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History

Turner Pond (Map 24- lots 14, 15, 16 1nd 45) is a Town of Walpole Conservation Commission property acquired by the town in 1983 under Article 97. It is used for passive recreation including fishing, non-motorized boating and skating. Turner Pond is an impoundment of the Mine Brook River. The dam out-flow structure is located on Mill Pond Road and is management by the town. The inflow structure is located to the North of the Turner Pond lodge located on town Conservation Property. Passive recreation is managed by the Town's Pond Committee.

Permit History

On September 12, 2011, an Order of Conditions was issued by the Walpole Conservation Commission for the enhancement of the beach area in front of Turners Pond. The area had been used as a beach in the 1990 however had not been maintained. The Commission allowed for 500 s.f. of brush cutting along the edge of the pond for fishing and for the beach area to be re-established between the gravel access way to the west and to the end of the lodge to the east. The Topographical Plan of Land in Walpole by John R. Anderson & Anderson Associates- June 1, 2011 shows the area allowed for shrub clearing and the 2021 MassMapper aerial shows the area of the Beach to be maintained.

Project Summary

The town seeks to maintain the beach area in from of the Turner Pond Lodge which was approved under DEP #315-973 and has since expired. The new Order of Conditions will allow the Town's Pond Committee to maintain the beach will clean sand when required not expanding the existing beach. The beach is used by the town for passive recreational purposes in the winter for skating and year-round for fishing. An area of approximately 1000 s.f feet of existing sand will be raked, old sand removed, and new sand replenished. The area of the beach will not be enlarged, the depth of the sand will not be increased, and the sand will be replenished at the water's edge. Equipment used for removal of old sand and replenishment of new sand will have soft tires. The sand will be clan sand free of trash and debris.

Wetland Resource Areas

BVW

The wetland shrubs located in front of Turner Pond (shown on the June 1, 2011 Plan) was approved for removal by DEP # 315-973 and has been maintained so that skating and fishing can take place. No additional wetland shrubs will be altered.

Flood Plain

The floodway elevation of 146 as shown on the FIRMette attached will not be filled.

Land Under waterbody

No sand will be placed within the waterbody of Tuner Pond.