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February 16, 2006

Via Fax - (781) 294-7684 and First Class Mail

Mary Guiney Halifax Conservation Commission 499 Plymouth Street Halifax, MA 02338

Re:

John Peck / Cumberland Farms Matter

Dear Mary

My client has engaged the services of Sharon LaPort as the outside consultant. Ms. LaPort's report will not be available until after March 1, 2006 and therefore, at this time there is no reason for me to appear before the Commission this evening. If the Commission deems it necessary to have another meeting, we respectfully request that this matter be continued to a date that the Commission meets after Ms. LaPort's report is completed. Please contact my office to confirm that I do not have to appear before the Commission this evening.

Thank you for your courtesy and attention to this matter.

Very truly yours,

Robert Kraus

RK/kl

CC:

John Peck

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### Office of the CONSERVATION COMMISSION 499 Plymouth St., Halifax MA 02338 781-293-1735 781-294-7684 fax

January 11, 2005

Mr. John Peck 100 Country Club Drive Halifax, MA 02338

RE:

316 Plymouth Street, Halifax, MA

Notice of Intent

Dear Mr. Fitzgerald:

Due to the lack of a quorum for the scheduled public hearing to be held on Tuesday, January 10, 2006, the Conservation Commission was forced to cancel and continued the review of your Abbreviated Notice of Resource Area Delineation to Tuesday, January 24, 2006, at 7:50 p.m. in Meeting Room 1 at Town Hall.

We are sorry if this has caused you any inconvenience. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact this office Tuesday through Thursday from 9:00 a.m. -3:00 p.m.

Sincerely,

Ľÿnne A. Hurley

Secretary

**Conservation Commission** 

Cc: Kraus & Hummel, LLP



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December 14, 2005

Mr. John Peck 100 Country Club Drive Halifax, MA 02338

RE:

316 Plymouth Street

Map 63, Lot 6, 6A, 26, 30, 31 &2

Notice of Intent

Dear Mr. Peck:

At a public hearing held on December 13, 2005, the Conservation Commission continued the review of your Abbreviated Notice of Resource Area Delineation to January 10, 2006, at 7:10 p.m.

If you have any questions, please feel free to give Mary Guiney or me a call.

Sincerely,

Ynne A. Hurley

Secretary

Conservation Commission

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March 25, 2006

Mr. John Peck 100 Country Club Drive Halifax, MA 02338

RE:

316 Plymouth Street

Map 63, Lot 6, 6A, 26, 30, 31 &2

Notice of Intent

Dear Mr. Peck:

Per the request of Attorney Robert Kraus's office, your hearing has been re-scheduled for May 23, 2006, has been re-scheduled to May 23, 2006, at 7:00 p.m.

If you have any questions, please feel free to give Mary Guiney or me a call.

Sincerely,

√nne A. Hurley

Secretary

Conservation Commission



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March 14, 2006

Mr. John Peck 100 Country Club Drive Halifax, MA 02338

RE:

316 Plymouth Street

Map 63, Lot 6, 6A, 26, 30, 31 &2

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Notice of Intent

Dear Mr. Peck:

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If you have any questions, please feel free to give Mary Guiney or me a call.

Sincerely,

Lynne A. Hurley

Secretary

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April 11, 2006

Via Fax – (781) 294-7684 and First Class Mail

Mary Guiney Halifax Conservation Commission 499 Plymouth Street Halifax, MA 02338

Re:

John Peck

Dear Mary:

It is my understanding that Sharon LaPort's report has yet to be completed and given that fact we would respectfully request a two (2) week extension of the hearing currently scheduled for this evening before the Conservation Commission. This will allow Ms. LaPort the additional time needed in order to complete her work. Please advise me of the new date once it has been established by the Commission.

Thank you for your continued courtesy and attention to this matter.

Very truly yours

Robert Kraus

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March 14, 2006

Via Fax - (781) 294-7684 and First Class Mail

Mary Guiney Halifax Conservation Commission 499 Plymouth Street Halifax, MA 02338

Re:

John Peck

Dear Mary:

Pursuant to your conversation with my assistant this morning, it is my understanding that Sharon LaPort has not completed her report as yet and given that fact, we would respectfully request that the hearing scheduled for this evening before the Conservation Commission be postponed to a date in April in order to give Ms. LaPort additional time to complete her work. If you should have any questions regarding this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me.

