Conservation Commission/Inland Wetland Agency
Town of Watertown, Connecticut

Application for Permit

Permit Application Number: _______________________
Property Location: ______________________________

For Commission Use Only

Application Fee: ___________________________________
Date of Receipt by the Land Use Office: ______________
Date of Receipt by Agency: _________________________
Date of "Significant Activity" Determination: ___________
Significant Activity Fee Paid: _______________________
Date of Public Hearing (if applicable) _________________
Action by Agency: __________________________________
Bond Requirement: _________________________________
Permit Expiration Date: _____________________________
Permit Initiation Date: _____________________________

INSTRUCTION

All applicants must complete Section I of this application form for preliminary review. If the Agency determines that the activity described herein constitutes a significant activity in accordance with the definition provided in Section 2.1 of the Regulations, then a public hearing shall be scheduled, and additional information requested. In addition to the information supplied in Section I, the applicant may submit any other supporting documents or facts which may assist the Commission in its evaluation of this proposal. Incomplete applications will be rejected by the Commission.
1. **Name of Applicant:**
   
   **Home Address:**
   
   **Business Address:**
   
   **Home Telephone #:** Mobile
   
   **Business Telephone #:** Mobile
   
   **E-Mail:**

2. **Applicant's Interest in Land:**
   
   ( ) Owner  ( ) Lessee  ( ) Contract Purchases  ( ) Other – Please Describe

3. **Name of Property Owner:**
   
   **Home Address:**
   
   **Business Address:**
   
   **Home Telephone:** Mobile
   
   **Business Telephone:** Mobile
   
   **E-Mail:**

4. **Name of Authorizing Agent:**
   
   **Business Address:**
   
   **Telephone #:** Mobile
   
   **E-Mail:**

5. **Property owner's consent to the activities proposed in this application:**
   
   **Date:**
   
   **Witnessed by:**
   
   **Date:**

6. **Geographical Location of subject property:**

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A. Attach a vicinity map prepared at a scale of one inch equals 1,000 feet, or larger, which is of sufficient detail to allow identification of the property on the Inland Wetlands and Water Courses Map, Town of Watertown, Connecticut.
B. Is the property located farther than 500 feet from any adjoining town or city boundary? (Circle one): (Yes) (No)

If no, identify which of these municipalities is located within 500 feet of the site:

() Bethlehem  () Middlebury  () Morris  () Thomaston  () Waterbury  () Woodbury

7. Purpose and Description of the Proposed Activities, Use or Operation:

A. List below or attach a narrative describing all aspects of the proposal including area computations of all wetlands, watercourses, and upland review areas to be altered; type and volume of material to be deposited or removed, separating distances between proposed regulated activities and wetlands and/or top of bank of any watercourses.
B. List below or attach a narrative describing the alternatives to the proposal which have been considered, and state why these alternatives were rejected in favor of the permit requested herein. Also, attach drawings or diagrams which show the alternatives considered.

C. Attach a site development plan showing existing and proposed conditions in relation to wetlands and watercourses.

D. Steps taken to avoid wetlands, watercourses and upland review area

E. Steps taken to minimize impacts to wetlands, watercourses and upland review area
F. Steps taken to mitigate impacts to wetlands, watercourses and upland review area

G. Describe soil types and existing vegetations of the site

H. Describe proposed erosion and sediment control plan using 2002 Connecticut Guidelines for Soil Erosion and Sediment Control (Chapter/Page)

8. Provide the names and addresses of all property owners whose land abut, or are located directly across the street from the property which is the subject of this application.
9. The applicant shall certify the following information by circling the appropriate word(s)

A. Traffic attributable to the completed project on the site (will/ will not) use streets within an adjoining municipality to enter the site

B. Sewer or water drainage from the project site (will/ will not) flow through and impact the sewage or drainage system of another municipality

C. Water run-off from the improved site (will/ will not) impact streets or other municipal or private property within another municipality

10. Complete the following section if the purpose of this application is to transfer, amend/modify a previously issued permit:

A. Name of current permittee: ________________________________

B. Agency number of existing permit: __________________________

C. Initiation date of existing permit: ___________________________

D. Expiration date of existing permit: __________________________

E. State the reason why a transfer of permit is being sought or the authorized activities should be amended or modified. ____________________________________________________________
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F. Describe any changes in facts or circumstances involved with, or affecting wetlands or watercourses, or the property for which the permit was issued. ____________________________________________________________
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12. The undersigned hereby consents to necessary and proper inspections of the above referenced property by members or agents of the Inland Wetlands Agency at reasonable times, both before and after the permit in question has been acted upon by the Agency.

