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New Jersey Department of Transportation
Attn: Brendan Brock, Section Chief
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Trenton, NJ 08625

Re: Project Description: Emergency Authorization
NJDEP File & Activity No. 0101-25-0002.1 WFD250001
Applicant: NJDOT
Project: U.S. Route 30 Bridge Repairs over Garretts Ditch; Bridge Structure No. 0103-158
Site Location: U.S Route 30, Mile Marker 53.16
Municipality: Absecon City; County: Atlantic

Dear Mr. Brock:

This Emergency Authorization (EA) is issued by the NJDEP's Division of Land Resource Protection (Division) for the following repair activities at U.S. Route 30 Bridge over Garrett's Ditch:

- Removal of existing deteriorated and loose materials and cleaning of piles;
- Install carbon grid reinforcement to the piles per manufacture's recommendations;
- Install Denso Seashield Series 500 jackets (or the equivalent) with support collar and 2" foam seal at the base;
- Application of grout and top seal.

This EA is granted in accordance with the provisions of the New Jersey Coastal Zone Management Rules (N.J.A.C. 7:7-21) and as depicted on the site plans referenced further below. The EA is subject to the following conditions:

1. The applicant shall commence with the approved emergency activities within 30 calendar days of this authorization, unless specifically extended by this office. Notice of the start date of authorized activities shall be provided to the Division in writing. If the emergency activities are not commenced within 30 calendar days of this emergency authorization, then this authorization is void.
2. Once commenced, all regulated activities authorized under this emergency authorization shall be completed, and this emergency authorization shall expire, within 60 calendar days of NJDEP's approval, unless extended by NJDEP. Notice of the completion date of authorized activities shall be provided to the Division in writing. If the regulated activities authorized under this emergency authorization are not completed by the expiration date, then these regulated activities shall cease until the appropriate individual permits or another emergency authorization is obtained from the Division for the regulated activities.

3. This emergency authorization does not alleviate your responsibility to obtain any other local, State or Federal authorizations required by law.
4. The applicant is responsible for ensuring that the contractors, subcontractors, and/or workers executing the activity(s) authorized by this emergency authorization have knowledge of the terms and conditions of the authorization and that a copy of this authorization is at the project site throughout the period the work is underway and available for review by any person.
5. As applicable, all excavated material(s) shall be lawfully disposed of at an approved offsite location. No dredging is approved by this emergency authorization.
6. The applicant shall provide written notice to the Division when the activities are completed.
7. Within 90 calendar days from the date of this emergency authorization, and in accordance with N.J.A. C. 7:7-21, the applicant shall submit a permit application to the Division which includes:
 - a. A demonstration that the regulated activities conducted under the emergency authorization meet the requirements of this chapter, or an explanation as to why full compliance could not be attained; and;
 - b. “As-built” site plans, signed and sealed by an engineer, land surveyor, or architect, as appropriate, showing the regulated activities that were or are being conducted under the emergency authorization.
8. All grouting activities shall be conducted on dry land and there shall be no in-water application of grout or cement;
9. If the person to whom the emergency authorization was provided conducts any regulated activity not authorized under the emergency authorization and/or the permit obtained thereafter for the activities governed by the emergency authorization, such shall constitute a violation of this chapter subject to enforcement action under N.J.A.C. 7:7-21.

APPROVED PLANS

The drawings hereby approved for this EA consists of five (5) sheets, prepared by M. Paul Hu, P.E., of the New Jersey Department of Transportation, dated January 9, 2025, unrevised and entitled:

“PLANS OF US 30 OVER GARRETTS DITCH, CONCRETE PILE REPAIRS, ABSECON CITY, ATLANTIC COUNTY”

Should you have any questions regarding this Emergency Authorization, please contact me by email at david.sumba@dep.nj.gov or by phone at (609) 777-0454. Please reference the Division’s file number in all communication.

Sincerely,

David Sumba, Supervisor
NJDEP, Division of Land Resource Protection