

Town of Simsbury

Office of Community Planning and Development - Inland Wetlands Permit Application

DATE: FEE: <u>\$</u>	СК #:	APP #:
PROPERTY ADDRESS: Tariffville Road from Hopmeadow		
NAME OF APPLICANT: Town of Simsbury, attn.: Thoma	as J. Roy, PE,	Town Engineer
MAILING ADDRESS: 933 Hopmeadow Street, Simsbur	y, CT 06070	
EMAIL ADDRESS: Troy@simsbury-ct.gov		HONE # 860.658.3222
NAME OF OWNER: Town of Simsbury, Maria Capriola, Town Manager and State of	Connecticut, Department	of Transportation, Route 315 Right-of-Way
MAILING ADDRESS: 933 Hopmeadow Street		
EMAIL ADDRESS: mcapriola@simsbury-ct.gov	TELEPI	HONE # 860.658.3230
NOTE: ATTACH A WRITTEN LETTER OF AGENCY, DULY A		
INCLUDING THE ABILITY TO CARRY OUT ACTIVITIES SET FORT	TH HEREIN.	
DESCRIBE THE SPECIFIC ACTIVITY(ies) FOR WHICH A PERMI	T IS SOUGHT AS	IT RELATES TO "REGULATED
ACTIVITIES" AS DEFINED IN SECTION 6 OF THE SIMSBURY I		

REMOVE MATERIAL FROM; B) DEPOSIT MATERIAL IN OR DISCHARGE TO; C) CONSTRUCT ON; D) OBSTRUCT; E) ALTER; F) POLLUTE; OR G) **OTHERWISE** ADVERSELY AFFECT A REGULATED AREA: Installation of 10 foot wide bituminous concrete trail, two pedestrian boardwalks, formal river access, and guardrail along Farmington River/Salmon Brook floodplain wetlands. The proposed project will result in approximately 0.4 cubic yards of permanent fill within the Farmington River due to installation of the proposed river access stone steps. Approximately 990 square feet(sf) of disturbance in federal wetlands and 5,300 square feet of temporary disturbance in federal wetlands is also required to construct the trail. Also 46.360 sf of permanent alteration of state wetlands is required to construct the trail. State wetlands in the project area generally consist of maintained lawn with scattered trees, fences, and a gravel entrance drive to Curtiss Park.

#### **CERTIFICATIONS AND PERMISSIONS:**

As owner, I hereby give permission to the Town of Simsbury's Conservation Commission Inland Wetlands Watercourses Agency, their Agents, or Town Staff to enter upon my land to make observations and tests as may be necessary to evaluate this application and ongoing work, subject to twenty-four hours notice of such entry/testing.

I hereby certify that all statements herein are true to the best of my knowledge, whether made by me or my agents. Any permit issued shall be contingent upon field conditions and activities being substantiated as indicated herein. A changed situation shall require reconsideration of the permit by the Commission upon discovery by either party.

I certify that I have the authority to sign this application.

Maria E. Capida 11/22/22

Signature of Owner

Date

Signature and Title of Applicant

Date

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# **INSTRUCTIONS FOR APPLICANT**

Any person seeking a permit to carry out a regulated activity on property which has been designated an inland wetland or watercourse by the Conservation Commission or within the 100-foot regulated buffer area of a designated inland wetland or watercourse must complete and submit the Inland Wetlands Permit Application to the Planning Department.

Submission shall occur by the day before a regular meeting of the Conservation Commission. (See Section 5 of the Inland Wetlands and Watercourses Regulations of the Town of Simsbury.) Application will be heard at the following meeting, after petition period.

The original application shall be submitted with eleven (11) copies. Maps on sheets larger than 11"x14" shall be submitted in at least three (3) copies. Additional copies of site plans may be required. PDFs of the maps, if available, should be submitted, as well. PDFs can be emailed to lbarkowski@simsbury-ct.gov.

A filing fee shall accompany the application, as required by the Land Use Application Fees schedule. Please consult with the Planning Office for specific fee determination.

The following information shall be provided on white paper (8 <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>"x11") and typewritten. <u>Reproduce the following questions along with the answer and attach to the application.</u>

- 1. *In the case of a public hearing or map amendment*, list on a separate sheet of paper the names and addresses of all abutting property owners and property owners within 100 feet of all property lines. Identify on one of the attached maps.
- 2. Describe the site and the regulated area or wetlands/watercourses involved:
  - a. General site conditions, including vegetation and general soil conditions.
  - b. Size of wetland within site or distance of the activity from the wetland.
  - c. Size of total contiguous wetland.
  - d. Position relative to other wetlands on site.
  - e. Type of wetland characterized by vegetative and soil type and/or watercourse, such as: 1) open/deep fresh water pond or lake; 2) shallow marsh; 3) seasonally flooded basins and flats; 4) meadow; 5) shrub swamp; 6) wooded swamp; 7) bog; 8) kettle; 9) stream type; 10) other.

- 3. Depth to water table, depth to mottled soil, and seasonal variation of water table.
- 4. Describe the immediate impact on the wetlands and watercourses, including, but not limited to:
  - a. Quantities, by volume and area disturbed, of materials to be removed, deposited, or altered.
  - b. Kinds of materials by soil types and vegetative classifications, and materials classification to be removed, deposited, or altered.
  - c. Percent of wetlands/watercourses disturbed or altered to total area of wetlands/watercourses on the parcel.
- 5. Describe the related construction activities and their impact on:
  - a. Area and location of wetlands and watercourses.
  - b. Types and amounts of vegetation.
  - c. Surface and groundwater.
  - d. Visual impacts.
  - e. Wildlife habitats.
- 6. Describe the long term or permanent impact of the activity(ies) on environmental aspects, such as the surface and groundwater quality, storm water runoff, visual impact(s), or wildlife habitats on:
  - a. Wetlands and/or watercourses.
  - b. Abutting riparian properties and/or wetlands and/or watercourses.
- 7. Identify sedimentation and erosion control measures to be used.
- 8. Identify alternatives to the proposed activity that were considered, including alternative sites and why this one was chosen.
- 9. Estimate cost of work and time for completion.
- 10. Attach drainage calculations and other reports as indicated to substantiate the statements made above.

#### 11. <u>REQUIRED MAPS</u>

a. Attach a <u>vicinity map</u> on an 8 ½"x11" sheet at scale 1"=200' or 1'=800' (depending upon the size of the parcel) showing the general location of the area in which the regulated activity is proposed. The map should be in sufficient detail to allow the identification of the property on the official Inland Wetlands and Watercourses map. A guide to the kinds of information to be shown is available in the Planning Department at the Town Hall.

#### b. <u>Site Plan(s)</u> showing:

- i. The topography showing contours at intervals of not more than two (2) feet and a minimum of two (2) contour marks per ten (10) acres at a scale of 1"=100' or 1"=40' (whichever is more appropriate).
- ii. Location of existing watercourses and/or ponds.
- iii. Location of regulated activity.
- iv. Proposed grading and/or filling.
- v. Proposed drainage, site utilities, wells, etc.
- vi. Sedimentation and erosion control measures.

12. The Applicant shall certify whether:

- a. Any portion of the property on which the regulated activity is proposed is located within 500 feet of the boundary of an adjoining municipality.
- b. Traffic attributable to the completed project on the site will use streets within the adjoining municipality to enter or exit the site.
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- d. Water runoff from the improved site will affect streets or other municipal or private property within the adjoining municipality.
- e. Documentation that notice of the pending application was provided to the adjacent municipality (certified mail, return receipt requested) on the same day of filing an inland wetland permit application with the Town of Simsbury.
- f. The property is subject to a conservation restriction or preservation restriction, and, if so, what party or parties are holders thereof or intended to be benefitted thereby.

ALL INFORMATION MUST BE COMPLETED TO THE EXTENT INDICATED BY THE COMMISSION BEFORE ANY ACTION IS TAKEN ON THE PERMIT APPLICATION. <u>INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS WILL BE DENIED</u>. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION MAY BE REQUIRED BY THE COMMISSION.

THE <u>APPLICANT</u> AND/OR <u>AUTHORIZED AGENT</u> SHOULD ATTEND THE CONSERVATION COMMISSION/INLAND WETLANDS & WATERCOURSES AGENCY MEETING IN ORDER FOR A DECISION TO BE RENDERED. IF APPLICANT OR AGENT DOES NOT ATTEND, AND QUESTIONS ARISE, DECISION ON APPLICATION MAY BE DEFERRED OR DENIED.



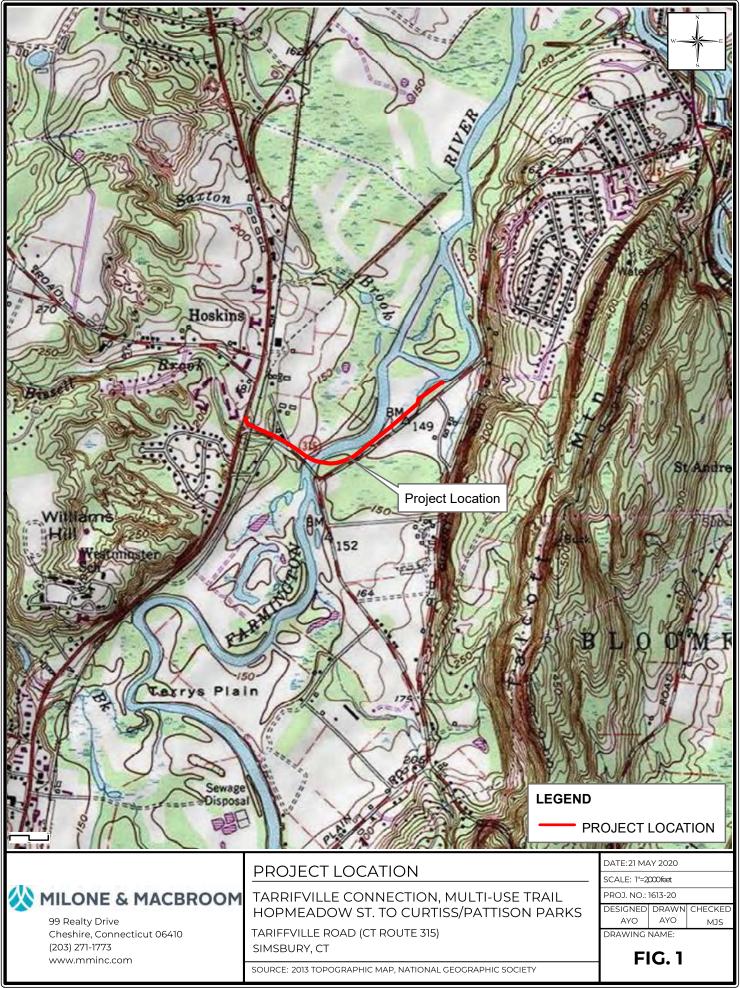
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# Statewide Inland Wetlands & Watercourses Activity Reporting Form

Please complete - <u>print clearly</u> - and mail this form in accordance with the instructions on pages 2 and 3 to: Wetlands Management Section, Inland Water Resources Division, CT DEEP, 79 Elm Street – 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Hartford, CT 06106

	PART I: To Be Completed By the Municipal Inland Wetlands Agency Only
1.	DATE ACTION WAS TAKEN (enter one year and month): Year Month
2.	ACTION TAKEN (enter one code letter):
3.	WAS A PUBLIC HEARING HELD (check one)? Yes No
4.	NAME OF AGENCY OFFICIAL VERIFYING AND COMPLETING THIS FORM:
	(type name) (signature)
	PART II: To Be Completed By the Municipal Inland Wetlands Agency or the Applicant
5.	TOWN IN WHICH THE ACTION IS OCCURRING (type name): Simsbury
	Does this project cross municipal boundaries (check one)? Yes No X
	If Yes, list the other town(s) in which the action is occurring (type name(s)):
6.	LOCATION (see directions for website information): USGS Quad Map Name: Tariffville or Quad Number: 21
	Subregional Drainage Basin Number: 4300
7.	NAME OF APPLICANT, VIOLATOR OR PETITIONER (type name): Thomas J. Roy - Town Engineer
8.	NAME & ADDRESS/LOCATION OF PROJECT SITE (type information): Tariffville Road, Simsbury, CT
	Briefly describe the action/project/activity (check and type information): Temporary Permanent
	Installation of 10 foot wide bituminous concrete trail, two pedestrian boardwalks, formal river access, and guardrail along Farmington River/Salmon Brook floodplain wetlands.
9.	ACTIVITY <i>PURPOSE</i> CODE (enter one code letter):
10.	. ACTIVITY <i>TYPE</i> CODE(S) (enter up to four code numbers): <u>2</u> , <u>12</u> , <u>1</u> ,,
	. WETLAND / WATERCOURSE AREA ALTERED (type in acres or linear feet as indicated):
	Wetlands: acres Open Water Body: acres Stream: linear feet
12.	. UPLAND AREA ALTERED (type in acres as indicated): acres
13.	. AREA OF WETLANDS / WATERCOURSES RESTORED, ENHANCED OR CREATED (type in acres as indicated): acres
DA	ATE RECEIVED: <b>PART III: To Be Completed By the DEEP</b> DATE RETURNED TO DEEP:
FC	DRM COMPLETED: YES NO FORM CORRECTED / COMPLETED: YES NO





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# List of Abutters within 100 feet of Tariffville Connection, Multi Use Trail

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#### Simsbury Inland Wetland Permit Application Supplemental Information for Tariffville Connection Multiuse Trail

1. In the case of a public hearing or map amendment, list on a separate sheet of paper the names and addresses of all abutting property owners and property owners within 100 feet of all property lines. Identify on one of the attached maps.

