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Public Notice of Variance Request
of M.G.L. c. 131 §40 and
33 USC 1251, M.G.L. c. 21, §§ 26 through 53

Notice is hereby given that a request is being made of the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) to waive the wetlands protection regulations by Mr. Michael Annese for property at 25 Piedmont Avenue in Saugus. This request seeks a variance of the Wetlands Protection Act (MGL c. 131 §40) and the associated wetland regulations (310 CMR 10.00).

The variance request is for the construction of a single-family house within a 50-foot by 30-foot footprint at 25 Piedmont Avenue in bordering vegetated wetland that is an Outstanding Resource Water. The proposed construction is also located in an Area of Critical Environmental Concern. The entire site is located in Land Subject to Coastal Storm Flowage. The house is proposed on piles with a first floor elevation at 10 feet. The driveway and utility access is from Piedmont Avenue through the buffer zone to the bordering vegetated wetland on the site. The applicant has stated that the property contains bordering vegetated wetlands on the majority of the site and that he has attempted to minimize impacts; however, mitigation required by the wetland regulations is not proposed. The site may also contain riverfront area.

At this time it appears that the project may require a variance as per 310 CMR 10.05(10) from the following wetland regulation performance standards: BVW 10.55(4) and Riverfront Area 10.58(4). A Variance may also be required of the Water Quality Certification regulations (314 CMR 9.00).

Individuals wishing to comment on the above referenced variance application are requested to submit written comments by the close of business on August 15, 2006 to:

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