

## **Public Notice**

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

In Reply to Application Number NAB-OPR-P-2005-02263 (GETTYSBURG COMMONS PROPERTY)

**Baltimore District** 

January 15, 2019 to January 30, 2019 PN-19-03 Comment Period:

THE PURPOSE OF THIS PUBLIC NOTICE IS TO SOLICIT COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC REGARDING THE WORK DESCRIBED BELOW. NO DECISION HAS BEEN MADE AS TO WHETHER OR NOT A PERMIT WILL BE ISSUED AT THIS TIME.

This District has received an application for a Department of the Army permit pursuant to **Section** 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act of 1899 and/or Section 404 of the Clean Water Act (33. **U.S.C. 1344**) as described below:

**APPLICANT:** Robert Karen

CCD Rock Creek, LLC

275 Grove Street Suite 3-103

Newton, Massachusetts 20466

WATERWAY AND LOCATION OF THE PROPOSED WORK: Amblebrook Pond, situated on an unnamed tributary to Beaverdam Creek, on the property identified as Gettysburg Commons, located south of Shriver Corner Road (S.R. 394) and approximately 0.34 mile east of S.R. 15 in Straban Township, Adams County, Pennsylvania. Latitude: 39.886614 Longitude: -77.176182.

PROPOSED WORK AND PURPOSE: The proposed project includes maintenance of an existing 5.2 acre pond. The pond will be drained and excess accumulated sediment will be removed from the impoundment area. Black willows surrounding the perimeter of the pond will be removed, with new tree species planted after the water level has been restored to the pond. Rock stabilization along the perimeter of the pond is proposed. The purpose of the project is to restore the pond to its historic depth and shape. The project, as proposed, will not result in additional loss of aquatic resources. No mitigation is proposed.

All work is proposed to be completed in accordance with the enclosed plans. If you have any questions concerning this matter, please contact Deborah Nizer at debby.nizer@usace.army.mil or (410) 962-6085.

The decision whether to issue a permit will be based on an evaluation of the probable impacts, including cumulative impacts of the proposed activity on the public interest. That decision will reflect the national concern for both protection and utilization of important resources. The benefit, which reasonable may be expected to accrue from the proposal, must be balanced against its reasonably foreseeable detriments. All factors, which may be relevant to the proposal will be considered, including the cumulative effects thereof; among those are conservation, economic, aesthetics, general environmental concerns, wetlands, cultural values, fish and wildlife values, flood hazards, flood plain values, land use, navigation, shoreline erosion and accretion, recreation, water supply and conservation, water quality, energy needs, safety, food and fiber production, mineral needs, and consideration of property ownership and in general, the needs and welfare of the people.

The Corps of Engineers is soliciting comments from the public; Federal, State, and local agencies and officials; Indian Tribes; and other interested parties in order to consider and evaluate the impacts of this proposed activity. Any comments received will be considered by the Corps of Engineers to determine whether to issue, modify, condition or deny a permit for this proposal. To make this decision, comments are used to assess impacts on endangered species, historic properties, water quality, general environmental effects, and the other public interest factors listed above. Comments are used in the preparation of an Environmental Assessment and/or an Environmental Impact Statement pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act. Comments provided will become part of the public record for this action. Comments are also used to determine the need for a public hearing and to determine the overall public interest of the proposed activity. Written comments concerning the work described above related to the factors listed above or other pertinent factors must be received by the District Engineer, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers at <a href="mailto:deby.nizer@usace.army.mil">deby.nizer@usace.army.mil</a> or Deborah A. Nizer, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Baltimore District, 02-E-22-OP, 2 Hopkins Plaza, Baltimore, Maryland 21201, within the comment period specified above.

**ESSENTIAL FISH HABITAT:** The Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act (MSFCMA), as amended by the Sustainable Fisheries Act of 1996 (Public Law 04-267), requires all Federal agencies to consult with the National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) on all actions, or proposed actions, permitted, funded, or undertaken by the agency that may adversely effect Essential Fish Habitat (EFH). The Corps has determined this project will not affect any EFH.

