STATE OF NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION WATERSHED & LAND MANAGEMENT



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PERMIT

In accordance with the laws and regulations of the Protection hereby grants this permit to perform with due cause and is subject to the terms, compages. For the purpose of this document, authorization, waiver, etc." Violation of any term the implementing rules and may subject the permit	Approval Date October 7, 2022 Expiration Date October 6, 2027	
Permit Number(s):	Type of Approval(s):	Governing Rule(s):
1400-22-0004.1 LUP220001	Flood Hazard Area Individual Permit Freshwater Wetlands General Permit 10A Freshwater Wetlands General Permit 11	N.J.A.C. 7:13-1.1(b) N.J.A.C. 7:7A-1.1(a)
Permittee:	Site Location:	
NJDOT c/o Amber Cheney P.O. Box 600 Trenton, NJ 08625	and Hall Avenue	n Pondview Road (M.P. 1.9) (M.P. 4.5) ynship & Parsippany Troy-Hills

Description of Authorized Activities:

This permit authorizes the construction of a stormwater outfall associated with the milling, repaving, and widening of Route 53 within the flood hazard area of Watnog Brook within the location referenced above. This permit authorizes 0.045 acres (1,976 square feet) of permanent disturbance and 0.010 acres (452 square feet) of temporary disturbance to wetlands transitions area under a Freshwater Wetlands General Permit 10A. This permit authorizes 0.005 acres (223 square feet) of permanent disturbance and 0.009 acres (402 square feet) of temporary disturbance to wetlands transitions area under a Freshwater Wetlands General Permit 11.

The Department has determined that the herein approved activities meet the requirements of the FHACA rules. This approval does not obviate the local Floodplain Administrator's responsibility to ensure all development occurring within their community's Special Flood Hazard Area is compliant with the local Flood Damage Prevention Ordinance, and minimum NFIP standards, regardless of any state-issued permits. FEMA requires communities to review and permit all proposed construction or other development within their SFHA in order to participate in the NFIP.

Prepared by: Dominick Cardella	Received and/or Recorded by County Clerk:
If the permittee undertakes any regulated activity, project, or development authorized under this permit, such action shall constitute the permittee's acceptance of the permit in its entirety as well as the permittee's agreement to abide by the requirements of the permit and all conditions therein.	

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

STATEMENT OF AUTHORIZED IMPACTS:

The authorized activities allow for the permittee to undertake impacts to regulated areas as described below. Additional impacts to regulated areas without prior Department approval shall constitute a violation of the rules under which this document is issued and may subject the permittee and/or property owner to enforcement action, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 7:13-2.18; N.J.A.C. 7:7A-22.

FWW GP10A Very Minor Road Crossings	Permanent Disturbance (Acres)	Temporary Disturbance (Acres)
Freshwater wetlands	0	0
Transition areas	0.045 (1,976 SF)	0.01 (452 SF)
State open waters	0	0

FWW GP11 Outfalls/Intake Structures	Permanent Disturbance Temporary Disturbance	
Freshwater wetlands	0	0
Transition areas	0.005 (223 SF)	0.009 (402 SF)
State open waters	0	0

Riparian Zone Vegetation	Area of riparian zone (Acres)
Permanent Disturbed	0.002 (83 SF)
Temporary Disturbed	0.006 (252 SF)

PRE-CONSTRUCTION CONDITIONS:

1. Prior to the commencement of site clearing, grading, or construction onsite, the permittee shall install a sediment barrier at the limits of disturbance authorized herein, which is sufficient to prevent the sedimentation of the remaining freshwater wetlands and transition areas and shall serve as a physical barrier protecting these areas from encroachment by construction vehicles or other soil-disturbing activities. All sediment barriers and soil erosion control measures shall be kept in place and maintained throughout the duration of construction, until such time that the site is stabilized.

SPECIAL CONDITIONS:

1. 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.