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Thank you for your courtesy and attention to this matter.

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February 20, 2006

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Mary Guiney Halifax Conservation Commission 499 Plymouth Street Halifax, MA 02338

Re:

John Peck

Dear Mary:

Pursuant to correspondence forwarded to your attention on February 16, 2006, it is my understanding that the meeting before the Conservation Commission with respect to Mr. Peck's matter was continued from February 14, 2006 to Tuesday, February 28, 2006. At this time I would respectfully request that this matter be continued to the next available date after March 1, 2006 by which time Ms. LaPort's report should be completed. If you should have any questions regarding this matter, please contact me.

Thank you for your courtesy and attention to this matter.

Very truly yours,

Robert Krays

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### Office of the CONSERVATION COMMISSION 499 Plymouth St., Halifax MA 02338 781-293-1735 781-294-7684 fax

February 21, 2006

Mr. John Peck 100 Country Club Drive Halifax, MA 02338

RE:

316 Plymouth Street

Map 63, Lot 6, 6A, 26, 30, 31 &2

Notice of Intent

Dear Mr. Peck:

Per the request of Attorney Robert Kraus in a letter dated February 20, 2006, your hearing scheduled for February 28, 2006, has been re-scheduled to March 14, 2006 at 7:30 p.m.

If you have any questions, please feel free to give Mary Guiney or me a call.

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Lynne A. Hurley

Secretary

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Halifax Town Hall, 499 Plymouth Street, Halifax, MA 02338

| FROM: MALIFAX CONSERVATION COMMISSION    |
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| TEL: 781-293-1735                        |
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| FAX NUMBER: (508) 747 - 0788             |
| COMMENTS: Re: 3110 Plymouth Street       |
| attached please find a copy of           |
| The proposal for Professional            |
| Consulting Services received             |
| by This office                           |
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If you have received this facsimile in error, please notify us immediately by telephone and return the original message to this office via the United States Postal Service.

Thank you.

### NOVER-ARMSTRONG ASSOCIATES, INC.



124 Main Street, Unit 2GG Carver, Massachusetts 02330

Telephone 508.866.8383 Facsimile 508.866.9898 www.noverarmstrong.com

December 29, 2005

Mary Guiney, Agent Halifax Conservation Commission Plymouth Street Halifax, MA 02338

Re: Professional Consulting Services
316 Plymouth Street
Halifax, Massachusetts
NAA File S1416

Ms. Guiney:

Nover-Armstrong Associates, Inc. (NAA) is pleased to present this Cost Estimate for Professional Consulting Services associated with review of the Abbreviated Notice of Resource Area Delineation for the property located at 316 Plymouth Street in Halifax, Massachusetts.

We look forward to assisting you with this project. To authorize this contract, please sign below and return a copy to NAA.

Sincerely,

Nover-Armstrong Associates, Inc.

Agreed and Accepted:

Marta J. Nover, L.S.P.

Principal

For: Town of Halifax

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#### 1.0 INTRODUCTION

Nover-Armstrong Associates, Inc. (NAA) is pleased to present this Cost Estimate for Professional Consulting Services associated with review of the Abbreviated Notice of Resource Area Delineation (ANRAD) for the property located at 316 Plymouth Street in Halifax, Massachusetts (the site). Our work scope and budget is based on our review of the plan submitted with the ANRAD and general knowledge of the site.

