DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION WATERWAYS REGULATION PROGRAM

Notice of Permit Application pursuant to M.G.L. Chapter 91 Application No: 25-WW01-0105-APP

Applicant: Massachusetts Department of Conservation & Recreation

Project Location: 0 Route 119 (Parcel ID: 012/011.0-0011-0001.0); within Squannassit Area of

Critical Environmental Concern; Waters of Damon Pond (Impoundment of

Willard Brook), Ashby, Middlesex County

Notification Date: October 9, 2025

Public Comments Deadline: October 24, 2025

Public Notice is hereby given of the Chapter 91 Permit Application by the Massachusetts Department of Conservation and Recreation for authorization to perform improvement dredging including temporary water control measures within waters of Damon Pond (Impoundment of Willard Brook) within the Squannassit Area of Critical Environmental Concern at 0 Route 119 (Parcel ID: 012/011.0-0011-0001.0) in the Town of Ashby, Middlesex County. The proposed project has preliminarily been determined to be a Water-Dependent Use. The work described in this public notice is associated with proposed repair of the Damon Pond Dam, which was reviewed by the Department and determined to be maintenance to an exempt public service project pursuant to 310 CMR 9.05(3)(c) and 310 CMR 9.22(1).

The Department will consider all written comments on this Application received by October 24, 2025 (Public Comment Deadline). Failure of any aggrieved person or group of ten (10) citizens or more to submit written comments to the Waterways Regulation Program by the Public Comment Deadline will result in the waiver of any right to an adjudicatory hearing in accordance with 310 CMR 9.13(4)(c). The group of citizens must include at least five (5) citizens who are residents of the municipality in which the proposed project is located. A public hearing may be held at the request of the Municipal Official.

Project plans and documents for the application are on file for public viewing electronically at: https://eeaonline.eea.state.ma.us/EEA/PublicApp/ (enter 25-WW01-0105-APP in the Search Page in the field for "Record ID"). If you need assistance, please contact susan.you@mass.gov or if you do not have access to email, please leave a message at (617) 292-5929 and you will be contacted with alternative options.

It is recommended that documents and correspondence be filed electronically with the email address above, when possible. Alternatively, comments may be mailed to MassDEP Waterways Regulation Program c/o Susan You, 100 Cambridge Street, Suite 900, Boston, MA 02114.

The Department provides language access interpreter/translation services to limited English proficient individuals free of charge. If you need an interpreter for any documents, translation services can be found at the following link: https://www.mass.gov/info-details/massdep-language-translation-assistance.