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SITE WALK REPORT

Ipswich U15-16-0

Enforcement Order

Present: Amy Green (Conservation Agent)

Date: August 19, 2024

I viewed the site to determine if any restoration has occurred. None has, although some vegetation has started to regrow (Figures 1 and 2). It appears that the wetland delineation may need to be adjusted due to cattails coming back in the area that was cut (Figure 3).

An Enforcement Order (EO) had been issued and was last updated October 23, 2023 (attached). This update was based on the October 3, 2023 restoration plan for the 0-50 feet No Disturb Area (NDA; snapshot of plan attached). The EO update was predicated on the NDA restoration occurring in 2023, with the restoration for the 50-100 foot buffer zone plan being submitted no later than July 1, 2024. The 2023 plan included planting of 36 trees and shrubs.

Figure 1. General overview. Wood chips appear to be mostly outside of Buffer Zone



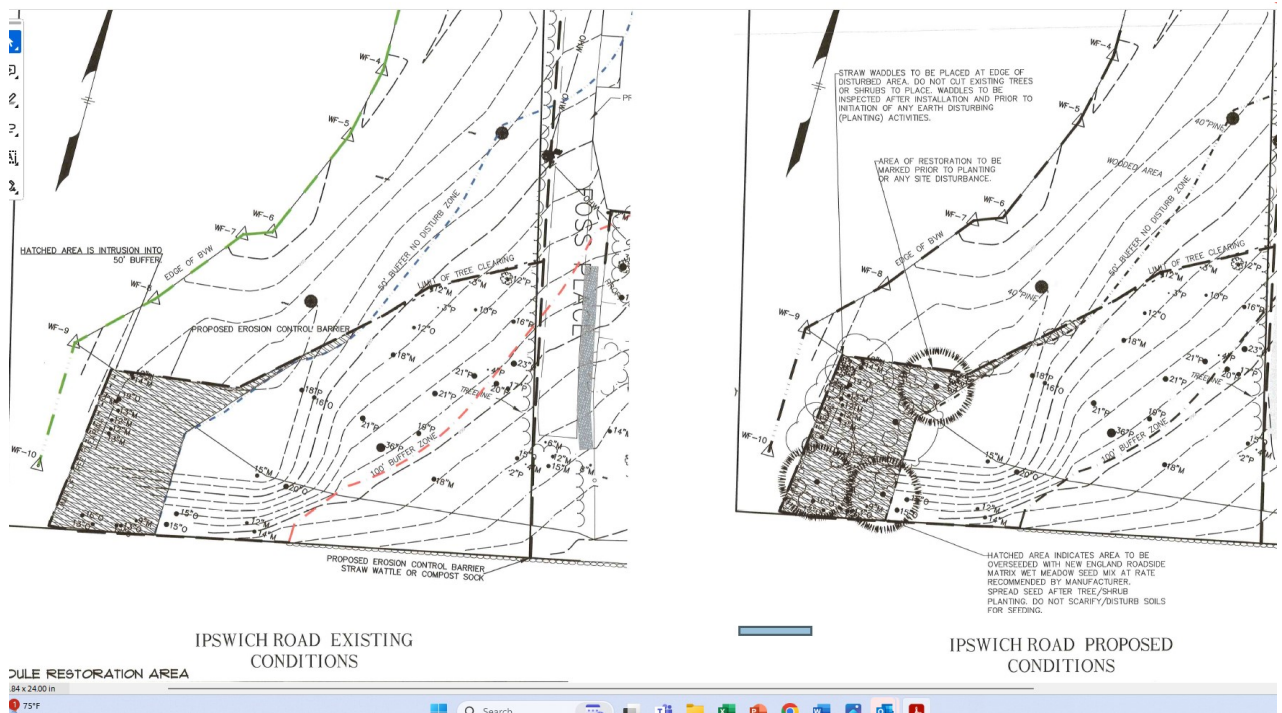
Figure 2. Revegetation area of property; not cattail at for end (see Figure 3)



Figure 3. Cattails in previously cleared area.



Snapshot of October 3, 2023 Restoration Plan





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October 23, 2023

Mark Gallagher
Seal Harbor Companies
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Sent by e-mail

RE: Littleton MA Enforcement Order U15-16-0

Dear Mr. Gallagher:

On October 3, 2023 the Littleton Conservation Commission voted to update the original Enforcement Order from January 2023 to specifically:

1. Approve the "0-50' Buffer Restoration Plan" (stamped October 3, 2023) following additional review by Amy Green, Conservation Agent. This review has been completed and I concur that the 0-50 foot restoration plan is adequate.

As per the EO Update from May 8, 2023 from this office, please note that

- 1) Monitoring reports shall be submitted at the end of each of the growing season of each of the three monitoring years.
- 2) Successful restoration shall require at least 80 percent survivorship of the planted trees and shrubs and a stabilized ground; if survivorship or ground cover/stabilization is not complete, additional plantings subject to a new survivorship and monitoring period will be required.
- 3) Provide a listing of trees and shrubs installed and specific seed mix used; replacements are allowed after approval of the Conservation Commission or its agent.

- 4) If the property transfers before the 3 year monitoring period is complete, the new owner must appear before the Commission at a regularly scheduled meeting to discuss the terms of the Enforcement Order.

It is the Commission's understanding that this planting will be done this season, and that a restoration plan for the 50-100' buffer zone shall be submitted with the design of the proposed house or upon your determination that no such house will be built. This 50-100' restoration plan shall be submitted no later than July 1, 2024.

If you have any questions, do not hesitate to contact me. You can email me at agreen@littletonma.org or call me at 978-540-2428.

Sincerely,



Amy Green
Conservation Agent
Littleton Conservation Commission

Cc: MADEP
S. Carter
D. Thompson (current owner)