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July 6, 2023

Town of Franklin Conservation Commission 355 East Central Street Franklin, MA 02038

Regarding: Request for Determination of Applicability

121 Grove Street

Map 295, Lot 1 & Map 294, Lot 7

Franklin, MA 02038

Members of the Franklin Conservation Commission:

On behalf of Fairfield Residential Company LLC (applicant), and in association with SHIPE Consulting, RJ O'Connell & Associates, Inc (RJOC) is pleased to submit this Request for Determination of Applicability (RDA) for the purpose of performing on-site soil testing on the subject property at 121 Grove Street (Map 295, Lot 1 & Map 294, Lot 7) in Franklin, Massachusetts.

Enclosed please find one (1) original and one (1) copy of the ANR submittal and a full-size plan, and six (6) copies of reduce-sized (11x17") plans. The ANR application package includes: a cover letter from the Applicant's legal counsel, WPA Form-1, Application Process Signature Form, USGS Map, Notification to Abutters, 300-foot Abutters List Report, Filing Fees, and Test Pit Location Plan. A thumb drive containing PDF files of the ANR application package has been included with this submittal. We respectfully request that you place this matter on your agenda for the July 13, 2023, Public Hearing.

Please call me if you have any questions at 781-279-0180.

Sincerely,

RJO'CONNELL & ASSOCIATES

Brian J. McCarthy Vice President

cc: MassDEP - SERO

Robb Hewitt - Fairfield Residential Company, LLC

John Shipe - SHIPE Consulting

Richard R. Cornetta Jr. - Cornetta, Ficco & Simmler, P.C.

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ATTORNEY AT LAW
4 WEST STREET
FRANKLIN, MASSACHUSETTS 02038

RICHARD R. CORNETTA, JR.

VOICE (508) 528-5300 FAX (508) 528-5555

July 5, 2023

Mr. Patrick Gallagher, Chairman Franklin Conservation Commission Town of Franklin 355 East Central Street Franklin, MA 02038

RE: Fairfield Residential Company LLC

Locus: 121 Grove Street, Franklin, Massachusetts 02038

Dear Chairman Gallaher:

Please be advised that this firm is legal counsel to Fairfield Residential Company LLC ("FRC") in the proposed activities upon the above-entitled property in the town of Franklin. This correspondence has been prepared and attached with the Request for Determination of Applicability filed in accordance with §181-5B of the Franklin Code (the "RDA") as to the above-entitled Locus.

FRC is seeking to make entry upon the Locus to complete certain test pit activities as detailed in the reports and plan renderings prepared by RJ O'Connell & Associates, Inc. and attached along with the RDA. The jurisdiction over certain activities is addressed in the local Wetlands Bylaw at §181-2B, to wit:

Except as permitted by the Conservation Commission or as provided in this chapter, no person shall commence to remove, fill, dredge, build upon, degrade, discharge into or otherwise alter any of the following resource areas: any freshwater wetlands; marshes; wet meadows; bogs; swamps; vernal pools; banks; reservoirs; lakes; ponds of any size; beaches; intermittent streams; land under water bodies; lands within 100 feet of any of the aforesaid wetland or floodplain areas; lands subject to flooding or inundation by groundwater or surface water; rivers and streams; and lands within 200 feet of the mean annual high-water line of any river or stream.

Please be advised that FRC has submitted an application for a determination of Project Eligibility under the provisions of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts comprehensive permit process (M.G.L. Chapter 40B, 760 C.M.R. 56, and the Massachusetts Department of Housing and Community Development's Comprehensive Permit Guidelines) as to the Locus.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Very truly yours,

Richard R. Cornetta, Jr.

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Franklin City/Town

WPA Form 1- Request for Determination of Applicability Massachusetts Wetlands Protection Act M.G.L. c. 131, §40

A. General Information

Important: When filling out 1. forms on the computer, use only the tab key to move your cursor - do not use the return





1.	Applicant:					
	Fairfield Residential Company LLC	rhewitt@ffre	rhewitt@ffres.com E-Mail Address			
	Name	E-Mail Address				
	30 Braintree Hill Park, Suite 105					
	Mailing Address					
	Braintree	MA	02184			
	City/Town	State	Zip Code			
	781-881-2303					
	Phone Number	Fax Number (if	applicable)			
2.	Representative (if any):					
	RJ O'Connell & Associates, Inc					
	Firm					
	Brian McCarthy		hy@rjoconnell.com			
		Contact Name E-Mail Address				
	80 Montvale Ave, Suite 201					
	Mailing Address					
	Stoneham	MA	02180			
	City/Town	State	Zip Code			
	781-279-0180					
	Phone Number	Phone Number Fax Number (if applicable)				
B	. Determinations					
D.	. Determinations					
1.	I request the Franklin make the follo	wing determination(s). Check any that apply:			
	Conservation Commission					
	a. whether the area depicted on plan(s) and/or map(a. whether the area depicted on plan(s) and/or map(s) referenced below 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					
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	below are accurately delineated.					
	☑ c. whether the work depicted on plan(s) referenced below is subject to the Wetlands Protection Act.					
		d/or work depicted on plan(s) referenced below is subject to the jurisdiction				
	of any municipal wetlands ordinance or bylaw of:					
	Franklin					
	Name of Municipality					
	e. whether the following scope of alternatives is adequate for work in the Riverfront Area as depicted on referenced plan(s).					