Signature of Property Owner: ___________________________ Date: ___________________________

13. The undersigned swears that the information supplied in the completed application is accurate, to the best of his or her knowledge and belief and is aware of the penalties for obtaining a permit through deception, inaccurate or misleading information.

Signature of applicant: ___________________________ Date: ___________________________
Use a separate form to report each action taken by the Agency. Complete the form as described below.

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY

PART I: To Be Completed By the Inland Wetlands Agency Only

1. Enter the year and month the Inland Wetlands Agency took the action being reported. If multiple actions were taken regarding the same project or activity then multiple forms need to be completed. Enter ONE year and month per form.

2. Enter ONE code letter to describe the final action or decision taken by the Inland Wetlands Agency. Do not submit a reporting form for withdrawn applications. Do not enter multiple code letters (for example: If an enforcement notice was given and subsequent permit issued - two forms for the two separate actions are to be completed).

   A = A Permit Granted by the Inland Wetlands Agency (not including map amendments, see code D below)
   B = Any Permit Denied by the Inland Wetlands Agency
   C = A Permit Renewed or Amended by the Inland Wetlands Agency
   D = A Map Amendment to the Official Town Wetlands Map - or -
       An Approved/Permitted Wetland or Watercourse Boundary Amendment to a Project Site Map
   E = A Jurisdictional Ruling by the Inland Wetlands Agency (i.e.: activities "permitted as of right" or activities considered non-regulated)
   F = An Enforcement Notice of Violation, Order, Court Injunction, or Court Fines
   G = An Agent Approval pursuant to CGS 22a-42a(c)(2)
   H = An Appeal of Agent Approval Pursuant to 22a-42a(c)(2)

3. Check "Yes" if a public hearing was held in regards to the action taken; otherwise check "No".

4. Enter the name of the Inland Wetlands Agency official verifying that the information provided on this form is accurate and that it reflects the FINAL action of the agency.

PART II: To Be Completed By the Inland Wetlands Agency or the Applicant - If Part II is completed by the applicant, the applicant must return the form to the Inland Wetlands Agency. The Inland Wetlands Agency must ensure that the information provided is accurate and that it reflects the FINAL action of the Agency.

5. Enter the name of the municipality for which the Inland Wetlands Agency has jurisdiction and in which the action/project/activity is occurring.

   Check "Yes" if the action/project/activity crosses municipal boundaries and enter the name(s) of the other municipality(ies) where indicated. Check "No" if it does not cross municipal boundaries.

6. Enter the USGS Quad Map name or number (1 through 115) as found on the Connecticut Town and Quadrangle Index Map (the directory to all USGS Quad Maps) that contains the location of the action/project/activity. See the following website for USGS Quad Map names and numbers:
   http://utgis.depto.utexas.edu/library/USGSQuadMaps.html

   ALSO enter the four-digit identification number of the corresponding Subregional Drainage Basin in which the action/project/activity is located. If the action/project/activity is located in more than one subregional drainage basin, enter the number of the basin in which the majority of the action/project/activity is located. Town subregional drainage basin maps can be found at UConn - CLEAR’s website: http://clear.uconn.edu/data/map_set/index.htm

7. Enter the name of the Individual applying for, petitioning, or receiving the action.

8. Enter the name and address or location of the action/project/activity. Check if the action/project/activity is TEMPORARY or PERMANENT in nature. Also provide a brief description of the action/project/activity.
SITE WALK/FIELD INSPECTION REQUIREMENTS

Dear Applicant/ Applicant Representative:

Please be advised that pursuant to Section 7 Article VII of the By-laws of Conservation Commission/ Inland Wetland Agency of Town of Watertown (the Agency) when the Agency determines that a field inspection/ site walk is appropriate, the Agency will set a time and place at the convenience of its members to gain on site knowledge of the proposed activities. The applicant or his agent/ representative, the design engineer and the Soil Scientist who delineated and flagged the wetlands / watercourses shall be present and the following shall be provided:

1. Adequate and safe access to the property

2. All wetlands and watercourses (permanent and intermittent) on the site shall be delineated and flagged by a certified Soil Scientist. Soil Scientist report shall be submitted with the application.

