



# Maryland

## Department of the Environment

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September 16, 2020

Maryland Dept of Natural Resources  
c/o C. Scott Hardaway  
PO Box 157  
Achilles, VA 23001

Re: Agency Interest Number: 166818  
Tracking Number: 202060150  
Tidal Authorization Number: 20-WQC-0048

Via email: [scott@coastlinedesignpc.com](mailto:scott@coastlinedesignpc.com) and [Nicole.M.Voelker@usace.army.mil](mailto:Nicole.M.Voelker@usace.army.mil)

Dear Mr. Hardaway:

Your project did not qualify for approval under the Maryland State Programmatic General Permit (MDSPGP); therefore, a separate review and issuance of the federal permit will be required by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. The federal permit is not attached.

Additionally, your project required a Wetlands License to be approved and issued by the Maryland Board of Public Works (BPW). The Wetlands License will be sent to you by the BPW's Wetlands Administrator.

A project that does not qualify for approval under the MDSPGP requires an individual Water Quality Certification (WQC) to be issued by the Maryland Department of the Environment, which is attached. Please take a moment to read and review your WQC to ensure that you understand the limits of the authorized work and all of the general and special conditions.

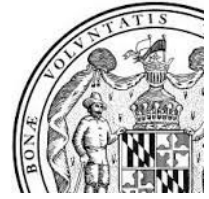
You should not begin any work until you have obtained all necessary State, local, and federal authorizations. Please contact Melissa McCanna at [melissa.mccanna@maryland.gov](mailto:melissa.mccanna@maryland.gov) or 410-537-4053 with any questions.

Sincerely,

Danielle Spendiff, Chief  
Western Region  
Tidal Wetlands Division



STATE OF MARYLAND  
DEPARTMENT OF THE ENVIRONMENT  
WATER AND SCIENCE ADMINISTRATION  
WATER QUALITY CERTIFICATION



20-WQC-0048

EFFECTIVE DATE: **September 2, 2020**  
EXPIRATION DATE: **September 1, 2023**  
CERTIFICATION HOLDER: **Maryland Dept of Natural Resources**  
ADDRESS: **580 Taylor Ave**  
**Annapolis, Maryland 21401-2397**  
PROJECT LOCATION: **5955 Shady Side Rd**  
**Shady Side, MD 20764**

**UNDER AUTHORITY OF SECTION 401 OF THE FEDERAL WATER POLLUTION CONTROL ACT AND ITS AMENDMENTS AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH §9-313 THROUGH §9-323, INCLUSIVE, OF THE ENVIRONMENT ARTICLE, ANNOTATED CODE OF MARYLAND, THE WATER AND SCIENCE ADMINISTRATION (“ADMINISTRATION”) HAS DETERMINED THAT THE REGULATED ACTIVITY DESCRIBED IN STATE TIDAL WETLANDS LICENSE NUMBER 20-WL-0097 (“LICENSE”) WILL NOT VIOLATE MARYLAND’S WATER QUALITY STANDARDS, IF CONDUCTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE CONDITIONS OF THIS CERTIFICATION AND WITH ALL TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE LICENSE. A COPY OF THE LICENSE, INCLUDING APPROVED PROJECT DRAWINGS AND OTHER ATTACHMENTS, IS ATTACHED HERETO AND IS HEREBY INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE.**

THIS CERTIFICATION DOES NOT RELIEVE THE APPLICANT OF RESPONSIBILITY FOR OBTAINING ANY OTHER APPROVALS, LICENSES, OR PERMITS IN ACCORDANCE WITH FEDERAL, STATE, OR LOCAL REQUIREMENTS AND DOES NOT AUTHORIZE COMMENCEMENT OF THE PROPOSED PROJECT. A COPY OF THIS REQUIRED CERTIFICATION HAS BEEN SENT TO THE CORPS OF ENGINEERS.

THE CERTIFICATION HOLDER SHALL COMPLY WITH THE CONDITIONS LISTED BELOW.

### **SPECIAL CONDITIONS**

- A. The terms and conditions of Tidal Wetlands License No. 20-WL-0097 are hereby incorporated, by reference, into this Water Quality Certification. The Certification Holder shall comply with these conditions to ensure that the authorized activities will not result in a violation of the State's water quality standards.

# GENERAL CONDITIONS

- A. The proposed project shall be constructed in a manner which will not violate Maryland's Water Quality Standards as set forth in COMAR 26.08.02. The applicant is to notify this Department ten (10) days prior to commencing work. Verbal notification is to be followed by written notice within ten (10) days.
- B. The Maryland Department of the Environment has determined that the proposed activities comply with, and will be conducted in a manner consistent with the State's Coastal Zone Management Program, as required by Section 307 of the Federal Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972, as amended.
- C. If the authorized work is not performed by the property owner, all work performed under this Tidal Wetlands License shall be conducted by a marine contractor licensed by the Marine Contractors Licensing Board (MCLB) in accordance with Title 17 of the Environment Article of Annotated Code of Maryland. A list of licensed marine contractors may be obtained by contacting the MCLB at 410-537-3249, by e-mail at MDE.MCLB@maryland.gov or by accessing the Maryland Department of the Environment, Environmental Boards webpage.
- D. The Certification Holder shall ensure the proposed project shall be constructed in accordance with the authorized plan and any authorized revisions.
- E. The Certification Holder shall ensure that all fill and construction materials not used in the project shall be removed and disposed of in a manner which will prevent their entry into waters of this State.
- F. The Certification Holder shall notify the Water and Science Administration, Tidal Wetlands Division, in writing, upon transferring property ownership or responsibility for compliance with these conditions to another person. The new owner/operator shall request, in writing, transfer of this Water Quality Certification to his/her name.
- G. The Certification Holder shall allow representatives of the Maryland Department of the Environment to inspect the authorized activities.
- H. The Certification Holder shall ensure that a copy of this Permit, including the approved plans, is available at the site until the authorized work is complete.
- I. The Certification does not relieve the Certification holder from the responsibility of obtaining all necessary federal, State, and local government authorizations.
- J. The Certification Holder shall comply with all Critical Area requirements and obtain all necessary authorizations from local jurisdiction. This Certification does not constitute authorization for disturbance in the 100-foot Critical Area Buffer. "Disturbance" in the Buffer means clearing, grading, construction activities, or removal of any size of tree or vegetation. Any anticipated Buffer disturbance requires prior written approval, before commencement of land disturbing activity, from local jurisdiction in the form of a Buffer Management Plan.

Failure to comply with these conditions shall constitute reason for suspension or revocation of the Water Quality Certification, and legal proceedings may be instituted against the Certification Holder in accordance with the Annotated Code of Maryland. In granting this certification, the Department reserves the right to inspect the operations and records regarding this project at anytime

**CERTIFICATION APPROVED**



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D. Lee Currey, Director  
Water and Science Administration

9/25/2020

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Date

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Effective Date: September 2, 2020

Enclosure: Executed Tidal Wetlands License No. 20-WL-0097 with all plans and attachments.

cc: WMA Inspection & Compliance Program