

ENF Environmental Notification Form

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Executive Office of Environmental Affairs

EOEA No.: 14088
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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: "Plantation Products"		
Street: South Washington Street		
Municipality: Norton	Watershed: Taunton River	
Universal Transverse Mercator Coordinates:	Latitude: 41-57-39 Longitude: 71-08-23	
Estimated commencement date: 3/2008	Estimated completion date: 3/2010	
Approximate cost: 5 mill.	Status of project design: 100	%complete
Proponent: Joseph Raffaele		
Street: 202 South Washington Street		
Municipality: Norton	State: MA	Zip Code: 02766
Name of Contact Person From Whom Copies of this ENF May Be Obtained: Marc J. Tisdelle		
Firm/Agency: Hayward-Boynton & Williams	Street: 60 Court St.	
Municipality: Taunton	State: MA	Zip Code: 02780
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- 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): N/A

Are you requesting coordinated review with any other federal, state, regional, or local agency?
 Yes (Specify _____) No

- List Local or Federal Permits and Approvals:
- MESA review (Complete, see attached letter)
 - DEP Notice of Intent (on going)
 - Planning Board review, Special Permit (on going)
 - NPDES Permit (on going)
 - DEP Water Quality Certificate (on going)

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

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Land | <input type="checkbox"/> Rare Species | <input type="checkbox"/> Wetlands, Waterways, & Tidelands |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Water | <input type="checkbox"/> Wastewater | <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Energy | <input type="checkbox"/> Air | <input type="checkbox"/> Solid & Hazardous Waste |
| <input type="checkbox"/> ACEC | <input type="checkbox"/> Regulations | <input type="checkbox"/> Historical & Archaeological Resources |

Summary of Project Size & Environmental Impacts	Existing	Change	Total	State Permits & Approvals
LAND				<input type="checkbox"/> Order of Conditions <input type="checkbox"/> Superseding Order of Conditions <input type="checkbox"/> Chapter 91 License <input type="checkbox"/> 401 Water Quality Certification <input type="checkbox"/> MHD or MDC Access Permit <input type="checkbox"/> Water Management Act Permit <input type="checkbox"/> New Source Approval <input type="checkbox"/> DEP or MWRA Sewer Connection/ Extension Permit <input type="checkbox"/> Other Permits <i>(including Legislative Approvals) – Specify:</i>
Total site acreage	15.7+/-			
New acres of land altered		10.1+/-		
Acres of impervious area	--	6.4+/-		
Square feet of new bordering vegetated wetlands alteration		4,850		
Square feet of new other wetland alteration		--		
Acres of new non-water dependent use of tidelands or waterways		--		
STRUCTURES				
Gross square footage	--	162,500	162,500	
Number of housing units	--	--	--	
Maximum height (in feet)	--	40+/-	40+/-	
TRANSPORTATION				
Vehicle trips per day	--	150	150	
Parking spaces	--	135	135	
WATER/WASTEWATER				
Gallons/day (GPD) of water use	--	1,875	1,875	
GPD water withdrawal	--	1,875	1,875	
GPD wastewater generation/ treatment	--	1,875	1,875	
Length of water/sewer mains (in miles)	--	--	--	

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 _____) No

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

- Yes (Specify _____) No

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 _____) No

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: _____) 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.*)

(SEE ATTACHED)

History of Project

To date, this project has been submitted to Norton Conservation Commission for approval of all wetland resource areas. The Norton Conservation Commission has issued an Order of Resource Area Delineation on January 27, 2006. Additionally, the subject property has been reviewed by the Natural Heritage and Endangered Species Organization in respect to the impact of the proposed development to a Priority Habitat of a flower called the Plymouth Gentian. NHESP has determined that "proposed development of Lot 7 will not result in a take of the Plymouth Gentian".

Existing Site Conditions

The subject project, Lot 7, has a total area of 15.7+/- acres with 14.0+/- acres of that area being continuous upland. The property is zoned Industrial on the most current Town of Norton Zoning Map. Currently, there is no development on this lot, although it does appear as if a portion of the area had been stripped and used for the excavation of gravel at some point. Vegetation on this site is scarce with only a few scattered clusters of scrub pines growing. The only mature vegetation present occurs within the wetlands themselves. For most part, the property has moderately flat topography. The topography of the property ranges from about elevation 102 in the west to elevation 88 in the northeast without any consistent sloping. Most of this site consists of either gravel areas or wooded areas.

Resource areas include bordering vegetated wetlands which have been delineated by Wetland Consulting, Inc. on September 22, 2005 and approved by the Norton Conservation Commission. The property has two (2) bordering wetland resource areas and one (1) isolated land subject to flooding area as defined in the Wetlands Protection Act. Please reference the attached copy of the Order of Resource Area Delineation.

Proposed Development

Our client is proposing a 162,500 s.f. building on this lot with associated parking, landscaping, utilities, and site grading. The proposed building use will be 16,000 s.f. of office space and the remaining 146,500 s.f. for warehouse. Associated with the construction of the building, there will be proposed roof drain pipes which will tie directly into either a closed drainage system or eventually discharge to a proposed grass swale. The new building will require an on-site sanitary disposal system, which we have currently located in the southeast corner of the lot to the left of the entrance. Soil exams and percolation tests have verified this area is suitable for a sewage system. Furthermore, there are proposed 5' wide sidewalks with handicap ramps, parking spaces, curbing, unloading areas, proposed site grading, stormwater management areas, underground drain pipes, lighting, and landscaping.

Storm Water Management

This proposed project will require compliance with the DEP Storm Water Management Policy, Wetlands Protection Act, MESA regulations, and local regulations. Best Management Practices (BMP's) that will be utilized on-site include detention basins, retention basins, sediment forebays, grassed water quality swales and parking lot sweeping. Additionally, there is a Construction Pollution Prevention Plan and a Long Term Operation and Maintenance Plan for storm water management areas that will be implemented into the project plans.