#### 2.0 PROJECT WORK SCOPE

- Evaluate existing wetland resource area boundaries delineated on the site and shown on the plan accompanying the ANRAD in accordance with their definitions set forth in the Wetlands Protection Act (M.G.L. Chapter 131, Section 40), the Massachusetts Wetland Regulations (310 CMR 10.00), and local bylaw and regulations. This task will require a comprehensive evaluation of on-site soils in a highly disturbed soil condition. This comprehensive soil evaluation will be conducted by a Massachusetts Certified Soil Evaluator and overseen by a Senior Wetland Scientist. NAA has budgeted sixteen (16) hours for this task. We assume that it will be possible to evaluate soils using hand tools.
- 2.2. Evaluate and analyze stream characteristics to confirm or negate its intermittent classification. This task will include on-site inspection and evaluation and review of publicly available data depicting the stream characteristics. Since the USGS has not mapped streams in Halifax for StreamStat analysis, it will be necessary to determine its watershed and flow characteristics by another means, if necessary. We are assuming that photographic evidence of no flow on four days during one year has not been provided with the ANRAD submittal. NAA has budgeted sixteen (16) hours for this task.
- 2.3 Inspect the entire site for other wetland resource areas that may have been overlooked. The hours associated with this task are included in item 2.1.
- 2.4 Procure and review existing publicly-available data that describes current and historical conditions at the site. NAA has budgeted two (2) hours for this task.
- 2.5 Provide a Letter Report detailing the methodology used to evaluate the wetland resource areas identified and delineated on the site, and provide findings and recommendations relative to our review of the ANRAD submittal, and any other issues that are documented during our site evaluation. NAA has budgeted eight (8) hours for this task.
- 2.6 Attend one (1) public hearing on behalf of the Halifax Conservation Commission. NAA has budgeted four (4) hours for this task.

#### 3.0 PROJECT SCHEDULE

NAA understands the time constraint on all public hearing processes. NAA is prepared to begin the ANRAD review process upon authorization by the Halifax Conservation Commission. Upon commencement of the ANRAD review process, NAA will complete items 2.1 through 2.3 within two (2) week to three (3) weeks. This schedule assumes that weather conditions permit the proper evaluation of the wetland boundary delineations at the site.

#### 4.0 FEE FOR SERVICES

Based on our current understanding of site conditions from our cursory review of the ANRAD submittal, NAA's Cost Estimate to complete the tasks detailed in section 2.0 Project Work Scope is \$4,200.00. NAA will keep the Conservation Commission and / or their Agent informed relative to the status of the budget and any additional services that may be necessary to complete a fair and accurate review of the site.

Notes relative to: 31he Plymouth St Be: ANORAD Public Hearing Daxle: October 11, 2005 By: Mary K. Guiney

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On Appreviated Notice of Resource area

Delineation was filed on September 28, 2005

by Michele Grenier on behalf of John Peck

for property located on Phymonth Street. The

application consists of the following:

1) NUPA Form 4A - abbreviated Notice of Resource

area Delineation;

2) Copy of U.S. G.S. map;

3) Copy of NHESP map indicating location;

1) abutter lot (uncertified) and copy of Norification to abutters;

5) WPA Form 4A. ANRAD Westland fee Transmittal form including copies of submitted checks;

(1) Iwo (2) Delineation Field Dava forms; and

7) Plan entitled "Westland Flag Location" daved August 18, 2005

This property is an 8.7 acre parcel which is located between the chinese restaurant plaza and the Mutual Federal Bank plaza. An intermittent (shown as perennicle on the U.S. G. S. map) stream cut's across

The wet land line for the bank was located approximately at the 100 foot buffer some for the pubject application. Ms. Grenier was informed that I was going to recommend that a soil scientist verify the line. As Mr Peck appeared on site at this time, I informed him of the same.