**WATER QUALITY CERTIFICATION:** The applicant is required to obtain a water quality certification in accordance with Section 401 of the Clean Water Act from the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection. The Section 401 certifying agency has a statutory limit of one year from the date of this public notice to make its decision.

**COASTAL ZONE MANAGEMENT PROGRAMS:** Where applicable, the applicant has certified in this application that the proposed activity complies with and will be conducted in a manner consistent with the approved Coastal Zone Management (CZM) Program. By this public notice, we are requesting the State concurrence or objection to the applicant's consistency statement. It should be noted that the CZM Program has a statutory limit of 6 months to make its consistency determination.

**ENDANGERED SPECIES ACT:** A preliminary review of this application indicates that the proposed work will not affect Federal listed threatened or endangered species or their critical habitat, pursuant to Section 7 of the Endangered Species Act, as amended. As the evaluation of this application continues, additional information may become available which could modify this preliminary determination.

**NATIONAL HISTORIC PRESERVATION ACT:** Review of the latest published version of the National Register of Historic Places indicates that no registered properties listed as eligible for inclusion, therein, are located at the site of the proposed work. Currently unknown archeological, scientific, prehistoric, or historical data may be lost or destroyed by the work to be accomplished under the request permit.

**ADDITIONAL AUTHORIZATIONS:** The applicant must obtain any State or local government permits which may be required.

The evaluation of the impact of this project on the public interest will include application of the

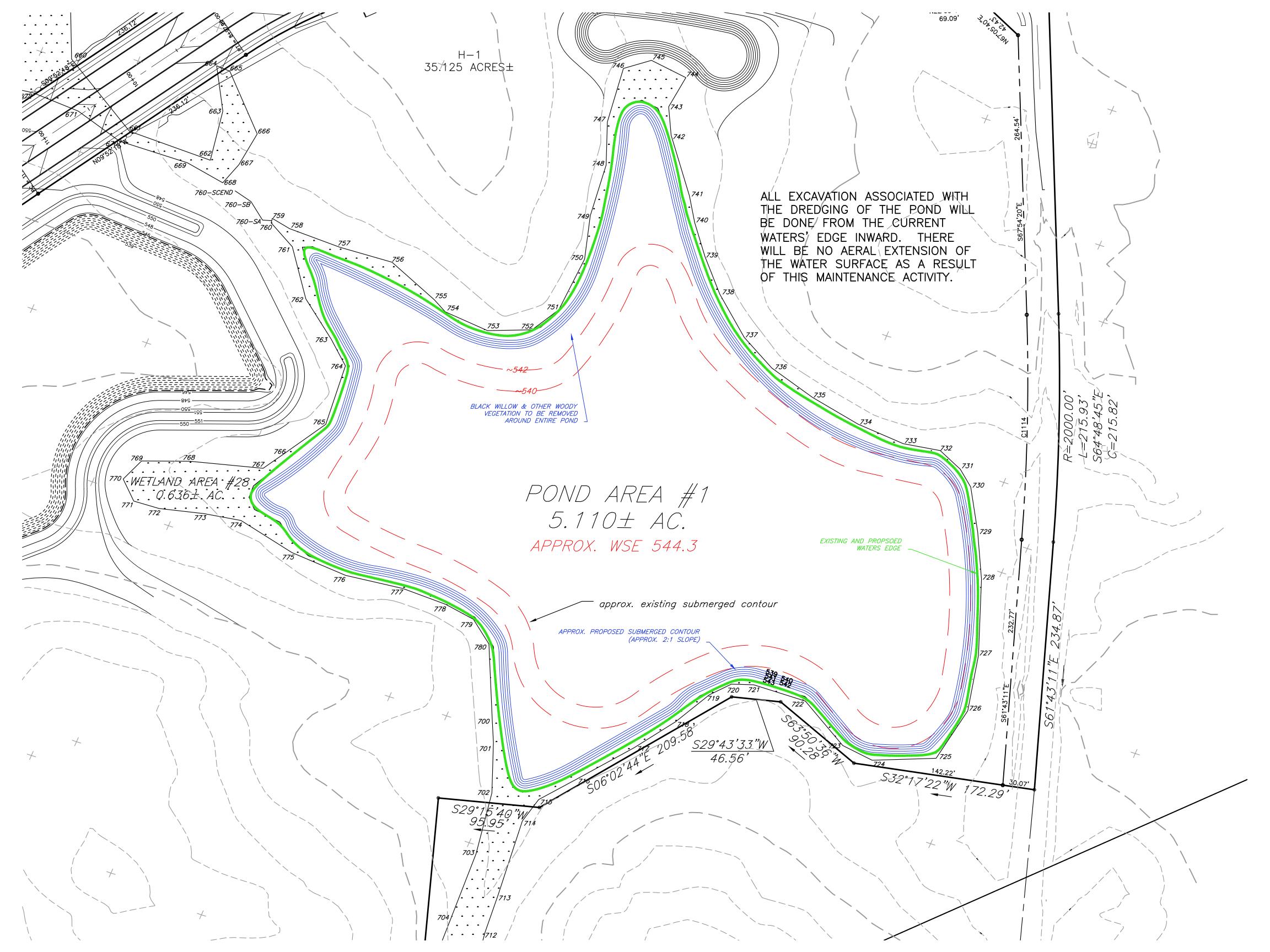
guidelines promulgated by the Administrator, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, under authority of Section 404 of the Clean Water Act.

