

Wetlands & Land Management, Inc.

October 19, 2007

Massachusetts Environmental Policy Act (MEPA) 251 Causeway Street Boston, MA 02114



RE: Public Notice of Waterways License Application – No. W07-2052 Application for General, Water Dependent Use, Private Seasonal Gangway and Float, and Maintenance of an Existing Sea Wall Flowed Tidelands of Lobster Cove in Gloucester.

Dear Mr. John Bell and City Council:

In accordance with the Department of Environmental Protection-Waterways Regulation Program 310 CMR 9.13 (1)(a), you are hereby notified of the submittal of the Waterways License Application – No. W07-2052. The application is to maintain an existing seasonal gangway and float, as well as an existing granite sea wall and fill over flowed tidelands of Lobster Cove in Gloucester.

The property has an old granite block wall along the waterfront. This wall retains historic fill that extends seaward over historic filled tidelands. The existence of this wall predates current regulations. The previous property owners obtained an interim license (#4228). The issue of the permanent Chapter 91 licensing requirements surfaced at the second transfer of title for this site after the issuance of the interim license.

The seasonal gangway and float has been in existence prior to the issuance of the interim license. The applicant is now seeking a valid Chapter 91 license for the existing seasonal pier and float as well for historic fill over flowed tidelands, including a granite sea wall.

The existing seasonal gangway and float is located over the flowed tidelands of Lobster Cove in Gloucester. Please submit any comments to the Department of Environmental Protection – Waterways Division.

Sincerely,

Wetlands & Land Management, Inc.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION WATERWAYS REGULATION PROGRAM

Notice of License Application pursuant to M. G. L. Chapter 91 Waterways License Application Number W07-2052 Jennifer Brown

NOTIFICATION DATE: November 1, 2007

Public notice is hereby given of the application by Jennifer Brown to maintain an existing seawall, ramp and float at 17 Chester Street in the municipality of Gloucester in and over flowed and filled tidelands of Lobster Cove. The proposed use of the project is to provide noncommercial docking and boat access to navigable waters: and to provide shoreline stabilization and is a water dependent project.

<u>The Department will consider all written comments on this Waterways application</u> received by within 30 days subsequent to the "Notification Date". Failure of any aggrieved person or group of ten citizens or more to submit written comments to the Waterways Regulation Program by the Public Comments Deadline will result in the waiver of any right to an adjudicatory hearing in accordance with 310 CMR 9.13(4)(c).

Additional information regarding this application may be obtained by contacting the Waterways Regulation Program at (617) 292-5500. Project plans and documents for this application are on file with the Waterways Regulation Program for public viewing, by appointment only, at the address below. Written comments must be addressed to: Ben Lynch, Program Chief, WRP, One Winter St., 5th fl., Boston, MA 02108.