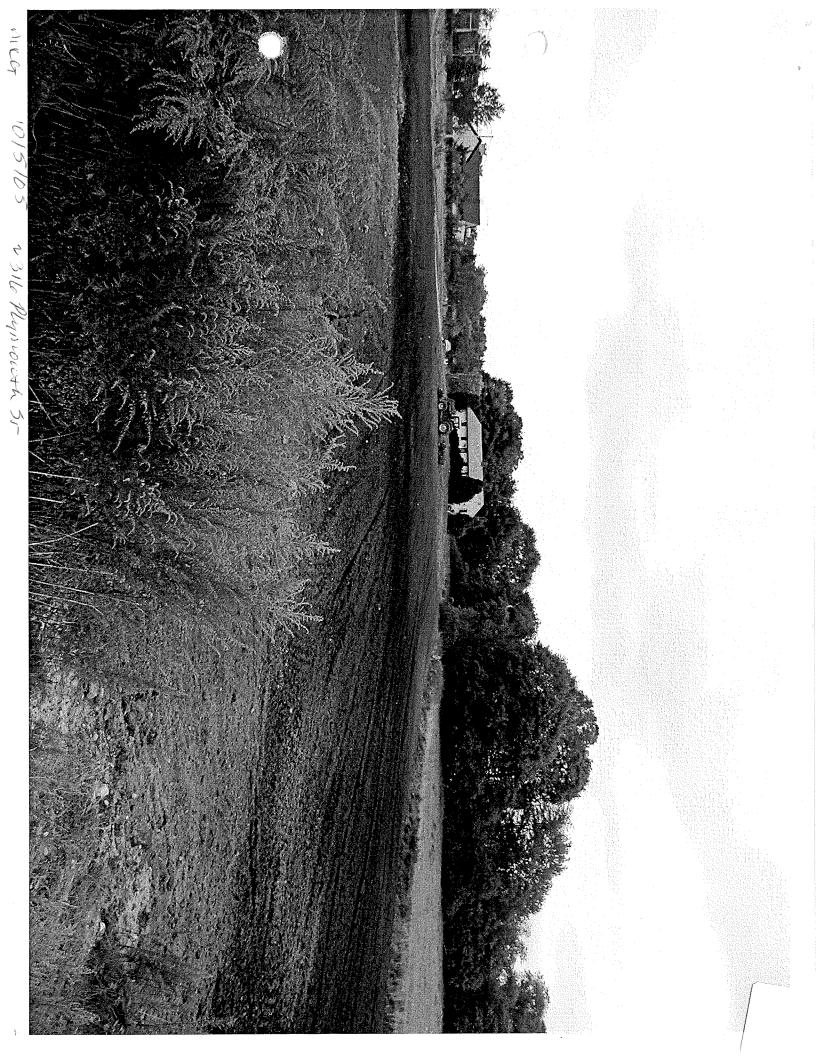
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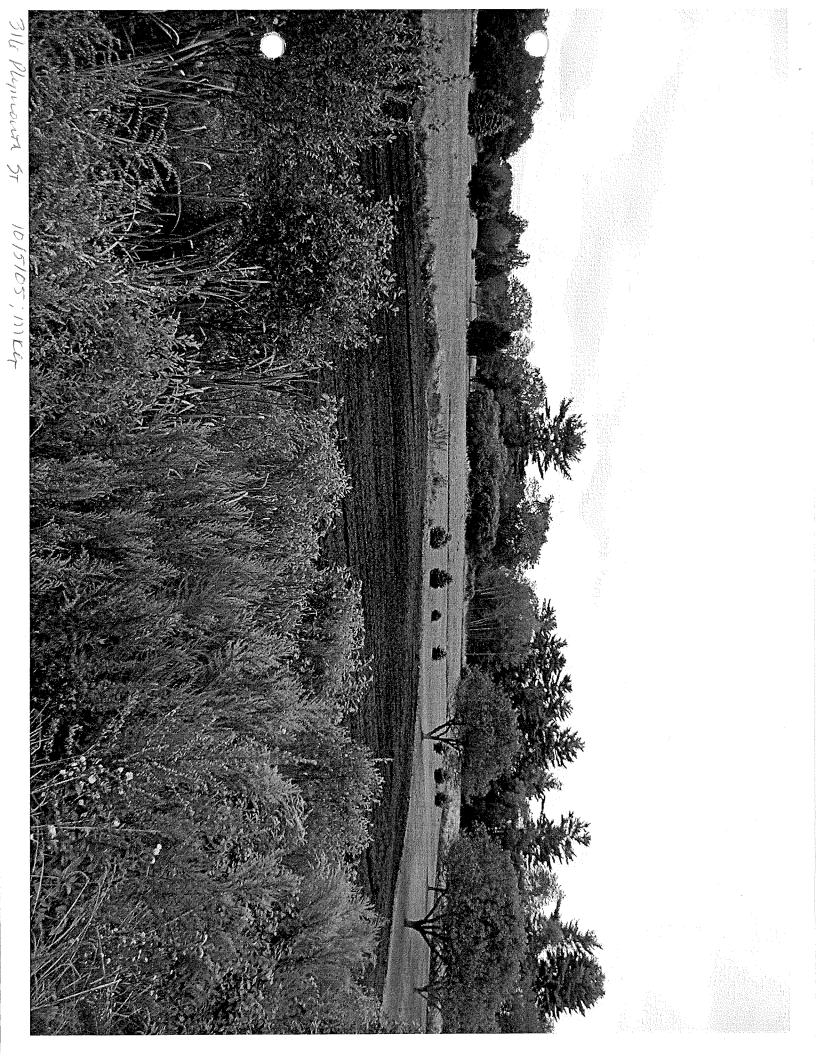
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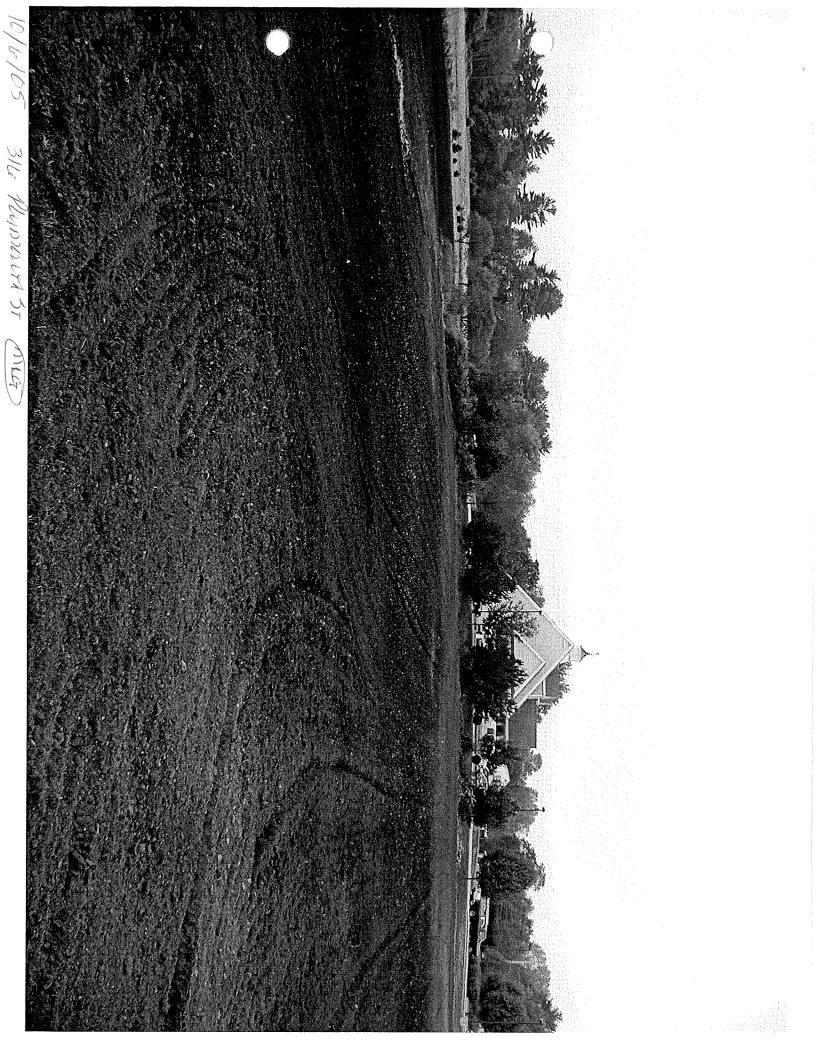