See attached Town Assessor's map and Table 1 – List of Abutters within 100 feet of the property.

2. Describe the site and the regulated area or wetlands/watercourses involved:

The project area consists of a mix of floodplain forests, meadows, and maintained lawn riparian areas along the Farmington River and maintained roadside areas within commercial properties along the north side of Tariffville Road. Commercial properties include a restaurant and a daycare center located west of the Tariffville Road bridge over the Farmington River. East of the bridge, public parks and undeveloped forested land exist.

a. General site conditions, including vegetation and general soil conditions.

Federal wetlands in the project area consist of palustrine persistent emergent wet meadow and palustrine forested broad-leaved deciduous floodplain wetlands. FED-WET-1 consists of wet meadow adjacent to Curtiss Park athletic fields and transitions to forested wetland closer to the proposed project corridor. A backwater pool ranging in depth from a few inches to approximately 2 feet exists within the forested portion of this wetland. FED-WET-2 is primarily forested throughout although wet meadow exists along Tariffville Road surrounding Salmon Brook. Wet meadow areas are densely vegetated with a variety of forbs, including sensitive fern (Onoclea sensibilis), jewelweed (Impatiens capensis), common Joe-Pye weed (Eutrochium purpureum), reed canary grass (Phalaris arundinacea), goldenrod (Solidago sp.), ostrich fern (Matteuccia struthiopteris), poison ivy (Toxicodendron radicans), and long-beaked sedge (Carex sprengelli). A few scattered shrubs, including American elderberry (Sambucus canadensis) and silky dogwood (Swida amomum), exist within the meadow. Forested wetland areas contain a variety of tree canopy structures ranging from more open canopy areas containing mostly pole-sized trees to areas of greater canopy cover with trees up to 20-inch diameter at breast height (dbh). Both native and nonnative invasive plants are found within the forested floodplains. Canopy trees within these wetlands include American linden (*Tilia americana*), pin oak (Quercus palustris), silver maple (Acer saccharinum), red maple (Acer rubrum), green ash (Fraxinus pennsylvanica), American boxelder (Acer negundo), and American elm (Ulmus americana). Understory vegetation consists of a mix of native and non-native shrubs and herbs, including Morrow's honeysuckle (Lonicera morrowii), multiflora rose (Rosa multiflora), silky dogwood, ostrich fern, sensitive fern, poison ivy, and garlic mustard (Alliaria petiolata). Virginia creeper (Parthenocissus quinquefolia) and Oriental bittersweet (Celastrus orbiculatus) are entangled within the vegetation.

State wetlands in the project area (CT-WET-1) consist primarily of maintained lawn and meadow in previously disturbed portions of Curtiss Park containing alluvial floodplain soils.

Maintained lawn areas are consistently mowed through the summer with vegetation varying in height from 3 to 5 inches. Herbaceous species within maintained lawn areas include crabgrass (*Digitaria sanguinalis*), creeping red fescue (*Festuca rubra*), spotted spurge (*Euphorbia maculata*), broad-leaved plantain (*Plantago major*), narrow-leaved plantain (*Plantago lanceolata*), and rabbit foot clover (*Trifolium arvense*). No shrubs exist within these maintained areas. Meadow areas are mowed only once a year, allowing for invasive shrubs (multiflora rose) to dominate. Herbaceous species within meadow areas include sensitive fern, common milkweed (*Asclepia syriaca*), common blue violet (*Viola sororia*), purple vetch (*Vicia benghalensis*), poison ivy, crabgrass, red fescue, and plantain. Scattered eastern red cedar trees (*Juniperus virginiana*) also exist within both maintained lawn and meadow areas.

Along the west side of Curtiss Park, between federal wetlands and the entrance drive to the park, forested state wetlands exist. These alluvial floodplain soils contain a mixed open/closed canopy with trees ranging from pole sized to 20-inch dbh. Vegetation within this habitat is similar to federal forested wetlands although additional canopy trees include sugar maple (*Acer saccharum*), northern catalpa (*Catalpa speciosa*), shagbark hickory (*Carya ovata*), mockernut hickory (*Carya tomentosa*), black oak (*Quercus velutina*), and eastern red cedar.

According to the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) web soil survey, the following soil mapping units with associated NRCS map number are located in the project area:

- Agawam fine sandy loam (29A)
- Merrimac sandy loam (34A)
- Suncook loamy fine sand (100)
- Occum fine sandy loam (101)
- Pootatuck fine sandy loam (102)
- Limerick and Lim soils (107)
- Saco silt loam (108)
- Fluvaquents-Udifluvents complex, frequently flooded (109)
- Urban land (307)
- Water (W)

Our field investigation indicated the presence of moderately well-drained alluvial floodplain soils, hydric soils, and udorthent soils in the project area. Poorly drained hydric soils (Saco silt loam and Limerick and Lim soils) exist along the banks of the Farmington River and Salmon Brook within federally regulated wetlands. Beyond these hydric soils, well-drained alluvial floodplain soils regulated as state wetlands (Suncook loamy fine sand, Occum fine sandy loam, and/or Pootatuck fine sandy loam) exist within the floodplain. Udorthent soils dominate the commercial properties, parks, and roadways. Udorthent soils are those soils that have been significantly impacted by anthropogenic activities. These soils have either been cut and/or filled by at least 2 feet and lack a natural soil profile. Drainage classes within Udorthent soils can vary from somewhat poorly drained to excessively drained soils, dependent upon topographic position, soil texture, and compaction.

b. Size of wetland within site or distance of the activity from the wetland.

#### Not applicable

c. Size of total contiguous wetland.

#### Not applicable

d. Position relative to other wetlands on site.

#### See project plans.

e. Type of wetland characterized by vegetative and soil type and/or watercourse, such as: 1) open/deep freshwater pond or lake; 2) shallow marsh; 3) seasonally flooded basins and flats; 4) meadow; 5) shrub swamp; 6) wooded swamp; 7) bog; 8) kettle; 9) stream type; 10) other.

Federal wetlands in the project area consist of palustrine persistent emergent wet meadow and palustrine forested broad-leaved deciduous floodplain wetlands. State wetlands in the project area consist primarily of maintained lawn and meadow in previously disturbed portions of Curtiss Park containing alluvial floodplain soils.

3. Depth to water table, depth to mottled soil, and seasonal variation of water table.

#### See attached wetland determination data forms.

- 4. Describe the immediate impact on the wetlands and watercourses, including, but not limited to:
  - a. Quantities, by volume and area disturbed, of materials to be removed, deposited, or altered.

Alteration of on-site wetlands and watercourses has been minimized to the greatest extent practicable. The proposed project will result in approximately 0.4 cubic yards of permanent fill within the Farmington River due to installation of the proposed river access stone steps. Approximately 990 square feet of permanent fill in federal wetlands and 5,300 square feet of temporary disturbance in federal wetlands is also required to construct the trail. Additionally, 46,360 square feet of permanent alteration of state wetlands is required to construct the bituminous concrete trail.

b. Kinds of materials by soil types and vegetative classifications, and materials classification to be removed, deposited, or altered.

Installation of steel helical piles to support a boardwalk over Salmon Brook and grading within wetlands to accommodate the installation of stone steps along the bank of the Farmington River. The boardwalk will be set on 3-inch-diameter steel helical piles to reduce fill in wetlands and allow for continued functioning of the wetlands. Temporary disturbances to the federal wetlands include the cutting of existing herbaceous and woody vegetation flush to the soil surface to allow for construction of the boardwalk. No removal of cut woody stumps is anticipated, and it is expected that any cut herbaceous plants and/or woody shrubs will resprout during the growing season. State wetlands in the project area generally consist of maintained lawn with scattered trees, fences, and a gravel entrance drive to Curtiss Park. These state-regulated alluvial floodplain soils are located adjacent to a heavily traveled roadway

# (Tariffville Road) and have been significantly disturbed to construct Curtiss Park. The mowed wetlands do not provide significant wetland functions and values or natural wildlife habitat.

c. Percent of wetlands/watercourses disturbed or altered to total area of wetlands/watercourses on the parcel.

#### Not applicable

- 5. Describe the related construction activities and their impact on:
  - a. Area and location of wetlands and watercourses.

The boardwalk within the federal wetlands will have minimal impacts. Primary impacts associated with installation of helical piles is required. Secondary impacts associated with shading and temporary vegetation removal will not significantly diminish the principal functions and values of this wetland system. The construction of the trail through the state wetlands will have no significant adverse impacts since it occurs in a significantly disturbed area.

b. Types and amounts of vegetation.

Some vegetation clearing within the trail alignment will be required to construct the multiuse trail. However, the trail has been designed, in part, to minimize tree clearing.

c. Surface and groundwater.

The project will not adversely impact surface water and/or groundwater.

d. Visual impacts.

The project is being designed in a manner to maintain and/or enhance the functions and values of the Wild and Scenic designation of this section of the Farmington River and Salmon Brook, which includes the requirement that trail and other project activities be designed to not diminish or significantly impact the fish and wildlife habitats, floodplain attenuation, water quality, and aesthetic and recreational value functions.

e. Wildlife habitats.

The project has no significant impact to wildlife habitat. Native plantings are being proposed that will enhance wildlife habitat.

- 6. Describe the long term or permanent impact of the activity(ies) on environmental aspects, such as the surface and groundwater quality, storm water runoff, visual impact(s), or wildlife habitats on:
  - a. Wetlands and/or watercourses.

The proposed project has been designed to avoid impacts to federal wetlands to the greatest extent practicable. Complete avoidance of federal wetlands was not feasible although trail intersection with federal wetlands has been limited to one location along the alignment (north of Road Stations 129+00 through 131+50 on the project plans). To reduce direct impacts to the wetlands in this area, a boardwalk elevated on steel helical piles will be installed rather than the bituminous concrete trail to be constructed in upland areas on the site. Use of a boardwalk will reduce the fill within wetlands and allow for continued functioning of the wetland in this area. Natural water circulation and storage will be maintained in this location. Construction of the proposed boardwalk will reduce impacts to the federal wetland, allow for continued functioning of the wetland, and will encourage wildlife viewing and recreational enjoyment of the wetlands by the public. The formalization of an existing pedestrian access to the Farmington River will also provide improved recreation for the public. A portion of the proposed stone steps will be located within federal wetlands abutting the south bank of the Farmington River. Minor grading around these stone steps will be required to prevent erosion in the area.

b. Abutting riparian properties and/or wetlands and/or watercourses.