3. All building locations, access ways, onsite septic system locations and other regulated activities shall be marked on the site.

4. A copy of the proposed Site Plan shall be available on the site during the site walk/field inspection.

No testimony may be taken on the site walk/ field inspection by the Commission.

Signature of Applicant: ___________________________ Date: ___________________________

Signature of Property Owner: _________________________ Date: _________________________
Enter between one and four code numbers to best characterize the project or activity being reported. Enter "NA" if this form is being completed for the action of map amendment. You must provide code 12 if the activity is located in an established upland review area (buffer, setback). You must provide code 14 if the activity is located BEYOND the established upland review area (buffer, setback) or NO established upland review area (buffer, setback) exists.

1 = Filling
2 = Excavation
3 = Land Clearing / Grubbing (no other activity)
4 = Stream Channelization
5 = Stream Stabilization (includes lakeshore stabilization)
6 = Stream Clearance (removal of debris only)
7 = Culvertling (not for roadways)
8 = Underground Utilities (no other activities)
9 = Roadway / Driveway Construction
10 = Drainage Improvements
11 = Pond, Lake Dredging / Dam Construction
12 = Activity in an Established Upland Review Area
14 = Activity In Upland

Examples: Jurisdictional ruling allowing construction of a parking lot in an upland where the municipality does not have an established upland review area must use code 14; other possible codes are 2 and 10. Permitted construction of a free standing garage (residential improvement by homeowner) partially in an established upland review area with the remainder in the upland must use code 12 and 14; other possible codes are 1 and 2. Permitted dredging of a pond must use code 14; other possible codes are 12 and 5.

Leave blank for TEMPORARY alterations but please indicate action/project/activity is temporary under question #8 on the form. For PERMANENT alterations, enter in acres the area of wetland soils or watercourses altered. Include areas that are permanently altered, or are proposed to be, for all agency permits, denials, amendments, and enforcement actions. For those activities that involve filling or dredging of lakes, ponds or similar open water bodies enter the acres filled or dredged under "open water body". For those activities that involve directly altering a linear reach of a brook, river, lakeshore or similar linear watercourse, enter the total linear feet altered under "stream". Remember that these figures represent only the acreage altered not the total acreage of wetlands or watercourses on the site. You MUST provide all information in ACRES (or linear feet as indicated) including those areas less than one acre. To convert from square feet to acres, divide square feet by the number 43,560. Enter zero if there is no alteration.

Enter in acres the area of upland altered as a result of an ACTIVITY REGULATED BY the Inland wetlands agency, or as a result of an AGENT APPROVAL pursuant to 22a-42a(c)(2). Leave blank for TEMPORARY alterations but please indicate action/project/activity is temporary under question #8 on the form. Include areas that are permanently altered, or proposed to be permanently altered, for all agency permits, denials, amendments, and enforcement actions. Inland wetlands agencies may have established an upland review area (also known as a buffer or setback) in which activities are regulated. Agencies may also regulate activities beyond these established areas. You MUST provide all information in ACRES including those areas less than one acre. To convert from square feet to acres, divide square feet by the number 43,560. Enter zero if there is no alteration. Remember that these figures represent only the upland acreage altered as a result of an activity regulated by the Inland wetlands agency, or as a result of an agent approval.

Enter the acres that are, or are proposed to be, restored, enhanced or created for all agency permits, denials, amendments, and enforcement actions. NOTE restored or enhanced applies to previously existing wetlands or watercourses. Created applies to a non-wetland or non-watercourse area which is converted into wetlands or watercourses (question #10 must provide 12 and/or 14 as an answer, and question #12 must also be answered). You MUST provide all information in ACRES including those areas less than one acre. To convert from square feet to acres, divide square feet by the number 43,560. Enter zero if there is no restoration, enhancement or creation.