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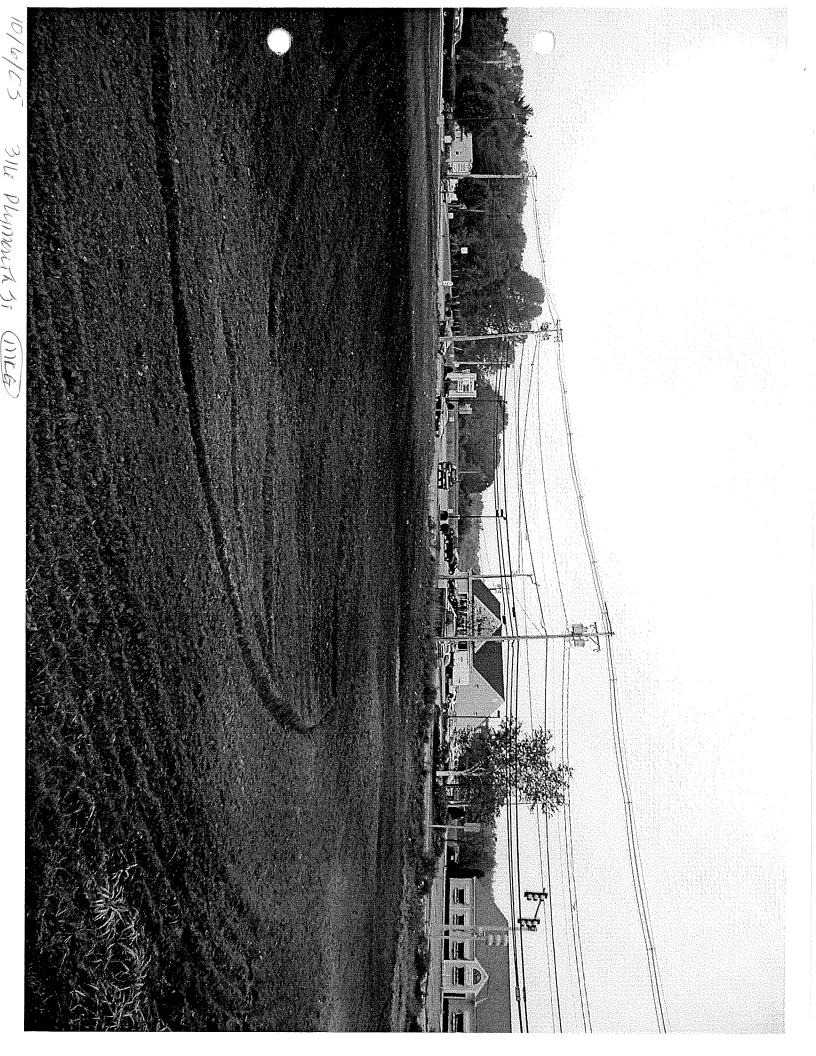
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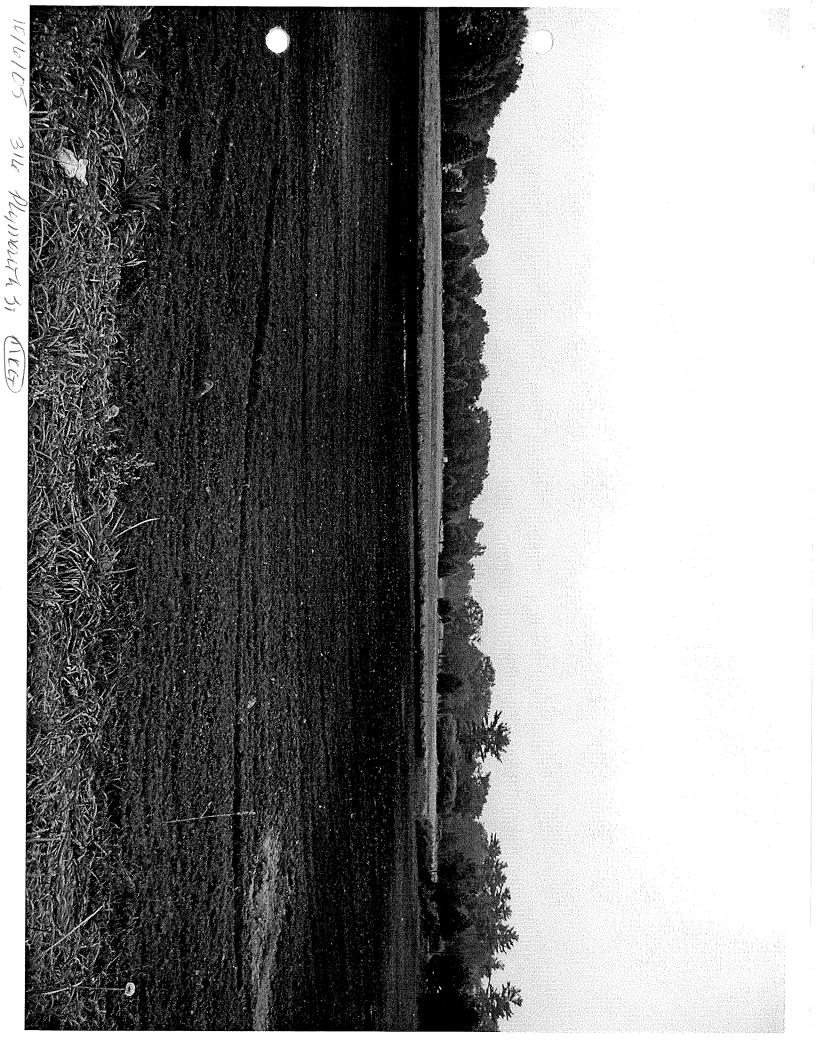