#### See above 6a.

7. Identify sedimentation and erosion control measures to be used.

Best management practices, including sediment and erosion control measures, have been incorporated into the proposed project plans to avoid temporary impacts to water quality, wetland and watercourse resources, and wildlife during construction. Sediment filter fence will be installed around work areas adjacent to natural resources to prevent wildlife from entering the site and to prevent disturbed sediments from leaving the project site.

#### See site plans for sediment and erosion control measures.

8. Identify alternatives to the proposed activity that were considered, including alternative sites and why this one was chosen.

Several alternatives were considered during the planning stages of the Tariffville Connection Multiuse Trail project: no action, south alignment, north alignment with bituminous concrete (alternative 1), north alignment with extension of an existing culvert (alternative 2), north alignment with a bridge over an existing culvert (alternative 3), and the preferred alternative. The preferred alternative includes the proposed trail alignment with a 10-foot-wide bituminous concrete trail and two boardwalk sections elevated on steel piles. Boardwalks allow for reduced impacts to water resources on the site, preserving the existing functions and values ascribed to wetlands on site. Boardwalks also provide added aesthetic/recreational value by increasing public accessibility and wildlife viewing within the riparian environment. In addition, the preferred alternative alignment allows for greater preservation of trees within the wetland, complete avoidance of the Salmon Brook channel, and continued accessibility of the existing culvert for long-term maintenance. This alternative provides the connectivity required between Curtiss and Pattison Parks and the Farmington Canal Heritage Trail, pedestrian and bike access for the majority of the public, and limited impacts to federal wetlands on site. In addition, formalization of the pedestrian access to the Farmington River via installation of stone steps will allow for continued river access to the public while reducing erosion of the riverbank, resulting in a net benefit to the ecosystem and the public. Because of all of the above-listed considerations, this alternative was deemed the most prudent and feasible alternative for this project.

9. Estimate cost of work and time for completion.

The total project cost has yet to be finalized. Funding for the design of this project is being provided by the Connecticut Department of Energy & Environmental Protection Recreation and Trails Program. The project is scheduled for construction in 2024 pending permitting and funding.

10. Attach drainage calculations and other reports as indicated to substantiate the statements

made above.

#### Soil Report and Engineering Report attached.

- 11. REQUIRED MAPS
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  - iii. Location of regulated activity.
  - iv. Proposed grading and/or filling.
  - v. Proposed drainage, site utilities, wells, etc.
  - vi. Sedimentation and erosion control measures. See attached map.
- 12. The Applicant shall certify whether:
  - a. Any portion of the property on which the regulated activity is proposed is located within 500 feet of the boundary of an adjoining municipality.

#### The project is not located within 500 feet of an adjoining municipality.

b. Traffic attributable to the completed project on the site will use streets within the adjoining municipality to enter or exit the site.

#### The project does not require the use of streets within the adjoining municipality.

c. Sewer or water drainage from the project site will flow through and affect the sewage or drainage system within the adjoining municipality or

#### The project does not impact sewer or water drainage within an adjoining municipality.

d. Water runoff from the improved site will affect streets or other municipal or private property within the adjoining municipality.

# The project does not impact water runoff within an adjoining municipality or private properties.

e. Documentation that notice of the pending application was provided to the adjacent municipality (certified mail, return receipt requested) on the same day of filing an inland wetland permit application with the Town of Simsbury.

#### Not applicable

f. The property is subject to a conservation restriction or preservation restriction, and, if so, what party or parties are holders thereof or intended to be benefitted thereby.

#### No

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# WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA FORM – Northcentral and Northeast Region

Project/Site: Tariffville Connection, Multi-Use Trail	City/County: Sims	sbury	Sampling Date: June 18, 2018
Applicant/Owner: Town of Simsbury		State: CT	Sampling Date: June 18, 2018 Sampling Point: W-1
MIS	_ Section, Township		
		convex, none): <u>convex</u>	Slope (%): 0.5
Subregion (LRR or MLRA): R 145 Lat: 41.894848	N	Long: -72.781261 E	Datum: NAD 83
Soil Map Unit Name: Saco silt Ioam		Long: <u>-72.781261 E</u> NWI classific	ation: NA
Are climatic / hydrologic conditions on the site typical for this time of y		No (If no, explain in R	
		Are "Normal Circumstances" p	
Are Vegetation, Soil, or Hydrology naturally p	-	(If needed, explain any answe	
SUMMARY OF FINDINGS – Attach site map showin	·	· · · ·	
Hydrophytic Vegetation Present? Yes X No Hydric Soil Present? Yes X No	Is the Sam within a We		No
Hydric Soil Present?     Yes     X     No       Wetland Hydrology Present?     Yes     X     No	ł	nal Wetland Site ID:	<u> </u>
Remarks: (Explain alternative procedures here or in a separate rep			
Community type: Wet floodplain forest	,		
Area is a floodplain wet meadow/scrub shrub	area located a	adjacent to Salmon	Brook.
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HYDROLOGY			
Wetland Hydrology Indicators:		Secondary Indica	tors (minimum of two required)
Primary Indicators (minimum of one is required; check all that apply	()	Surface Soil	Cracks (B6)
Surface Water (A1) Water-Stained	d Leaves (B9)	Drainage Pat	terns (B10)
High Water Table (A2)	a (B13)	Moss Trim Li	nes (B16)
Saturation (A3) Marl Deposits			Vater Table (C2)
	lfide Odor (C1)	Crayfish Burr	
	zospheres on Living F		sible on Aerial Imagery (C9)
	Reduced Iron (C4)	=	ressed Plants (D1)
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Iron Deposits (B5)	. ,	Shallow Aqui	
	n in Remarks)		phic Relief (D4)
Sparsely Vegetated Concave Surface (B8)	T	FAC-Neutral	Test (D5)
Surface Water Present? Yes No X Depth (inche	ac).		
Water Table Present? Yes No Depth (inche			
Saturation Present? Yes No Depth (inche	,	Wetland Hydrology Presen	t? Yes 🗙 No
(includes capillary fringe)			
Describe Recorded Data (stream gauge, monitoring well, aerial pho	tos, previous inspect	tions), if available:	
Remarks:			
Active water table within 24 inches of soil surf	face.		

# **VEGETATION –** Use scientific names of plants.

30'	Absolute	Dominant		Dominance Test worksheet:
Tree Stratum (Plot size: <u>30'</u> )	% Cover	Species?	Status	Number of Dominant Species
1. None				That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: (A)
2	·			Total Number of Dominant
3				Species Across All Strata: (B)
4				Percent of Dominant Species
5				That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: (A/B)
6				Prevalence Index worksheet:
7				Total % Cover of: Multiply by:
		= Total Cov	er	OBL species x 1 =
Sapling/Shrub Stratum (Plot size: 15' )				FACW species <u>115</u> x 2 = <u>230</u>
1. Sambucus canadensis	20	Y	FAC	FAC species <u>10</u> x 3 = <u>30</u>
2. Cornus amomum	25	Y	FAC	FACU species <u>0</u> x 4 = <u>0</u>
				UPL species 0 x 5 = 0
3				Column Totals: <u>125</u> (A) <u>260</u> (B)
4	·			Prevalence Index = $B/A = 2.1$
5				$Prevalence index = B/A = \_$
6				Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators:
7				Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation
	15	= Total Cov	er	X Dominance Test is >50%
Herb Stratum (Plot size: 5' )			01	$\mathbf{X}$ Prevalence Index is $\leq 3.0^1$
<u>Impatiens capensis</u>	40	Y	FACW	Morphological Adaptations <sup>1</sup> (Provide supporting
	25			data in Remarks or on a separate sheet)
2. Onoclea sensibilis		<u>N</u>	FACW	Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation <sup>1</sup> (Explain)
<sub>3.</sub> Solidago sp	5	N	NI	<sup>1</sup> Indicators of hydric soil and wetland hydrology must
4. Phalaris arundinacea	50	Y	FACW	be present, unless disturbed or problematic.
<sub>5.</sub> Toxicodendron radicans	10	Ν	FAC	Definitions of Vegetation Strata:
6				Definitions of Vegetation Strata.
				<b>Tree</b> – Woody plants 3 in. (7.6 cm) or more in diameter at breast height (DBH), regardless of height.
7				at breast height (DBH), regardless of height.
8				<b>Sapling/shrub</b> – Woody plants less than 3 in. DBH
9	·			and greater than 3.28 ft (1 m) tall.
10				Herb – All herbaceous (non-woody) plants, regardless
11				of size, and woody plants less than 3.28 ft tall.
12				Woody vines – All woody vines greater than 3.28 ft in
	130	= Total Cov	er	height.
Woody Vine Stratum (Plot size: 15' )			0.	
1. None				
2		·		
3	·	·		Hydrophytic
4				Vegetation Present? Yes X No
		= Total Cov	rer	
Remarks: (Include photo numbers here or on a separate s	sheet.)			

#### SOIL

	cription: (Describe	to the de	pth needed to docu			or confirr	m the absence	of indicato	rs.)
Depth (inches)	<u>Matrix</u> Color (moist)	%	Rede Color (moist)	ox Feature %	es Type <sup>1</sup>	Loc <sup>2</sup>	Texture		Remarks
0-12	10YR 3/1	100		/0	Турс		silt loam	A	Remarks
12-24	10YR 5/1	100	7.5YR 5/8	10	С	М	silt loam	В	
12-24	10110.3/1	100	7.511( 5/6	10	<u> </u>			<u> </u>	
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1							. 2.		
Type: C=C Hydric Soil		pletion, RM	1=Reduced Matrix, C	S=Covere	d or Coate	ed Sand G			Pore Lining, M=Matrix. natic Hydric Soils <sup>3</sup> :
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	istic (A3)		Thin Dark Surf	. , .					or Peat (S3) ( <b>LRR K, L, R</b> )
	en Sulfide (A4) d Layers (A5)		Loamy Mucky			κ, L)		Surface (S7)	(LRR K, L) Surface (S8) (LRR K, L)
	d Below Dark Surfac	æ (A11)	X Depleted Matri		-)				(S9) (LRR K, L)
	ark Surface (A12)		Redox Dark Su	urface (F6			Iron-N	langanese N	lasses (F12) (LRR K, L, R)
	Aucky Mineral (S1)		Depleted Dark	•					ain Soils (F19) ( <b>MLRA 149B</b> )
	Bleyed Matrix (S4) Redox (S5)		Redox Depres	SIONS (F8)				arent Materi	6) ( <b>MLRA 144A, 145, 149B</b> ) al (E21)
	Matrix (S6)								surface (TF12)
Dark Su	rface (S7) (LRR R, I	MLRA 149	B)				Other	(Explain in F	Remarks)
<sup>3</sup> Indicators o	f hydrophytic yegeta	tion and w	vetland hydrology mu	et ha nrae	ont unles	e dieturbor	d or problemati	c	
	Layer (if observed)		ctiana nyarology ma					0.	
Туре:									
Depth (in	ches):						Hydric Soi	I Present?	Yes 🗙 No
Remarks:									

# WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA FORM – Northcentral and Northeast Region

Project/Site: Tariffville Connection, Multi-Use Trail	City/County: Sims	sbury		Sampling Date: June 18, 2018
Applicant/Owner: Town of Simsbury	. , , <u> </u>		State: CT	Sampling Date: <u>June</u> 18, 2018 Sampling Point: <u>U-1</u>
MIS	Section, Township			1 0
	ocal relief (concave,	-	<sub>):</sub> concave	Slope (%): 2%
Subregion (LRR or MLRA): R 145 Lat: 41.894821 I	N	Lona: -72.78	31209 E	Datum: NAD 83
Soil Map Unit Name: Occum fine sandy loam			NWI classifica	Datum: NAD 83
Are climatic / hydrologic conditions on the site typical for this time of y			no, explain in Re	
Are Vegetation, Soil, or Hydrology significantly		`		resent? Yes 🗙 No
Are Vegetation, Soil, or Hydrology naturally pr	-		plain any answer	
SUMMARY OF FINDINGS – Attach site map showing	·		-	
Hydrophytic Vegetation Present? Yes No X	Is the Sam within a We		Yes	NoX
Hydric Soil Present?     Yes     No     X       Wetland Hydrology Present?     Yes     No     X	-		<u>.</u>	
Remarks: (Explain alternative procedures here or in a separate repo		nal Wetland S		
Community type: Pasture	/			
Area is located along the road shoulder and is	s mowed reau	larlv.		
		<b>j</b> .		
HYDROLOGY				
Wetland Hydrology Indicators:		<u>S</u>	econdary Indicat	ors (minimum of two required)
Primary Indicators (minimum of one is required; check all that apply)	)	[	Surface Soil C	Cracks (B6)
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	fide Odor (C1)	<b>_</b>	Crayfish Burro	
	cospheres on Living F	Roots (C3)		sible on Aerial Imagery (C9)
	Reduced Iron (C4) Reduction in Tilled So		=	ressed Plants (D1)
Algal Mat or Crust (B4) Recent Iron R Iron Deposits (B5) Thin Muck Su			Geomorphic F	
Inundation Visible on Aerial Imagery (B7)	( )			phic Relief (D4)
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Field Observations:				
Surface Water Present? Yes No X Depth (inches	s):			
Water Table Present? Yes No X Depth (inches	s): <u>&gt;24</u>			
Saturation Present? Yes No Depth (inches	s):	Wetland Hy	drology Present	? Yes No 🗙
(includes capillary fringe) Describe Recorded Data (stream gauge, monitoring well, aerial phot	tos, previous inspect	tions), if availa	ble:	
Remarks:				
Active water table located below 24-inches fro	om the soil sol	lum		
		ium.		

# **VEGETATION –** Use scientific names of plants.

	Absolute	Dominant		Dominance Test worksheet:
Tree Stratum (Plot size: <u>30'</u> )	<u>% Cover</u>	Species?	Status	Number of Dominant Species
1. <u>None</u>				That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: $2$ (A)
2				Total Number of Dominant
3				Species Across All Strata: (B)
4				Percent of Dominant Species
5				That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: 0.5 (A/B)
6				
				Prevalence Index worksheet:
7				Total % Cover of: Multiply by:
		= Total Cov	ver	OBL species $\frac{0}{2}$ x 1 = $\frac{0}{4}$
Sapling/Shrub Stratum (Plot size: 15' )				FACW species $\frac{2}{32}$ x 2 = $\frac{4}{96}$
1. Cornus amomum	2	Υ	FAC	FAC species $32$ x 3 = $96$
2				FACU species $\frac{35}{2}$ x 4 = $\frac{140}{2}$
3				UPL species $\frac{0}{20}$ x 5 = $\frac{0}{240}$
				Column Totals: <u>69</u> (A) <u>240</u> (B)
4				Prevalence Index = $B/A = 3.5$
5				
6				Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators:
7				Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation
	2	= Total Cov	ver	Dominance Test is >50%
Herb Stratum (Plot size: <u>5'</u> )				Prevalence Index is ≤3.0 <sup>1</sup>
1. Toxicodendron radicans	30	Y	FAC	Morphological Adaptations <sup>1</sup> (Provide supporting
2. Grasses sp. (mowed)	50	Y	NI	data in Remarks or on a separate sheet) Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation <sup>1</sup> (Explain)
		Y		
3. Carex sprengelli	30		FACU	<sup>1</sup> Indicators of hydric soil and wetland hydrology must
4. Parthenocissus quinquefolia	5	N	FACU	be present, unless disturbed or problematic.
5. Onoclea sensibilis	2	Ν	FACW	Definitions of Vegetation Strata:
6				
7				<b>Tree</b> – Woody plants 3 in. (7.6 cm) or more in diameter at breast height (DBH), regardless of height.
8				<b>Sapling/shrub</b> – Woody plants less than 3 in. DBH and greater than 3.28 ft (1 m) tall.
9				
10				Herb – All herbaceous (non-woody) plants, regardless
11				of size, and woody plants less than 3.28 ft tall.
12				Woody vines – All woody vines greater than 3.28 ft in
	117	= Total Cov	ver	height.
Woody Vine Stratum (Plot size: 15')				
1. None				
2				
3				Hydrophytic
4				Vegetation Present? Yes No X
		= Total Cov	ver	
Remarks: (Include photo numbers here or on a separate	sheet.)			
Area is located along the road shoulde	r and is	maintai	ned by	CTDOT. The vegetation is
consistently mowed. Grasses dominat				•
keyed the dominance test would be les				
than 3.5.	-		p	

		to the dep	oth needed to docum		r or confirn	n the absence	of indicato	ors.)
Depth (inches)	<u>Matrix</u> Color (moist)	%	Color (moist)	x Features % Type	Loc <sup>2</sup>	Texture		Remarks
0-10	10YR 3/3	100				fine sandy loam	A	
10-17	10YR 4/4	100				fine sandy loam	B1	
17-24	10YR 4/6	100				sandy loam	B2	
				·				
				· ·				
<sup>1</sup> Type: C=C Hydric Soil		oletion, RM	=Reduced Matrix, CS	=Covered or Coa	ted Sand G			Pore Lining, M=Matrix. matic Hydric Soils <sup>3</sup> :
Histosol			MLRA 149B)	v Surface (S8) (Ll ce (S9) (LRR R, l		2 cm N	Muck (A10) ( Prairie Rede	(LRR K, L, MLRA 149B) ox (A16) (LRR K, L, R) or Peat (S3) (LRR K, L, R)
	en Sulfide (A4) d Layers (A5)		Loamy Mucky M	/lineral (F1) ( <b>LRR</b> Matrix (F2)	<b>K</b> , L)		Surface (S7)	( <b>LRR K, L</b> ) Surface (S8) ( <b>LRR K, L</b> )
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			etland hydrology mus	t be present, unle	ss disturbed	l or problematio	C.	
Type:	Layer (if observed)	:						
Depth (in	ches):					Hydric Soil	Present?	Yes No X
Remarks:	lot location co	omplete	d within a allu	vial floodpla	in soils	Most clos	elv mato	ches the NRCS
	occum series.	mproto					ory mare	



# Inland Wetland Report Tariffville Connection, Multiuse Trail Tariffville Road from Hopmeadow Street (Route 10)

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# 1.0 INTRODUCTION

On June 18, 2018, Matthew Sanford, a registered soil scientist and professional wetland scientist with Milone & MacBroom, Inc. (MMI), delineated inland wetlands and watercourses within the proposed Tariffville Connection, Multiuse Trail project area from Hopmeadow Street (Route 10) to Curtiss and Pattison Parks. The project area is located in a moderately settled residential, commercial, and agricultural area of Simsbury, Connecticut (Appendix A, Figure 1). The project area includes the approximately 3,600 linear feet of proposed trail paralleling Tariffville Road. The purpose of this investigation was to determine the presence or absence of wetlands and/or watercourses, to demarcate (flag) the boundaries of wetlands and watercourses identified, and to identify on-site soil types.

# 2.0 METHODOLOGY

Inland wetlands and watercourses were delineated on June 18, 2018, in accordance with state and federal delineation standards. On the day of the review, the soils were frost free, and site conditions were suitable for wetland delineation work. Delineation methods followed the 1987 U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) Wetlands Delineation Manual (USACE, 1987) and Regional Supplement to the Corps of Engineers Wetland Delineation Manual for the Northcentral and Northeast Region (USACE, 2012). The classification system of the National Cooperative Soil Survey and Field Indicators of Hydric Soils in the United States (USDA, 2017) were used in this investigation. A second-order soil survey in accordance with the principles and practices noted in the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) publication Soil Survey Manual (1993) was completed at the subject site. Soil types were identified by observation of soil morphology (soil texture, color, structure, etc.). To observe the morphology of the property's soils, hand auger borings (maximum depth of 2 feet) were completed at the site. Wetland determinations were completed based on the presence of poorly drained, very poorly drained, alluvial, or floodplain soils and submerged land (e.g., a pond). Intermittent watercourse determinations were made based on the presence of a defined permanent channel and bank and the occurrence of two or more of the following characteristics: A) evidence of scour or deposits of recent alluvium or detritus, B) the presence of standing or flowing water for a duration longer than a particular storm incident, and C) the presence of hydrophytic vegetation. Wetland boundaries were demarcated (flagged) with pink and blue surveyor's tape (hung from sturdy vegetation) that are generally spaced a maximum of every 30 to 50 feet. Complete boundaries are located along the lines that connect these sequentially numbered flags. The wetland boundaries are subject to change until adopted by local, state, or federal regulatory agencies.



# 3.0 RESULTS

#### 3.1 <u>Soils</u>

Geospatial data was accessed via the United States Department of Agriculture – Natural Resources Conservation Service (USDA-NRCS) web soil survey mapping. The soil survey mapping is appended (Appendix A). The survey identified the following soil mapping units with associated NRCS map number in the project area:

- Agawam fine sandy loam (29A)
- Merrimac sandy loam (34A)
- Suncook loamy fine sand (100)
- Occum fine sandy loam (101)
- Pootatuck fine sandy loam (102)
- Limerick and Lim soils (107)
- Saco silt loam (108)
- Fluvaquents-Udifluvents complex, frequently flooded (109)
- Urban land (307)
- Water (W)

Our field investigation indicated the presence of moderately well-drained alluvial floodplain soils, hydric soils, and udorthent soils in the project area. Poorly drained hydric soils (Saco silt loam and Limerick and Lim soils) exist along the banks of the Farmington River and Salmon Brook, within federally regulated wetlands. Beyond these hydric soils, well-drained alluvial floodplain soils regulated as state wetlands (Suncook loamy fine sand, Occum fine sandy loam, and/or Pootatuck fine sandy loam) exist within the floodplain. Beyond these alluvial floodplain soils, disturbed udorthent soils dominated within commercial properties, parks, and roadways. Udorthent soils are those soils that have been significantly impacted by anthropogenic activities. These soils have either been cut and/or filled by at least 2 feet and lack a natural soil profile. Drainage classes within Udorthent soils can vary from somewhat poorly drained to excessively drained soils, dependent upon topographic position, soil texture, and compaction.

#### 3.2 Wetlands and Watercourses

MMI delineated federal- and state-regulated jurisdictional wetlands and watercourses within the project area (Appendix A, Figure 2). Federally regulated watercourses in the project area are defined by the ordinary high water line (OHW) of the Farmington River and Salmon Brook. Federal wetlands, characterized by their hydric soils, wetland hydrology, and hydrophytic vegetation, abut these watercourses. Corps Wetland Determination Data Forms have been completed for these wetlands (Appendix B). The state wetland boundary (Suncook loamy fine sand, Occum fine sandy loam, and/or Pootatuck fine sandy loam) is located adjacent to federally regulated wetlands, occupying portions of the associated floodplain of the Farmington River.

The Farmington River is a perennial watercourse that flows northeast beneath Tariffville Road bridge and along the west side of Curtiss Park. According to the United States Geological Survey *StreamStats* program, the local watershed to this portion of the Farmington River is approximately 499 square miles. The Farmington River drains to the Connecticut River approximately 19 miles downstream of the project area. The Farmington River supports a cold- and warm-water fishery



resource and is classified by the Connecticut Department of Energy & Environmental Protection (CTDEEP) as a Class B watercourse, indicating potential use in recreation, agriculture, industry, and wildlife habitat but not drinking water. The Farmington River is also designated as a National Wild and Scenic River. The Farmington River is broad adjacent to the project area, and a run fluvial geomorphology predominates. Substrate consists of cobbles, coarse sands, and silt. A perennial tributary to the Farmington River known as Salmon Brook exists in the center of the project site. Salmon Brook has a sinuous flow pattern with a riffle/run fluvial geomorphology. The substrate of this brook varies from dumped riprap located near the Tariffville Road cross culvert to more sorted silts and sands as it flows toward the Farmington River. Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) floodway and 100-year floodplain surrounds the Farmington River.

