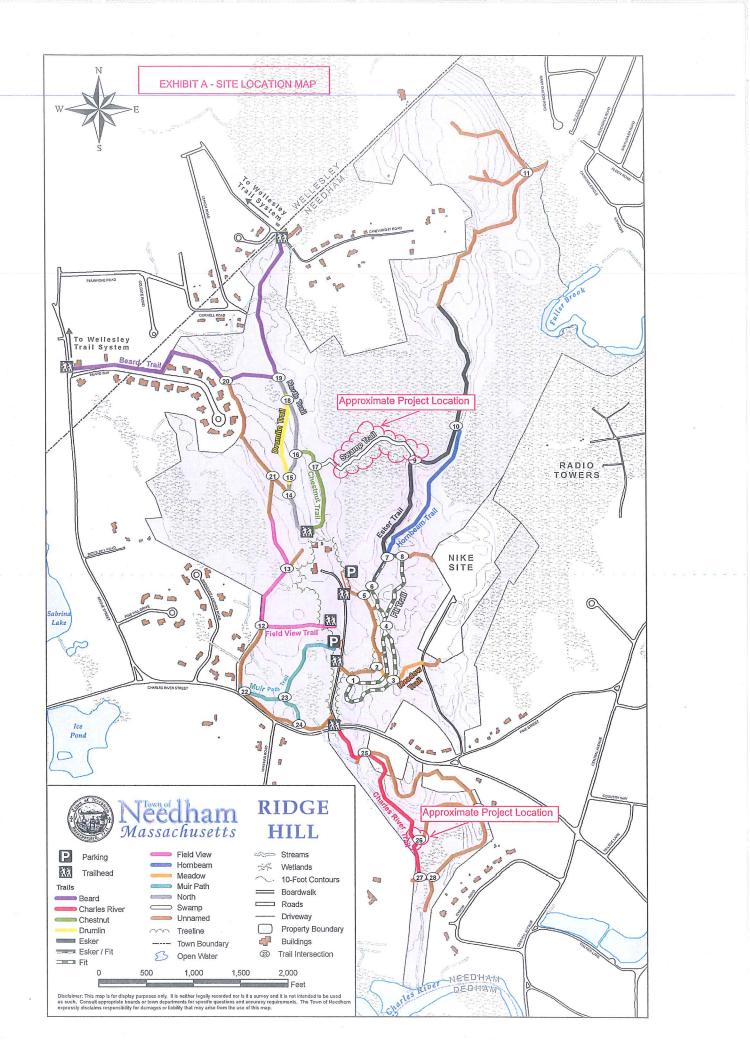
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