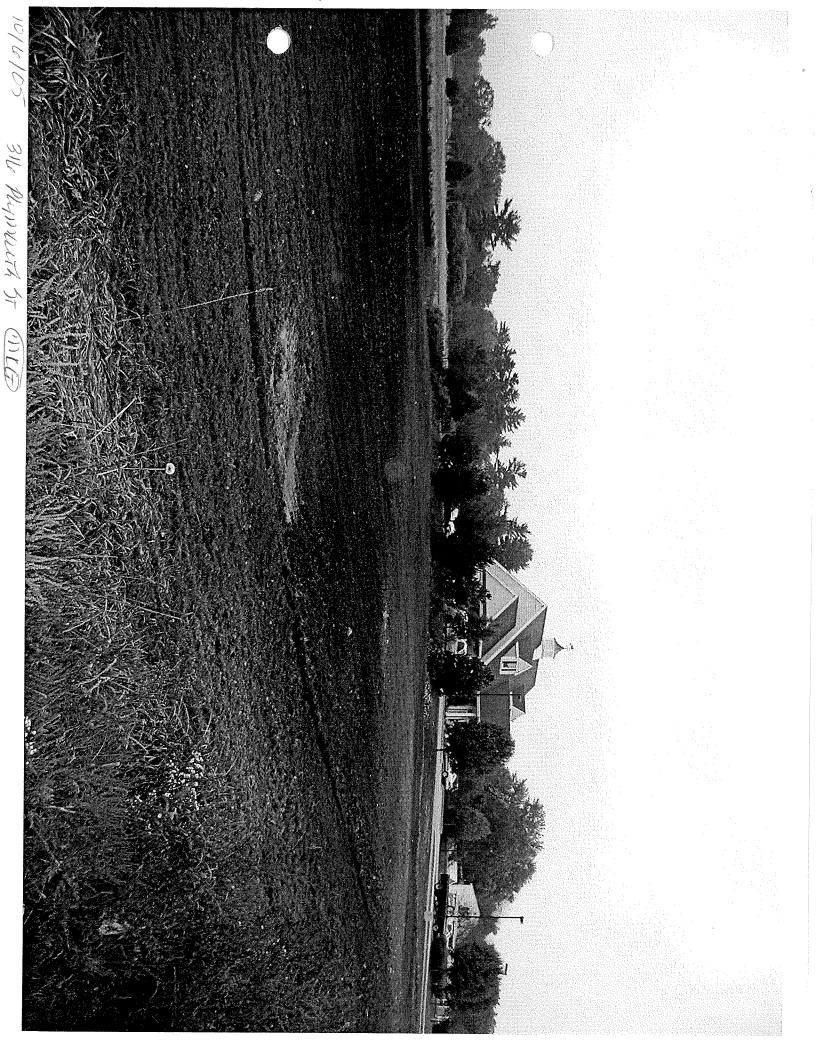
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cc: John Peck

