



**Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection
Bureau of Water Resources - Wetlands**

WPA Form 1- Request for Determination of Applicability

Hingham
Municipality

Massachusetts Wetlands Protection Act M.G.L. c. 131, §40

A. General Information

Important:
When filling out forms on the computer, use only the tab key to move your cursor - do not use the return key.



1. Applicant:

Galen	Farrar
First Name	Last Name
17 Independence Ln	
Address	
Hingham	MA 02043
City/Town	State Zip Code
508-479-0503	gfarrar@archwright.com
Phone Number	Email Address

2. Property Owner (if different from Applicant):

Jessica	Kemmenoe
First Name	Last Name
30 Independence Ln	
Address	
Hingham	MA 02043
City/Town	State Zip Code
781-783-3315	jessicakemmenoe@gmail.com
Phone Number	Email Address (if known)

3. Representative (if any)

_____	_____
First Name	Last Name

Company Name	

Address	
_____	_____ 02043
City/Town	State Zip Code
_____	_____
Phone Number	Email Address (if known)

B. Project Description

1. a. Project Location (use maps and plans to identify the location of the area subject to this request):

30 Independence Ln	Hingham
Street Address	City/Town
42.19641	-70.88805
Latitude (Decimal Degrees Format with 5 digits after decimal e.g. XX.XXXXX)	Longitude (Decimal Degrees Format with 5 digits after decimal e.g. -XX.XXXXX)
157-0	119
Assessors' Map Number	Assessors' Lot/Parcel Number

[How to find Latitude and Longitude](#)

[and how to convert to decimal degrees](#)

b. Area Description (use additional paper, if necessary):
Backyard of property where the deck is planned to be built is within the 50' wetlands buffer zone.

c. Plan and/or Map Reference(s): (use additional paper if necessary)

30 Independence_Revised Deck Drawings_250218	2/18/2025
Title	Date
30 Independence_Wetlands Area Calculation_250218	2/18/2025
Title	Date
30 Independence_Plot Plan Markup_250218	2/18/2025
Title	Date



B. Project Description (cont.)

2. a. Activity/Work Description (use additional paper and/or provide plan(s) of Activity, if necessary):

Build a deck off the 1st floor level which projects no farther than the existing building corner on the rear of the house. Stairs are to be located at the far end of the deck away from a new door installed on the existing house facade.

- b. Identify provisions of the Wetlands Protection Act or regulations which may exempt the applicant from having to file a Notice of Intent for all or part of the described work (use additional paper, if necessary).

Planned deck projects no farther than the existing footprint of a portion of the house.

3. a. If this application is a Request for Determination of Scope of Alternatives for work in the Riverfront Area, indicate the one classification below that best describes the project.

- Single family house on a lot recorded on or before 8/1/96
- Single family house on a lot recorded after 8/1/96
- Expansion of an existing structure on a lot recorded after 8/1/96
- Project, other than a single-family house or public project, where the applicant owned the lot before 8/7/96
- New agriculture or aquaculture project
- Public project where funds were appropriated prior to 8/7/96
- Project on a lot shown on an approved, definitive subdivision plan where there is a recorded deed restriction limiting total alteration of the Riverfront Area for the entire subdivision
- Residential subdivision; institutional, industrial, or commercial project
- Municipal project
- District, county, state, or federal government project
- Project required to evaluate off-site alternatives in more than one municipality in an Environmental Impact Report under MEPA or in an alternatives analysis pursuant to an application for a 404 permit from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers or 401 Water Quality Certification from the Department of Environmental Protection.

- b. Provide evidence (e.g., record of date subdivision lot was recorded) supporting the classification above (use additional paper and/or attach appropriate documents, if necessary.)
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C. Determinations

1. I request the Conservation Commission make the following determination(s). Check any that apply:
Conservation Commission

- a. whether the **area** depicted on plan(s) and/or map(s) referenced above is an area subject to jurisdiction of the Wetlands Protection Act.
- b. whether the **boundaries** of resource area(s) depicted on plan(s) and/or map(s) referenced above are accurately delineated.
- c. whether the **Activities** depicted on plan(s) referenced above is subject to the Wetlands Protection Act and its regulations.
- d. whether the area and/or Activities depicted on plan(s) referenced above is subject to the jurisdiction of any **municipal wetlands' ordinance** or **bylaw** of:

Hingham

Name of Municipality

- e. whether the following **scope of alternatives** is adequate for Activities in the Riverfront Area as depicted on referenced plan(s).

D. Signatures and Submittal Requirements

I hereby certify under the penalties of perjury that the foregoing Request for Determination of Applicability and accompanying plans, documents, and supporting data are true and complete to the best of my knowledge.