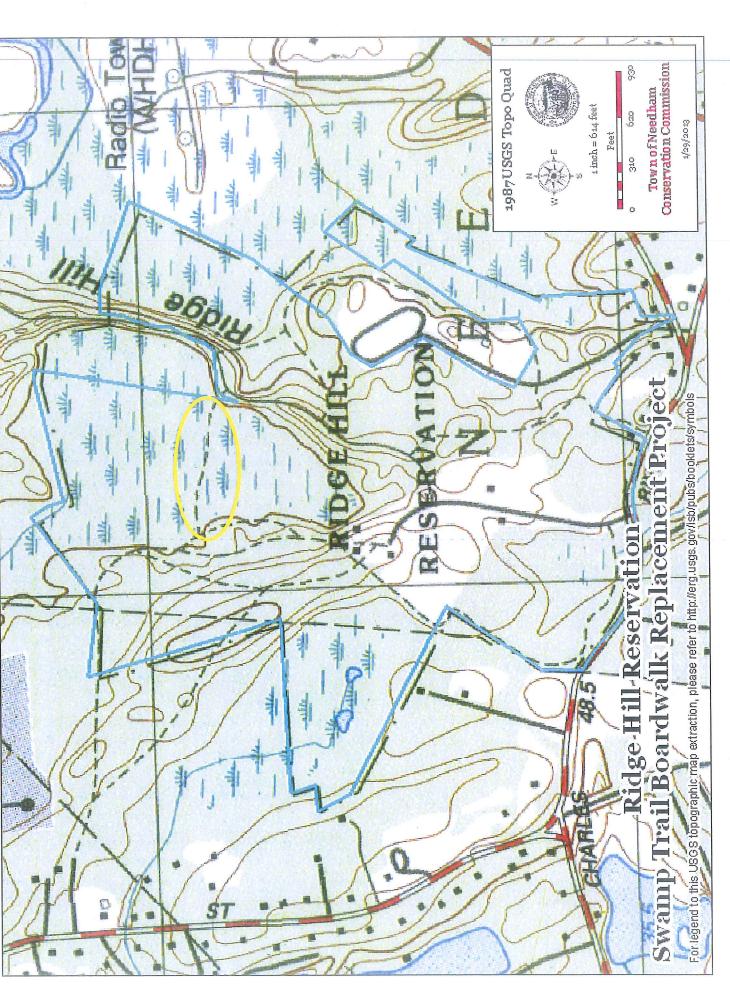
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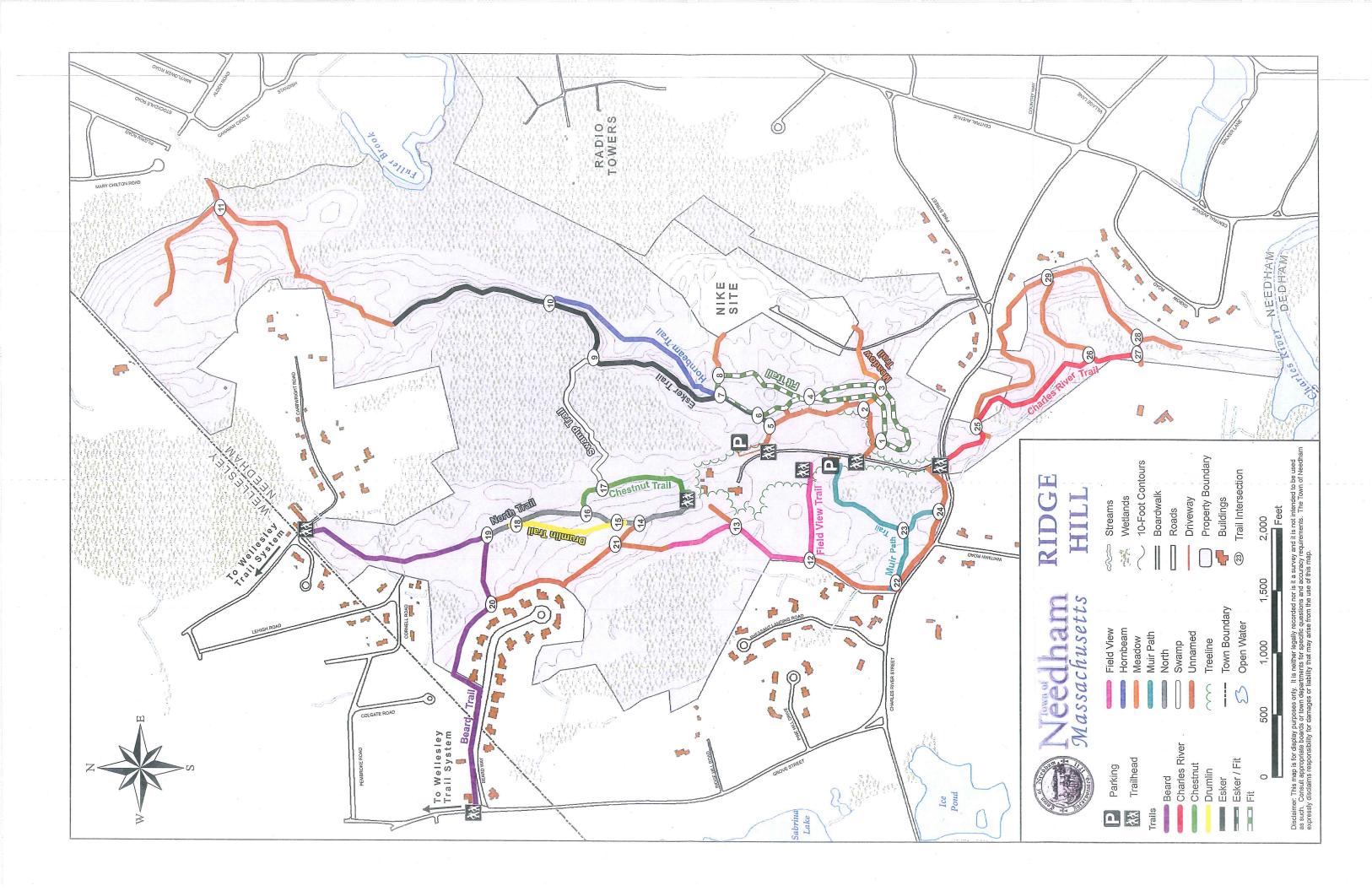
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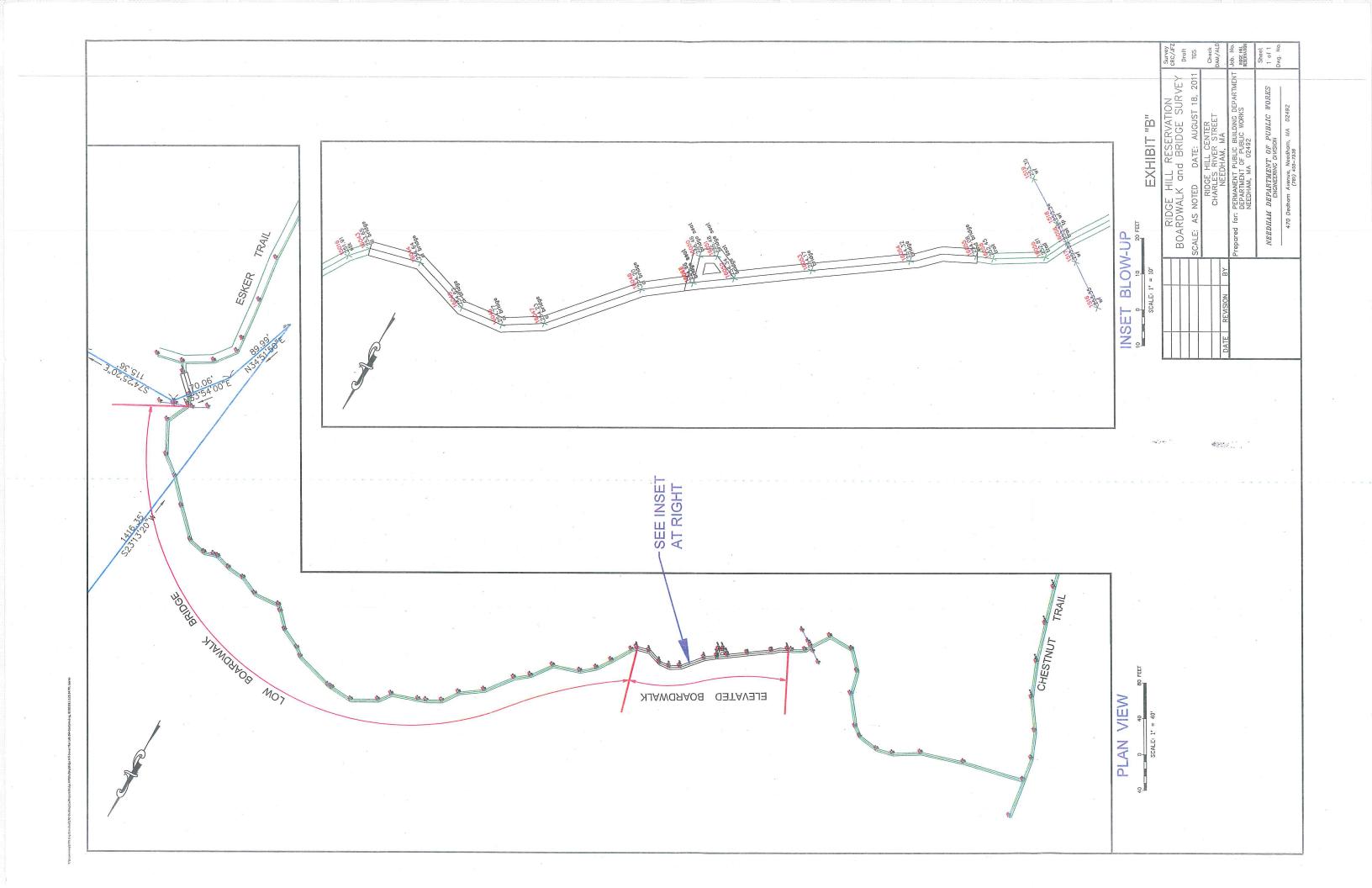






