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

## **Environmental Notification Form**

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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: Single-Family Residence at 4 P Street and 159 Old Point Road, Newburyport, MA				
Street: P Street & Old Point Road				
Municipality: Newburyport	Watershed: Merrimack River			
Universal Transverse Mercator Coordinates:	Latitude: N 4,741,170			
	Longitude: E 351,148			
Estimated commencement date: March 06	Estimated completion date: July 06			
Approximate cost: \$275,000	Status of project design: 100 %complete			
Proponent: Scott & Madelyn Steeves (Gap	Realty Trust)			
Street: P.O. Box 528				
Municipality: Middleton	State: MA Zip Code: 01949			
Name of Contact Person From Whom Copies of this ENF May Be Obtained:				
Jesse Blanchette				
Firm/Agency: Griffin Engineering Group, LLC	Street: P.O. Box 7061			
Municipality: Beverly	State: MA   Zip Code: 01915			
Phone: 978-927-5111 Fax: 97	8-927-5103 E-mail:			
Has this project been filed with MEPA before?  Has any project on this site been filed with MEPA	Yes (EOEA No) ⊠No			
Is this an Expanded ENF (see 301 CMR 11.05(7)) requ a Single EIR? (see 301 CMR 11.06(8)) a Special Review Procedure? (see 301 CMR 11.09) a Waiver of mandatory EIR? (see 301 CMR 11.11) a Phase I Waiver? (see 301 CMR 11.11)	Yes			
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):  None				
Are you requesting coordinated review with any other federal, state, regional, or local agency?  ☐Yes(Specify) ⊠No				
List Local or Federal Permits and Approvals: <u>Approval under the Newburyport's Wetland</u> Ordinance (local) and Building Permit (local).				

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Rare Species, or Exemplary Natural Communities?	
☐Yes (Specify	) 🖾No
HISTORICAL /ARCHAEOLOGICAL RESOURCES: Do	Does the project site include any structure, site or district listed
in the State Register of Historic Place or the inventory of	of Historic and Archaeological Assets of the Commonwealth
☐Yes (Specify	
	ruction of any listed or inventoried historic or archaeological
Yes (Specify	) ⊠No
<b>AREAS OF CRITICAL ENVIRONMENTAL CONCERN</b>	N: Is the project in or adjacent to an Area of Critical
Environmental Concern?	- <del></del>
Yes (Specify	) ⊠No

**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.*)

The project site is located at 4 P Street and 159 Old Point Road [Map 75, Lots 165 & 166], on Plum Island in Newburyport, Massachusetts. The parcel has a total land area of approximately 8,809 square feet. The property is bounded to the south by P Street and the Old Point Road cul-de-sac, developed residential properties to the north and west, and by an unbuilt portion of Old Point Road (paper street) to the east. The site is currently undeveloped with 23% of the parcel being encroached upon by two abutter's driveways. The parcel is located within an area of the Plum Island Barrier Beach that has been developed, other than this parcel, for many years. There are existing residences on all sides of this property. The parcel was one of 14 that were anticipated (in 2001) to become buildable upon the construction of water and sewer mains on Plum Island.

The proponent proposes to construct a single-family dwelling and a car port with the associated driveway, utilities, and decks. The proposed residence is to be serviced by municipal water and sewer mains.

The dwelling has been sited as far from the Riverfront Area as zoning regulations allow. The proposed dwelling, car port, and decks are to be constructed in accordance with Newburyport Plum Island Design Guidelines (i.e. elevated on piles) to mitigate adverse impacts. The Plum Island Design Guidelines are more stringent than any state code for the construction of a modest size single-family residence within an A-Zone. In addition, the proponent has agreed to eliminate one of the encroaching driveways and to restore the area with native beach vegetation. A snow fence has also been proposed to limit the construction zone and thereby minimize unnecessary disturbance of the resource area.