Both federal- and state-regulated wetlands exist within the floodway and floodplain associated with the Farmington River. Federally regulated riparian wetlands abut the Farmington River (FED-WET-1, FED-WET-2). Beyond these federal wetland boundaries, east of the bridge, Connecticut-regulated floodplain soils occupy portions of the floodplain (CT-WET-1). Federal- and state-regulated wetland areas are depicted on Figure 2 of Appendix A and in site photos in Appendix C and are described below.

Federal wetlands in the project area consists of palustrine persistent emergent wet meadow and palustrine forested broad-leaved deciduous floodplain wetlands. These wetlands are supported hydrologically by floodwaters from the Farmington River and Salmon Brook and groundwater inputs as well as stormwater runoff from adjacent upland areas. Seasonal pools and backwater pools are present in some locations. FED-WET-1 consists of wet meadow adjacent to Curtiss Park athletic fields and transitions to forested wetland closer to the proposed project corridor. A backwater pool ranging in depth from a few inches to approximately 2 feet exists within the forested portion of this wetland. FED-WET-2 is primarily forested throughout although wet meadow exists along Tariffville Road surrounding Salmon Brook. Wet meadow areas are densely vegetated with a variety of forbs, including sensitive fern (Onoclea sensibilis), jewelweed (Impatiens capensis), common Joe-Pye weed (Eutrochium purpureum), reed canary grass (Phalaris arundinacea), goldenrod (Solidago sp.), ostrich fern (Matteuccia struthiopteris), poison ivy (Toxicodendron radicans), and long-beaked sedge (Carex sprengelli). A few scattered shrubs, including American elderberry (Sambucus canadensis) and silky dogwood (Swida amomum), exist within the meadow. Forested wetland areas contain a variety of tree canopy structures, ranging from more open canopy areas containing mostly pole-sized trees to areas of greater canopy cover with trees up to 20-inch diameter at breast height (dbh). Both native and nonnative invasive plants are found within the forested floodplains. Canopy trees within these wetlands include American linden (*Tilia americana*), pin oak (*Quercus palustris*), silver maple (Acer saccharinum), red maple (Acer rubrum), green ash (Fraxinus pennsylvanica), American boxelder (Acer negundo), and American elm (Ulmus americana). Understory vegetation consists of a mix of native and non-native shrubs and herbs, including Morrow's honeysuckle (Lonicera morrowii), multiflora rose (Rosa multiflora), silky dogwood, ostrich fern, sensitive fern, poison ivy, and garlic mustard (Alliaria petiolata). Virginia creeper (Parthenocissus quinquefolia) and Oriental bittersweet (Celastrus orbiculatus) are entangled within the vegetation.

State wetlands in the project area (CT-WET-1) consist primarily of maintained lawn and meadow in previously disturbed portions of Curtiss Park, containing alluvial floodplain soils. Maintained lawn areas are consistently mowed through the summer with vegetation varying in height from 3 to 5 inches. Herbaceous species within maintained lawn areas include crabgrass (*Digitaria*)



*sanguinalis*), creeping red fescue (*Festuca rubra*), spotted spurge (*Euphorbia maculata*), broadleaved plantain (*Plantago major*), narrow-leaved plantain (*Plantago lanceolata*), and rabbit foot clover (*Trifolium arvense*). No shrubs exist within these maintained areas. Meadow areas are mowed only once a year, allowing for invasive shrubs (multiflora rose) to dominate. Herbaceous species within meadow areas include sensitive fern, common milkweed (*Asclepia syriaca*), common blue violet (*Viola sororia*), purple vetch (*Vicia benghalensis*), poison ivy, crabgrass, red fescue, and plantain. Scattered eastern red cedar trees (*Juniperus virginiana*) also exist within both maintained lawn and meadow areas.

Along the west side of Curtiss Park, between federal wetlands and the entrance drive to the park, forested state wetlands exist. These alluvial floodplain soils contain a mixed open/closed canopy with trees ranging from pole sized to 20-inch dbh. Vegetation within this habitat is similar to federal forested wetlands although additional canopy trees include sugar maple (*Acer saccharum*), northern catalpa (*Catalpa speciosa*), shagbark hickory (*Carya ovata*), mockernut hickory (*Carya tomentosa*), black oak (Quercus velutina), and eastern red cedar.

A Wetland Function-Value Evaluation Form from the Highway Methodology Workbook Supplement was completed for the Farmington River riparian corridor (Appendix D). The principal functions and values of the Farmington River riparian corridor include the following:

- Groundwater discharge
- Flood flow alteration and attenuation
- Fishery habitat (cold and warm water)
- Wildlife habitat
- Bank stabilization
- Production export (allochthonous materials to downstream habitats)

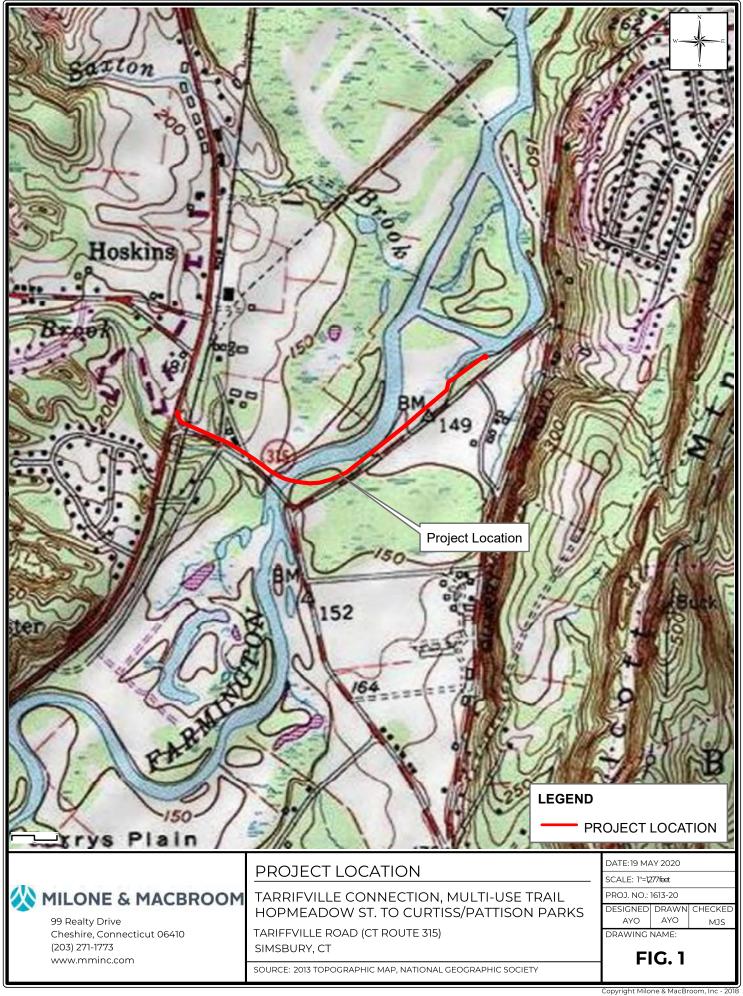
An assessment of potential impacts to wetlands and watercourses associated with the proposed Tariffville Trail Connection, Multiuse Trail project can be found in Appendix E.

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Soil Map—State of Connecticut (Tariffville Connection Farmington Valley/ECG)

MAP INFORMATION	The soil surveys that comprise your AOI were mapped at 1:12,000.	Warning: Soil Map may not be valid at this scale.	Enlargement of maps beyond the scale of mapping can cause misunderstanding of the detail of manning and accuracy of soil	line placement. The maps do not show the small areas of	contrasting soils that could have been shown at a more detailed scale.	Dease rely on the har scale on each man sheet for man	measurements.	Source of Map: Natural Resources Conservation Service	vved Soll Survey UKL: Coordinate System: Vveb Mercator (EPSG:3857)	Maps from the Web Soil Survey are based on the Web Mercator	projection, which preserves direction and shape but distorts	distance and area. A projection that preserves area, such as the Albers equal-area conic projection, should be used if more	accurate calculations of distance or area are required.	This product is generated from the USDA-NRCS certified data as of the version date(s) listed below.	Soil Survey Area: State of Connecticut		Soil map units are labeled (as space allows) for map scales	1:50,000 or larger.	Date(s) aerial images were photographed: Mar 28, 2011—Apr 18, 2011	The orthophoto or other base map on which the soil lines were	compiled and digitized probably differs from the background	imagery displayed on these maps. As a result, some minor shifting of map unit boundaries may be evident.		
EGEND	Spoil Area Stony Spot	Very Stony Spot	Vet Spot	△ Other	Special Line Features	Water Features		Heter Rails	Interstate Highways	US Routes	Major Roads	Local Roads	Background	Aerial Photography										
MAP LEG	Area of Interest (AOI) Area of Interest (AOI)		soil Map Unit Folygoris Soil Map Unit Lines	Soil Map Unit Points		Blowout	Borrow Pit	Clay Spot	Closed Depression	Gravel Pit	Gravelly Spot	Landfill	Lava Flow	Marsh or swamp	Mine or Quarry	Miscellaneous Water	Perennial Water	Rock Outcrop	Saline Spot	Sandy Spot	Severely Eroded Spot	Sinkhole	Slide or Slip	Sodic Spot
	Area of Intu	Soils			Special F	9	X	ж	0	×	•:	0	~	帚	8	0	0	>	+	***	Ŵ	0	~	<u>N</u>



# Map Unit Legend

Map Unit Symbol	Map Unit Name	Acres in AOI	Percent of AOI			
29A	Agawam fine sandy loam, 0 to 3 percent slopes	4.1	2.2%			
34A	Merrimac fine sandy loam, 0 to 3 percent slopes	18.5	9.9%			
36A	Windsor loamy sand, 0 to 3 percent slopes	5.0	2.6%			
38C	Hinckley loamy sand, 3 to 15 percent slopes	13.7	7.3%			
38E	Hinckley loamy sand, 15 to 45 percent slopes	1.2	0.6%			
78E	Holyoke-Rock outcrop complex, 15 to 45 percent slopes	3.8	2.0%			
100	Suncook loamy fine sand	9.4	5.0%			
101	Occum fine sandy loam	21.7	11.6%			
102	Pootatuck fine sandy loam	8.8	4.7%			
106	Winooski silt loam	3.6	1.9%			
107	Limerick and Lim soils	19.1	10.2%			
108	Saco silt loam	41.6	22.2%			
109	Fluvaquents-Udifluvents complex, frequently flooded	0.9	0.5%			
306	Udorthents-Urban land complex	6.7	3.6%			
307	Urban land	8.5	4.5%			
702B	Tisbury silt loam, 3 to 8 percent slopes	0.8	0.4%			
704A	Enfield silt loam, 0 to 3 percent slopes	6.2	3.3%			
W	Water	13.8	7.4%			
Totals for Area of Interest	,	187.3	100.0%			

