## **Commonwealth of Massachusetts** Executive Office of Environmental Affairs MEPA Office

Environmental
Notification Form

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EOEA No.: <u>73892</u> MEPA Analyst <u>1023</u> Phone: 617-626- <u>1023</u>

The information requested on this

form must be completed to begin MEPA Review in accordance with the provisions of the Massachusetts Environmental Policy Act, 301 CMR 11.00.

Project Name: Culvert Replacement & Wetland Restoration				
Street: Shore Road & Connecticut Avenue				
Municipality: West Yarmouth		Watershed: Lewis Bay		
Universal Tranverse Mercator Coordinates:		Latitude: 41d38'25"N		
E 395,988.54 N 5,389,408.71		Longitude: 70d14'56"W		
Estimated commencement date: Sept. 2007		Estimated completion date: Oct. 2007		
Approximate cost: \$25,000		Status of project design: 100 %complete		
Proponent: Town of Yarmouth	_			
Street: 1146 Route 28				
Municipality: South Yarmouth		State: MA	Zip Code: 02664	
Name of Contact Person From Whom Copies of this ENF May Be Obtained:				
Jeffrey Oakes, P.E.				
Firm/Agency: CLE Engineering, Inc.		Street: 15 Creek Road		
Municipality: Marion		State: MA	Zip Code: 02738	
Phone: 508-748-0937	Fax: 508	3-748-1363	E-mail:	
			joakes@cleengineering.com	

Does this project meet or exceed a mandatory EIR threshold (see 301 CMR 11.03)?

Has this project been filed with MEPA before?
☐ Yes (EOEA No) ⊠No
Has any project on this site been filed with MEPA before?
☐ Yes (EOEA No) ⊠No
Is this an Expanded ENF (see 301 CMR 11.05(7)) requesting:
a Single EIR? (see 301 CMR 11.06(8))
a Special Review Procedure? (see 301CMR 11.09) Yes No
a Waiver of mandatory EIR? (see 301 CMR 11.11) Yes 🕅 No
a Phase I Waiver? (see 301 CMR 11.11)

Identify any financial assistance or land transfer from an agency of the Commonwealth, including the agency name and the amount of funding or land area (in acres): <u>Mass Office of Coastal Zone</u> Management, Wetland Restoration Program: \$28,555.00

Are you requesting coordinated review with any other federal, state, regional, or local agency? [X]Yes (Specify\_NOI, Chapter 91, ACOE ) [No]

List Local or Federal Permits and Approvals: NOI, Chapter 91, ACOE

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Which ENF or EIR review threshold(s) does the project meet or exceed (see 301 CMR 11.03):

Land	Rare Species	🛛 Wetlands, Waterways, & Tidelands
🗌 Water	Wastewater	Transportation
Energy	🗋 Air	Solid & Hazardous Waste
ACEC	Regulations	Historical & Archaeological
	-	Resources

Summary of Project Size	Existing	Change	Total	State Permits &
& Environmental Impacts				Approvais
	LAND			Order of Conditions
Total site acreage	4 acres			Superseding Order of Conditions
New acres of land altered		0.07 acres		🛛 Chapter 91 License
Acres of impervious area	0.02 acres	0	0.02 acres	401 Water Quality Certification
Square feet of new bordering vegetated wetlands alteration		0		MHD or MDC Access Permit
Square feet of new other wetland alteration		4750 temp		Water Management Act Permit
Acres of new non-water dependent use of tidelands or waterways		0	-	New Source Approval
STR	UCTURES			DEP or MWRA Sewer Connection/ Extension Permit
Gross square footage	0			Other Permits (including Legislative Approvals) – Specify:
Number of housing units	0			
Maximum height (in feet)	0			ACOE PGP Category 2
TRANS	PORTATION	{		
Vehicle trips per day	0			
Parking spaces	0			
WAS	TEWATER			
Gallons/day (GPD) of water use	0			
GPD water withdrawal	0		<b>-</b>	
GPD wastewater generation/ treatment	0			]
Length of water/sewer mains (in miles)	0			

**CONSERVATION LAND**: Will the project involve the conversion of public parkland or other Article 97 public natural resources to any purpose not in accordance with Article 97?

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Yes (Specify\_

⊠No

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Will it involve the release of any conservation restriction, preservation restriction, agricultural preservation restriction, or watershed preservation restriction?

Yes (Specify	) 🖾 No
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**RARE SPECIES**: Does the project site include Estimated Habitat of Rare Species, Vernal Pools, Priority Sites of Rare Species, or Exemplary Natural Communities?

Yes (Specify

\_\_\_\_\_) ⊠No

HISTORICAL /ARCHAEOLOGICAL RESOURCES: Does the project site include any structure, site or district listed
in the State Register of Historic Place or the inventory of Historic and Archaeological Assets of the Commonwealth?  [Yes (Specify)
If yes, does the project involve any demolition or destruction of any listed or inventoried historic or archaeological resources?
□Yes (Specify) □No
AREAS OF CRITICAL ENVIRONMENTAL CONCERN: Is the project in or adjacent to an Area of Critical
Environmental Concern?

Yes (Specify

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION**: The project description should include (a) a description of the project site, (b) a description of both on-site and off-site alternatives and the impacts associated with each alternative, and (c) potential on-site and off-site mitigation measures for each alternative (*You may attach one additional page, if necessary.*)

⊠No

a) The project site is an approximately 4 acre salt marsh on the north side of Shore Road in West Yarmouth, Massachusetts. It is identified in the *Cape Cod Atlas of Tidally Restricted Salt Marshes* as Site YA -7. The marsh drains to Lewis Bay to the south through a culvert under Shore Road that is presently collapsed and non-functional, resulting in the ponding of stormwater runoff and tidal overwash of Shore Road to the marsh. The vegetative community is in transition from salt marsh to *Phragmites*.

## b)

Three (3) alternatives were provided to the Massachusetts Office of Coastal Zone Management Wetland Restoration Program (WRP) and the Town of Yarmouth Engineering Department (Eng. Dept.) for review and comment. CLE then presented the results of the feasibility study and the 3 design options to interested abutting property owners during a public meeting held by the Eng. Dept. on March 7, 2006. Approximately 19 people attended the meeting and after review and discussion it was determined that the preferred alternative was to replace the existing broken 15" culvert with an 18" culvert and to remove the existing catch basin in Shore Road. Additionally it was noted the existing pipe draining the Broadway neighborhood to the marsh should be cleaned and maintained and existing junk and debris in the marsh should be removed.

## c)

In addition to permit requirements developed by the Yarmouth Conservation Commission, the following mitigation measures and restrictions are proposed:

- 1. Prior to any work a silt fence is to be installed in the staging and soil stockpile area to prevent stockpiled soil from causing sedimentation in the salt marsh on the north and south side of Shore Road.
- 2. Absolutely no release is allowed into the waterway of any petroleum products from the excavation equipment. Accidental releases shall be reported to the Harbor Master, Engineer, and, if applicable, the Coast Guard. The Contractor shall have on site sufficient sorbent pads and booms to contain an accidental spill.
- 3. Work will only be allowed during the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday thru Saturday.
- 4. Debris from excavation and re-grading operations is to be cleaned up on a regular basis and disposed of off site at a properly designated facility.
- 5. No refueling of construction equipment shall be permitted within 100' of any coastal resource area.

As demonstrated above, the replacement of the non-functioning culvert will improve tidal flushing to the 4-acre salt marsh and reduce the frequency of flooding of shore Road. The minimal short term impacts will be more than offset by the improved ability of the resources areas to perform their functions as described in the Wetland Protection Act and Regulations.