I further certify that the property owner, if different from the applicant, and the appropriate DEP Regional Office were sent a complete copy of this Request (including all appropriate documentation) simultaneously with the submittal of this Request to the Conservation Commission.

Failure by the applicant to send copies in a timely manner may result in dismissal of the Request for Determination of Applicability.

Signatures:

I also understand that notification of this Request will be placed in a local newspaper at my expense in accordance with Section 10.05(3)(b)(1) of the Wetlands Protection Act regulations.

Galen Farrar

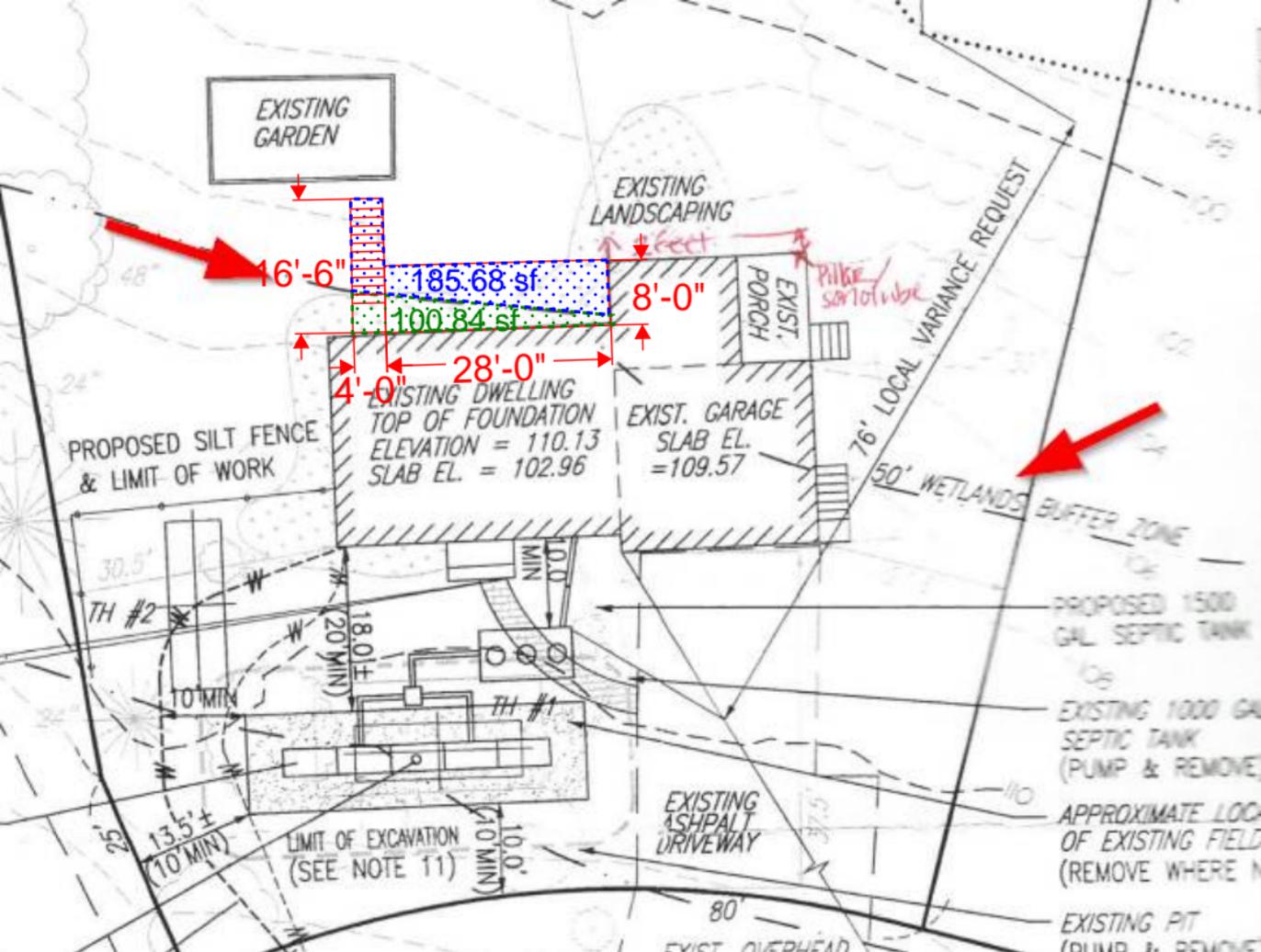
Signature of Applicant

02/11/2025

Date

Signature of Representative (if any)

