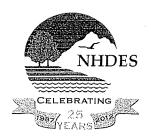
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The State of New Hampshire

Department of Environmental Services

Thomas S. Burack, Commissioner

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CONDITIONS

WETLANDS AND NON-SITE SPECIFIC PERMIT 2012-01110

Permittee:

Granite State Gas

c/o Jonathan Pfister

325 West Rd

Portsmouth, NH 03801

Project Location:

US Route 4/NH Route 16, Dover

Dover Tax Map/Lot No. 8 / 26

Waterbody:

Little Bay/ Piscataqua River

APPROVAL DATE: 11/13/2012 EXPIRATION DATE: 11/13/2017

Based upon review of the above referenced application, in accordance with RSA 482-A and RSA 485-A:17, a Wetlands Permit and Non-Site Specific Permit was issued. This permit shall not be considered valid unless signed as specified below.

PERMIT DESCRIPTION: Replace a natural gas pipeline using a horizontal directional drill method temporarily impacting 280 sq. ft. of previously disturbed tidal buffer zone.

THIS APPROVAL IS SUBJECT TO THE FOLLOWING PROJECT SPECIFIC CONDITIONS:

- 1. All work shall be in accordance with plans by BL Companies revised May 18, 2012 as received by the Department on June 1, 2012.
- 2. Dredged material shall be placed out of the DES Wetlands Bureau jurisdiction.
- 3. Appropriate siltation/erosion/turbidity controls shall be in place prior to construction, shall be maintained during construction, and shall remain until the area is stabilized.
- 4. Construction equipment shall not be located within surface waters.
- 5. Within three days of the last activity in an area, all exposed soil areas, where construction activities are complete, shall be stabilized by seeding and mulching during the growing season, or if not within the growing season, by mulching with tack on slopes steeper than 3:1 or netting /matting and pinning on slopes steeper than 2:1.
- 6. Where construction activities have been temporarily suspended within the growing season, all exposed soil areas shall be stabilized within 14 days by seeding and mulching or if temporarily suspended outside the growing season, all exposed areas shall be stabilized within 14 days by mulching, mulching with tack on slopes steeper than 3:1 and stabilized by matting and pinning on slopes steeper than 2:1.
- 7. The contractor responsible for completion of the work shall utilize techniques described in the New Hampshire Stormwater Manual, Volume 3, Erosion and Sediment Controls During Construction (December 2008).
- 8. Extreme precautions to be taken within riparian areas to limit unnecessary removal of vegetation during road construction and areas cleared of vegetation to be revegetated as quickly as possible.
- 9. There shall be no further alteration to wetlands or surface waters without amendment of this permit.
- 10. Work shall be done during low flow.

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- 11. Additional expedited minimum impact applications shall be accepted for the subject property for a period of 12 months only if the applicant demonstrates by plan that the additional project(s) are wholly unrelated or separate from the original application and when considered with the original application are not classified as minor or major.
- 12. Work authorized shall be carried out such that discharges shall be avoided in spawning or nursery areas during spawning seasons, and impacts to such areas shall be avoided or minimized to the maximum extent practicable during all times of the year.
- 13. Work shall be carried out in a time and manner such that disturbance to migratory waterfowl breeding and nesting areas shall be avoided.
- 14. Use of bentonite (for pipe and drill lubrication) shall be controlled to prevent visible plumes or violations of turbidity surface water quality criteria.

GENERAL CONDITIONS THAT APPLY TO ALL DES WETLANDS PERMITS:

- 1. A copy of this permit shall be posted on site during construction in a prominent location visible to inspecting personnel;
- 2. This permit does not convey a property right, nor authorize any injury to property of others, nor invasion of rights of others;
- 3. The Wetlands Bureau shall be notified upon completion of work;
- 4. This permit does not relieve the applicant from the obligation to obtain other local, state or federal permits, and/or consult with other agencies as may be required (including US EPA, US Army Corps of Engineers, NH Department of Transportation, NH Division of Historical Resources (NH Department of Cultural Resources), NHDES-Alteration of Terrain, etc.);
- 5. Transfer of this permit to a new owner shall require notification to and approval by DES;
- 6. This permit shall not be extended beyond the current expiration date.
- 7. This project has been screened for potential impacts to known occurrences of rare species and exemplary natural communities in the immediate area. Since many areas have never been surveyed, or have received only cursory inventories, unidentified sensitive species or communities may be present. This permit does not absolve the permittee from due diligence in regard to state, local or federal laws regarding such communities or species.

8. Review enclosed sheet for status of the US Army Corps of Engineers' federal wetlands permit.

APPROVED: Juno Infacelly
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DES Wetlands Bureau

BY SIGNING BELOW I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT I HAVE FULLY READ THIS PERMIT AND AGREE TO ABIDE BY ALL PERMIT CONDITIONS.

OWNER'S SIGNATURE (required) CONTRACTOR'S SIGNATURE (required)