III: To Be Completed By The DEEP - Please leave this area blank. Incomplete or incomprehensible forms mailed back to the Inland wetlands agency.
Statewide Inland Wetlands & Watercourses Activity Reporting Form

Please complete and mail this form in accordance with the instructions on pages 2 and 3 to:
DEEP Land & Water Resources Division, Inland Wetlands Management Program, 79 Elm Street, 3rd Floor, Hartford, CT 06106
Incomplete or incomprehensible forms will be mailed back to the Inland Wetlands agency.

PART I: Must Be Completed By The Inland Wetlands Agency

1. DATE ACTION WAS TAKEN: year: __________ month: __________

2. ACTION TAKEN (see instructions, only use one code): __________

3. WAS A PUBLIC HEARING HELD (check one)? yes □ no □

4. NAME OF AGENCY OFFICIAL VERIFYING AND COMPLETING THIS FORM:
(print name) __________________________ (signature) __________________________

PART II: To Be Completed By The Inland Wetlands Agency Or The Applicant

1. TOWN IN WHICH THE ACTION IS OCCURRING (print name):

2. does this project cross municipal boundaries (check one)? yes □ no □

3. if yes, list the other town(s) in which the action is occurring (print name(s)):

4. LOCATION (see instructions for information): USGS quad name: __________ or number: __________

5. Subregional drainage basin number: __________

6. NAME OF APPLICANT, VIOLATOR OR PETITIONER (print name):

7. NAME & ADDRESS / LOCATION OF PROJECT SITE (print information):

8. Briefly describe the action/project/activity (check and print information): temporary □ permanent □ description: __________

9. ACTIVITY PURPOSE CODE (see instructions, only use one code):

10. ACTIVITY TYPE CODE(S) (see instructions for codes): __________ __________ __________

PART III: To Be Completed By The DEEP

DATE RECEIVED: __________

DATE RETURNED TO DEEP: __________

FORM COMPLETED: YES □ NO □ FORM CORRECTED / COMPLETED: YES □ NO □

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CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL FOR CONSERVATION COMMISSION
/INLAND WETLANDS AGENCY PERMITS

A. STANDARD CONDITION:

1. The permittee shall notify Wetlands Enforcement Officer, in writing at least three business days prior to the commencement of work onsite and upon its completion.

2. If the approved activities are not initiated on or before (insert date), said activities shall cease and, if not previously revoked or specifically renewed or extended, this permit shall be null and void. Any request to renew or extend the expiration date of a permit should be filed in accordance with Section 11 of the Inland Wetlands and Watercourses Regulations of the Town of Watertown. Expired permits may not be renewed and the wetland agency may require a new application for regulated activities.

3. All work and all regulated activities conducted pursuant to this approval shall be consistent with the terms and conditions of this permit. Any structures, excavation, fill, obstructions, encroachment, or regulated activities not specifically identified and approved herein shall constitute a violation of this permit and may result in its modification, suspension, or revocation.

4. This permit is not transferable without the written consent of the Conservation Commission/Inland Wetland Agency.

5. In evaluating this application, the wetland agency has relied on information provided by the applicant. If such information is subsequently proved to be false, incomplete, or misleading, this permit may be modified, suspended, or revoked and the permittee may be subject to any other remedies or penalties provided by law.

6. The permittee shall employ management practices, consistent with the terms and conditions of this permit, to control storm water discharges and to prevent erosion and sedimentation and to otherwise prevent pollution of wetlands or watercourses. The permittee shall immediately inform the agency of any problems involving wetlands or watercourses that have developed in the course of, or that are caused by, the approved work.

7. No equipment or material including without limitation fill, construction materials, or debris, shall be deposited, placed or stored in any wetland or watercourse on or off site unless specifically approved by this permit.