Date



EXISTING GARDEN

EXISTING LANDSCAPING

16'-6"

185.68 sf

100.84 sf

8'-0"

4'-0"

28'-0"

EXISTING DWELLING
TOP OF FOUNDATION
ELEVATION = 110.13
SLAB EL. = 102.96

EXIST. GARAGE
SLAB EL. = 109.57

EXIST. PORCH

76' LOCAL VARIANCE REQUEST

50' WETLANDS BUFFER ZONE

PROPOSED SILT FENCE & LIMIT OF WORK

PROPOSED 1500 GAL SEPTIC TANK

EXISTING 1000 GAL SEPTIC TANK (PUMP & REMOVE)

APPROXIMATE LOC. OF EXISTING FIELD (REMOVE WHERE N)

EXISTING PIT (PUMP & REMOVE)

LIMIT OF EXCAVATION (SEE NOTE T1)

EXISTING ASPHALT DRIVEWAY

EXIST. OVERHEAD

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INDEPENDENCE LANE

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22'-4 1/2"

28'-0"

35'-3"

8'-0"

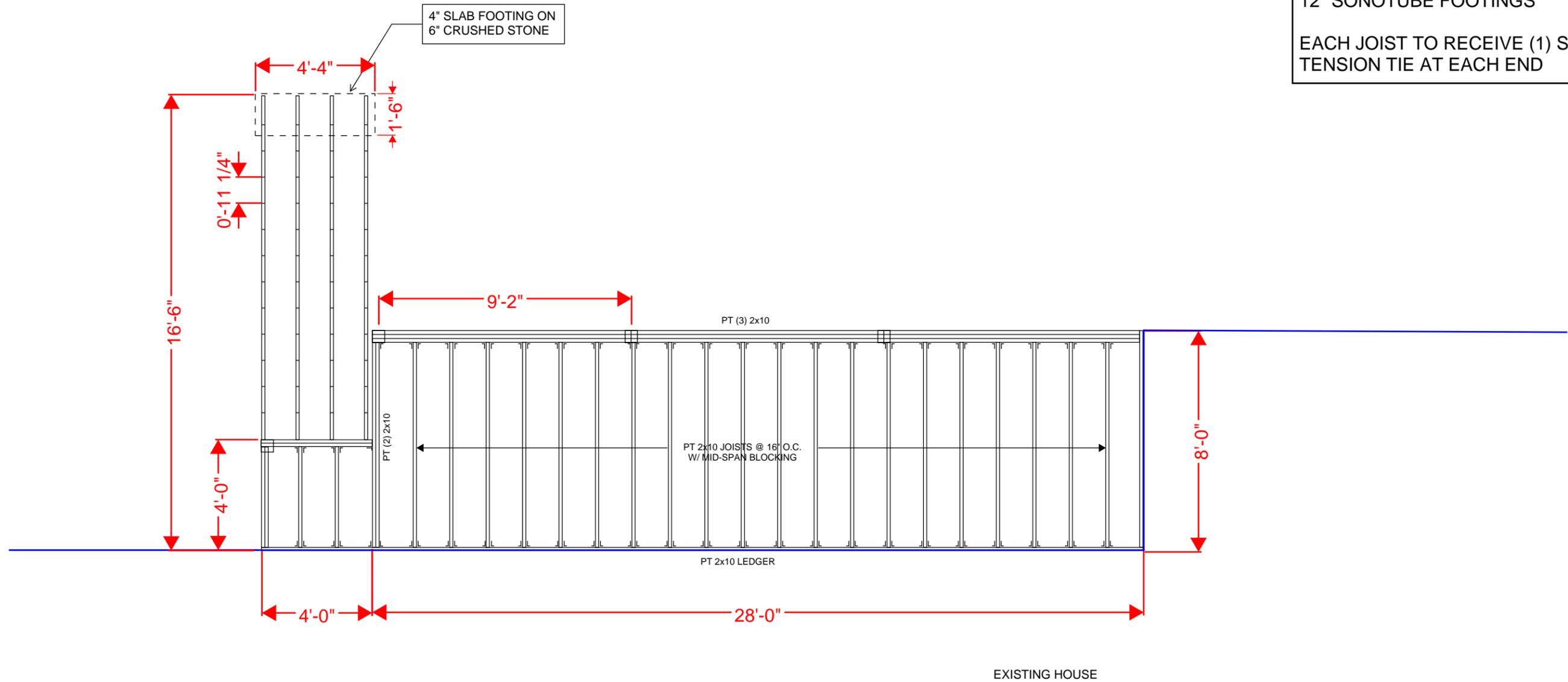
100'-3/4"

