



Town of Coventry

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Date: February 10th, 2022

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To: John Elsesser, Town Manager
Todd Penney, P.E.

Re: Review comments on 21-36W – 325 Main Street – Grading, minor storm water management, and erosion and sediment controls to support the construction of a town softball field.

The Inland Wetlands Agency (IWA) received your above referenced Regulated Activities Permit application at its December 15, 2021 meeting. The application included an overall colorized plan of the park and a detailed site plan for the field. The application proposes:

1. Convert the Coventry Transfer Station into a recreational town softball field
2. The proposed plan includes:
 - Construction of a softball field, minor grading, parking lot (70 aggregate parking spaces, 7 paved parking spaces), storm water management – rain garden, etc.
3. Disturbances:
 - Direct wetland impact: 0 sqft.
 - Upland review area disturbances: 5,400 sqft.
 - Upland review area restorations: 1,080 sqft.

The following are my comments:

- Provide a summary of the current condition of the Transfer Station
- Provide physical copies of the plan for distribution prior to the meeting
- Consider adding a vegetative buffer in the areas behind the backstop in the upland review area
- Incorporate 20 foot setback from contour 282 with perimeter designation/demarcation

I recommend the following conditions be considered by the Agency if they vote in the affirmative:

1. Hold a preconstruction meeting with the applicant and any other subcontractors prior to the start of activities to review construction sequencing.
2. Inspection erosion and sedimentation control prior to the soil disturbances, except for what is necessary to install said measures
3. The applicant/owner shall submit to the Wetlands Agent a proof of inspection for each storm water mitigation feature once a year in the spring on a form to be provided by the Town of Coventry Wetlands Staff.
4. Additional erosion and sedimentation controls maybe required as site conditions/weather warrant by the Wetlands Agent staff.

The application will be on the February 23, 2022 Regular Meeting Agenda. It would be helpful to have any responses to these comments and additional application materials submitted prior to the meeting. You can reach me at the contact information above.