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FW: Plat Hill Road, Winchester NDDB # 201912629

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Hello Matt,

Thank you for the protection plan detail of stormwater controls that will be employed during your project, and the project design that will minimize the increase in impervious surface. Your notes have been uploaded into our project files. I concur with your plan, and I do not have more specifics to recommend at this time.

Thank you,

-Shannon

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From: Matt Popp <matt@elsllc.net> Sent: Friday, March 27, 2020 4:06 PM

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Subject: Plat Hill Road, Winchester

Hi Dawn:

Hope all is well and safe.

Stephen Trinkaus, of Trinkaus Engineering, LLC, asked me to review the proposed solar array field located at Platt Hill Road (Winchester) with regards to potential impacts to Bridle Shiner and Eastern Pondmussel, both State listed as Species of Special Concern. I visited the site when the proposed subdivision was being reviewed by Winchester inland wetlands. After reviewing the proposed solar array site plans and reports, it appears that as long as soil erosion is controlled during construction, no adverse impact is anticipated to these two listed species since the work is some distance away from their habitats. The applicant has informed me that a site monitor will be retained during construction to monitor soil erosion (I believe this will be required as part of the DEEP Stormwater Discharge Permit). I prepared the attached letter with regards to this issue.

Please let me know if you think any other protection measures are needed.

Thanks.

Matt Popp

P.S. - Back many years ago (20+), we found Eastern Pondmussel within the Mianus River (Greenwich), south of Palmers Hill Road and above the dam. I thought I took photos but can't seem to find them now. Wonder if they are still present.

Matthew J. Popp, LA / PWS

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