STATE OF NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DIVISION OF LAND USE REGULATION



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PERMIT

Approval Date In accordance with the laws and regulations of the State of New Jersey, the Department of Environmental Protection hereby 2/17/18 grants this permit to perform the activities described below. This permit is revocable with due cause and is subject to the limitations, terms and conditions listed below and on the attached pages. For the purpose of this document, "permit" means **Expiration Date** "approval, certification, registration, authorization, waiver, etc." Violation of any term, condition or limitation of this permit is a 2/16/23 violation of the implementing rules and may subject the permittee to enforcement action. Permit Number(s): Type of Approval(s): **Enabling Statute(s):** NJSA 58:16A et seq. FHACA Individual Permit 0908-17-0001.1 FHA170001 NJSA 58:10A et seq. WPCA Water Quality Certificate 0908-17-0001.1 CDT170001 NJSA 58:11A-1 et seq. WQPA NJSA 13:1D-29 et seq. 90-D CPL NJSA 13:1D-1 et seq. RDCD Permittee: Site Location: New Jersey Department of Transportation Block(s) & Lot(s): [N/A, Route 3 Structure 0908-153] Attn: Sandy Blick Municipality: North Bergen Township 135 Parkway Avenue County: Hudson Trenton, NJ 08625 **Description of Authorized Activities:** This permit authorizes the reconstruction of the Route 3 bridge over the Conrail Northern Secondary rail line and Ramp A along with the associated drainage improvements and the construction of an extended detention basin in the flood plain of Penhorn Creek, as shown on the plans referenced on the last page of this permit.

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If the permittee undertakes any regulated activity authorized under a permit, such action shall constitute the permitee's acceptance of the permit in its entirety as well as the permitee's agreement to abide by the permit and all conditions therein.

Received and/or Recorded by County Clerk:

This permit is not valid unless authorizing signature appears on the last page.

FLOOD HAZARD SPECIAL CONDITIONS:

- 1. The permittee shall submit to the Department within 30 days of the issuance of this permit the revised plans depicting the appropriately sized manufactured treatment devices using the most current certifications. Certifications are available at http://www.njstormwater.org/treatment.html.
- 2. All sediment barriers and other soil erosion control measures shall be installed prior to commencing any clearing, grading or construction onsite, and shall be maintained in proper working condition throughout the entire duration of the project.
- Construction equipment shall not be stored, staged or driven within any channel, freshwater
 wetland or transition area, unless expressly approved by this permit and/or described on the
 approved plans.
- 4. All excavated material and dredged spoils shall be disposed of in a lawful manner outside of any flood hazard area riparian zone, open water, freshwater wetland and adjacent transition area, and in such a way as to not interfere with the positive drainage of the receiving area.
- 5. Any new, reconstructed, enlarged, or elevated structure within a flood hazard area shall be secured to resist flotation, collapse, and displacement due to hydrostatic and hydrodynamic forces from floodwaters.
- 6. The Department has determined that this project meets the requirements of the Stormwater Management rules at N.J.A.C. 7:8. Any future expansion or alteration of the approved stormwater management system, which would affect water quality, increase the rate or volume of stormwater leaving the site, affect the infiltration capacity on the site, or alter the approved low impact site design, shall be reviewed and approved by the Department prior to construction. This includes any proposed changes to the discharge characteristics of any basin, the construction of new inlets or pipes that tie into the storm sewer network and/or the replacement of existing inlets or pipes with structures of different capacity.
- 7. The applicant shall make specific arrangements to ensure the continuous maintenance and efficient operation of all proposed stormwater management measures onsite. This includes the inspection (and cleaning where necessary) of any and all constructed swales, basins, inlets at least four times per year and after every major storm totaling 1 inch of rainfall or more, the inspection and cleaning of all manufactured treatment devices per Department certification letters as found on www.njstormwater.org/treatment.html, and the use of appropriate soil conservation practices onsite, and any other reasonable effort required to maintain the stormwater management system in good working order.
- 8. In order to protect anadromous fishery resources within Penhorn Creek, no grading, construction or clearing is permitted within any watercourse onsite between March 1st and June 30th. Furthermore, any activity outside a watercourse, which would likely introduce sediment into the watercourse and/or increase its turbidity, is also prohibited during this period. The Department reserves the right to suspend all regulated activities onsite should it be determined that the applicant has not taken proper precautions to ensure continuous compliance with this condition.
- 9. The regulated activity shall not adversely affect low-flow aquatic passage in any regulated water.
- 10. The regulated activity shall not expose unset or raw cement to flowing water within any channel or regulated water during construction.