8. This permit is subject to and does not derogate any rights or powers of the Town of Watertown, conveys no property rights or exclusive privileges, and is subject to all public and private rights and to all applicable federal, state and local laws. In conducting and maintaining any activities approved herein, the permittee may not
9. If the activity approved by the inland wetlands permit also involves activity or a project that requires state or federal approval, zoning or subdivision approval, special permit, variance, or special exception no work pursuant to the wetlands permit may begin until such approval is obtained.

10. The permittee shall maintain sediment and erosion controls at the site in such an operable condition as to prevent the pollution of wetlands and watercourses. Said controls are to be inspected by the permittee for deficiencies at least once per week and immediately after rains. The permittee shall correct any such deficiencies within 24 hours of said deficiency being found. The permittee shall maintain such control measures until all areas of disturbed soils at the site are stabilized.

B. OTHER CONDITIONS

The Conservation Commission/Inland Wetland Agency may wish to impose any or all of the following conditions of approval upon the applicant:

11. Creation of a restricted conservation easement over all the remaining land outside of the limit of disturbance including wetlands and the upland review areas located on this parcel for the following reasons:

a. Pursuant to Section 10.2 a, b, c, d, e, f, and g, creation of a conservation easement area will protect the inland wetlands from further disturbance and will enhance the environmental quality of the inland wetland and watercourses and wildlife habitat.

b. Pursuant to Section 10.2.f of the Inland Wetland Watercourse Regulations, the Agency recognizes the suitability of this property for development, while still balancing the need for economic growth of the Town and State and the need to protect the environment and ecology of the Town and State for the future benefit of generations yet unborn.

c. The conservation easement area will provide a dedicated area to be protected and will assure the Agency that this important and vital resource will be forever protected from activity pursuant to Section 10.2.g of the Inland Wetland and Watercourse Regulations. The conservation easement area will provide bio-filtration area to enhance water quality and support the inland wetlands capacity to prevent flooding, protect surface and ground water, and control sedimentation and pollution.
12. A wetland performance bond shall be posted. The bond estimate for all site work shall be provided by the applicant to the Department of Public Works which shall include the following:

   Soil erosion and sediment control, construction of drainage system, site stabilization including re-grading and planting of disturbed areas on and off site, and marking and installing placards on the limits of the conservation area. The applicant shall furnish to the Town, a bond with proper surety in the form and amount satisfactory to the Administrator for Land Use, Town Engineer, Director of Public Works and Town Attorney before any activity is initiated on site.

13. A preconstruction meeting shall be held with Agency staff prior to any on site activity. A 24 hour name, address and telephone number must be provided by the site construction manager and a written notification is required three business days prior to any on-site activity.

14. While construction activities on site are occurring, attendance at bimonthly meetings with the site manager and Town Staff on the site is mandatory. At this bimonthly meeting, the site manager shall provide a written report of the ongoing work.

15. No later than August 1st of each year, while the site is under construction, the Site Manager shall provide to the Wetlands Enforcement Officer a narrative of how this site will be managed during the winter months in relation to soil erosion and sediment control measures to reduce sedimentation and detrimental impact to inland wetland and watercourses.

16. All conservation easement areas shall be field located and staked in the field by the applicant’s surveyor/engineer. The conservation easement area must be placarded on site. Where posting on trees is not possible, then the placards shall be posted on 4"X4" posts two feet in the ground and 6 feet high.

17. A note shall be placed on the final plans indicating that no topsoil or loam shall be removed from the project site until all road works, drainage systems all and regulated activities associated with the development is completed unless after a written request from the applicant and written permission is granted jointly by the Director of the Department of Public Works, Wetland Enforcement Officer, and Administrator for Land Use. Topsoil shall be evenly distributed on all disturbed areas at a minimum of five inches.

18. There shall be no other on site disturbance except what is proposed by the final plans and approved by the Commission within the limits of clearing and regulated areas.
19. The following notes shall be placed on the final plans and a written notice on the land records of the Town of Watertown that the following are conditions of the Conservation Commission/Inland Wetland Agency approval.

(a) There shall be no burial of stumps on site.
(b) There shall be no underground fuel tanks permitted within the development.

