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401 Water Quality Certification Complete Application List

Pursuant to the Final 2023 Clean Water Act Section 401 Water Quality Certification Improvement Rule, below is a list of information that must be submitted in order for MassDEP to consider an application complete with sufficient information for MassDEP to review a 401 WQC application and issue or deny the 401 WQC application. For a 401 WQC application to be considered complete, please provide the following required documentations, as applicable.

Documentation	Forms	Forms
	WW07/08/26	WW10/11
Documentation of request for pre-filing meeting at least 30 days prior	Yes	Yes
to application submittal		
Evidence of DEP Sampling Analysis Plan (SAP) review or approval	Yes	No
[314CMR9.07(2)]		
Sediment grain size analysis [314CMR9.07(2)]	Yes	No
Chemical analysis of sediment [314CMR9.07(2)]	Yes	No
Project site due diligence review [314CMR9.07(2)]	Yes	No
Dredging and disposal operation	Yes	No
Project narrative	Yes	Yes
Project plan set	Yes	Yes
Information required for MassDEP's alternative analysis	Yes	Yes
USGS quadrangle map	Yes	Yes
Proof of public notice	Yes	Yes
Final MEPA certificate, or Evidence that no MEPA review is required	Yes	Yes
Consultation letter or email from Division of Marine Fisheries and/or	Yes	As applicable
Division of Fisheries and Wildlife		
Consultation letter or Email from Natural Heritage and Endangered	As applicable	As applicable
Species Program		
Plans for adequate containment for dewatering on barge	As applicable	No
Characteristics of the proposed ocean disposal site	As applicable	No
Eelgrass monitoring and/or management plan	As applicable	No
Performance standard to avoid and minimize and mitigate impact	As applicable	As applicable
Plans for effluent control at the dewatering and disposal sites	As applicable	As applicable
Sediment Monitoring Plan (mainly for dam removal projects)	As applicable	No
Wetlands Restoration Plan	As applicable	Yes
USACE authorization	As applicable	As applicable
List of all other required permits or authorizations	As applicable	As applicable

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Public Notice Proof has been submitted to publish notice in the	As applicable	As applicable
Environmental Monitor for projects in an Outstanding Resource Water		
has been met (copy of the Environmental Monitor notice)		
Documentation of meeting Stream Crossing Standards	As applicable	As applicable
Documentation of meeting Stormwater Standards	As applicable	As applicable
Details of Compensatory mitigation proposals	As applicable	As applicable
Documentation of Mass Historical Commission Coordination	As applicable	As applicable
Table of impacts to WOTUS using 401 terminologies	As applicable	As applicable
Construction Sequencing Plan	As applicable	As applicable
Erosion and sedimentation plan (SWPPP as appropriate)	As applicable	As applicable
USACE Field Data Forms documenting vegetated wetland delineation	As applicable	As applicable
USACE Field Data Sheet documenting OHW delineation	No	As applicable
A copy of the Wetlands Notice of Intent has been completed, unless	No	Yes
the project is exempt from the Wetlands Protection Act		
If the project is subject to the Wetlands Protection Act and if the Final	As applicable	Yes
Order of Conditions has been issued, a copy of the Final Order of		
Conditions		
For projects involving the creation of a real estate subdivision with	No	Yes
deed restrictions limiting the amount of fill for the single and		
complete project to 5,000 square feet cumulatively, proof that the		
deed restriction has been recorded as specified at 314 CMR 9.04(3)		
and a copy of the deed is submitted with the Order of Conditions		
A copy of the 401 application is sent to the conservation commission	As applicable	Yes
in the town/city where the work will occur		
For projects within the Quabbin, Ware, and Wachusett watersheds	No	Yes
not regulated by the Watershed Protection Act regulations, pursuant		
to 350 CMR 11.06(4), a copy of the Request for Advisory Ruling under		
350 CMR 11.06 (1)(a)1., or Request for Watershed Determination of		
Applicability pursuant to 350 CMR 11.06(2)(a)1., with the		
Metropolitan District Commission's Ruling or Determination		_
Other project-specific documents	As applicable	As applicable