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Attorney Robert France, representing the applicant John Peck, would like to challenge the consultancy fees associated with the review of the ANRAD filed for this property. Please be aware that the applicant may appeal the selection of the autoide consultant to the selectboard, who may disqualify him only on the grounds that the consultant pas a conflict of interest or does not possess the liminimum required qualifications.

For your own information:

Deen making extensive alterations to this site under the guise of an agricultural exemption

2) Historic data, which includes the delineation for Mutual Federal Savings Bank and soil survey maps, indicate that the soils on site are hydric'. (i.e. wetlands).



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### TOWN OF HALIFAX

### Office of the CONSERVATION COMMISSION 499 Plymouth St., Halifax MA 02338 781-293-1735 781-294-7684 fax

November 10, 2005

Wetland & Wildlife, EC Michelle F. Grenier P.O. Box 974 Lakeville, MA 02347

RE:

316 Plymouth Street

Map 63, Lot 6, 6A, 26, 30, 31 &2

Notice of Intent

Dear Ms. Grenier:

At a public hearing held on November 8, 2005, the Conservation Commission continued the review of your Notice of Intent to December 13, 2005, at 7:10 p.m.

If you have any questions, please feel free to give Mary Guiney or me a call.

Sincerely,

Lynne S. Hurley

Lynne A. Hurley

Secretary

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Cc: John Peck