20. The following notes must be placed on the final mylar site development plan:

a. The Director of Public Works, Town Engineer and Wetland Enforcement Officer may require additional work and minor modifications to this plan as field conditions warrant. Any modifications to the site development plans must be reported to the Agency by Wetlands Enforcement Officer.

b. Prior to any on site activity all soil erosion and sediment control measures for the project phase which is ready for construction shall be in place and inspected by the site manager. Wetland Enforcement Officer may require additional soil erosion and sediment control measures as field conditions warrant.

c. Prior to the release of the posted bond, all disturbed areas shall have turf vigorously established and mowed at least once.

d. No activity or site disturbance of soil or vegetation such as trees or bushes shall occur until a pre-construction meeting is held with town staff.


22. The applicant must minimize the amount of soil disturbance onsite at any one time. A narrative phasing plan must be submitted for review and approval by Town Engineer and Wetland Enforcement Officer.

23. Temporary sediment traps must be constructed up gradient of the wetlands prior to any land disturbance and prior to the construction of the water quality basins to protect the wetlands and watercourses located on and off site. Location and number of sediment traps are to be determined as site conditions warrant.

24. Final filing mylar of the site development plan must be signed and dated by the Soil Scientist and Surveyor.

25. Construction manager/contractors shall implement all notes and details included in the final plans. It is the permittee’s responsibility to provide the final site plan and conditions of approval to the site contractors.
26. All stormwater basins plantings shall be monitored for a minimum of three growing seasons following planting. All non-native invasive plant species shall be removed from the planting areas during the monitoring period. Annual reports shall be submitted to the Commission documenting the status of planted areas and any control measure implemented.

27. Monthly erosion and sediment control inspection reports shall be submitted to the Wetland Enforcement Officer during site construction. The reports shall include current site development activities, dates of erosion and sediment control inspections, results of such inspections, maintenance measures, any changes made to the erosion and sediment control plan, and any emergency measures implemented.

28. Prior to the commencement of vegetation removal within regulated areas, disturbance limits shall be demarcated with silt fence and construction barrier fencing.

29. Conservation Area Markers are to be placed 1 every 50 feet along disturbance limits. The markers may be nailed to trees using long, small diameter nails with springs to allow tree growth. If no trees are available, the markers shall be placed on appropriate rot resistant wood or metal posts. Marker locations shall be approved by the Wetland Enforcement Officer prior to installation.

30. Prior to the commencement of any activity on site, a detailed construction sequence must be submitted in writing to the Wetland Enforcement Officer. The sequence should indicate the following:

a. Areas to be cleared, staging and sequence of clearing
b. Disposal of cleared material
c. Areas to be graded, staging and sequence of grading
d. Areas and acreage to be stabilized by vegetative cover
e. Temporary erosion protection of disturbed areas, when time of year or weather prohibit establishment of permanent vegetative cover
f. The stages of development if more then one is planned.
Inland Wetland Fee Schedule

Residential uses means activities carried out on property developed for permanent housing or being developed to be occupied by permanent housing.

Commercial and industrial uses means activities carried out on property developed for industry, commerce, trade, recreation or business or being developed to be occupied for such purposes, for profit or nonprofit.

Other uses means activities other than residential, commercial or other industrial uses.

Permitted uses as of right $0.00

No regulated uses $35.00

REGULATED USES

Residential Uses

Single Lot $125.00

Proposed Subdivisions $250.00
Plus either $5.00 per 5,000 Sq. Ft. of wetlands on property or $50.00 per each proposed lot (whichever is greater)

Commercial and Industrial Uses

$250.00 plus either $0 for less than 2,500 Sq. Ft. regulated area
$25.00/acre for 2,500 Sq. Ft. regulated area and over

All other uses $150.00

Significant Activity fee/ Public Hearing Fee $350.00

Map Amendment Petitions $200.00 plus
$25.00/acre

Modification of Previous Approval $100.00
(Permit Approval)

Transferal of an Existing Permit $50

No application shall be granted or approved by the Conservation Commission/Inland Wetland Agency unless the correct application fee is paid in full or unless a waiver has been granted by the Conservation Commission/Inland Wetland Agency pursuant to subsection 4.14 of the Town Fee Ordinance #09-20-93-134.
The application fee is not refundable. Fees shall be paid by either cash or check.