- 11. All riparian zone vegetation that is temporarily cleared, cut, and/or removed to conduct a regulated activity, access an area where regulated activities will be conducted, or otherwise accommodate a regulated activity shall be replanted immediately after completion of the regulated activity, unless prevented by seasonal weather, in which case the vegetation shall be replanted as soon as conditions permit. The vegetation to be replanted shall:
 - a. Consist of vegetation of equal or greater ecological function and value as the vegetation that was cleared, cut, or removed. For example, herbaceous vegetation may be replaced with the same type of vegetation or with trees, but the trees in forested areas must be replaced with trees of equal or greater density and ecological function and value;
 - b. Consist of native, non-invasive vegetation, except in an actively disturbed area. In an actively disturbed area, the vegetation may be replaced with the same type of vegetation that was cleared, cut, or removed, or with another kind of vegetation typical of an actively disturbed area. For example, lawn grass may be replaced with garden plants or agricultural crops; and
 - c. In cases where replanting would interfere with continued access to or maintenance of a structure that is required by Federal, State, or local law, the vegetation replanted shall meet the requirements to the extent feasible.
- 12. No other vegetation within 150 feet of the top of any stream bank onsite shall be disturbed for any reason. This condition applies to all channels onsite regardless of the contributory drainage area.

PROVISIONS OF THE HACKENSACK MEADOWLANDS WATER QUALITY CERTIFICATE:

- Limit of Authorized Disturbance The authorized activity involves the permanent disturbance of 503 SF (0.0116 of an acre) of freshwater wetlands and the temporary impacts of 3616 SF (0.083 of an acre) of freshwater wetlands to reconstruct the Route 3 Bridge over Ramp A and the Conrail Northern Secondary Line. All work is located entirely within the Meadowlands District.
- 2. Water Quality Certificate This permit to conduct a regulated activity in a wetland or open water includes the Division's approval of a Water Quality Certificate for these activities.

STANDARD CONDITIONS:

- 1. The issuance of a permit shall in no way expose the State of New Jersey or the Department to liability for the sufficiency or correctness of the design of any construction or structure(s). Neither the State nor the Department shall, in any way, be liable for any loss of life or property that may occur by virtue of the activity or project conducted as authorized under a permit.
- 2. The issuance of a permit does not convey any property rights or any exclusive privilege.
- 3. The permittee shall obtain all applicable Federal, State, and local approvals prior to commencement of regulated activities authorized under a permit.
- 4. A permittee conducting an activity involving soil disturbance, the creation of drainage structures, or changes in natural contours shall obtain any required approvals from the Soil Conservation District having jurisdiction over the site.

- 5. The permittee shall take all reasonable steps to prevent, minimize, or correct any adverse impact on the environment resulting from activities conducted pursuant to the permit, or from noncompliance with the permit.
- 6. The permittee shall immediately inform the Department by telephone at (877) 927-6337 (Warn DEP Hotline) of any noncompliance that may endanger the public health, safety, and welfare, or the environment. In addition, the permittee shall inform the Division of Land Use Regulation by telephone at (609) 777-0454 of any other noncompliance within two working days of the time the permittee becomes aware of the noncompliance, and in writing within five working days of the time the permittee becomes aware of the noncompliance. Such notice shall not, however, serve as a defense to enforcement action if the project is found to be in violation of this chapter. The written notice shall include:
 - a. A description of the noncompliance and its cause;
 - b. The period of noncompliance, including exact dates and times;
 - c. If the noncompliance has not been corrected, the anticipated length of time it is expected to continue; and
 - d. The steps taken or planned to reduce, eliminate, and prevent recurrence of the noncompliance.
- 7. It shall not be a defense for a permittee in an enforcement action that it would have been necessary to halt or reduce the authorized activity in order to maintain compliance with the conditions of the permit.
- 8. The permittee shall employ appropriate measures to minimize noise where necessary during construction, as specified in N.J.S.A. 13:1G-1 et seq. and N.J.A.C. 7:29.
- 9. The issuance of a permit does not relinquish the State's tidelands ownership or claim to any portion of the subject property or adjacent properties.
- 10. The issuance of a permit does not relinquish public rights to access and use tidal waterways and their shores.
- 11. The permittee shall allow an authorized representative of the Department, upon the presentation of credentials, to:
 - a. Enter upon the permittee's premises where a regulated activity is located or conducted, or where records must be kept under the conditions of the permit;
 - b. Have access to and copy, at reasonable times, any records that must be kept under the conditions of the permit; and
 - c. Inspect at reasonable times any facilities, equipment, practices, or operations regulated or required under the permit. Failure to allow reasonable access under this paragraph shall be considered a violation of this chapter and subject the permittee to enforcement action under.
- 12. The permittee and its contractors and subcontractors shall comply with all conditions, site plans, and supporting documents approved by the permit. Any noncompliance with a permit constitutes a violation of this chapter and is grounds for enforcement action under, as well as, in the appropriate case, suspension and/or termination of the permit.
- 13. All conditions, site plans, and supporting documents approved by a permit shall remain in full force and effect so long as the regulated activity or project, or any portion thereof, is in existence, unless the permit is modified.