169'-2"

189.2816 ft

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STRUCTURAL NOTES:

PT 6x6 POSTS ON
12" SONOTUBE FOOTINGS

EACH JOIST TO RECEIVE (1) SIMPSON DTT2Z
TENSION TIE AT EACH END

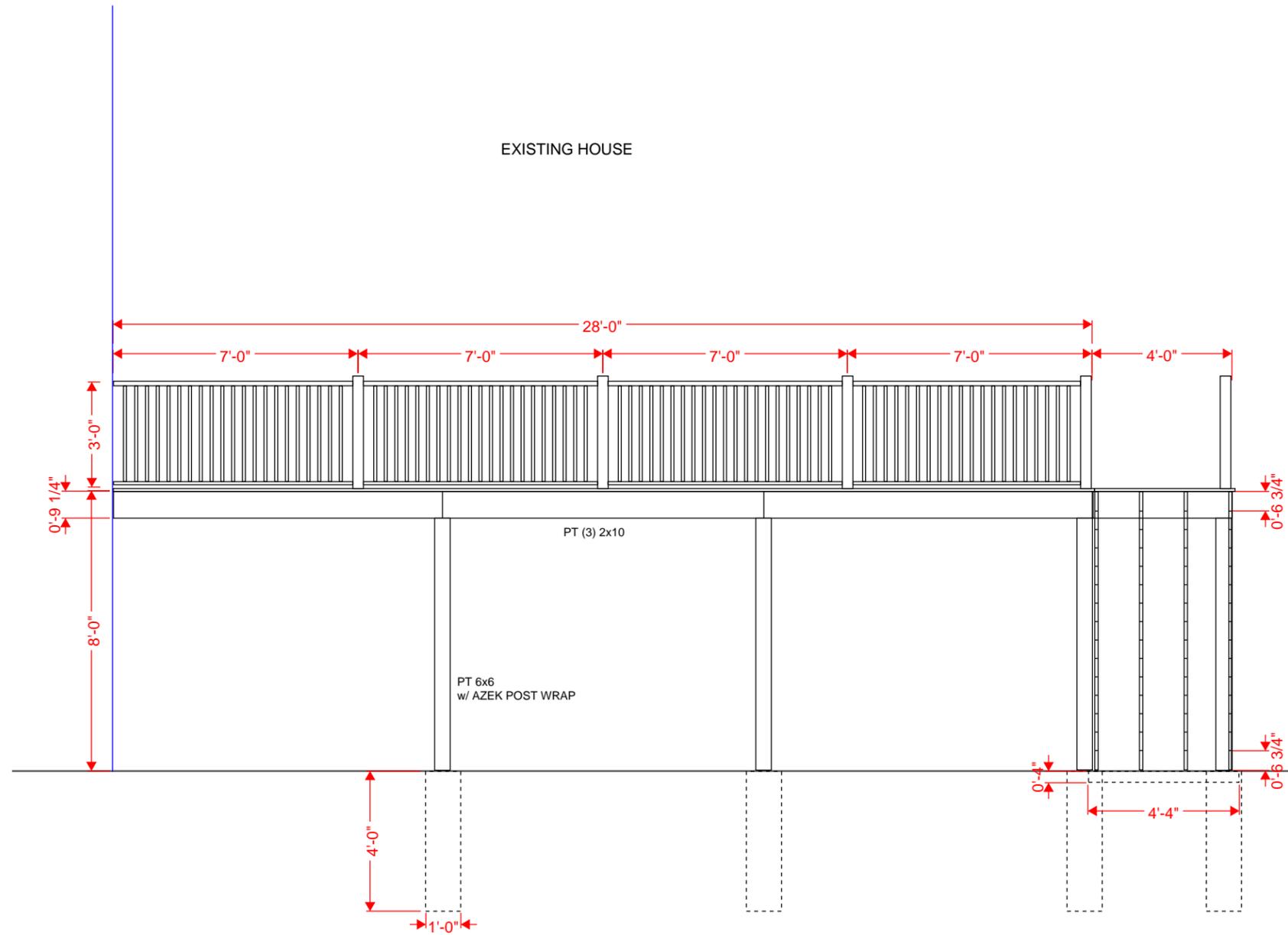
**30 INDEPENDENCE LN
HINGHAM, MA**

**DECK PLAN
28'x8'**

**REV.1
2/18/25**

EXISTING HOUSE

EXISTING HOUSE



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**30 INDEPENDENCE LN
HINGHAM, MA**
**DECK FRONT ELEVATION
28'x8'**
**REV.1
2/18/25**