All checks should be made payable to the Town of Watertown. Prior to holding of a public hearing, the $350.00 significant activity fee (public hearing fee) must be paid to the Planning and Zoning Office prior to the public hearing being scheduled and advertised in the newspaper.

An application will be considered incomplete if all the required fees are not paid.

An additional $60.00 State fee must be added to all application costs per Public Act 92-235 Section (4) enacted by the Connecticut State Legislature.
Section 9
Public Hearings

9.1 The Conservation Commission/Inland Wetlands Agency shall not hold a public hearing on an application unless the agency determines that the proposed activity may have a significant impact on wetlands or watercourses, a petition signed by at least twenty-five persons who are eighteen years of age or older and who reside in the Town of Watertown, requesting a hearing is filed with the agency not later than fourteen days after the date of receipt of such application, or the agency finds that a public hearing regarding such application would be in the public interest. The agency may issue a permit without a public hearing provided no petition provided for in this section is filed with the agency on or before the fourteenth day after the date of receipt of the application. Such hearing shall be held no later than sixty-five days after the receipt of such application. All applications and maps and documents relating thereto shall be open for public inspection. At such hearing any person or persons may appear and be heard.

9.2 Notice of the public hearing shall be published at least twice at intervals of not less than two days, the first not more than fifteen days and not fewer than ten days, and the last not less than two days before the date set for the hearing in a newspaper having a general circulation in each town where the affected wetland and watercourse is located.

9.3. Notice of the public hearing shall be mailed by the applicant to the owner(s) of abutting landowners no less than fifteen days prior to the day of the hearing. No error in the mailing of these notices by applicant shall invalidate any action taken by the agency.

9.4. Posting public hearings notices on subject property
a. The applicant shall post an Agency public hearing notice sign on the subject property during the ten day period prior to commencement of and during an Agency scheduled public hearing.

b. One public hearing notice sign shall be provided by the Agency without expense to the applicant upon Agency receipt of an application fee and the Agency scheduling a public hearing. Additional signs required by this section shall be provided by the Agency at a fee to the applicant covering the cost of the signs.

c. Signs shall be no further than 500 feet apart along paved street frontage of the subject property, and shall be in proximity to the street with clear and unobstructed visibility to motorists passing the signs. If a property has no paved street frontage, signs shall be posted in locations determined by the Agency’s Duly Authorized Agent.

d. Public hearing notice signs are not required for Agency regulation text amendments, wetlands and watercourses map amendments, for Agency hearings that is not required to have notice published in a local newspaper, or for Agency enforcement hearings.
e. The signs shall be no less in size than 2 feet wide by 1½ feet high, indicating a land use public hearing will be held by the Agency, and shall display the Agency office telephone number to contact for information.

f. The signs shall be reasonably maintained and replaced if necessary by the applicant until the day following the close of the public hearing, at which time all signs shall be removed by the applicant.

g. The applicant is required on forms determined by the Agency to make return under oath to the Agency that the applicant complied with this section of the Agency regulations.

h. In the event the applicant fails to post and/or maintain signs as required by Agency regulations, the application may be deemed by the Agency to be incomplete; and in that circumstance a reason for the Agency to not approve the application.

i. In the event the Agency finds the applicant's non-compliance with this section of the Agency regulations was not the fault of the applicant, or for other reasons determined by the Agency, the Agency may waive this section by a motion with two-thirds Agency membership vote of approval.
AFFIDAVIT

I, ______________________ of ______________________ hereby depose and say:

1. That I am over the age of 18 and believe in the obligation of an oath;

2. That I am the ______________________ of ______________________;

3. That I have an application pending before the Conservation Commission/Inland Wetlands Agency which is subject to Section 9.4.a. to 9.4.i. of the Watertown Inland Wetlands and Watercourses Regulations concerning the posting of public hearing notices;

4. That I have fully complied with the regulation concerning posting of public hearing notices.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this ______ day of _________________, 200____.

______________________________

Commissioner of the Superior Court
Notary Public
My Commission Expires: