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### VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

May 1, 2020

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RE: **Docket No. 482** –Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the Construction, Maintenance and Operation of a Wireless Telecommunications Facility Located at 917 Exeter Road, Lebanon, Connecticut. **D&M Plan Revision.**

Dear Attorney Baldwin:

The Connecticut Siting Council (Council) is in receipt of your correspondence dated May 1, 2020 regarding a revision to the Development and Management (D&M) Plan for the above-referenced site that was approved by the Council on January 31, 2020.

Pursuant to Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies §16-50j-77(b), your request to modify the access road to improve site drainage is hereby approved. The improvements include the installation of two culverts and the incorporation of coarse stone/geotextile fabric into the access road sub-base to facilitate drainage under the road. The improvements are necessary due to recent rainfall which has caused pooling of water during construction of the access road where it traverses poorly drained soils.

This approval applies only to the D&M Plan revision dated May 1, 2020. Any significant changes to the D&M Plan require advance Council notification and approval.

Please be advised that deviations from this plan are enforceable under the provisions of the Connecticut General Statutes § 16-50u. Furthermore, the Certificate Holder is responsible for reporting requirements pursuant to Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies Section 16-50j-77.

Thank you for your attention and cooperation.

Sincerely,

*s/Melanie A. Bachman*

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Re: **Docket No. 482 – Application of Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the Construction, Maintenance and Operation of a Wireless Telecommunications Facility Located at 917 Exeter Road, Lebanon, Connecticut**

**Minor Modifications to Approved Development & Management (D&M) Plan**

Dear Attorney Bachman:

As a follow up to our discussion on Wednesday, please accept this as a request for staff approval of a minor modification to the approved D&M Plan in the above-referenced docket. The minor modification, described more fully in the attached report prepared by Dean Gustafson at APT, is designed to address a poor drainage condition along a short portion of the access driveway to the cell site and involves the installation two culverts and a “French mattress” drainage structure. This minor modification will not expand the limits of disturbance at the project site nor will it result in additional impacts to on-site wetland resources.

Thank you in advance for your attention to this matter. If you have any questions please feel free to contact Dean Gustafson directly at (860) 984-9515 or me.

Sincerely,



Kenneth C. Baldwin

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Attachment



Date: April 30, 2020

To: Kenneth C. Baldwin, Robinson & Cole LLP

Re: Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless  
Connecticut Siting Council Docket No. 482  
Lyman Memorial High School  
917 Exeter Road, Lebanon, CT

APT Project No. CT1417950

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During All-Points Technology Corp., P.C. (“APT”) inspection of erosion control measures on May 29, 2020, the civil contractor for Verizon Wireless, Eastern Communications, Inc. (“ECI”), suggested the installation of a culvert under the access road at its low point in proximity to Wetland 1 (located west of the access road). Please see attached photos depicting the area in question, which is located near survey STA 2+64.46 (refer to Sheet No. SP-1 of the D&M Plan). Excessive precipitation this month has saturated this section of the access road which now contains standing water, with one particular area showing very shallow (1” minus) flow to the east (towards Wetland 2). APT had suggested during the pre-construction meeting on April 15, 2020 that a French mattress (coarse stone wrapped in geotextile fabric) be installed in this area under the road surface to allow surface water to follow the current drainage pattern and avoid artificially impounding water along the west side of the access road. Based on APT’s observations of current site conditions, two small culverts in this location would assist in relief of surface drainage and, in combination with the French mattress would prevent extended impoundment of surface water that could otherwise increase the hydrology of Wetland 1. Nearby Wetland 2 has confirmed vernal pool habitat with wood frog breeding. Should construction activities on the west side of the access road result in a temporary impoundment of standing water, this condition could create a “decoy pool” and potentially intercept migrating individuals and ultimately result in unsuccessful breeding. Therefore, there would be an overall benefit to installing the culverts and French mattress.

Please find attached a civil sketch (Sheet No. SK-1) depicting the minor modification to the access road design that includes the installation of two 12-inch high density polyethylene (“HDPE”) culverts and French mattress. Two small culverts are recommended to properly disperse conveyance of surface flows and avoid a singular concentrated discharge that could result in erosion. We understand that this information will be provided to the Connecticut Siting Council staff for review.

Enclosures

cc: Andrew Candiello, Verizon Wireless  
Bryon Morawski, Structure Consulting Group  
Robert Burns, APT  
Craig Clarkin, APT

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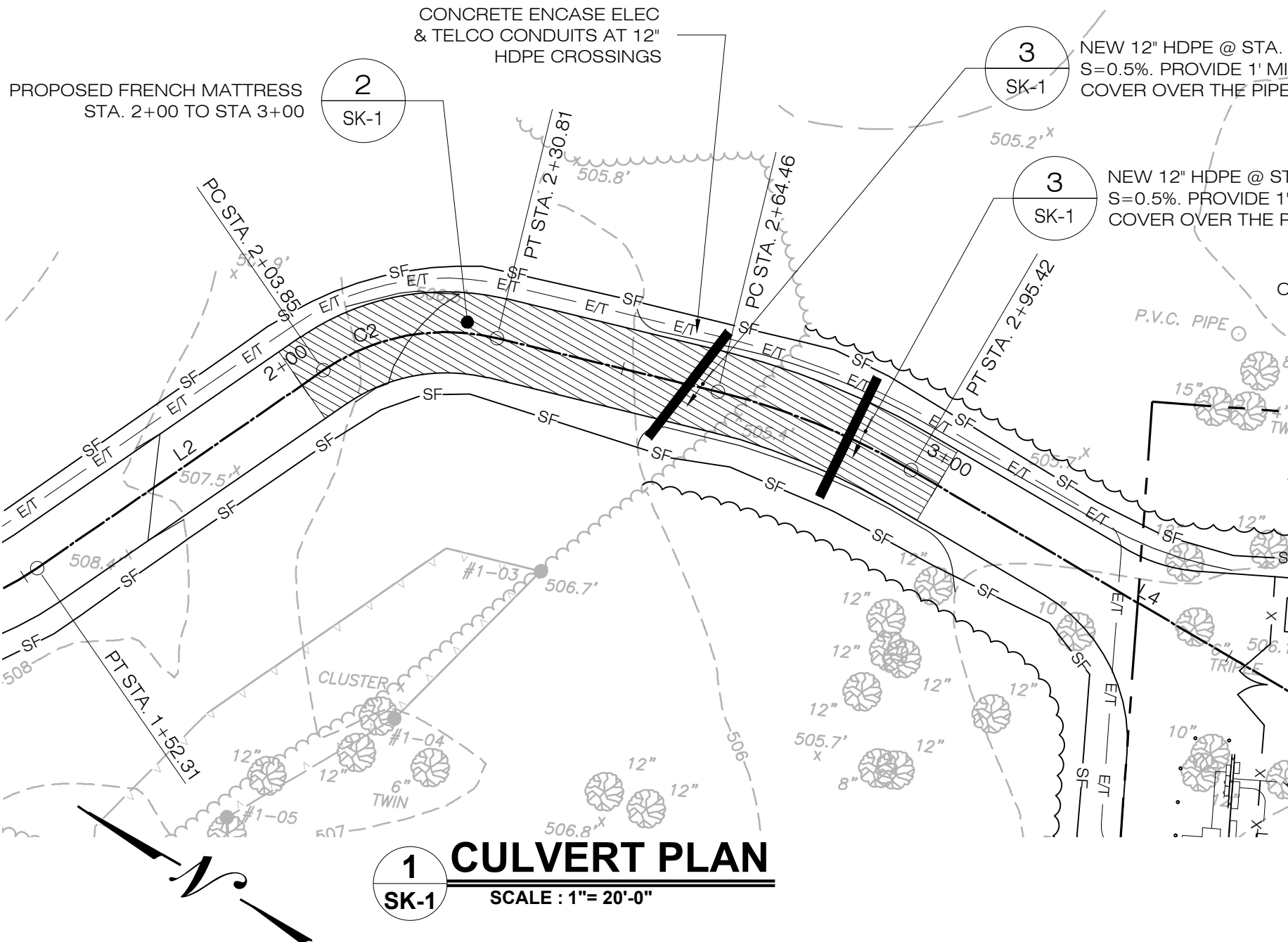


Photo 1: View of proposed access road low point looking north/northeast.