- 2. The permittee 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 inlets least four times per year and after every major storm totaling 1 inch of rainfall or more, and the inspection and cleaning of any and all mechanical treatment devices in accordance with the Department's certification letters, as found at www.njstormwater.org/treatment.html, the use of appropriate soil conservation practices onsite, and any other reasonable effort required to maintain the stormwater management system in good working order.
- 3. The Division has determined that the riparian zone required adjacent to the associated portions of Den Brook and its tributaries have a 300-foot riparian zone. In addition, the associated portions of Mount Tabor Brook & Watnong Brook have a 50-foot riparian zone. Please note that <u>any unapproved</u> clearing of trees or other vegetation in the riparian zone is prohibited.
- 4. The authorized activities shall comply with the applicable conditions set forth under N.J.A.C. 7:7-5.7, 7.10A, 11, and 20.2. Failure to comply with these conditions shall constitute a violation of the Freshwater Wetlands Protection Act (N.J.S.A. 13:9B-1 et. seq.). Any additional un-permitted disturbance of freshwater wetlands, State open waters, or transition areas besides that shown on the approved plans shall be considered a violation of the Freshwater Wetlands Protection Act Rules unless the activity is exempt or a permit is obtained from the Department prior to the start of the disturbance.
- 5. The Department has determined that the freshwater wetlands affected by this permit authorization are of intermediate resource value and the standard transition area or buffer required adjacent to these wetlands is 50 feet. Any additional regulated activities conducted within the standard transition area onsite shall require a separate transition area waiver from the Division. Regulated activities within a transition area are defined at N.J.A.C. 7:7A-2.3. Please refer to the Freshwater Wetlands Protection Act (N.J.S.A. 13:9B-1 et seq.) and implementing Rules (N.J.A.C. 7:7A) for additional information.
- 6. The applicant is responsible for installing and maintaining a silt fence sediment / turbidity barrier around the proposed construction area, sufficient to prevent the sedimentation of any nearby watercourses. 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 daily in proper working condition throughout the duration of the project.
- 7. In order to protect the general game fisheries resource within the nearby watercourses, any proposed grading or construction activities within the banks of these watercourses are prohibited from May 1 through July 31 of each year. In addition, any activity which would introduce sediment into a watercourse, or which could cause more than a minimum increase in the natural level of turbidity is also prohibited anytime, but especially during this period. The Department reserves the right to require additional soil conservation measures if it becomes evident that additional soil conservation measures are required to protect State regulated resources, or to suspend all regulated activities on-site should it be determined that the permittee has not taken proper precautions to ensure continuous compliance with this condition.
- 8. **Material Disposal:** All excavated material and dredge material shall be disposed of in a lawful manner. The material shall be placed outside of any flood hazard area, riparian zone, regulated water,

freshwater/coastal wetlands and adjacent transition area, and in such a way as to not interfere with the positive drainage of the receiving area.

9. This authorization for a General Permit is valid for a term not to exceed five years from the date of this permit. If the permittee wishes to continue an activity covered by the permit after the expiration date of the permit, the permittee must apply for and obtain a permit extension or a new permit, prior to the permit's expiration. If the term of the authorization exceeds the expiration date of the general permit issued by rule, and the permit upon which the authorization is based is modified by rule to include more stringent standards or conditions, or is not reissued, the applicant must comply with the requirements of the new regulations by applying for a new GP authorization or an Individual permit.

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 or designee 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 of any unanticipated adverse effects on the environment not described in the application or in the conditions of the permit. The Department may, upon discovery of such unanticipated adverse effects, and upon the failure of the permittee to submit a report thereon, notify the permittee of its intent to suspend the permit.
- 7. The permittee shall immediately inform the Department by telephone at (877) 927-6337 (WARN DEP hotline) of any noncompliance that may endanger public health, safety, and welfare, or the environment. The permittee shall inform the Watershed & Land Management 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:
 - i. A description of the noncompliance and its cause;
 - ii. The period of noncompliance, including exact dates and times:
 - iii. If the noncompliance has not been corrected, the anticipated length of time it is expected to continue; and

- iv. The steps taken or planned to reduce, eliminate, and prevent recurrence of the noncompliance.
- 8. Any noncompliance with a permit constitutes a violation of this chapter and is grounds for enforcement action, as well as, in the appropriate case, suspension and/or termination of the permit.
- 9. 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.
- 10. 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.
- 11. 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.
- 12. The issuance of a permit does not relinquish public rights to access and use tidal waterways and their shores.
- 13. The permittee shall allow an authorized representative of the Department, upon the presentation of credentials, to:
 - i. Enter upon the permittee's premises where a regulated activity, project, or development is located or conducted, or where records must be kept under the conditions of the permit;
 - ii. Have access to and copy, at reasonable times, any records that must be kept under the conditions of the permit;
 - iii. 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; and
 - iv. Sample or monitor at reasonable times, for the purposes of assuring compliance or as otherwise authorized by the Federal Act, by the Freshwater Wetlands Protection Act, or by any rule or order issued pursuant thereto, any substances or parameters at any location.
- 14. 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, project, or development is being undertaken. Upon completion of the regulated activity, project, or development, 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.
- 15. The permittee and its contractors and subcontractors shall comply with all conditions, site plans, and supporting documents approved by the permit.
- 16. All conditions, site plans, and supporting documents approved by a permit shall remain in full force and effect, so long as the regulated activity, project, or development, or any portion thereof, is in existence, unless the permit is modified pursuant to the rules governing the herein approved permits.

