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FW: Rocklland Zone A

From: Debra Shettlesworth

Sent: Tuesday, November 15, 2022 9:01 AM **To:** Mary Parsons <maryaparsons@verizon.net>

Subject: RE: Rocklland Zone A

Good morning Mary. Yes, I will pass your email/attachment on to the ZBA. If you go to the Shinglemill section of the Current Projects, scroll down to the bottom and you will see a section for tonight's ZBA hearing under the heading November 15, 2022, Hearing. Can you please check – and let me know if you don't see that section so that I can check with our IT person. Thank you Mary. Debbie

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From: Mary Parsons < maryaparsons@verizon.net >

To: Debra Shettlesworth < DShettlesworth@rockland-ma.gov>

Sent: Tuesday, November 15, 2022 8:52 AM

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Hi Debbie.

Cou.d you pass this information on to the ZBA members for tonight's ZBA meeting with Shinglemill? I could not find any new documents on the town website but did hear some new documents were sent to town hall weeks ago. I would appreciate a reply.

Mary Parsons

From: Friend, Richard (DEP) [mailto:richard.friend@state.ma.us]

Sent: Tuesday, October 11, 2022 11:28 AM To: Mary Parsons; Bouck, Bruce (DEP) Subject: RE: Rocklland Zone A

Dear Ms. Parsons-

MassDEP was contacted by Coneco to review the locations of Zone A protection areas for the Hingham Street reservoir. Zone A is a 200-foot buffer around tributaries to public water system (PWS) reservoirs in Massachusetts. Zone A is determined only by MassDEP, not by the U.S. EPA. Within a Zone A septic systems, stormwater recharge structures, and permitted groundwater discharge structures are prohibited, as are the pipes, tanks, etc. associated with them. A proponent can request a variance from the local board of health to build these stuctures from 100 to 200 feet from the tributary, but they are never allowed within 100 feet of the tributary.

Zone A tributaries are located using aerial photographs to locate stream channels. Near basin boundaries, such as at the Shingle Mill project property in Rockland, determining channel locations from aerial photographs can sometimes be inaccurate because the channels are small, streams can be intermittent, and tree canopy can obscure hydrologic features. In some cases, what looks like a stream channel on an aerial photo may be a shadow or old roadway PWSs and property owners can ask for a field visit by MassDEP to confirm if mapped Zone A tributaries are correct, or if adjustments should be made to the location and extent of the tributaries.

In the case of the Shingle Mill property, MassDEP has made three site visits. Municipal officials and/or their representatives were present at the field visits. Based on MassDEP staff observations at the site, there are a few small changes to the locations of the tributaries and to the associated Zone A. Attached is a map prepared by Coneco depicting these changes. The solid red line indicates a previously mapped stream where no channel was observed by MassDEP and therefore will be deleted. The dashed green line represents a channel not previously mapped, and therefore will be added. The remaining mapped Zone A tributaries will remain as they are, as will the associated Zone A areas.

The history and potential contamination at the former Boston Whaler facility was not a part of MassDEP's review of the Zone A.

Thank you for contacting the MassDEP Drinking Water Program. Please let me know if I can be of further assistance.

-Richard Friend

From: Mary Parsons < maryaparsons@verizon.net >

Sent: Wednesday, October 5, 2022 9:58 AM

To: Bouck, Bruce (DEP) < bruce.bouck@mass.gov >; Friend, Richard (DEP) < richard.friend@mass.gov >

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Hi Mr. bouck, Mr. friend,

It has come to our attention, at Rockland Zoning Board meeting, the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection(DEP) and the Federal Environmental Protection Agency(EPA) has made a minor adjustment to our Zone A at the Hannigan Water Treatment Facility at 835 Hingham Street, Rockland. We understand Atty Nagle may have

something to do with a minor change to the DEP mapping of our Zone A? We would like to see this mapping change. What we saw last night was Coneco's idea of the mapping change. The Coneco Engineering firm is owned by the property owner, Rick Lincoln.

There iare contamination areas that no one has access to. Could it be from the Boston Whaler plant where they made fiberglass fishing boats? We could smell the glue from the street etc. Very strong smell.

The documents the proponent was speaking of last night are not posted where the public can see them. They want to build and discharge their stormwater into tributaries that flow into our drinking water supply. Our Hanningan Water Treatment Facility may have been built before 1970 and the EPA and Clean Water act.

We would appreciate a response from you .

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