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Conservation Commission

INLAND WETLANDS AND WATERCOURSES APPLICATION

This Application is for a five-year permit to conduct a regulated activity or activities pursuant to the Inland Wetlands and Watercourses Regulations of the Town of Weston ("The Regulations")

PROPERTY ADDRESS: 67 OLD REDDING ROAD	
Assessor's Map # _25 Block # _6	Lot #
PROJECT DESCRIPTION (general purpose) RESTORE	EXISTING IRRIGATION POWD #4
TO ORIGINAL DEPTH & SHAPE	
Total Acres 165 Total Acres of Wetlands	and Watercourses
Acreage of Wetlands and Watercourses Altered	What Area Altered 17,600 #+/-
Acres Linear Feet of Stream Alteration/A	Total Acres Proposed Open Space/A
OWNER(S) OF RECORD: (Please list all owners, attach	extra sheet if necessary)
Name: ASPETUCE VALLEY COUNTRY CLUB	Phone: 203 - 226 - 4701
Address: 67 OLD REASING ROAD	
Email: <u>LOUMESE ASPETIXKYALLEY- CO</u>	541
APPLICANT/AUTHORIZED AGENT:	
Name: <u>NAZZARO INC</u>	Phone: 203-948-6435
Address: PO BOX 509 GEORGETOWN, CT.	06829
Email: GENECNAZZAROINIC, COM OR ROS	SCNA2ZARDING COM
CONSULTANTS: (Please provide, if applicable)	
Engineer:	Phone:
Address:	Email:
Soil Scientist: (LESTOR + SAMASON)	Phone: 860-573-1473
56 Norfield Road, P.O. Box 1007, We	ston, CT 06883 Tel: (203) 222-2618

Address: 712 BRock ST. Rocky Hulf,	Email:
Legal Counsel:	Phone:
Address:	Email:
Surveyor: OCHMAN ASSOCIATES IN	C Phone: <u>203-268-9194</u>
Address: 208 ADAMS RIAD EASTON	CT Email:
PROPERTY INFORMATION	
Property Address: 67 OLD READING	15 ROAD
Existing Conditions (Describe existing p	roperty and structures): COUNTRY CLUR
18 HOLE GOLF COURSE	
Provide a detailed description and pu	rpose of proposed activity (attach sheet with additional
information if needed): RESTORE EX	LITTLE (RRIGHTON) Pour #4 773
ORIGNAL DEDTH & SHAPE -	SEL ATTACHED IN ANMATON 1 515
Square feet of proposed impervious su Subject property to be affected by pro wetlands soils swamp floodplain marsh The proposed activity will involve the for area: Alteration Discharge to K Removal of Materials	rfaces (roads, buildings, parking, etc.):
Amount, type, and location of materia	is to be removed, deposited, or stockpiled:
Description, work sequence, and durat	ion of activities:
Describe alternatives considered and v See Attachte	vhy the proposal described herein was chosen:
Does the proposed activity involve the (circle): Yes or No	installation and/or repair of an existing septic system(s)
The Westport/Weston Health District Ap	proval:

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ADJOINING MUNICIPALITIES AND NOTICE:

If any of the situations below apply, the applicant is required to give written notice of his/her application to the Inland Wetlands Agency of the adjoining municipality, on the same day that he/she submits this application. Notification must be sent by Certified Mail with Return Receipt Requested.

The property is located within 500 feet of any town boundary line;

A significant portion of the traffic to the completed project will use streets within the adjoining municipality to enter or exit the site;

A portion of the water drainage from the project site will flow through and significantly impact the sewage system or drainage systems within the adjoining municipality; or Water runoff from the improved site will impact streets or other municipal or private property within the adjoining municipality

AQUARION WATER COMPANY

Pursuant to Section 8.4 of the Weston regulations, the Aquarion Water Company must be notified of any regulated activity proposed within its watersheds. Maps showing approximate watershed boundaries are available at the office of the Commission. If the project site lies within these boundaries, send notice, site plan, and grading and erosion control plan via certified mail, return receipt requested, within seven (7) days of submitting application to the Commission, to:

George S. Logan, Director – Environmental Management Aquarion Water Company 714 Black Rock Turnpike Easton, CT 06612

The Commissioner of the Connecticut Department of Public Health must also be notified in the same manner in a format prescribed by that commissioner.