Town of Hingham
Conservation Commission

Project Narrative

Project Location: 30 Independence Lane

Date: 2/18/2025

To Whom It May Concern,

The proposed work to be completed consists of installing four (4) 12" round Sonotube concrete footings at 4' of depth to support a new deck structure and a 4" x 4'-4" x 1'-6" slab footing under the stairs on 6" crushed stone. The proposed deck is a 28' x 8' rectangular pervious area with a 16'-6" x 4' rectangular pervious area for stairs; of which about 185 square feet of area that resides inside the 50' buffer zone and about 100 square feet of area that resides inside the 100' buffer zone. The deck is to be attached to the rear of the existing house structure at the first floor level and not proposed to protrude from the line of the existing house structure at the closest point to wetlands.

As the deck structure is to be elevated above the ground, the existing pervious area underneath the deck will not be affected. The impervious footings can and will be mitigated according to the Buffer Zone Mitigation Policy should the Commission deem this necessary for this project.

The limit of work/erosion and sediment control line will be along the inside of the existing fence which will control any sediment from the proposed work. There will not be any stockpile locations on the site.

The Resource Areas can and will be marked according to the Resource Area Delineation Policy, should the Commission and/or its agent deem it necessary for this project.

Sincerely,

Galen Farrar
Project Manager
(508) 479-0503

Receipt



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Summary/Receipt

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Project Location

City/Town Name: HINGHAM

Location: 30 INDEPENDENCE LANE

Project Description: NEW DECK OFF FIRST FLOOR LEVEL ON REAR OF HOUSE.

Applicant Information

Name: GALEN FARRAR

Company

Address: 17 INDEPENDENCE LANE, HINGHAM, MA, 02043

Ancillary Document Uploaded/Mailed

30 Independence_Plot Plan_Markup_250218

30 Independence_Revised Deck Drawings_250211

50 ft buffer map screenshot

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HINGHAM WETLAND REGULATIONS
APPENDIX C

Policy on Receipt of Information

(Revised March 4, 2024)

1. New applications/filings must be submitted to the Conservation office (by certified mail or hand delivery) in accordance with the Commission's Meeting Schedule and Deadlines to facilitate the placement of the legal advertisement and to allow timely review by the Conservation Officer. Conservation staff will review the application for administrative completeness. Upon receipt of a complete application, a hearing or meeting will be scheduled in accordance with the 310 CMR 10.05(5) and the Wetland Regulations, Section 7.6.
2. If deemed necessary, based on the Commission's meeting schedule, Conservation staff may request the applicant *voluntarily* waive the 21 day statutory deadline for holding a public hearing or issuing a Determination of Applicability.
3. Requests for additional information may be made by the Commission members or their agent to clarify the scope of the project or determine compliance with the 310 CMR 10.00 and/or the Hingham Wetland Regulations. Such requests, if not made at the public hearing, will be communicated to the applicant or their representative as promptly as possible.
4. Additional information requested by the Commission or their agent in accordance with No.3, must be submitted to the Conservation office (hard copy and electronic copy) a minimum of 7 days prior to the meeting date, on Monday by 4PM. If the office is closed on Monday due to a holiday, the information is due on the preceding Thursday by 4PM. *Revisions submitted after the established deadline may not receive a timely review, thereby resulting in a continuance to the next available meeting.*
5. The Commission may engage the peer review services of an outside consultant as provided by M.G.L. Ch. 44, § 53G, to be paid for by the applicant, for specific expert review deemed necessary to come to a final decision on a submitted application. Specific consultant services may include but are not limited to, review of a Notice of Intent, Wetland Resource Area Delineation, Stormwater/Drainage Reports, etc. The consultant shall be chosen by the Conservation Commission by vote at the public hearing, and report only to the Commission or its agent. *Requested additional information/revisions by the peer reviewer is required a minimum of two weeks prior to the hearing date.*
5. All supplemental documentation and revised plans must include a revision date and must be date stamped by the Conservation office upon receipt. If this information is not present, the documents may be considered incomplete and may not receive a timely review, thereby resulting in a continuance to the next available meeting.
6. Please note that all supplemental documentation and revised plans submitted to the Commission for a pending application, subject to the MA Wetlands Protection Act, must also be sent to the DEP Southeast Regional Office, 20 Riverside Dr., Lakeville, MA 02347

The Hingham Conservation Commission is committed to a thorough and timely review of each application and an efficient hearing process. Cooperation with this policy is appreciated to facilitate these efforts. Exceptions to this policy may be made by the Conservation staff if deemed warranted. Please sign and include with your filing. Thank you.


Applicant or Applicant's Representative Signature


Date