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NJDOT  
Attn: E-Team Leader Amber Cheney  
1035 Parkway Ave West  
Trenton, NJ 08625

December 30, 2022

**Re: Freshwater Wetlands Individual Permit Minor Modification**  
**File No.: 1414-20-0014.1 FWW220001**  
**Applicant: NJDOT Attn: E-Team Leader Amber Cheney**  
**Block(s) and Lot(s): [N/A, N/A]**  
**Municipality: Jefferson Twp; County: Morris**

Dear Ms. Cheney:

This letter is in reference to your request to the Division of Land Resource Protection for a minor technical modification to the FWW Individual Permit-Wetlands (not SFH/Duplex) issued on January 27, 2021, amended April 16, 2021, File No.1414-20-0014.1 LUP200001. The permit authorized disturbances in freshwater wetlands, wetlands transition area, and State open water for the reconstruction of a public bridge.

The applicant has requested the permit be modified due to an error in how the State open water disturbance had been quantified. The modification will result in an **overall decrease** in total State open water disturbance, with a decrease in permanent State open water disturbance to 0.016 acres (712 square feet) and an increase in temporary State open water disturbance to 0.009 acres (377 square feet)

The Division has determined that the proposed revisions to the project do not represent a significant change in the project and **hereby approves this modification**. The revised drawings hereby approved are shown on three sheets, prepared by Valerie A Hrabal, dated October 30, 2020, last revised September 6, 2022, and entitled:

**“STATE OF NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, NJDEP FLOOD HAZARD AND FRESHWATER WETLAND PERMIT PLANS FOR, ROUTE 15 SB, BRIDGE OVER ROCKAWAY RIVER, CONTRACT NO. 004144140, BRIDGE REPLACEMENT”**, sheet 1 of 16

**“FRESHWATER WETLAND PERMIT PLAN”**, sheet 9 of 16

**“GENERAL PLAN & ELEVATION”**, sheet 10 of 16

**This letter does not extend the original permit expiration date of January 26, 2026.** All terms and conditions of the previously amended approval remain in effect with the exception of the following conditions which shall supersede the respective conditions in the original permit:

**FRESHWATER WETLANDS MITIGATION SPECIAL CONDITIONS:**

1. The permittee shall mitigate for the permanent disturbance to 0.016 acres, and temporary disturbance to 0.009 acres of State open waters; and permanent disturbance to 0.087 acres of forested wetlands through an on-site or off-site creation, restoration or enhancement project or with the purchase of credits from a mitigation bank serving the appropriate watershed management area in accordance with the mitigation hierarchy. (N.J.A.C. 7:7A-11 et seq.) Additionally, the applicant shall submit a restoration plan detailing the number, type and planting location for the restoration of temporary impacts.
6. If the permittee is purchasing credits from a mitigation bank to satisfy a mitigation requirement, prior to the initiation of regulated activities authorized by this permit, the permittee shall submit proof of purchase for 0.103 mitigation credits from an approved wetland mitigation bank to the attention of the Mitigation Unit Supervisor, NJDEP, Division of Land Resource Protection at Mail Code 501-02A, P.O. Box 420, Trenton, NJ 08625-0420.

At this time, the following bank(s) are approved to serve the project area; additional banks may be approved at any time, so please contact the Mitigation unit for the most up to date service area information if you would like additional options.

Pio Costa Bank – Contact Carmen Pio Costa at (973) 575-1706 or at [carmen@piocosta.com](mailto:carmen@piocosta.com)

Troy Meadows – Contact Len Fariello of Wildlife Preserves at 973-887-0096 or at [LFariello@WildlifePreserves.org](mailto:LFariello@WildlifePreserves.org)

**RIPARIAN ZONE MITIGATION SPECIAL CONDITIONS:**

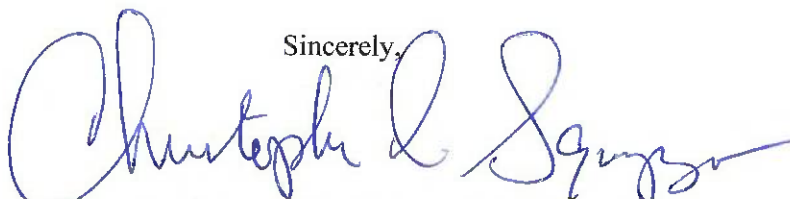
4. If the permittee is purchasing credits from a mitigation bank to satisfy a mitigation requirement, prior to the initiation of regulated activities authorized by this permit, the permittee shall submit proof of purchase for 0.774 mitigation credits from an approved wetland mitigation bank to the attention of the Mitigation Unit Supervisor, NJDEP, Division of Land Resource Protection at Mail Code 501-02A, P.O. Box 420, Trenton, NJ 08625-0420.

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Troy Meadows – Contact Len Fariello of Wildlife Preserves at 973-887-0096 or at [LFariello@WildlifePreserves.org](mailto:LFariello@WildlifePreserves.org)

Please note that the Pio Costa Bank has been removed as an option for riparian zone mitigation credits as it does not serve WMA 6 for riparian credits. If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact Stephen Dench by email at [stephen.dench@dep.nj.gov](mailto:stephen.dench@dep.nj.gov) or by phone at (609)292-1241. Please reference the Division's file number in all communication.

Sincerely,



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Division of Land Resource Protection