

DNREC Virtual Public Hearing

Andrew and Maureen Bolduc (Docket #2020-P-W-0009)

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Public Hearing Andrew and Maureen Bolduc

April 15, 2020
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State of Emergency

On March 13, 2020, Governor Carney declared a State of Emergency due to the public health threat of COVID-19

In order to prevent the community transmission of COVID-19, the Governor's State of Emergency declaration ordered all public meetings of executive branch public bodies governed by 29 Del. C. §§10001 et. seq. to be conducted electronically, either by means of telephone conference call or video-conference call to prevent unnecessary public gatherings



OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

PROCLAMATION

Whereas, the Centers for Disease Control and Provention has determined that a novel comparitus ("COVID-18") presents a scripus public health threat; and

Whereus, as of 3:00 a.m. E.S.T. on March 13, 2020, the Governor declared a State of Emergency due to the public health threat of COVID-19; and

Whereas, in order to prevent the community transmission of COVID-19, the Governor's State of Emergency destruction ordered all public meetings of casculars branch public bodies governed by 20 Ed. 5 [\$1000 Let. sex, (including boards, commissions, task fromes, and any other similar public body) may be conducted electronically, either by means of telephone conforcave call or video-conference call; and

Whereas, in the internsts of protecting the citizens of this state from the public health threat caused by GOVID-19, the Governor is authorized to take such urion as the Governor consonably believes necessary to help maintain life, bothly, property or public peace in this state, including issuing a producing time to assept of the provisions of any regulatory statute pre-criding the procedures for conducting state husaness whose string compliance with the statute way hinder necessary action in coping with the public health threat coused by COVID-19.

Now, Therefore, We, John Carney, Governor, and Bethany Hall-Long, Lieutenant Governor, do hereby declare that the following precautionary measures shall be implemented:

- All movings of public bodies governed by 29 Del. C. §§10001 et. seq., until further notice, may be conducted electronically, either by means of telephone conference call or videoconference call.
- 2. The technology used must permit members of the public body to hour the comments of and openk to all those participating, and members of the public to have the comments of and speak to such members of the public body contemporanceously. Public participants must also be permitted to electronically access presentation autorials and submit questions or comments.
- During any public meeting conducted by electronic means, each member of the public body will identify him or herself before speaking so that reembers of the public are able to hear the comments of the members of the public body.
- 4. Notice requirements of public meetings will continue us required by law and will include the electronic information necessary for purileipation.
- Meetings already noticed shall be updated as soon as practicable with the information necessary for members and the public to participate electronically.
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 6. All other rules and procedures applicable to public meetings shall be followed.



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Purpose of Public Hearing

To provide the public an opportunity to comment on Andrew and Maureen Bolduc's application to conduct maintenance dredging and after-the-fact authorization of a dock extension.

Subaqueous Lands Permit

Project Location

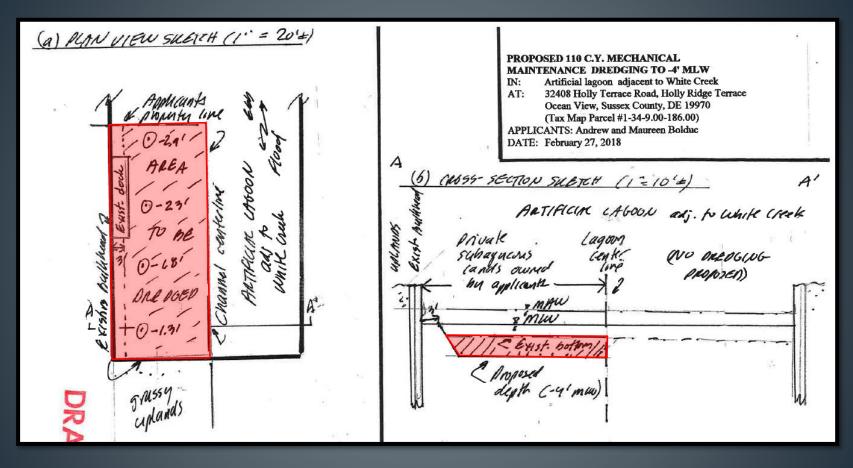


Project Location



Located on Tax Parcel # 134-9.00-186.00 at 32408 Holly Terrance Road, Ocean View, Sussex County, DE

Initial Project Overview



 Mechanically maintenance dredge 110± cubic yards of material to a depth of -4 feet MLW and dispose off-site to a previously approved borrow pit disposal area located in Dagsboro, DE

Public Notice



- The project was placed on a 20 day public notice period published in The Delaware State News and the News Journal from April 4, 2018 to April 24, 2018
 - Received one written comment in objection
- DNREC Division of Fish and Wildlife