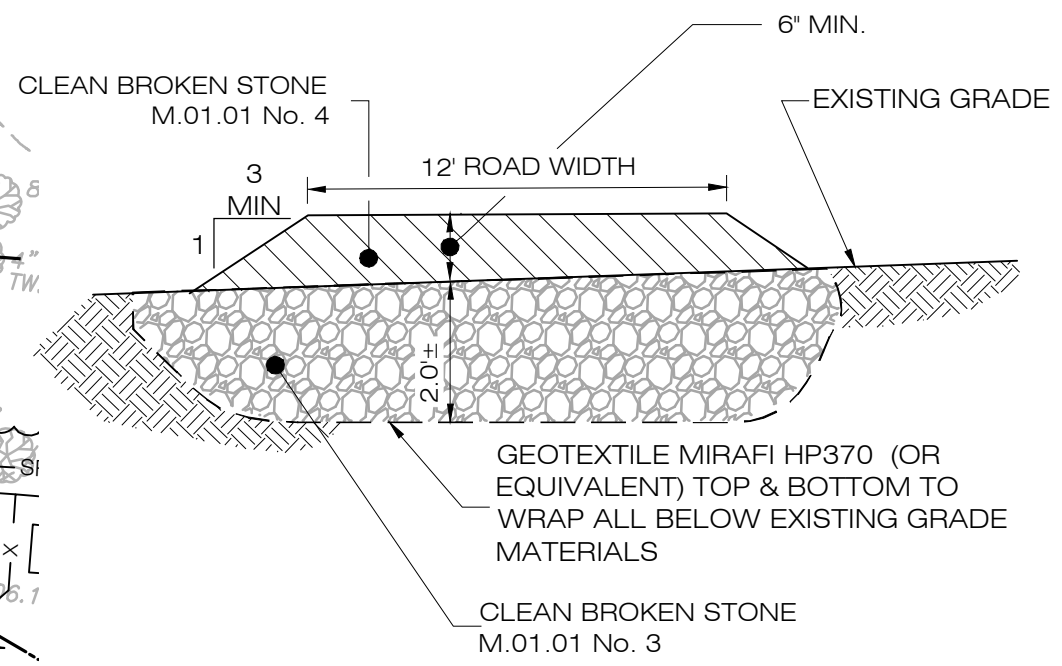


Photo 2: View of proposed culvert and French mattress location looking west.  
Orange survey stake in left side of photo depicts the location of STA 2+64.46.

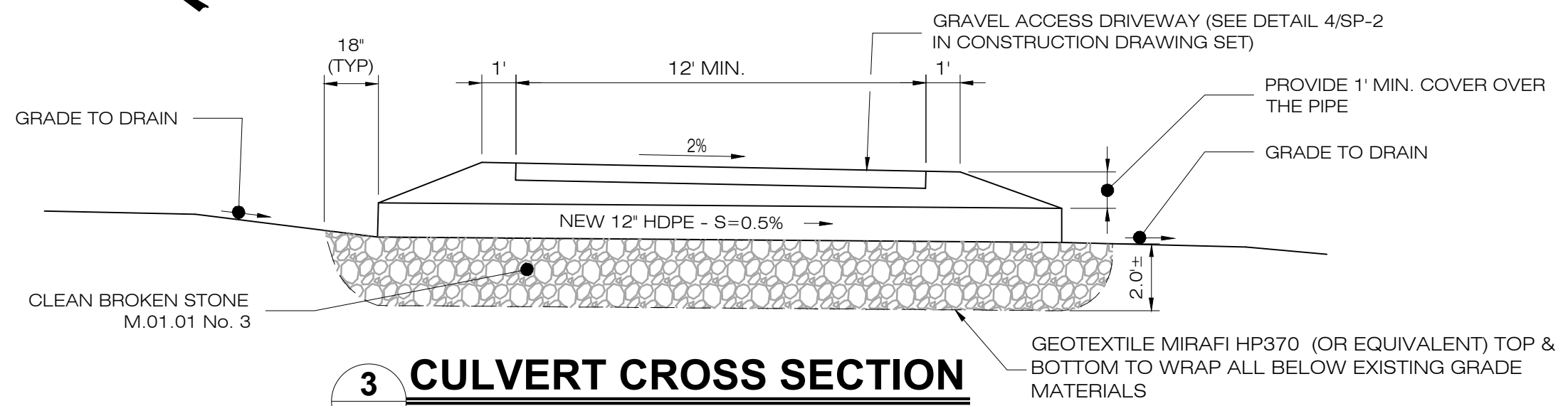




**1 CULVERT PLAN**  
SK-1 SCALE : 1"= 20'-0"



**2 FRENCH MATTRESS**  
SK-1 SCALE : NTS



**3 CULVERT CROSS SECTION**  
SK-1 SCALE : NTS

REVISIONS:  
-REV0: 04/30/20: FOR REVIEW: RCB

Cellco Partnership d/b/a **verizon**

APT FILING NUMBER: CT141 NB7950  
SKETCH PLAN  
DRAWN BY: RCB  
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