ATTACHMENT 2

EXISTING CONDITION SITE PLAN





BEALS AND THOMAS, INC. Reservoir Corporate Center 144 Turnpike Road Southborough, MA 01772-2104

MEMORANDUM

T 508.366.0560 F 508.366.4391 mail@btiweb.com I www.btiweb.com Regional Office: Plymouth, MA

TO:

Robert Weidknecht, Beals and Thomas, Inc.

FROM:

Christopher Taylor, Beals and Thomas, Inc.

DATE:

November 21, 2012

REFERENCE:

Peat Probes/Soil Testing

Swamp Trail, Ridge Hill Reservation

Needham, Massachusetts B+T Project No. 2035.02

Purpose:

The purpose of this memorandum is to outline the findings from the field visit and the peat probes that were conducted along the Swamp Trail in the Ridge Hill Reservation.

General Conditions:

A total of 23 peat probes were conducted along the Swamp Trail. Probe #1 (P-01) through Probe #12 (P-12) were conducted along the proposed elevated boardwalk section of the trail. Probes #13 through #23 were conducted along the eastern section of the trail in the proposed low boardwalk bridge. The thickness of the peat varied across the trail but in general was shallow on the western edge of the trail and gradually got deeper moving to the east. (see the attached plan and table for location and depth of peat)

The material below the peat layer appeared to be bedrock or a very stony soil. No soil sample was able to be collected. Penetration of the peat material was quick and required no turning force but would come to an abrupt stop when the bottom of the peat was reached. The auger which was used to measure the depth of the peat was not able to infiltrate or dig into the material below the peat. No mineral soil material was observed in the auger blades when removed from the hole.

Elevated Boardwalk Section:

Starting at the far western end of the proposed elevated boardwalk four probes were conducted in approximately the first 50 feet of the trail (P-01, P-02, P-11, and P-12) and resulted in a depth of peat around 2-feet. After the first 50 feet, the depth of peat gradually increased approximately over the next 100 feet, from a depth of less than 2 feet to a depth of greater than 10 feet.

Standing water was observed along the far western side of the elevated boardwalk section of the trail where measured peat depths were the shallowest.

Low Boardwalk Bridge Section:

All of the probes conducted in the low boardwalk section of the trail had a deep depth of peat. The minimum depth of peat recorded in the low boardwalk section was 5 feet. 5 of the probes (P-13, P-14, P-16, P-21, and P-22) conducted in this section had a depth of peat greater than 10

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feet. The full extent of the peat was unrecorded because maximum length of the measuring equipment was 10 feet.

Three probes terminated at an approximate depth of 60 inches (P-08, P-17, and P-21). Much deeper depths of peat were measured on both sides of these probes. It is possible that the depth of peat in these locations is greater than 60 inches, and a small restrictive layer or small stones were encountered at this depth.

Conclusion:

A deep depth of peat over 5 feet was measured for the majority of the swamp trail. The only portion of the trail with relatively shallow peat depths was the western 50 feet of trail of the elevated boardwalk section. Special consideration will need to be taken when planning and design the foundation of the boardwalk.

CPT/rew/203502MR001



Probe #	Depth (Inch)	Location
P-01	20	Elevated
P-02	26	Elevated
P-03	28	Elevated
P-04	57	Elevated
P-05	76	Elevated
P-06	115	Elevated
P-07	>120	Elevated
P-08	58*	Elevated
P-09	43	Elevated
P-10	36	Elevated
P-11	19	Elevated
P-12	20	Elevated
P-13	>120	Low
P-14	>120	Low
P-15	75	Low
P-16	>120	Low
P-17	60*	Low
P-18	96	Low
P-19	109	Low
P-20	60*	Low
P-21	>120	Low
P-22	>120	Low
P-23	84"	Low

