



TOWN OF HINGHAM CONSERVATION COMMISSION

APPLICATION CHECKLIST REQUEST FOR DETERMINATION OF APPLICABILITY (RDA)

The following checklist should be used when submitting a Request for Determination of Applicability (RDA) to the Conservation Commission under the MA Wetlands Protection Act and Hingham Wetlands Protection Bylaw. Please also refer to the DEP [Instructions for Completing WPA Form 1- Request for Determination of Applicability](#). Submit one (1) hard copy of the following to the Conservation office by hand delivery or certified mail and one electronic copy of the complete application to conservation@hingham-ma.gov

- WPA Form 1- *Request for Determination*: [WPA Form 1 Department of Environmental Protection](#)
- A check payable to the Town of Hingham for the [Town of Hingham Wetlands Protection Bylaw fee](#)
 - \$50 base fee for ancillary work on an existing single family house and all other requests for the first acre of land, \$40 for each additional acre of land
 - Please redact bank account information from photocopies
 - Note, a public legal notice is prepared and submitted by staff and the newspaper will invoice the applicant
- Narrative describing the area, proposed activity, the on-site wetland resources, existing/proposed impervious surface calculations and proposed mitigation (per the [Buffer Zone Mitigation Policy](#)), tree removal/replacement request (per the [Tree Removal and Replacement Policy](#)), and stormwater management features, as applicable.
- Project plan of adequate size, scale, and detail to describe the site, resource areas, and proposed work including the following information:
 - All wetland resource area boundaries including the 50 and 100 foot Buffer Zone*
 - FEMA Floodplain boundaries, as applicable
 - Location of existing and proposed structures
 - Proposed mitigation areas, as applicable
 - Limit of work/erosion and sediment control line
 - Stockpile locations and other stormwater BMPs, as applicable
 - Trees of 6 inches or greater DBH in the Buffer Zone to be removed, as applicable

** If a professional wetland delineation has not been performed, the most current GIS DEP wetlands layer may be used [MapsOnline Site Hingham, MA SimpliCITY Mapping by PeopleGIS](#) to estimate the resource area boundaries, in coordination with Conservation staff.*

Please note the Commission may require supporting plans or materials be prepared by professionals including, but not limited, to a registered professional engineer, land surveyor, wetland scientist, etc.

- Proof of mailing the RDA to the MA Department of Environmental Protection (DEP), Southeast Regional Office at 20 Riverside Drive, Lakeville MA, 02347 (certified mail receipt from the post office) or proof of electronic filing (eDEP Transaction Number)
- The Conservation Commission's [Policy on Receipt of Information](#)
- Optional - [Voluntary Waiver of Deadlines](#) and [Permission to Access Site](#)