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C. Project Description

121 Grove Street	Franklin			
Street Address	City/Town			
294 & 295	7 & 1			
Assessors Map/Plat Number	Parcel/Lot Number			
b. Area Description (use additional paper, if necessary):				
The site is approximatley 31.44 acres with a portion of the site is developed with a three-family home and multiple shed type buildings, driveways, and walkways. The remainder of the site is undeveloped and includes open field area, woodland, intermittent streams and bordering vegetated wetlands. The majority of the site is undeveloped. The residential development has two driveways onto Grove Street.				
c. Plan and/or Map Reference(s):				
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c. Plan and/or Map Reference(s): Test Pit Location Plan - Drawing # TP Title				
Test Pit Location Plan - Drawing # TP				

To perform soil testing (test pits) within the 50' wetland buffer zone (all test pits are located outside of 25' "No touch" zone) for the purpose of stormwater design and preparation of an application to the Commission. See attached plan for test pit locations. The test pits will be backfilled to existing grade.



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C. Project Description (cont.)

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).

As stated in Chapter 271, Conservation Commission Bylaw, dated July 11, 2019, Section 271-13, Definition of Key Terms in Town Wetland Protection Bylaw, the definition of Alter states that "Test Pits for the purpose of preparing an application to the Commission are excluded from the definition of "Alter" sert forth in the Town Wetland Protection Bylaw". Also, per 310 CMR 10.02(2)(b)2.g. soil exploration for design purposes are not subject to regulation.

3.	If this application is a Request for Determination of Scope of Alternatives for work in the erfront 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.
	Provide evidence (e.g., record of date subdivision lot was recorded) supporting the classification ove (use additional paper and/or attach appropriate documents, if necessary.)



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Name and address of the property owner:

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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.

Bryn Smith Name 106 Mendon Street Mailing Address Bellingham City/Town MA 02019 State Zio Code 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. Digitally signed by Robert D. Hewitt Date: 2023.06.29 14:15:30 - 04'00' 6/29/23 Robert D. Hewitt Signature of Applicant Signature of Representative (If any) Date

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R. J. O'CONNELL & ASSOCIATES, INC. 80 MONTVALE AVE., SUITE 201 STONEHAM, MA 02180

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AMOUNT \$ 100,00

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Town of Franklin Conservation Commission

APPLICATION PROCESS SIGNATURE FORM

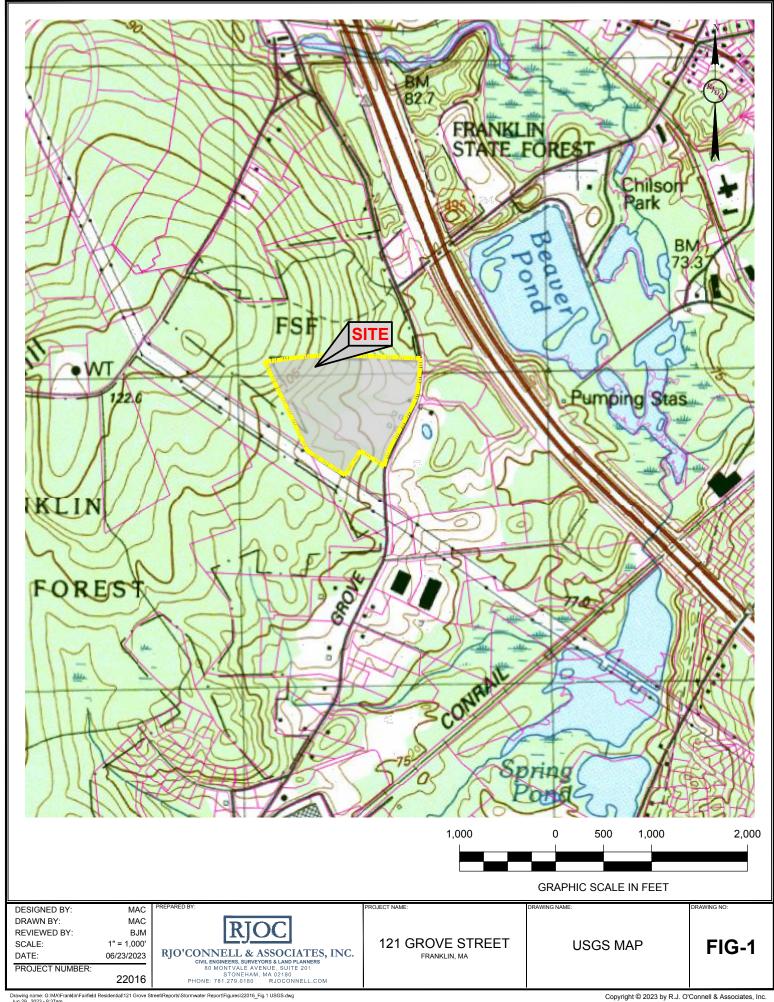
There are three different applications that can be submitted to undertake work in a jurisdictional area: a Notice of Intent (NOI), a Request for Determination (RDA) and a Minor Buffer Zone Activity (MBZA). All three applications have different criteria for submission and approval and the NOI and RDA are governed by both the state law and the local bylaw. The MBZA is issued under the local bylaw only.

