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Notice of Project Change

The information requested on this form must be completed to begin MEPA Review of a NPC in accordance with the provisions of the Massachusetts Environmental Policy Act and its implementing regulations (see 301 CMR 11.10(1)).

EEA # 15069		
Project Name: University of Massachusetts Campus Pond Dredge Project		
Street Address: 640 North Pleasant Street		
Municipality: Amherst	Watershed:	
Universal Transverse Mercator Coordinates:	Latitude:	Longitude: 42.389640 72.526508
Estimated commencement date:	Estimated completion date: 2021	
Project Type:	Status of project design: 90	%complete
Proponent: Facilities and Campus Services, University of Massachusetts - Amherst		
Street Address: 360 Campus Way		
Municipality: Amherst	State:	Zip Code: 01003
Name of Contact Person: Valerie Miller		
Firm/Agency: SWCA Environmental Consultants	Street Address: 15 Research Drive	
Municipality: Amherst	State: Ma	Zip Code: 01002
Phone: 413-658-2062	Fax:	E-mail: vmiller@swca.com
<p>With this Notice of Project Change, are you requesting:</p> <p>a Single EIR? (see 301 CMR 11.06(8)) <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>a Special Review Procedure? (see 301CMR 11.09) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>a Waiver of mandatory EIR? (see 301 CMR 11.11) <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>a Phase I Waiver? (see 301 CMR 11.11) <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>Which MEPA review threshold(s) does the project meet or exceed (see 301 CMR 11.03)? 11.03 (3)(b)1.f</p> <p>Which State Agency Permits will the project require?</p> <p>MEPA jurisdiction extends to the University as projects undertaken are financed by a State Agency. 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</p>		

PROJECT INFORMATION

In 25 words or less, what is the project change? The project change involves . . .

The project will include dredging Campus Pond, a 2.9 acre, human made impoundment. Approximately 6,500 cubic yards of sediment will be dredged and disposed of off-site.

See full project change description beginning on page 3.

Date of publication of availability of the ENF in the Environmental Monitor: (Date:)

Was an EIR required? Yes No; if yes,
was a Draft EIR filed? Yes (Date:) No
was a Final EIR filed? Yes (Date:) No
was a Single EIR filed? Yes (Date:) No

Have other NPCs been filed? Yes (Date(s):) No

If this is a NPC solely for lapse of time (see 301 CMR 11.10(2)) proceed directly to **ATTACHMENTS & SIGNATURES**.

PERMITS / FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE / LAND TRANSFER

List or describe all new or modified state permits, financial assistance, or land transfers not previously reviewed: **dd w/ list of State Agency Actions (e.g., Agency Project, Financial Assistance, Land Transfer, List of Permits)**

Are you requesting a finding that this project change is insignificant? A change in a Project is ordinarily insignificant if it results solely in an increase in square footage, linear footage, height, depth or other relevant measures of the physical dimensions of the Project of less than 10% over estimates previously reviewed, provided the increase does not meet or exceed any review thresholds. A change in a Project is also ordinarily insignificant if it results solely in an increase in impacts of less than 25% of the level specified in any review threshold, provided that cumulative impacts of the Project do not meet or exceed any review thresholds that were not previously met or exceeded. (see 301 CMR 11.10(6)) Yes No; if yes, provide an explanation of this request in the Project Change Description below.

FOR PROJECTS SUBJECT TO AN EIR

If the project requires the submission of an EIR, are you requesting that a Scope in a previously issued Certificate be rescinded?
 Yes No; if yes, provide an explanation of this request_____.

If the project requires the submission of an EIR, are you requesting a change to a Scope in a previously issued Certificate?
 Yes No; if yes, provide an explanation of this request_____.

SUMMARY OF PROJECT CHANGE PARAMETERS AND IMPACTS

Summary of Project Size & Environmental Impacts	Previously reviewed	Net Change	Currently Proposed
LAND			
Total site acreage	please see cover letter		
Acres of land altered	0	0	0
Acres of impervious area	0	0	0
Square feet of bordering vegetated wetlands alteration	0	0	0
Square feet of other wetland alteration	please see cover letter		
Acres of non-water dependent use of tidelands or waterways	0	0	0
STRUCTURES			
Gross square footage	0	0	0
Number of housing units	0	0	0
Maximum height (in feet)	0	0	0
TRANSPORTATION			
Vehicle trips per day	0	0	0
Parking spaces	0	0	0
WATER/WASTEWATER			
Gallons/day (GPD) of water use	0	0	0
GPD water withdrawal	0	0	0
GPD wastewater generation/ treatment	0	0	0
Length of water/sewer mains (in miles)	0	0	0

Does the project change involve any new or modified:

1. conversion of public parkland or other Article 97 public natural resources to any purpose not in accordance with Article 97? Yes No

2. release of any conservation restriction, preservation restriction, agricultural preservation restriction, or watershed preservation restriction? Yes No

3. impacts on Rare Species? Yes No

4. demolition of all or part of 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 No

5. impact upon an Area of Critical Environmental Concern? Yes No

If you answered 'Yes' to any of these 5 questions, explain below:

PROJECT CHANGE DESCRIPTION (attach additional pages as necessary). The project change description should include:


- (a) a brief description of the project as most recently reviewed
- (b) a description of material changes to the project as previously reviewed,
- (c) if applicable, the significance of the proposed changes, with specific reference to the factors listed 301 CMR 11.10(6), and
- (d) measures that the project is taking to avoid damage to the environment or to minimize and mitigate unavoidable environmental impacts. If the change will involve modification of any previously issued Section 61 Finding, include a draft of the modified Section 61 Finding (or it will be required in a Supplemental EIR).

ATTACHMENTS & SIGNATURES

Attachments:

1. Secretary’s most recent Certificate on this project
2. Plan showing most recent previously-reviewed proposed build condition
3. Plan showing currently proposed build condition
4. Original U.S.G.S. map or good quality color copy (8-1/2 x 11 inches or larger) indicating the project location and boundaries
5. List of all agencies and persons to whom the proponent circulated the NPC, in accordance with 301 CMR 11.10(7)

Signatures:

6/25/2020	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; display: inline-block;"> <small>DocuSigned by:</small>  <small>FIG 304A02C0842C</small> </div>	6/24/2020	
Date	Signature of Responsible Officer or Proponent	Date	Signature of person preparing NPC (if different from above)
Shane Conklin		Valerie Miller	
Name (print or type)		Name (print or type)	
University of Massachusetts Amherst		SWCA Environmental Consultants	
Firm/Agency		Firm/Agency	
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