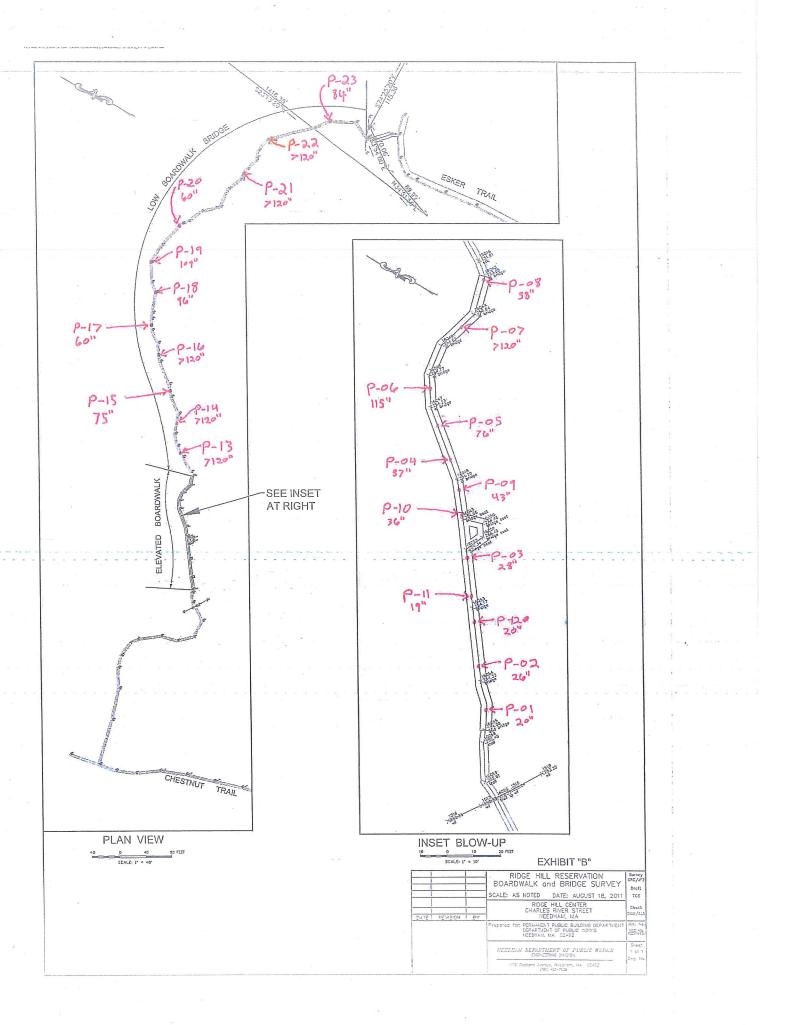
Probes in Order West to East Elevated Boardwalk Section

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P-02	26
P-12	20
P-11	19
P-03	28
P-10	36
P-09	43
P-04	57
P-05	76
P-06	115
P-07	>120
P-08	58*

* denotes probes which appeared to be stuck around 60" depth, peat may continue below this depth.

Job:	2035.02	Calc. By:	CPT	Check By:	REW
Project:	Boardwalk Replacement	Date:	11/20/2012	Date:	11/20/2012

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Soil Map—Norfolk and Suffolk Counties, Massachusetts 42° 17' 0" 42° 17' 2" 42° 15' 58" 42° 15' 59" 311600 311800 312000 312200 312400 312600 311400 Map Scale: 1:9,210 if printed on A size (8.5" x 11") sheet. Meters 300 Natural Resources Conservation Service Web Soil Survey National Cooperative Soil Survey 11/14/2012 Page 1 of 3



Soil Map-Norfolk and Suffolk Counties, Massachusetts

MAP INFORMATION

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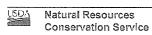


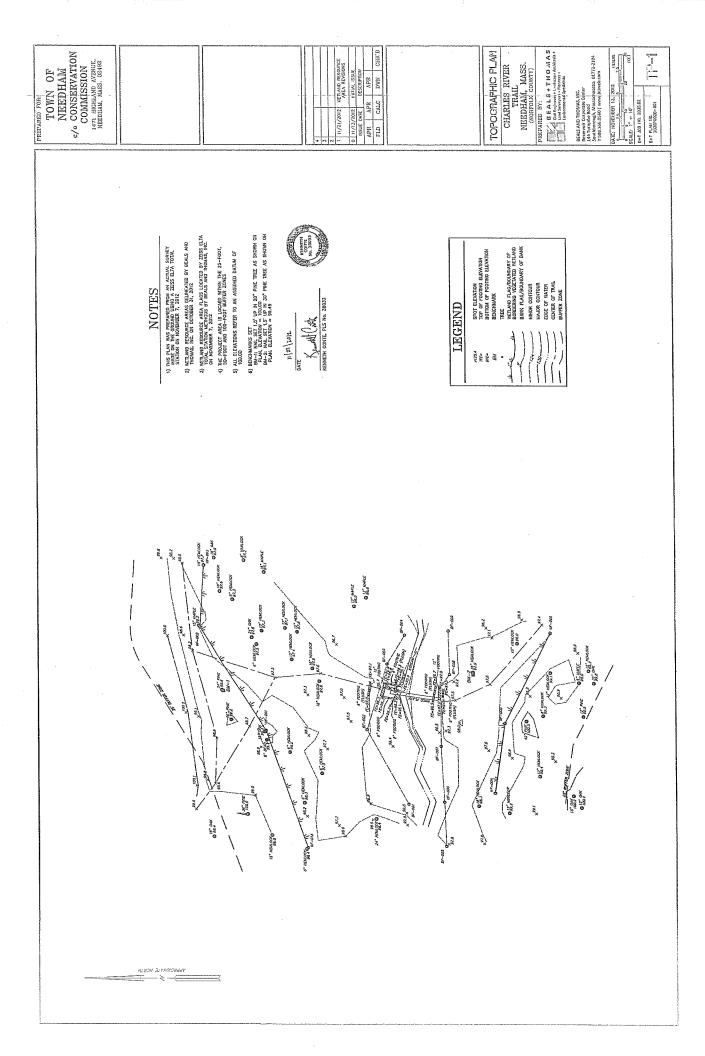
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Map Unit Legend