- 14. For Coastal Permits, Flood Hazard Permits and Flood Hazard Verifications, the permittee shall record the permit, including all conditions listed therein, with the Office of the County Clerk (the Registrar of Deeds and Mortgages, if applicable) of each county in which the site is located. The permit shall be recorded within 30 calendar days of receipt by the permittee, unless the permit authorizes activities within two or more counties, in which case the permit shall be recorded within 90 calendar days of receipt. Upon completion of all recording, a copy of the recorded permit shall be forwarded to the Division of Land Use Regulation at the address set forth in the rules.
- 15. If any condition or permit is determined to be legally unenforceable, modifications and additional conditions may be imposed by the Department as necessary to protect public health, safety, and welfare, or the environment.
- 16. A copy of the permit and all approved site plans and supporting documents shall be maintained at the site at all times and made available to Department representatives or their designated agents immediately upon request.
- 17. A permit shall be transferred to another person only in accordance with the regulations.
- 18. A permit can be suspended or terminated by the Department for cause.
- 19. The submittal of a request to modify a permit by the permittee, or a notification of planned changes or anticipated noncompliance, does not stay any condition of a permit.
- 20. Where the permittee becomes aware that it failed to submit any relevant facts in an application, or submitted incorrect information in an application or in any report to the Department, it shall promptly submit such facts or information.
- 21. The permittee shall submit written notification to the Bureau of Coastal and Land Use Compliance and Enforcement, 401 East State Street, 4th Floor, P.O. Box 420, Mail Code 401-04C, Trenton, NJ 08625, at least three working days prior to the commencement of regulated activities.
- 22. The permittee shall not cause or allow any unreasonable interference with the free flow of a regulated water by placing or dumping any materials, equipment, debris, or structures within or adjacent to the channel while the regulated activity(ies) is being undertaken. Upon completion of the regulated activity(ies), the permittee shall remove and dispose of in a lawful manner, all excess materials, debris, equipment, and silt fences and other temporary soil erosion and sediment control devices from all regulated areas.
- 23. The regulated activity shall not destroy, jeopardize, or adversely modify a present or documented habitat for threatened or endangered species, and shall not jeopardize the continued existence of any local population of a threatened or endangered species.

APPROVED PLANS:

The drawings hereby approved are sixteen (16) sheets prepared by Michael Baker International, not dated, unless otherwise noted, entitled:

"NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, FLOOD HAZARD AREA INDIVIDUAL PERMIT PLANS, ROUTE 3 OVER NORTHERN SECONDARY AND RAMP A, CONTRACT NO. 010083460",

Sheets FHA-01, FHA-02, FHA-04 through FHA-07 of FHA-07, Sheet FHA-03 of FHA-07, last revised September 19, 2017,

"NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, DRAINAGE AND UTILITY PLANS, ROUTE 3 OVER NORTHERN SECONDARY AND RAMP A, CONTRACT NO. 010083460", Sheets DU-01 through DU-04 of DU-04,

"NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, CONSTRUCTION DETAILS, ROUTE 3 OVER NORTHERN SECONDARY AND RAMP A, CONTRACT NO. 010083460", Sheets DTL-01 through DTL-03 of DTL-03,

"NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, USACE NATIONWIDE PERMIT PLAN, ROUTE 3 OVER NORTHERN SECONDARY AND RAMP A, CONTRACT NO. 010083460", Sheet PP-01 of PP-01, dated September 2017,

"NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, BUREAU OF STRUCTURAL ENGINEERING, GENERAL PERMIT PLAN AND ELEVATION, ROUTE 3 OVER NORTHERN SECONDARY AND RAMP A, CONTRACT NO. 010083460"

Drawing BR-2.

In accordance with the applicable regulations, any person who is aggrieved by this decision or any of the conditions of this permit may request an adjudicatory hearing within 30 calendar days after public notice of the decision is published in the DEP Bulletin. This request must include a completed copy of the Adjudicatory Hearing Request form. The DEP Bulletin is available through the Department's website at http://www.nj.gov/dep/bulletin and the form is available through the Division's website at http://www.nj.gov/dep/landuse/download/lur_024.pdf. In addition to requesting a hearing, a request may be filed with the Department's Office of Dispute Resolution to determine whether the matter is suitable for mediation. Information concerning the dispute resolution process is available at www.nj.gov/dep/odr.

If you need clarification on any section of this permit or conditions, please contact the Division of Land Use Regulation's Technical Support Call Center at (609) 777-0454.

Approved By:

Vincent J. Mazzei, Jr., P.E., Manager Division of Land Use Regulation

c: Construction Official