When a potential applicant requests advice from the Conservation Agent on which application to file, the opinion of the Agent is based on the information given by the potential applicant and any other information available to the Agent, e.g. the town's GIS system. The Agent has no legal right to go onto private property at any time until after an application is filed or permission of the property owner is given.

It is important that all applicants understand that after an application is filed, additional information may come to light e.g. via a field inspection or a review of the application, that may impact the scope of the submitted application and the approval process. Therefore, it is the ultimate responsibility of the applicant to decide which application to file.

In light of the above, please sign below indicating an understanding of this policy and submit it with the application.

Brya Smith	6/29/2023	
Signature of Property Owner	Date	



Town of Franklin Conservation Commission

NOTIFICATION TO ABUTTERS

Under the Massachusetts Wetlands Protection Act And The Franklin Wetlands Protection Bylaw

In accordance with the second paragraph of Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 131, Section 40, you are hereby notified of the following proposed project:

Fairfield Residential Company LLC has filed a Request for Determination of Applicability with the Franklin Conservation Commission for the **121 Grove Street (Map 295, Lot 1 & Map 294, Lot 7)** on **July 6, 2023**, under the Wetlands Protection Act (M.G.L c.131 §40).

Copies of the Request for Determination or Applicability may be examined during regular office hours at the Applicant's representative: RJ O'Connell & Associates, 80 Montvale Avenue, Suite 201, Stoneham MA 02180

Copies may also be examined by contacting the Franklin Conservation Department located at 355 East Central Street, Franklin, MA, (508) 520-4929.

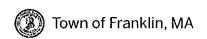
Notice of the public hearing including the date, time, and place will be published at least five (5) days in advance in the Milford Daily News.

Notice of the public hearing including the date, time, and place will be posted in the Franklin Town Hall at least forty eight (48) hours in advance of the public hearing.

The public hearing will be held on **Thursday**, **July 13**, **2023**, at **7:00 pm**, via Zoom, and can be accessed through the Conservation Commission agenda for that night, which will be posted on the Town's website 48 hours prior to the meeting. Please call the Conservation Department at (508) 520-4929 if you have any questions.

You may also contact the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection, Central Regional Office, Worcester, MA at (508) 792-7650.