The undersigned, as owner(s) of the property, hereby consents to necessary and proper inspections of the above mentioned property by Commissioners and agents of the Conservation Commission, Town of Weston, at reasonable times, both before and after a final decision has been issued by the Commission.

The undersigned hereby acknowledges to have read the "Application Requirements and Procedures" in completing this application.

The undersigned hereby certifies that the information provided in this application, including its supporting documentation is true and he/she is aware of the penalties provided in Section 22a-376 of the Connecticut General Statues for knowingly providing false or misleading information.

Signature of Owner(s) of Record	1	Date	-
Signature of Authorized Agent	- 	11/12/2024 Date	
	FOR OFFICE USE	ONLY	
Administrative Approval	Initials	Date	

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ENERGY &		
PROTECTION	Wetlands & Watercourses Activity Reporting	Form

79 Elm Street • Hartford, CT 06106-5127 complete and mell the forman accordance with the instructions. Incomplete or incomprehensible forms will be mailed back to the municipal inland wetlands agency.

Γ	PART I: Must Be Completed By The Inland Wetlands Agency
1.	DATE ACTION WAS TAKEN: year: month:
2.	CHOOSE ACTION TAKEN (see instructions for code):
3.	WAS A PUBLIC HEARING HELD (check one)? ves no
4.	NAME OF AGENCY OFFICIAL VERIFYING AND COMPLETING THIS FORM
	(type name) (signature)
	PART II: To Be Completed By The Inland Wetlands Agency Or The Applicant
5.	TOWN IN WHICH THE ACTIVITY IS OCCURRING (type name): does this project cross municipal boundaries (check one)? yes if yes, list the other town(s) in which the activity is occurring (type name(s)):
6.	LOCATION (click on hyperlinks for information): USGS quad map name: or quad number: /07 subregional drainage basin number: 7203
7.	NAME OF APPLICANT VIOLATOR OR PETITIONER (type name): NAZZARO INC.
8.	NAME & ADDRESS OF ACTIVITY / PROJECT SITE (type information): ASpervek Valley Country club briefly describe the action/project/activity (check and type information): temporary [permanent] description:
9.	ACTIVITY PURPOSE CODE (see instructions for code):
10.	ACTIVITY TYPE CODE(S) (see instructions for codes): 11, ,12,
11.	WETLAND / WATERCOURSE AREA ALTERED (see instructions for explanation, type acres or linear feet as indicated): wetlands: <u>Ø</u> acres open water body: <u>Ø 78</u> acres stream: <u>Ø</u> linear feet
12.	UPLAND AREA ALTERED (type acres as indicated): Q.25 acres
13.	AREA OF WETLANDS / WATERCOURSES RESTORED, ENHANCED OR CREATED (type acres as indicated):
DAT	TE RECEIVED: PART III: To Be Completed By The DEEP DATE RETURNED TO DEEP:
FOF	RM COMPLETED: YES NO FORM CORRECTED / COMPLETED: YES NO

Aspetuck Valley Country Club Construction Sequence

Secure required permits from Town of Weston Conservation Commission

Equipment Mobilization

Install Erosion and Sediment Control Measures

Install Dewatering Systems

Dewater Irrigation Pond #4

Prepare Spoil Area

Remove Sediment from Irrigation Pond #4 Forebay

Remove Sediment from Irrigation Pond #4

Transport Pond Sediment to On Site Spoil Area

Machine Grade Spoil Area

Remove Dewatering Systems

Allow Irrigation Pond to Refill

Finish Grade Spoil Area

Seed and Mulch Spoil Area

Seed and Mulch Disturbed Areas

Aspetuck Valley Country Club Pond Retoration Equipment & Materials

Hyundia 210 Long Reach Excavator 60'-0' Doosan 225 Long Reach Excavator 60'-0" Hyundia 160 Excavator Moxy T31 Haul Truck Timber Crane Mats Poly Composite Haul Truck Mats Electric Generator Six Inch Water Pump 2 inch and 3 inch Water pumps Siltation Fence D.O.T Rated Sediment Control Dirt Bags Coffer Dam Air Plugs Seed & Mulch

Environmental Land Solutions, LLC

Landscape Architecture & Environmental Planning 8 Knight Street, Suite 203, Norwalk, CT 06851 Tel: (203) 855-7879 Fax: (203) 855-7836

November 13, 2024

Inland Wetlands Commission Town Hall Annex 238 Danbury Road Wilton, CT 06897

Re: Proposed Pond Dredging - Aspetuck Valley Country Club 67 Old Redding Road, Weston, CT

Dear Commission Members:

Environmental Land Solutions, LLC (ELS) has been retained by the Aspetuck Valley Country Club (AVCC) to provide an environmental assessment for the proposed site work. This report summarizes the existing conditions of the natural resources in the vicinity of the proposed work and the effects of the pond work will have on these resources. A site visit was performed by ELS staff on November 6, 2024.