Map Unit Symbol	Map Unit Name	Acres in AOI	Percent of AOI
51	Swansea muck, 0 to 1 percent slopes	30.8	7.7%
52	Freetown muck, 0 to 1 percent slopes	49.9	12.4%
71B	Ridgebury fine sandy loam, 2 to 8 percent slopes, extremely stony	2.3	0.6%
73A	Whitman fine sandy loam, 0 to 5 percent slopes, extremely stony	18.9	4.7%
104C	Hollis-Rock outcrop-Charlton complex, 3 to 15 percent slopes	2.3	0.6%
245B	Hinckley sandy loam, 3 to 8 percent slopes	24.5	6.1%
245C	Hinckley sandy loam, 8 to 15 percent slopes	48.1	12.0%
253D	Hinckley loamy sand, 15 to 35 percent slopes	25.4	6.3%
254A	Merrimac fine sandy loam, 0 to 3 percent slopes	9.0	2.3%
254B	Merrimac fine sandy loam, 3 to 8 percent slopes	43.8	10.9%
260B	Sudbury fine sandy loam, 2 to 8 percent slopes	2.9	0.7%
305B	Paxton fine sandy loam, 3 to 8 percent slopes	7.1	1.8%
307B	Paxton fine sandy loam, 3 to 8 percent slopes, extremely stony	40.1	10.0%
312B	Woodbridge fine sandy loam, 3 to 8 percent slopes, extremely stony	67.6	16.8%
420B	Canton fine sandy loam, 3 to 8 percent slopes	8.9	2.2%
420C	Canton fine sandy loam, 8 to 15 percent slopes	1.5	0.4%
422B	Canton fine sandy loam, 3 to 8 percent slopes, extremely stony	6.1	1.5%
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Trails Policy

Let me make my position clear.

Two years ago the town sent out questionnaires, and improvement of the town's trails was the most mentioned response. What might the respondents have meant?

I think they were concerned with trash on the trails. We have made a good step forward on that problem with the volunteer trail stewards.

I think they were concerned with unmarked and confusing trail signs. We have made progress with that complaint with a trail number system, targets, and a trail map on line. My sense is that few kiosks have been built and that further construction and management of them may be lagging.

Finally I think they wanted a few broad, smooth gradual slope paths that they could enjoy when walking and chatting with their friends, children and exercising dogs. I don't think they were concerned with adding new single file trails.

Wellesley has the trail our respondents wanted. It is the Fuller Brook path and it is very popular. Also its Waban Arches trail is wide and level, and Elm Bank's road is very popular as a walk. Dover has the wide path maintained by the Trustees of Reservations on Noanet hill and lookout. Near us we have such a place at Cutler Lake in the lakeside circuit there. It is Needham's most popular walk, and its surface even allows strollers. These broad easy slope paths have several advantages to support their popularity. Their width helps protect the walkers from deer ticks. The grades and gravel underpinnings can support fire equipment in the event of fire.

Let's now review how the town might respond to the citizen wishes. We have taken a hit at Rosemary Lake and any restoration there awaits the pool decision.

I am not at all clear what experience for the public is planned for the Eastman trail behind Newman School except the first part is for the children's science study.

