

RHODE ISLAND

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT

OFFICE OF WATER RESOURCES
235 Promenade Street, Providence, Rhode Island 02908

Feb. 03, 2025

John Pontarelli 910 South Road East Greenwich, RI 02818

RE: WQC/STW File No. 23-087; RIPDES File No. RIR102528

Proposed Modification of Proscape Landscaping

2043 Maple Root Road Assessor's Plat 10, Lot 40.11

Coventry, RI

Dear Mr. Pontarelli:

The Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management Office of Water Resources (RIDEM OWR) has reviewed the above-referenced project modification for compliance with the Rhode Island Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Construction General Permit (CGP). The purpose of the originally approved project is to construct and maintain two (2) commercial buildings (9,000 sf main building & 800 sf accessory) associated with landscaping business use, with parking areas & access drive, walkways, materials storage bins, associated utilities, including connection to public water and an on-site sewage disposal system (OWTS), and stormwater management practices. Stormwater practices will involve sheet flow form paved areas to three (3) surface infiltration basins and two (2) infiltration trenches for roof runoff from the main building (with pipe overflow to infiltration basin). Design will include filter strips and sediment forebays for pretreatment. The purpose of the proposed modification is to relocate one of the proposed infiltration basins, without altering the basin's size or treatment area, to improve landscape material staging on the site. This work is further described in your additional modification materials and detailed on site plans consisting of 13 sheets as prepared by Samuel Hemenway, P.E., of Garofalo & Associates, Inc., received by RIDEM-OWR on June 20, 2023, and partially revised those dated received July 28, 2023, and Aug. 21, 2023, and modified with those dated received Jan. 17, 2025, and Jan. 30, 2025.

This letter serves as your revised permit/authorization to discharge for the above-referenced project, provided that you comply with the application materials, the CGP and the following conditions:

- 1) This authorization is specific to the project, site alterations, and stormwater management system depicted on the revised site plans submitted with your application and received by RIDEM on Jan. 30, 2025. Any further alterations, additions or modifications to the project approved herein must be reviewed and approved by RIDEM OWR prior to implementation.
- 2) You must submit the <u>Notice of Start of Construction Form</u> prior to commencement of any permitted site alterations or construction activity. The Start of Construction Form can be found on the Stormwater Construction Permitting website.
- 3) Prior to construction, you must erect or post a sign resistant to the weather and at least twelve (12) inches wide and eighteen (18) inches long, which identifies the initials "DEM" and the application number(s) assigned to this permit. The sign must be posted in a conspicuous location near the site access and maintained until the project is complete.

- 4) A copy of this revised permit, any inspection records, and a signed and updated SESC Plan, must be kept at the site at all times until the project is complete. Copies of this permit must be made available for review by any RIDEM or City/Town representative upon request. Electronic versions of required documents that are readily accessible from the construction site are acceptable.
- 5) All fill material shall be clean and free of matter that could cause pollution of the waters of the State.
- 6) The stormwater collection and treatment system approved herein is for the discharge of stormwater only. Any other discharge is prohibited.
- 7) You must provide written certification from a registered land surveyor or registered professional engineer that the stormwater drainage system including any and all basins, piping systems, catch basins, culverts, swales, and any other stormwater management control features have been constructed/installed in accordance with the site plans reviewed for this revised permit. This written certification is due upon completion of the project or within twenty (20) working days of the request of this Program.
- 8) You must submit the <u>Notice of Termination Form</u> upon completion of the project and final site stabilization. The Notice of Termination Form can be found on the Stormwater Construction Permitting website.
- 9) You are responsible for the long-term inspection, cleaning and maintenance of the stormwater collection and treatment system to ensure proper performance of all components until documentation is provided to indicate that this responsibility has been assumed by another entity. Long-term operation and maintenance is to be as described in the Post-Construction Operation and Maintenance Plan entitled "Stormwater Management System Operation and Maintenance Plan for: Proscape Landscaping, Assessor's Plat 10, Lot 40.11 2043 Maple Root Road, Coventry, Rhode Island", bearing the latest revision date of July 27, 2023, dated received 07/28/23, prepared by Garofalo & Associates, Inc., 85 Corliss Street, Providence, RI 02940. The above is additionally modified with an updated BMP location map bearing the latest revision date of 1/29/25, dated received Jan. 30, 2025.
- 10) The Landscaping Diagram shall not be used in reference to stormwater construction. The location of the previously approved infiltration basin BMP-2 on this sheet shall be disregarded and BMP-2 shall be constructed as depicted on the rest of the site plans per the modification.

This revised permit is not transferable to any person except after written notice to the Director, in the form of a Permit Transfer Form available on the RIDEM Stormwater Construction Permitting website.

RIDEM's Rules and Regulations Governing the Establishment of Various Fees require that RIPDES CGP permit holders pay an Annual Fee of \$100.00. An invoice will be sent to the owner on record in May/June of each year if the construction was still active as of December 31st of the previous year. The owner will be responsible for the Annual Fee until the construction activity has been completed, the site has been properly stabilized, and a completed Notice of Termination (NOT) has been received.

Your authorization to discharge expires at midnight, on September 25, 2025. If construction has not been completed by that date, there will be measures in place for you to reauthorize.

You are required to adhere to all above terms and conditions and carry out this project in compliance with the CGP at all times. Issuance of this permit does not bar RIDEM, nor any of its various Divisions, from initiating any investigation and/or enforcement actions that it may deem necessary for violations of this permit or of any and all applicable statutes, regulations and/or permits.

This permit has the full force and effect of a permit issued by the Director. This permit does not relieve your obligation to obtain any other applicable local, state and federal permits prior to commencing construction and does not relieve you of any duties owed to adjacent landowners with respect to changes in drainage. RIDEM assumes no responsibilities for damages resulting from faulty design or construction.

If you have any questions regarding the contents of the permit, you may contact Anna Seamon, E.I.T. at anna.seamon@dem.ri.gov or 401-537-4162.

Sincerely,

Nicholas A. Pisani, P.E., Environmental Engineer IV

Stormwater Engineering and 401 Permitting

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