Species Conservation and Research Program

- No species of concern are documented for the dredge location but recommendations were made for a time of year restriction to protect eastern tiger salamander (a State-endangered species) located at the disposal site
- DNREC Division of Water

Groundwater Protection Branch

- Investigated for concerns between the dredged material disposal site and the potential to impact groundwater
- Determined that groundwater contamination was not a concern

Regulatory Review



- DNREC Division of Water
 Wetlands and Subaqueous Lands Section
 - Conducted bathymetry on-site to determine if the requested depths were consistent with regulatory requirements

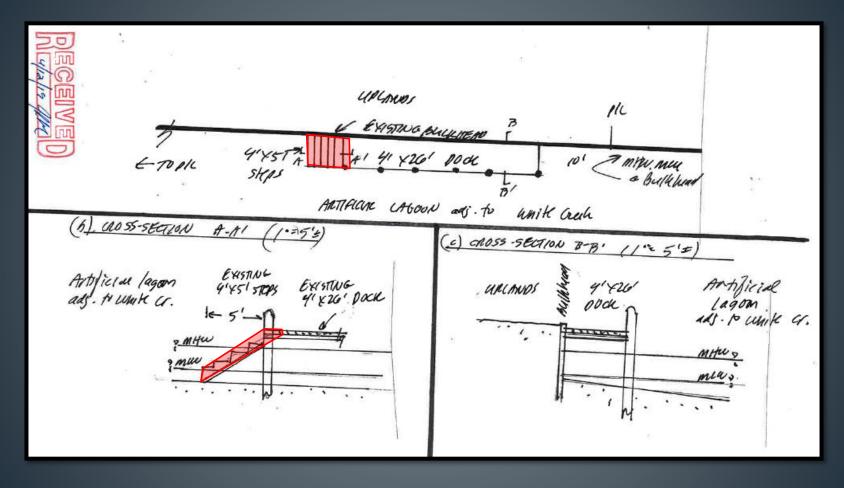
Bathymetry



Project Modifications

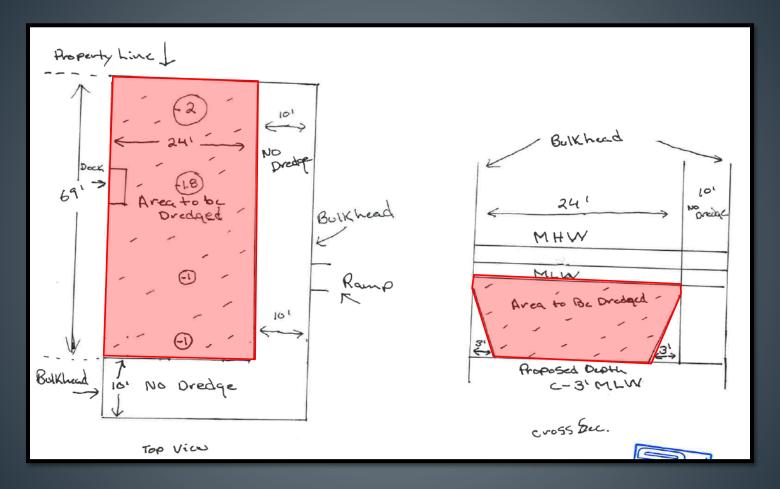
- Based on agency consultation changes to the project included:
 - The inclusion of a request to authorize a dock extension through the afterthe-fact permit approval process
 - SA-199/09 authorized a 4 foot wide x 25 foot long dock and on-site there is a 4 foot wide x 26 foot long dock with an additional 5 foot long steps
 - Location of the area to be dredged modified from the lagoon centerline to 10 foot away from adjacent property lines
 - The property owner to the north submitted a letter of no objection so their shared property line is the northern limit of the project
 - Dredge depth minimized from the initial request of -4 foot MLW to -3 foot MLW

Final Project Overview



After-the-Fact Dock Extension: a 4 foot wide x 1 foot long dock extension and a 4 foot wide by 5 foot long dock access steps extension

Final Project Overview



Mechanically maintenance dredge 153± cubic yards of material to a depth of -3
feet MLW and to dispose off-site to a previously approved borrow pit disposal area
located in Dagsboro, DE

Disposal Location

To a previously approved borrow pit disposal area located northeast of the intersection of Irons Lane and Old Mill Road at Tax Parcel# 134-7.00-187.00, Dagsboro, Sussex County, DE





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Thank you for joining us. We will accept comments on this matter through April 30, 2020.

Comments may be submitted in writing

via <u>DNREC Comment form</u> - https://dnrec.alpha.delaware.gov/public-hearings/comment-form/
via email- DNRECHearingComments@delaware.gov

or by USPS mail:
Theresa Newman, Hearing Officer
DNREC – Office of the Secretary
89 Kings Highway, Dover, DE 19901

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