# **APPENDIX B** CORPS WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA FORMS



# WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA FORM – Northcentral and Northeast Region

Project/Site: Tariffville Connection, Multi-Use Trail	City/County: Simsbur	Ty Si	ampling Date: June 18, 2018
Applicant/Owner: Town of Simsbury	_ , ,	State: CT	ampling Date: June 18, 2018 Sampling Point: W-1
Investigator(s): MJS	_ Section, Township, Ra		
Landform (hillslope, terrace, etc.): floodplain Landform		vex, none): <u>convex</u>	Slope (%): 0.5
Subregion (LRR or MLRA): R 145 Lat: 41.894848	N Lor	ng: -72.781261 E	Datum: NAD 83
Soil Map Unit Name: Saco silt loam		NWI classificati	on: NA
Are climatic / hydrologic conditions on the site typical for this time of	vear? Yes X No	(If no, explain in Rem	
		"Normal Circumstances" pres	
Are Vegetation, Soil, or Hydrology naturally p	-	eeded, explain any answers i	
SUMMARY OF FINDINGS – Attach site map showir			
	Is the Sampled	٨٢٥٦	-
Hydrophytic Vegetation Present?     Yes     X     No       Hydric Soil Present?     Yes     X     No	within a Wetla		No
Wetland Hydrology Present? Yes X No	If ves_optional	Wetland Site ID:	
Remarks: (Explain alternative procedures here or in a separate rep			
Community type: Wet floodplain forest			
Area is a floodplain wet meadow/scrub shrub	area located ad	acent to Salmon Br	ook.
HYDROLOGY			
Wetland Hydrology Indicators:		Secondary Indicator	s (minimum of two required)
Primary Indicators (minimum of one is required; check all that apply	<i>(</i> )	Surface Soil Cra	acks (B6)
	ed Leaves (B9)	Drainage Patter	ms (B10)
High Water Table (A2)		Moss Trim Line	
Saturation (A3)		Dry-Season Wa	
	ılfide Odor (C1)	Crayfish Burrow	
	zospheres on Living Roo		le on Aerial Imagery (C9)
	Reduced Iron (C4)	=	ssed Plants (D1)
	Reduction in Tilled Soils (	· =	
Iron Deposits (B5)		Shallow Aquitar	
Inundation Visible on Aerial Imagery (B7) Other (Explai	in in Remarks)	Microtopograph	
Field Observations:			Si (D3)
Surface Water Present? Yes No X Depth (inche	oc).		
Water Table Present? Yes No Depth (inche			
Saturation Present? Yes No Depth (inche		etland Hydrology Present?	Yes X No
(includes capillary fringe)			
Describe Recorded Data (stream gauge, monitoring well, aerial pho	otos, previous inspections	s), if available:	
Remarks:			
Active water table within 24 inches of soil sur	face.		

# **VEGETATION –** Use scientific names of plants.

30'	Absolute	Dominant		Dominance Test worksheet:					
Tree Stratum (Plot size: <u>30'</u> )	<u>% Cover</u>	Species?	Status	Number of Dominant Species					
1. None				That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: (A)					
2									
3				Total Number of Dominant Species Across All Strata: 4 (B)					
4				Percent of Dominant Species					
5				That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: (A/B)					
6	. <u> </u>			Prevalence Index worksheet:					
7				Total % Cover of: Multiply by:					
		= Total Cov		$\begin{array}{c} \hline \hline \\ $					
<b>15</b>		- 10141 000		FACW species $115$ x 2 = $230$					
Sapling/Shrub Stratum (Plot size: 15')	00	V	540	10 00					
1. Sambucus canadensis	20	Y	FAC						
2. Cornus amomum	25	Y	FAC	FACU species $\frac{0}{2}$ x 4 = $\frac{0}{2}$					
3				UPL species $\frac{0}{105}$ x 5 = $\frac{0}{000}$					
				Column Totals: <u>125</u> (A) <u>260</u> (B)					
4				Prevalence Index = $B/A = 2.1$					
5									
6				Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators:					
7				Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation					
· ·	45	= Total Cov		X Dominance Test is >50%					
5'		= Total Cov	er	$\mathbf{X}$ Prevalence Index is $\leq 3.0^1$					
Herb Stratum (Plot size: <u>5'</u> )				Morphological Adaptations <sup>1</sup> (Provide supporting					
1. Impatiens capensis	40	Y	FACW	data in Remarks or on a separate sheet)					
<sub>2.</sub> Onoclea sensibilis	25	Ν	FACW	Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation <sup>1</sup> (Explain)					
3. Solidago sp	5	N	NI						
A Phalaris arundinacea	50	Y	FACW	<sup>1</sup> Indicators of hydric soil and wetland hydrology must					
••				be present, unless disturbed or problematic.					
5. Toxicodendron radicans	10	N	FAC	Definitions of Vegetation Strata:					
6									
7				<b>Tree</b> – Woody plants 3 in. (7.6 cm) or more in diameter at breast height (DBH), regardless of height.					
				at breast neight (bbri), regardless of height.					
8				<b>Sapling/shrub</b> – Woody plants less than 3 in. DBH					
9	·			and greater than 3.28 ft (1 m) tall.					
10				Herb – All herbaceous (non-woody) plants, regardless					
11.				of size, and woody plants less than 3.28 ft tall.					
12.				Woody vines – All woody vines greater than 3.28 ft in					
12.	130			height.					
451		= Total Cov	rer						
Woody Vine Stratum (Plot size: 15' )									
1. None									
2									
3	·			Hydrophytic Vegetation					
4	·			Present? Yes X No					
		= Total Cov	rer						
Remarks: (Include photo numbers here or on a separate s	sheet.)								

## SOIL

		to the de	pth needed to docu			or confirm	n the absence	of indicat	ors.)
Depth (inches)	<u>Matrix</u> Color (moist)	%	Redo Color (moist)	<u>x Feature</u> %	es Type <sup>1</sup>	Loc <sup>2</sup>	Texture		Remarks
0-12	10YR 3/1	100					silt loam	A	Homanie
12-24	10YR 5/1	100	7.5YR 5/8	10	C	М	silt loam	В	
	1011( 0/1		7.511( 5/6					<u> </u>	
<u> </u>									
<u> </u>									
1							21		Dana Lining M. Matrix
Hydric Soil		Dietion, Riv	I=Reduced Matrix, C	S=Covere	d or Coate	ed Sand G			=Pore Lining, M=Matrix. ematic Hydric Soils <sup>3</sup> :
Histosol			Polyvalue Belo	w Surface	e (S8) ( <b>LR</b>	RR.			(LRR K, L, MLRA 149B)
Histic E	pipedon (A2)		MLRA 149B	)			Coast	Prairie Re	dox (A16) ( <b>LRR K, L, R</b> )
	istic (A3)		Thin Dark Surfa						t or Peat (S3) ( <b>LRR K, L, R</b> )
	en Sulfide (A4) d Layers (A5)		Loamy Mucky I			λ, L)			7) ( <b>LRR K, L</b> ) Surface (S8) ( <b>LRR K, L</b> )
	d Below Dark Surfac	e (A11)	Depleted Matrix		-)				e (S9) ( <b>LRR K, L</b> )
	ark Surface (A12)	. ,	Redox Dark Su	irface (F6					Masses (F12) (LRR K, L, R)
	Aucky Mineral (S1)		Depleted Dark	•	,				lain Soils (F19) ( <b>MLRA 149B</b> )
	Gleyed Matrix (S4) Redox (S5)		Redox Depress	sions (F8)				arent Mate	A6) ( <b>MLRA 144A, 145, 149B</b> ) rial (F21)
	Matrix (S6)								rk Surface (TF12)
	irface (S7) ( <b>LRR R, I</b>	MLRA 149	B)				Other	(Explain in	Remarks)
<sup>3</sup> Indiactoro o	f hudronbutio vogoto	tion and u	atland by dralagy and	at ha praa	ant unles	a diaturba	d ar problemati	•	
	Layer (if observed)		etland hydrology mu	st be pres	ent, unies	saisturbed	a or problemati	С.	
Туре:									
Depth (in	ches).						Hydric Soi	I Present?	Yes 🗙 No
Remarks:							-		
r tomanto.									

## WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA FORM – Northcentral and Northeast Region

Project/Site: Tariffville Connection, Multi-Use Trail	City/County: Sims	bury		Sampling Date: June 18, 2018
Applicant/Owner: Town of Simsbury	. , , <u>, ,</u>		State: CT	Sampling Point: U-1
Investigator(s): MJS	Section, Township,	. Range:		1 0
	ocal relief (concave,	-	<sub>):</sub> concave	Slope (%): _2%
Subregion (LRR or MLRA): R 145 Lat: 41.894821 I	N	Lona: -72.7	81209 E	Datum: NAD 83
Soil Map Unit Name: Occum fine sandy loam			NWI classifica	Datum: NAD 83
Are climatic / hydrologic conditions on the site typical for this time of y			no, explain in Re	
Are Vegetation, Soil, or Hydrology significantly			•	esent? Yes 🗙 No
Are Vegetation, Soil, or Hydrology naturally p	-		plain any answers	
SUMMARY OF FINDINGS – Attach site map showing	·		•	
	<u> </u>			
Hydrophytic Vegetation Present? Yes No X	Is the Sam within a We		Yes	NoX
Hydric Soil Present?     Yes     No     X       Wetland Hydrology Present?     Yes     No     X	-		<u>-</u>	<u> </u>
Remarks: (Explain alternative procedures here or in a separate repo		nal Wetland S		
Community type: Pasture				
Area is located along the road shoulder and is	s mowed requ	larly		
	, monou rogu	iany.		
HYDROLOGY				
Wetland Hydrology Indicators:		S	econdary Indicat	ors (minimum of two required)
Primary Indicators (minimum of one is required; check all that apply)	)	Г	Surface Soil C	
Surface Water (A1) Water-Stained	d Leaves (B9)	Ē	 Drainage Patt	
High Water Table (A2)		Ē	Moss Trim Lin	
Saturation (A3)	(B15)		Dry-Season V	Vater Table (C2)
	fide Odor (C1)		Crayfish Burro	ows (C8)
	cospheres on Living F	Roots (C3)		ible on Aerial Imagery (C9)
	Reduced Iron (C4)	Ļ	_	essed Plants (D1)
	Reduction in Tilled So	ils (C6)	Geomorphic F	
Iron Deposits (B5)	( )		Shallow Aquit	
Inundation Visible on Aerial Imagery (B7) Other (Explain Sparsely Vegetated Concave Surface (B8)	r in Remarks)	L F	FAC-Neutral	ohic Relief (D4) Fest (D5)
Field Observations:		L		
Surface Water Present? Yes No X Depth (inches	s):			
Water Table Present? Yes No Depth (inches				
Saturation Present? Yes No X Depth (inches	s):	Wetland Hy	drology Present	? Yes 🔜 No 🗙
(includes capillary fringe) Describe Recorded Data (stream gauge, monitoring well, aerial phot	too provious increat	iona) if availa	blo	
Describe Recorded Data (stream gauge, monitoring weil, aenai phot	tos, previous irispect	10115 <i>)</i> , 11 avalia	ibie.	
Remarks:				
Active water table located below 24-inches fro	om the soil sol	um.		