EXISTING CONDITIONS:

The existing 165 + acre site property is located on the east and west side of Old Redding Road and extends to Wells Hill Road to the northeast. The site crosses the Easton-Weston town border and includes a stretch of the Aspetuck River. The site has been established as a country club since 1965. The current facilities include an 18-hole golf course, club house, swimming pool, and tennis and paddle tennis courts. The golf course occupies most of the property area, with the club house and built improvements located on the eastern side of Old Redding Road. The maintenance facilities are in the southeastern area of the site, with an access drive at the south end of the property from Old Redding Road. The proposed work area is located north of the maintenance facility where several irrigation ponds are located within the golf course. The ponds are connected through underground culverts and pump lines and flow toward the Aspetuck River to the east.

Regulated Wetland and Watercourses

The subject pond is located in the lower topographic area of the golf course and is identified as Pond #1. This pond is "U" shaped, opening to the west around Green #1. During high-water the pond covers an area of approximately $33,890 \pm$ square feet, equivalent to 0.78 acres. A stone retaining wall forms the western edge surrounding Green #1. An unnamed watercourse

flows into the northwest corner of the Pond, additional water sources for the pond are expected to be groundwater discharged. The spillway in the southeast corner outlets to a short segment of stream channel that flows to Pond #6, located $130' \pm$ east of Pond #1.

The upland review area extends to 100' from open water areas. Wetland soil is assumed to be near the water's edge of Pond #1. A floodplain associated with the Aspetuck River extends into the golf course and varies from elevation 226' to 228'. The existing pond depth varies from 1 to 5'. The water level in the ponds is over the golf course is maintained throughout the year. DEEP Surface Water Quality for all ponds is "A". All ponds have a "rough" edge buffer, Pond #1 has a herbaceous "no-mow" edge that varies between 4-20' in width to the open water.

Wetland and Watercourse Functions

The functional evaluation of the wetlands is based on professional experience and the suggested criteria cited in the publication entitled "<u>The Highway Methodology Workbook</u> *Supplement*, Wetland Functions and Values, *A Descriptive Approach*," prepared by the US Army Corps of Engineers, NEDEP-360-1-30a, September 1999.

Using this publication, the primary functions provided by the ponds are groundwater recharge and stormwater storage.

Groundwater Recharge/Discharge: This function considers the potential for a wetland to serves as groundwater recharge and/or discharge area. Recharge should relate to the potential for the wetland to contribute water to an aquifer. Discharge should relate to the potential for the wetland to serve as an area where groundwater can be discharged. Based on the location of the site in the upper section of the watershed, within a gently topographic plain, the site's wetland and watercourse systems lend themselves to being a source of groundwater recharge / discharge.

Floodflow Alteration (Storage & Desynchronization) - Due to the size and position of the pond in the flood plain this area adds in the capacity of collecting and temporarily detaining stormwater runoff from the surrounding watersheds. Though the vicinity of the pond lacks significant woody vegetation the wider gentle topography contributes to flood storage.

PROPOSED CONDITIONS

The existing pond has naturally become shallower and AVCC needs to restore the pond's water holding capacity for the irrigation system. Restoring the pond's depth will increase the holding capacity for the golf course irrigation system.

The proposal to increase the water volume in the existing pond will be accomplished by removing accumulated sediment specifically at the inlet ends of the pond. The shape and the original pond depth will remain unchanged. Dredging will occur primarily in the shallow end areas of the pond to deepen it by $3' \pm$. Dredging will restore the holding capacity of this pond.

The interior slopes of the pond will not exceed 1:2 (V:H) and create a maximum depth of $5-613'\pm$. The pond edge will be protected by large timbers during machine access in and out of the pond. Any disturbed access areas will be seeded with a fine fescue seed mix, to maintain the existing "rough" buffer condition.