Rev. 1/9/23 Notification to Abutters



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Abutter's List Request

Form

Status: Active

Submitted On: 6/26/2023

Primary Location

121 GROVE ST

FRANKLIN, MA 02038

Owner

SMITH BRYN

106 MENDON ST

BELLINGHAM, MA 02019

Applicant

Michael Capachietti

3 781-279-0180

michael.capachietti@rjoconnell.com

80 Montvale Ave Stoneham, MA 02180

Abutter's List Request Form

Which Board/Commission is requiring this list?* @

Conservation Commission

What is the purpose for the request?*

RDA Filing

How would you like to receive this abutters list?*

Emailed

What email address should we use to send you the abutters list?*

michael.capachietti@rjoconnell.com

General Parcel Information

Assessor's Parcel ID* @

Property Street Address*

295-001-000-000

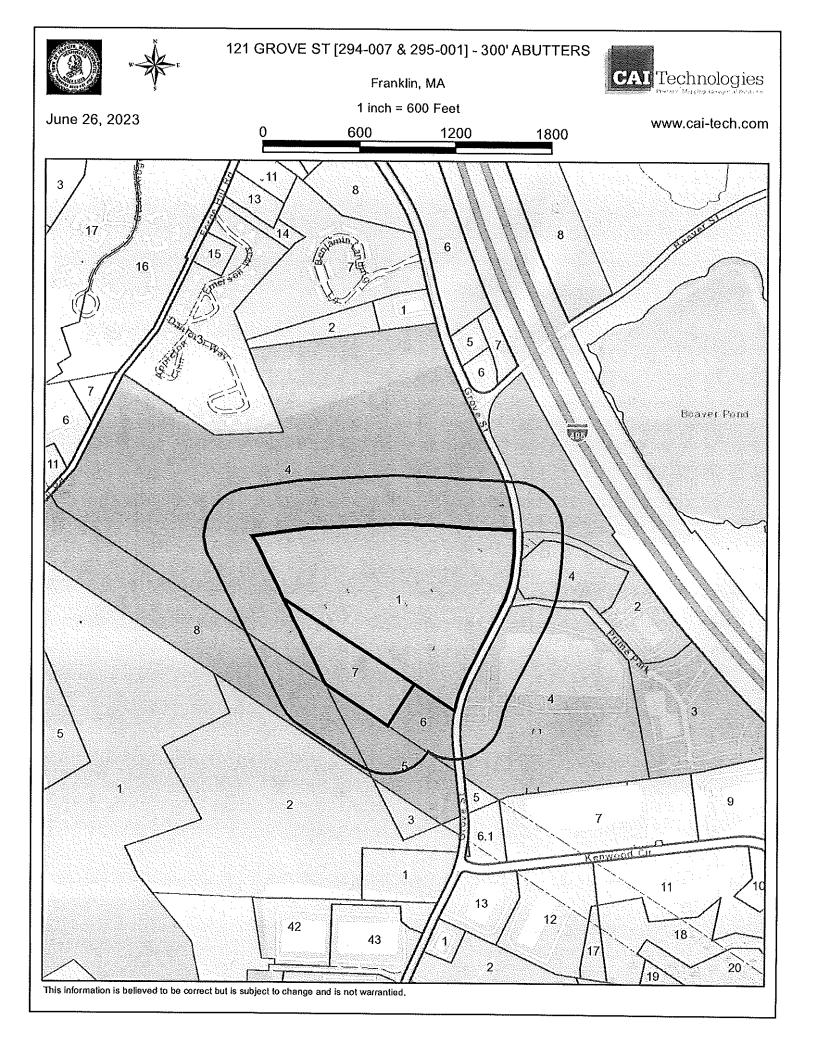
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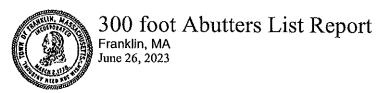
Assessor's Parcel ID* @

Property Street Address*

294-007-000-000

Grove Street





Subject Properties:

Parcel Number:

294-007-000

CAMA Number:

294-007-000-000

Property Address: GROVE ST

Mailing Address: SMITH BRYN

106 MENDON ST

BELLINGHAM, MA 02019

Parcel Number: CAMA Number: 295-001-000

295-001-000-000 Property Address: 121 GROVE ST

Mailing Address:

Mailing Address: SMITH BRYN

Mailing Address: FRANKLIN TOWN OF

106 MENDON ST

BELLINGHAM, MA 02019

355 EAST CENTRAL STREET

842 UPPER UNION ST STE 8 FRANKLIN, MA 02038

251 CAUSEWAY ST, STE 600

MASSACHUSETTS DIVISION OF STATE

FRANKLIN, MA 02038

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Mailing Address: BEAULIEU DEBRA A TR MEL-DINA

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SMITH BRYN

106 MENDON ST

BOSTON, MA 02114

Mailing Address: NEW ENGLAND POWER CO PROPERTY

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Parcel Number:

288-003-000

CAMA Number: Property Address:

288-003-000-000

100 GROVE ST

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CAMA Number: Property Address: GROVE ST

Parcel Number:

294-006-000

CAMA Number: Property Address: 131 GROVE ST

294-006-000-000

Parcel Number: CAMA Number: 294-007-000 294-007-000-000

Property Address: GROVE ST

Parcel Number:

294-008-000

CAMA Number: Property Address: GROVE ST

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Property Address: 121 GROVE ST

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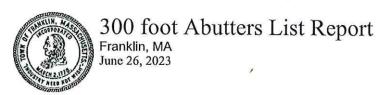
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Mailing Address: SMITH BRYN 106 MENDON ST

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295-003-000-000

Property Address: 124 GROVE ST

Parcel Number: CAMA Number:

295-004-000 295-004-000-000 Property Address: 126 GROVE ST

Mailing Address: AMEGO INC

33 PERRY AVE

ATTLEBORO, MA 02703

Mailing Address:

FRANKLIN OAKS EQUITY PARTNERS,

C/O AEGEAN CAPITAL LLC

150 EAST 58TH ST - 23RD FLOOR

NEW YORK, NY 10155

Mailing Address:

KEY BOSTON INC

126 GROVE ST BOX 247 FRANKLIN, MA 02038

Doyle, 6-26-2023

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