## **VEGETATION** – Use scientific names of plants.

<u>Tree Stratum</u> (Plot size: <u>30'</u> ) 1. <u>None</u>		Dominant Species?	Status	Dominance Test worksheet:         Number of Dominant Species         That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC:         2         (A)		
2				That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: 2 (A)		
3				Total Number of Dominant       Species Across All Strata:   (B)		
4				Percent of Dominant Species		
5				That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: $0.5$ (A/B)		
6				Prevalence Index worksheet:		
7				Total % Cover of: Multiply by:		
		= Total Cov	/er	$\overline{\text{OBL species } \underline{0}}  \overline{x \ 1 = \underline{0}}$		
Sapling/Shrub Stratum (Plot size: 15' )				FACW species $2$ x 2 = $4$		
Cornus amomum	2	Y	FAC	FAC species $32$ x 3 = $96$		
				FACU species <u>35</u> x 4 = <u>140</u>		
2				UPL species $0$ x 5 = $0$		
3				Column Totals: <u>69</u> (A) <u>240</u> (B)		
4 5				Prevalence Index = B/A = $\frac{3.5}{1.5}$		
				Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators:		
6				Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation		
7				Dominance Test is >50%		
	2	= Total Cov	ver	Prevalence Index is $\leq 3.0^1$		
Herb Stratum (Plot size: 5' )				Morphological Adaptations <sup>1</sup> (Provide supporting		
1. Toxicodendron radicans	30	Y	FAC	data in Remarks or on a separate sheet)		
2. Grasses sp. (mowed)	50	Y	NI	Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation <sup>1</sup> (Explain)		
<sub>3.</sub> <u>Carex sprengelli</u>	30	Y	FACU	1		
4. Parthenocissus quinquefolia	5	Ν	FACU	<sup>1</sup> Indicators of hydric soil and wetland hydrology must be present, unless disturbed or problematic.		
5. Onoclea sensibilis	2	N	FACW	Definitions of Vegetation Strata:		
6				<b>Tree</b> – Woody plants 3 in. (7.6 cm) or more in diameter		
7				at breast height (DBH), regardless of height.		
8				Sapling/shrub – Woody plants less than 3 in. DBH		
9				and greater than 3.28 ft (1 m) tall.		
10				Herb – All herbaceous (non-woody) plants, regardless		
11				of size, and woody plants less than 3.28 ft tall.		
12				Woody vines – All woody vines greater than 3.28 ft in		
	117	= Total Cov	ver	height.		
Woody Vine Stratum (Plot size: <u>15'</u> )						
1. None						
2						
3				Hydrophytic		
4				Vegetation Present? Yes No X		
		= Total Cov	ver			
Remarks: (Include photo numbers here or on a separate :	,					
Area is located along the road shoulder	r and is	maintair	ned by	CTDOT. The vegetation is		
	consistently mowed. Grasses dominate, but could not be keyed to species. If the grasses were					
keyed the dominance test would be les						
than 3.5.			•	<b>.</b>		

S	OIL

Depth	Matrix	e to the dep	oth needed to document the indicator or confirm Redox Features	n the absence	of indicators.)
(inches)	Color (moist)	%	<u>Color (moist)</u> <u>%</u> <u>Type<sup>1</sup></u> Loc <sup>2</sup>	Texture	Remarks
0-10	10YR 3/3	100		fine sandy loam	<u>A</u>
10-17	10YR 4/4	100		fine sandy loam	B1
17-24	10YR 4/6	100		sandy loam	B2
				·	
		pletion, RM	=Reduced Matrix, CS=Covered or Coated Sand G		cation: PL=Pore Lining, M=Matrix.
	Indicators:			_	for Problematic Hydric Soils <sup>3</sup> :
Histoso	l (A1) pipedon (A2)		Polyvalue Below Surface (S8) (LRR R, MLRA 149B)		Muck (A10) ( <b>LRR K, L, MLRA 149B</b> ) Prairie Redox (A16) ( <b>LRR K, L, R</b> )
	listic (A3)		Thin Dark Surface (S9) (LRR R, MLRA 149E		Mucky Peat or Peat (S3) (LRR K, L, R)
	en Sulfide (A4)		Loamy Mucky Mineral (F1) (LRR K, L)		Surface (S7) (LRR K, L)
	ed Layers (A5) ed Below Dark Surfa	ce (A11)	Loamy Gleyed Matrix (F2) Depleted Matrix (F3)		alue Below Surface (S8) (LRR K, L) Dark Surface (S9) (LRR K, L)
	ark Surface (A12)		Redox Dark Surface (F6)		langanese Masses (F12) (LRR K, L, R)
	Mucky Mineral (S1)		Depleted Dark Surface (F7)		nont Floodplain Soils (F19) (MLRA 149B)
	Gleyed Matrix (S4) Redox (S5)		Redox Depressions (F8)		Spodic (TA6) ( <b>MLRA 144A, 145, 149B</b> ) Parent Material (F21)
	d Matrix (S6)				Shallow Dark Surface (TF12)
Dark Su	urface (S7) (LRR R,	MLRA 149	В)	Other	(Explain in Remarks)
<sup>3</sup> Indicators of	of hydrophytic veget:	ation and w	etland hydrology must be present, unless disturbed	d or problematio	c
	Layer (if observed)				
Type:					
Depth (ir	nches):			Hydric Soil	Present? Yes No X
Remarks:	Plot location of	omplete	d within a alluvial floodplain soils.	Most clos	ely matches the NRCS
	Occum series.	•	d within a allovial hoodplain solis.	10031 0103	bely matches the MICO
	Joodin Senes.				





## MILONE & MACBROOM **PHOTOGRAPHIC LOG Client Name:** Site Location: Project No. Town of Simsbury Tariffville Road, Simsbury, Connecticut 1613-20 Photo No. Date: 07/12/2018 1 Direction Photo Taken: West R E STAURANT • SPORTS BAR • BANQUET **Description:** Maintained lawn and intersection of St. John's Place along northern portion of Tariffville Road, within the footprint of the proposed trail. Road Stations 112+00 through 120+00. Photo No. Date: 09/03/2018 2 **Direction Photo Taken:** West

**Description:** 

Dry slope meadow along northern portion of Tariffville Road. Tariffville Road bridge in background. Road Stations 125+00 to 128+00.



# MILONE & MACBROOM

## Client Name:

Town of Simsbury

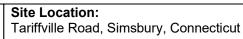
# PHOTOGRAPHIC LOG

Site Location: Tariffville Road, Simsbury, Connecticut Project No. 1613-20

Photo No.         Date:           3         09/03/2018	
Direction Photo Taken: East Description:	
Forested federal wetlands between the Farmington River and Tariffville Road. Road Station 128+00 to 129+00.	
Photo No. Date:	
4 06/01/2018 Direction Photo Taken: South	
<b>Description:</b> Salmon Brook looking upstream from downstream side of Tariffville Road. West of Road Station 130+00.	

# MILONE & MACBROOM Client Name:

# PHOTOGRAPHIC LOG



**Project No.** 1613-20

Town of Sims	bury	Tariffville Road, Simsbury, Connecticut	1613-20
Photo No. 5 Direction Pho Northeast	Date: 06/01/2018 oto Taken:		
<b>Description:</b> Salmon Brook to through foreste wetlands. West Stations 130+0	d federal of Road		
Photo No. 6 Direction Pho East Description: South bank of F River and exist access to the w entrance drive Park. North of Station 134+50	Farmington ing informal vest of the to Curtiss Road	<image/>	

# 🔆 MILONE & MACBROOM

#### **Client Name:** Town of Simsbury

Photo No.

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East

#### Site Location: Tariffville Road, Simsbury, Connecticut

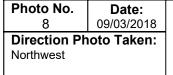
Project No. 1613-20

**PHOTOGRAPHIC LOG** 



## **Description:**

Existing informal access to the Farmington River west of the entrance drive to Curtiss Park. North of Road Station 134+50.



## **Description:**

Intersection of maintained lawn state wetlands, backwater pool/forested federal wetlands, and wet meadow federal wetlands. Adjacent to entrance of Curtis Park and Tariffville Road. West of Road Station 141+50.



# 🔆 MILONE & MACBROOM

## Client Name:

Town of Simsbury

Photo No.Date:909/03/2018Direction Photo Taken:Northeast

**Description:** Dry maintained lawn state wetlands (floodplain soils) adjacent to Tariffville Road.

adjacent to Tariffville Road West of Road Stations 136+00 to 141+00.

## **Site Location:** Tariffville Road, Simsbury, Connecticut

Project No. 1613-20

**PHOTOGRAPHIC LOG** 



# Photo No.<br/>10Date:<br/>09/03/2018Direction Photo Taken:<br/>Northwest

#### **Description:**

Intersection of maintained lawn state wetlands, backwater pool/forested federal wetlands, and wet meadow federal wetlands. Adjacent to entrance of Curtis Park and Tariffville Road. West of Road Station 141+50.



# **APPENDIX D** WETLAND FUNCTION-VALUE EVALUATION FORMS



	Wet	Wetland Function-Value Evaluation Form		
Total area of wetland NA Human made? <u>no</u>	Is wetl	Is wetland part of a wildlife corridor? $\overline{\mathbf{yes}}$ or	or a "habitat island"? $\frac{no}{L}$	Wetland I.D. Farmington River and riparian corridor Latitude 41.894459 N Longitude -72.782201 E
Adjacent land use recreational & commercial		Distance to nearest roadway or other development 10 ft		
Dominant wetland systems present PFO1		Contiguous undeveloped buffer zone present no		Wetland Impact: Type Fill 0.01 acre
Is the wetland a separate hydraulic system? $\frac{1}{100}$	If1	If not, where does the wetland lie in the drainage basin? lower		Evaluation based on:
How many tributaries contribute to the wetland $\frac{2}{2}$		Wildlife & vegetation diversity/abundance (see attached list)	it)	Office Field X Corps manual wetland delineation
Function/Value	Suitability Y / N	ty Rationale Principal (Reference #)* Function(s)/Value(s)	Con	completed? Y × N
Groundwater Recharge/Discharge	Х	4,5,7,12 Y		
Floodflow Alteration	12	3,5,6,7,8,9,10,13,14,18		
<ul> <li>Fish and Shellfish Habitat</li> </ul>	А	3,4,5,6,7,8,10,11,14,15,16,17		
Sediment/Toxicant Retention	А	3,4,5,7,9,10,16 Y		
Nutrient Removal	н	2,3,7,8,10,11,14 Y		
Production Export		1,2,5,6,7,8,10 Y		
Sediment/Shoreline Stabilization	Я	6,7,9,12,13,14 Y		
🛶 Wildlife Habitat	А	1,2,6,7,8,11,12,13,15,19,20 Y		
Recreation	Я	1,2,4,5,6,7,8,9,10,11,12Y		
Educational/Scientific Value	А	1,2,4,5,8,9,10,11,13Y		
★ Uniqueness/Heritage	А	3,5,7,8,9,10,11,12,14,16,17,18,19,22,27,30		
Kthe Visual Quality/Aesthetics	Υ	1,3,6,8,9,12 Y		
ES Endangered Species Habitat	А	Z		
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Notes:

## Tariffville Connection, Multi-Use Trail Vegetation Inventory

Common Name	Scientific Name
Tre	ees
Northern catalpa	Catalpa speciose
Black oak	Quercus velutina
Red maple	Acer rubrum
Sugar maple	Acer saccharum
American elm	Ulmus americana
Shagbark hickory	Carya ovata
Silver maple	Acer saccharinum
Mockernut hickory	Carya tomentosa
Green ash	Fraxinus pennsylvanica
White ash	Fraxinus americana
American boxelder	Acer negundo
Eastern red cedar	Juniperus virginiana
Black cherry	Prunus serotina
Pin oak	Quercus palustris
American linden	Tilia americana
Black locust	Robinia pseudoacacia
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Multiflora rose#	Rosa multiflora
Morrow's honeysuckle#	Lonicera morrowii
Elderberry	Sambucus canadensis
Silky dogwood	Swida amomum
Herbaceou	ıs & Vines
Oriental bittersweet#	Celastrus orbiculatus
Crabgrass#	Digitaria sanguinalis
Rabbit foot clover#	Trifolium arvense
Red clover#	Trifolium pratense
Creeping red fescue	Festuca rubra
Mugwort#	Artemisia vulgaris
Goldenrod	Solidago sp.
Joe Pye weed	Eutrochium purpureum
Ostrich fern	
Jewelweed	-
Purple vetch#	
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	Viola sororia
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Garlic mustard#	Alliaria petiolata
Crabgrass# Rabbit foot clover# Red clover# Creeping red fescue Mugwort# Goldenrod Joe Pye weed Ragweed Spotted spurge Ostrich fern Jewelweed Purple vetch# Virginia creeper Common blue violet Common blue violet Common milkweed Broad leaved plantain# Narrow leaved plantain#	Digitaria sanguinalisTrifolium arvenseTrifolium pratenseFestuca rubraArtemisia vulgarisSolidago sp.Eutrochium purpureumArtemisia sp.Euphorbia maculataMatteuccia struthiopterisImpatiens capensisVicia benghalensisParthenocissus quinquefoliaViola sororiaAsclepias syriacaPlantago majorPlantago lanceolataOnoclea sensibilis

### Tariffville Connection, Multi-Use Trail Vegetation Inventory

Common Name	Scientific Name
Poison ivy	Toxicodendron radicans

#Non-native species

No significant wildlife observations were made during our field delineation and/or wildlife surveys preformed over the past two years. This river corridor does provide valuable habitat to a variety of wildlife species, including small mammals, songbirds, fish, reptiles, and amphibians. Listed federal and stated species may use the river and its associated floodplains during the year and has been documented in our CTDEEP Natural Diversity Database Final Determination report.