- 17. The permittee shall perform any mitigation required under the permit in accordance with the rules governing the herein approved permits.
- 18. 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.
- 19. Any permit condition that does not establish a specific timeframe within which the condition must be satisfied (for example, prior to commencement of construction) shall be satisfied within six months of the effective date of the permit.
- 20. 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.
- 21. The permittee shall provide monitoring results to the Department at the intervals specified in the permit.
- 22. A permit shall be transferred to another person only in accordance with the rules governing the herein approved permits.
- 23. A permit can be modified, suspended, or terminated by the Department for cause.
- 24. 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.
- 25. 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.
- 26. The permittee shall submit email notification to the Bureau of Coastal & Land Use Compliance & Enforcement at CLU_tomsriver@dep.nj.gov at least 3 days prior to commencement of site preparation and/or regulated activities, whichever comes first. The notification shall include proof of completion of all pre-construction conditions, including proof of recording of permits, approved plans and/or conservation easements, if required. The permittee shall allow an authorized Bureau representative on the site to inspect to ensure compliance with this permit.
- 27. 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 Watershed & Land Management at the address listed on page one of this permit.

APPROVED PLAN(S):

The drawings hereby approved consist of 46 sheets prepared by Abd Elazeem Youssef, P.E. of Advantage Engineering Associates and entitled:

"FLOOD HAZARD AREA (FHA) PERMIT PLANS KEY MAP STATE OF NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION PLANS OF ROUTE 53 PONDVIEW ROAD TO HALL AVENUE CONTRACT NO. 002124240 PAVEMENT RESTORATION TOWNSHIP OF PARSIPPANY-TROY HILLS MORRIS COUNTY TOWNSHIP OF DENVILLE", consisting of 22 sheets dated June 7, 2022, unrevised unless otherwise noted,

"FHA PERMIT PLANS", sheets FH-7, FH-12, FH-13, FH-20 of FH-22, last revised September 22, 2022,

"FRESHWATER WETLANDS (FWW) GP10A & GP11 PERMIT PLANS KEY MAP STATE OF NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION PLANS OF ROUTE 53 PONDVIEW ROAD TO HALL AVENUE CONTRACT NO. 002124240 PAVEMENT RESTORATION TOWNSHIP OF PARSIPPANY-TROY HILLS MORRIS COUNTY TOWNSHIP OF DENVILLE", consisting of 22 sheets dated June 7, 2022, unrevised unless otherwise noted

"FWW GP10A & GP11 PERMIT PLANS", sheets FW-7, FW-12, FW-13, FW-20 of FW-22, last revised September 22, 2022,

"NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, DRAINAGE PLANS, ROUTE 53, PONDVIEW ROAD TO HALL AVNUE, CONTRACT NO. 002124240", sheet D-3 of D-4, dated September 20, 2022, last revised September 29, 2022,

"NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, CONSTRUCTION DETAILS, ROUTE 53, PONDVIEW ROAD TO HALL AVNUE, CONTRACT NO. 002124240", sheet DTL-3, dated September 21, 2022, unrevised.

APPEAL OF DECISION:

Any person who is aggrieved by this decision may submit an adjudicatory hearing request within 30 calendar days after public notice of the decision is published in the DEP Bulletin (available at www.nj.gov/dep/bulletin). If a person submits the hearing request after this time, the Department shall deny the request. The hearing request must include a completed copy of the Administrative Hearing Request Checklist (available at www.nj.gov/dep/landuse/forms.html). A person requesting an adjudicatory hearing shall submit the original hearing request to: NJDEP Office of Legal Affairs, Attention: Adjudicatory Hearing Requests, Mail Code 401-04L, P.O. Box 402, 401 East State Street, 7th Floor, Trenton, NJ 08625-0402. Additionally, a copy of the hearing request shall be submitted to the Director of Watershed & Land Management at the address listed on page one of this permit. In addition to your hearing request, you may file a request with the Office of Dispute Resolution to engage in alternative dispute resolution. Please see www.nj.gov/dep/odr for more information on this process.

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

Approved By:

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Keith P. Stampfel, P.E.

Section Chief

Bureau of Flood Hazard & Stormwater Engineering

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 Municipal Construction Official, Denville Township
 Municipal Clerk, Parsippany Troy-Hills
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 Agent (original) – Amber Cheney