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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: "Hillcrest Estates", Definitive Cluster Subdivision Plan, Ashland, Mass.					
Street: Cross Street and High Street					
Municipality: Ashland	Watershed: Concord				
Universal Tranverse Mercator Coordinates:					
294001m Easting 4681285m Northing Zone 19	Longitude: 71-29-50 W				
Estimated commencement date: Feb 2005	Estimated completion date: July 2009				
Approximate cost: \$3 million	Status of project design: 0%complete				
Proponent: Cross Street Realty Trust					
Street: 48 Frankland Road					
Municipality: Ashland	State: MA	Zip Code: 01721			
Name of Contact Person From Whom Copies of this ENF May Be Obtained: Paul Truax					
Firm/Agency: GLM Engineering Consult.	Street: 19 Exchange Street				
Municipality: Holliston	State: MA	Zip Code: 01746			
Phone: 508-429-1100 Fax: 50	8-429-7160	E-mail: n.a.			
Does this project meet or exceed a mandatory EIR threshold (see 301 CMR 11.03)? Yes No 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)) Yes No a Special Review Procedure? (see 301 CMR 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) Yes No 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>Town of Ashland: Cluster Development, Definitive Subdivision, Notice of Intent, Scenic Road, & ANRAD.</u> Others: 401 Water Quality, NPDES, Sewe Extension Permit					

Which ENF or EIR review threshold(s) does the project meet or exceed (see 301 CMR 11.03):						
☐ Land ☐ Water ☐ Energy ☐ ACEC	☐ Rare Spec ⊠ Wastewate ☐ Air ☐ Regulation	er 🔲	Transportat Solid & Haz	Vaterways, & Tidelands ion ardous Waste Archaeological		
Summary of Project Size	Existing	Change	Total	State Permits &		
& Environmental Impacts			1000	Approvals		
<u> </u>	LAND			Order of Conditions		
Total site acreage	76.7			Superseding Order of Conditions		
New acres of land altered		24.2		☐ Chapter 91 License		
Acres of impervious area Square feet of new bordering	0	3.5	3.5			
vegetated wetlands alteration				Permit		
Square feet of new other wetland alteration	-	0		☐ 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	2000 s.f. per dwelling	2000 s.f. per dwelling	Other Permits (including Legislative Approvals) − Specify:		
Number of housing units	0	68	68	, , , , , , ,		
Maximum height (in feet)	0	30	30	Town of Ashland:		
TRANS	PORTATION			Cluster Development,		
Vehicle trips per day	0	754	754	Definitive Subdivision,		
Parking spaces	0	136	136	Notice of Intent, Scenic		
WAS	TEWATER			Road, & ANRAD		
Gallons/day (GPD) of water use	0	29,920	29,920	NPDES		
GPD water withdrawal	0	0	0			
GPD wastewater generation/ treatment	0	29,920	29,920	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		
Length of water/sewer mains (in miles)	0	0.9	0.9			
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? ☐ Yes (Specify						

restriction, or watershed preservation restriction?			
Yes (Specify)		⊠No
RARE SPECIES: Does the project site include Estimated Rare Species, or Exemplary Natural Communities?		at o	of Rare Species, Vernal Pools, Priority Sites of ⊠No
			
HISTORICAL /ARCHAEOLOGICAL RESOURCES: Does listed in the State Register of Historic Place or the invento Commonwealth?	ry of H	roj Iis	ect site include any structure, site or district toric and Archaeological Assets of the
Yes (Specify)		⊠No
If yes, does the project involve any demolition or destructi archaeological resources?	on of a	any	y listed or inventoried historic or
☐Yes (Specify)	⊠No
AREAS OF CRITICAL ENVIRONMENTAL CONCERN: is Environmental Concern?	s the p	roj	ect in or adjacent to an Area of Critical
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.)

(a) Project Description

Cross Street Realty Trust, the applicant, is proposing a 59 lot cluster residential subdivision "Hillcrest Estates" and 9 "approval not required" conventional lots in Ashland, Massachusetts. All lots are for the development of single family homes. The project is located off High Street and Cross Street and has a total area of 76.67 acres. Approx. 41.6 acres of dedicated open space will be created.

(b) Alternatives

The project lies within an R-1 zone (30,000 s.f. lot min.). A conventional subdivision plan would consume the entire 76+ acres of land for the creation of 68 conventional lots. This alternative does not allow for creation of open space or preservation of an existing natural trail. In addition, this conventional alternative would create 15 "approval not required" lots Cross Street and High Street which are scenic roads. The proposed alterative of a cluster subdivision provides significant benefit. The proposal decreases the amount of A.N.R. lots onto High Street and Cross Street results in fewer driveway and scenic stone wall openings, increases the amount of buffering area to the wetland, creation of 41+ acres of dedicated open space, preservation of the existing natural trail, access and use of the trail to all citizens of the Town of Ashland, and doesn't increase the number of lots compared to a conventional alternative.

(c) Mitigation Measures

Stormwater

There are multiple proposed storm water management areas designed to retain the 2, 10, 25, 50, and 100 year storm event with no increase in peak discharge from pre- to post-development. The storm water management system for the project complies with DEP's storm water management policy.

Wetlands

An intermittent stream is located in the center of the project site. The proposed roadway will cross the intermittent stream resulting 4,950 feet of wetland disturbance. The wetlands will be replicated onsite. A large majority of the wetlands is located within the proposed open space of the project. A Notice of Intent (DEP file #095-0674) has been filed with Town of Ashland Conservation Commission and DEP for review.