The pond will be dewatered during the dredging work. Two bypass pump lines will be used to divert the two inlets clean water around the work area. In the pond pumps will be used to remove groundwater from the work area. Dewatering discharges will be directed into dirtbags located to the east of the pond on a small hill area within and existing golf course rough that will retain the sediment and allow clean water to flow downstream. All material will remain on the site. Sedimentation and erosion control will be in place during all phases of site work.

The process of pond restoration includes the following activities.

- 1. Setting up erosion controls for excavation, spoil area, and bypass pumps.
- 2. Dewater the pond.
- 3. Site access with machines and begin excavation. Move dredge material directly to trucks that will bring excavated material to the onsite spoil area.
- 4. The spoil area will be surrounded with a double row of silt fence during deposition period and until the area is stabilized with vegetation.
- 5. Seed and plant in accordance with the plans to stabilize disturbed areas.

IMPACTS / MITIGATION MEASURES:

Due to the nature of these manmade ponds, wetland soil is absent along the stone-lined edge of the pond, but likely found along a narrow band along the remaining edges. No wetland soil outside of the waterbodies will be disturbed. During the pond dredging operation, proper dewatering and sedimentation and erosion controls will be used throughout the dredging period. A "clean" water bypass will prevent incoming flows from entering the work area. The work area will be dewatered to a dirt bag that will filter sediment laden water and prevent dirty water from leaving the site. A line of silt fence will be placed at the pond outlet as a precaution and backup measure to further prevent sediment laden water from leaving the ponds. Together these measures will reduce short term risks of sediment laden water entering downstream ponds. There are no detrimental long term wetland impacts anticipated from the ponds dredging.

The pond dredging if carried out according to the plans and construction sequence will have a positive effect on the pond. The sediment removal is anticipated to deepen the water column depth. This will help maintain cooler temperatures and may result in a decrease in alga bloom and increase groundwater recharge by removing the fine silt at the pond's bottom. It is not

anticipated that the pond dredging will increase flood capacity in the flood plain, nor provide the values and functions that are currently presence.

SUMMARY

This goal of this application is to restore the pond storage capacity for irrigation purposes. The plan provides mitigation measures for short and long-term wetland protection that will create a net benefit to the site resources. The pond dredging will enhance the site's aesthetics, provide a larger sediment trap for the watershed that will aid in reducing sediment loads in the Aspetuck River, while retaining the hold capacity of the pond.

Sincerely,

Kate Throckmorton, ASLA Landscape Architect

Old Redding Road 67-Weston ea.wpd







2. ALL EROSION CONTROL MEASURES SHALL BE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE STANDARDS AND SPECIFICATIONS NOTED IN THE "CONNECTICUT GUIDELINES FOR SOIL EROSION AND SEDIMENT CONTROL", DEP BULLETIN 34, 2002.

3. ADDITIONAL EROSION CONTROL MEASURES SHALL BE INSTALLED DURING THE CONSTRUCTION PERIOD AS NEEDED. THE TOWN WETLAND DEPARTMENT STAFF AND THE PROJECT LANDSCAPE ARCHITECT SHALL HAVE THE AUTHORITY IN DETERMINING THE NEED FOR ADDITIONAL CONTROLS. ADDITIONAL EROSION CONTROLS SHALL BE PROVIDED AND INSTALLED BY SITE CONTRACTOR AT THE CONTRACTOR'S EXPENSE.

4. DISTURBED AREAS TO BE LEFT EXPOSED FOR MORE THAN 21 DAYS SHALL BE SEEDED WITH RYEGRASS AT THE RATE OF 1 IBS. PER 1000 SQUARE FEET WITHIN SEVEN DAYS OF THE OCCURRENCE OF THE DISTURBANCE. APPLY SOIL AMENDMENTS AND MULCH AS NEEDED TO ESTABLISH A DENSE, UNIFORM AND HEALTHY VEGETATION STAND OVER SEEDED AREAS.

8. EROSION CONTROLS SHALL BE MAINTAINED IN WORKING ORDER DURING THE CONSTRUCTION PERIOD AND UNTIL THE SITE SOILS ARE STABILIZED AND VEGETATED.

9. IF CONSTRUCTION OPERATIONS ARE DELAYED FOR ANY REASON ONCE SITE WORK HAS COMMENCED, THE SITE CONTRACTOR SHALL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE PROPER ROUTINE MAINTENANCE AND INSPECTION OF THE EROSION CONTROL MEASURES DURING THIS PERIOD.





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