The Town Forest main trail is deeply cut by runoff and some winter tracks. Much of it needs simple grading and water management. The town's finest scenic outlook on the trail is overgrown and neglected. Were stairs to it built at the High Rock overlook, the outlook cleared, and the main trail restored I am confident it would be a very popular walk.

Ridge Hill has many trails. I don't believe the Commission has set aside one trail to be the family strolling trail. I see no reason why it could not. I know the Esker Trail is very broad and dry and could be part of such a path. The swamp boardwalk leading to the Chestnut Trail might make a very

nice circuit. There is a problem of the steep side of the esker that must be managed somehow and I don't know the Chestnut section.

To summarize: This committee was sold to the town on the promise that it would encourage innovation beyond ordinary town practice. Surely the Town Hall restoration met that goal. Currently the town's Trials Plan calls only for narrow, no gravel trails.

To respond appropriately to the Conservation Commission's request for trail improvements I believe we need a policy that establishes a few locations for broad family scenic walkways, ideally stroller friendly. If the Conservation Commission returned to us later with a policy statement and plan for one good family trail at Ridge Hill then I think we could make a fine presentation for the May Town Meeting.

I am not trying to tell the Commission how to design all its trails; what I am seeking is a policy upon which I can evaluate what the Commission requests.

Sam Bass Warner

September 3, 2013



CPC USE ONLY: Application # FY2014 - 2
Qualifies:
Does not qualify:

Glossary

INITIAL ELIGIBILITY PROJECT APPLICATION FORM

DUE BY DECEMBER 1

TOWN OF NEEDHAM COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE

c/o Park & Recreation Department
Public Services Administration Building
500 Dedham Avenue, Needham, MA 02492
www.needhamma.gov/CPC

1.	Applicant: Board of Selectmen/Town Manager	Submission Date: 9/3/13					
2.	Applicant's Address, Phone Number and Email: 3.	Purpose: (Please select all that apply)					
	1471 Highland Ave Avenue O	Open Space					
	Needham, MA 02492 O	Community Housing					
	Contact Name: Kate Fitzpatrick X	Historic Preservation Recreation					
4.	Project Name: Rail Trail Insurance						
5.	Project Location/Address/Ownership (Control):						
	The leased railroad right-of-way between Chestnut Street/Needham Junction and the Needham/Dover line (Charles River).						
6.	Amount Requested:	\$ 45,000					
	The Town is eligible to apply for a grant through the Common CPC for 50% of the final cost.	wealth that would reimburse the					
7.	Estimated Total Project Cost (If Different):	\$					
8.	Critical Dates: (If Applicable) November, 2013						
	The Town will seek authorization to lease the right of way at the November Special Town Meeting.						

Town of Needham

Community Preservation Application Process

CPC USE ONLY: Application # FY2012 = 2
Qualifies:
Does not qualify:

Project Name:

Rail Trail Insurance

9. Project Summary: In 100 words or less provide a brief summary of the project:

The Town Manager is negotiating a 99 year lease agreement with the MBTA for use of an unused rail right-of-way to be used as a shared use recreation trail from Needham Junction to the Needham/Dover Town line. The Town has coordinated the study of this project with the non-profit Bay Colony Rail Trail Association (BCRTA). As part of the lease agreement, the MBTA requires the Town to purchase a one-time environmental insurance policy that covers a 5 year period. The Commonwealth of Massachusetts has a grant program that would reimburse the Town for 50% of the purchase price, all of which would be returned to the CPA Fund, along with any unspent funds.

10. Community Need: In 100 words or less provide a brief statement of the need for and the benefits to the community.

The rail trail will create a wide, level-surfaced path for use by residents of all ages. Subject to negotiations with the MBTA, the trail will start at Chestnut Street or at Rock Street. The trail will connect residents to trail systems at the Town Forest, Farley Pond property, MA Division of Conservation and Recreation's Red Wing Bay, and Trustees of Reservation's Charles River Peninsula. BCRTA is in the early stages of raising funds for the creation of the trail. BCRTA has indicated that a full campaign will be most successful once the Town holds the lease.

Note: This application enables the Community Preservation Committee to review the request to assess eligibility. You shall be notified by January 1 of your eligibility. If eligible you will be requested to supply additional information by February 1.

Town of Needham 2 Glossary Community Preservation Application Process