

GENERAL PERMIT 1



DRCC #: 12-3948A
DATE: November 28, 2012
PROJECT NAME: Route 29 Bank Stabilization
Latest Submission Received: November 20, 2012

Owner:

New Jersey Department of Transportation
1035 Parkway Avenue, PO Box 600
Trenton, NJ 08625-0600

Applicant/Contractor:

Denice daCunha
The RBA Group
7 Campus Drive, Suite 300
Parsippany, NJ 07054

Project Location:

Road	Municipality	County	Block(s)	Lot(s)
Route 29 Mile Post 10.1 Mile Post 21.3	Ewing Township Delaware Township	Mercer Hunterdon	N.A.	N.A.

Jurisdictional Determination:

Zone A	Minor	Governmental
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Documents Received: Letter from Tina Shutz to Marlen Dooley dated November 20, 2012 (1 page); Letter from Daniel D. Saunders to Tina Shutz dated June 21, 2012 (1 page); Application Report for D&R Canal General Permit 1 dated October 2012; Site plan dated October 2012 (15 sheets); Environmental Plan dated October 2012 (3 sheets) all prepared by The RBA Group.

The Delaware and Raritan Canal Commission has reviewed the referenced application for a General Permit authorization pursuant to the requirements of the Regulations for the Review of the Delaware and Raritan Canal State Park at N.J.A.C. 7:45-6.2. The proposed project is authorized by General Permit No.1, which authorizes projects in Zone A that are necessary to carry out the repair, rehabilitation, maintenance or reconstruction of a structure, road, utility line, or stormwater management measure or basin lawfully existing prior to January 1980 or approved under this Chapter by the Commission.

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The project authorized under this general permit shall not be put to any use other than as specified in any approval authorizing its original construction. Projects authorized under the general permit shall not visibly change, expand, widen or deepen the feature, and shall not deviate from any plans of any prior project approvals, except for minor deviations due to changes in materials or construction techniques. Any such deviations must be shown as necessary to fulfill the purpose of the proposed project, and must be consistent with the Master Plan.

Description of the authorized project: The applicant is proposing to remove gabion walls and sheet piling placed during an emergency in December 2007 at two locations on Route 29 and to replace it with hand-laid native stone slope protection and subsurface embankment elements, which include H-piles and sheet piling. The first location is in the vicinity of Mile Post 9.9 to 10.01 on Route 29 southbound in Ewing Township and the second location is Mile Post 21.2 to 21.3 on Route 29 southbound in Delaware Township. The proposed project will disturb .05 acres and add .03 acres of new impervious surface. We note that the project will restore the original historic character of the sites which existed prior to the emergency work. The NJ State Historic Preservation Office has determined that the project does not constitute an encroachment.

Permit Conditions: The project allowed by this authorization shall comply with the following conditions. Failure to comply with these conditions shall constitute a violation of the Delaware and Raritan Canal State Park law of 1974 (N.J.S.A. 13:13A-1 et seq.).

1. This authorization is valid for five years from the date of this letter unless more stringent standards are adopted by rules prior to this date.
2. The project as described shall be constructed and/or executed in conformity with the application.
3. No change in plans or specifications shall be made except with prior written permission from the Commission.
4. The permittee shall allow the Commission the right to inspect the construction site and also shall provide the Commission with written notification 7 days prior to the start of the authorized work.
5. A complete, legible copy of this permit shall be kept at the work site and shall be exhibited upon request of any person.
6. The issuance of this permit shall not be deemed to affect in any way other actions by the Commission on any future application.

Expiration Date: November 28, 2017

Appeal of Decision: In accordance with N.J.A.C. 7:45- 7.1, any person who is aggrieved by this decision may request a hearing within 30 days of the date of decision.

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If you have any questions regarding this authorization, please contact the Commission at (609) 397-2000 and reference the above file number.

Sincerely,



Marlene Dooley
Executive Director

c: Tina Shutz, Bureau of Landscape Architecture and Environmental Solutions
Delaware Township Construction Office
Hunterdon County Planning Board
Ewing Township Planning Board
Mercer County Planning Board

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