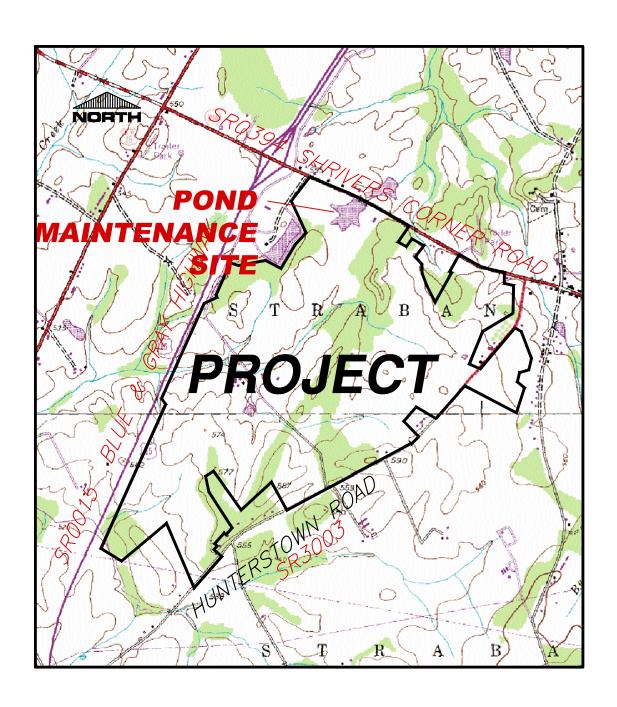
Any person who has an interest which may be adversely affected by the issuance of this permit may request a public hearing. The request, which must be in writing, must be received by the District Engineer, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Baltimore District, Attention Deborah A. Nizer, 02-E-22-OP, 2 Hopkins Plaza, Baltimore, Maryland 21201, within the comment period as specified above to receive consideration. Also it must clearly set forth the interest which may be adversely affected by this activity and the manner in which the interest may be adversely affected.

It is requested that you communicate this information concerning the proposed work to any persons know by you to be interested and not being known to this office, who did not receive a copy of this notice.

## FOR THE DISTRICT ENGINEER:

Wade B. Chandler Chief, Pennsylvania Section Regulatory Branch





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