#### **APPENDIX E**

#### WETLAND IMPACT ASSESSMENT

The following wetland impact assessment is based on project plans entitled "Tariffville Connection, Multi-Use Trail from Hopmeadow St. (Rt. 10) to Curtiss and Pattison Parks," dated June 24, 2020, prepared by Milone & MacBroom, Inc. The proposed project will include construction of approximately 3,600 linear feet of 10-foot-wide multiuse trail along the north side of Tariffville Road to provide safe pedestrian and bike access to Curtiss and Pattison Parks from the Farmington Canal Heritage Trail. Modification of existing entrance drives, guiderails, and stormwater infrastructure are required to accommodate the trail installation. Additionally, an existing informal, eroding pedestrian river access to the Farmington River located within Curtiss Park will be formalized and stabilized by installing stone steps on the bank of the river.

Alteration of on-site wetlands and watercourses has been minimized to the greatest extent practicable. The proposed project will result in approximately 10 square feet of disturbance and approximately 0.4 cubic yards of permanent fill within the Farmington River due to installation of the proposed river access stone steps. Approximately 990 square feet of permanent fill in federal wetlands and 5,300 square feet of temporary disturbance (i.e., cutting vegetation) in federal wetlands are also required to construct the trail. The secondary shading impact from the proposed boardwalk within federal wetlands is approximately 2,650 square feet of the 5,300 square feet of temporary impact presented above. Permanent alterations of federal wetlands include installation of steel piles to support a boardwalk over Salmon Brook and grading within wetlands to accommodate the installation of stone steps along the bank of the Farmington River. No impacts to Salmon Brook are proposed as the boardwalk structure will span the watercourse. The boardwalk will be set on 3-inch-diameter steel piles to reduce fill in wetlands and to allow for continued functioning of the wetlands. Temporary disturbances to the federal wetlands includes the cutting of existing herbaceous and woody vegetation flush to the soil surface to allow for construction of the boardwalk. No removal of cut woody stumps is anticipated, and it is expected that any cut herbaceous plants and/or woody shrubs will resprout during the growing season. Additionally, 46,360 square feet of permanent alteration of state wetlands is required to construct the bituminous concrete trail. State wetlands in the project area generally consist of maintained lawn with scattered trees, fences, and a gravel entrance drive to Curtiss Park. These state-regulated alluvial floodplain soils are located adjacent to a heavily traveled roadway (Tariffville Road) and have been significantly disturbed to construct Curtiss Park. The wetlands do not provide significant wetland functions and values or natural wildlife habitat.

Best management practices, including sediment and erosion control measures, have been incorporated into proposed project plans to avoid temporary impacts to water quality, wetland and watercourse resources, and wildlife during construction. Sediment filter fence will be installed around work areas adjacent to natural resources to prevent wildlife from entering the site and to prevent disturbed sediments from leaving the project site.

Based on our assessment of the quality of the wetlands along the project corridor and the protection measures that are being implemented, it is our professional opinion there will be no long-term significant adverse impacts to the wetlands and watercourses within the project corridor. Furthermore, the wetlands and watercourses will continue to provide their principal wetland functions and values that have been ascribed to these resources.

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Updike, Kelly & Spellacy, P.C. 100 Pearl Street Hartford, CT 06103 Attn: Robert M. DeCrescenzo, Esq.

## EASEMENT

# TO ALL PEOPLE TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME, GREETING:

STARDUST, LLC, a Connecticut limited liability company, 133 Holcomb Street, Simsbury, Connecticut 06070 ("Grantor"), for One Dollar (\$1.00) and other good and valuable consideration, receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, grants to the TOWN OF SIMSBURY, a municipal corporation, 933 Hopmeadow Street, Simsbury, Connecticut 06070 ("Grantee"), its successors and assigns forever, a nonexclusive easement over a portion of that certain parcel of land located at 20 Tariffville Road, Simsbury, Connecticut, M/B/L 106-439-016A, PID # 31622380 as shown on the Map and as more fully described on Exhibit A hereto (the "Easement Area"), for its municipal purposes, including and limited to a future public recreational trail for pedestrians and non-motorized vehicles including the right to construct, maintain, repair, replace, modify, install, and rebuild the trail and reasonably necessary safety and security equipment, and provided that the Grantor, its successors and assigns forever, shall have the unrestricted right to cross and re-cross the Easement Area to have unlimited access to all of its property to the north of the Easement Area and to use the Easement Area for all purposes not inconsistent with the use of the Easement Area for its intended purposes, provided that such access shall not unreasonably limit the use of the Easement Area, and the Grantor, its successors and assigns, agrees that it shall not build or place any permanent structures, and shall not erect or maintain any obstruction on the Easement Area.

The Easement Area is shown on a map entitled, "Right of Way Survey, Town of Simsbury, Map showing Easement Acquired from Stardust, LLC by Town of Simsbury, Tariffville Connection, Farmington Valley East Connection, Multi-Use Trail from Hopmeadow St. (RT. 10 & 302) to Curtiss and Pattison Parks Scale: 1"=20', May 2021" (the "Map"). Grantee shall be responsible for performing or causing all work shown on the Map to be performed.

By acceptance of this Easement the Grantee, for itself and its successors and assigns, agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the Grantor, its successors and assigns, from any claims or liabilities arising out of or related to the use or maintenance of the Easement Area, unless such injury, death, damage, or claim was caused by the Grantor.

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the granted easement for the purposes described in this grant to the TOWN OF SIMSBURY, its successors and assigns, forever

NO CONVEYANCE TAX COLLECTED

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, STARDUST, LLC has caused this grant of easement to be executed on June 1/5, 2021.

Signed, Sealed and Delivered In the Presence of:

STARDUST, LLC Make By: Steven Antonio

Its Member Duly Authorized

STATE OF CONNECTICUT)

COUNTY OF HARTFORD

ss at Simsbury

Personally appeared Steven Antonio, Member of Stardust, LLC, who acknowledged that he executed this Easement as his free act and deed and the free act and deed of the limited liability company.

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Commissioner of the Superior Court

Notary Public My Commission Expires:

MAUREEN F TAGLIATELA Notary Public, State of Connecticut My Commission Expires Aug. 31, 2025

Grantee's Address: 933 Hopmeadow Street Simsbury, CT 06070

## Exhibit A

### Description of Easement

## **Defined Trail Easement**

A certain piece or parcel of land situated in State of Connecticut, County of Hartford and Town of Simsbury being depicted on a map entitled: "Right of Way Survey Town of Simsbury Map Showing Easement Acquired from Stardust, LLC by the Town of Simsbury" prepared by SLR International Corporation, Scale: 1"=20', Dated: May 2021 and revised through 5/21/21 and being more particularly bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at a point marking the intersection of the approximate northerly line of Tariffville Road (Route 315) and approximate easterly streetline of St. John's Place;

thence running in a northerly direction along the easterly streetline of St. John's Place a distance of 19 feet more or less to a point; thence running easterly a distance of 176 feet more or less to a point;

thence running along a clockwise curve, having a radius of 1536.50 feet, a distance of 97 feet more or less to a point;

thence running easterly a distance of 170 feet more or less to a point, said point located on the approximate northerly streetline of Tariffville Road (Route 315), the last three courses running through land now or formerly of Stardust, LLC;

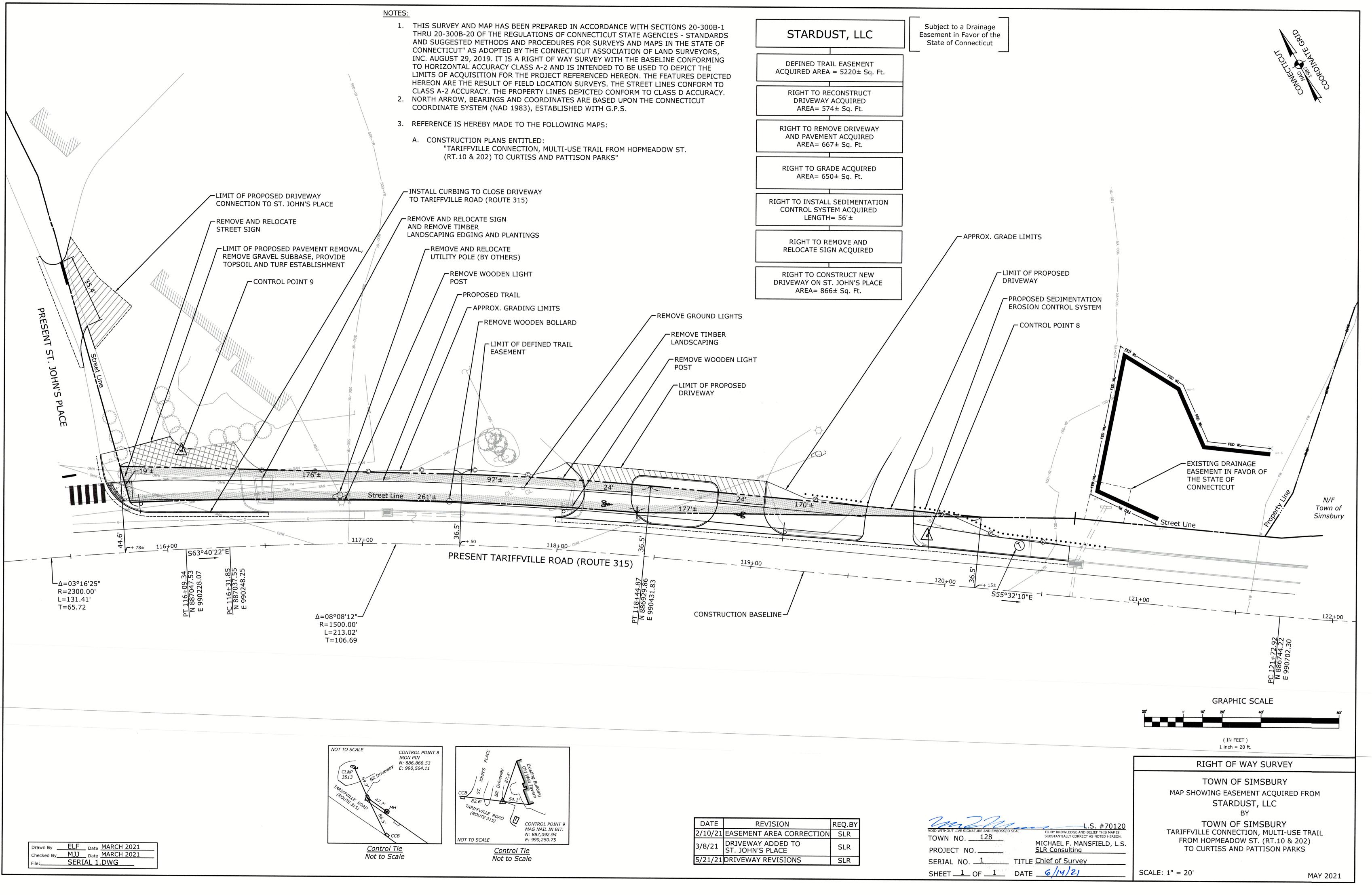
thence running in a westerly direction along the northerly streetline of Tariffville Road (Route 315) to a point 438 feet more or less to the point of beginning.

The above described Defined Trail Easement contains 5,220 square feet, more or less.

A TRUE COPY OF ORIGINAL ASST

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