



R:/4057 New Bedford Airport EA/Gravel access road and obstruction lighting

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Subject: Request for Extension Permit, Order of Conditions – SE 49-0729; New Bedford Regional Airport, Airport Gravel Access Road and Obstruction Lighting Project, New Bedford, Massachusetts

Dear Commissioners:

On March 18, 2016, the New Bedford Conservation Commission issued an Order of Conditions (“OOC”) to the New Bedford Regional Airport for the Gravel Access Road and Obstruction Lighting Project under file number SE 49-0729. The physical address for the New Bedford Regional Airport is 1569 Airport Road, New Bedford MA 02740 and the assessor’s map and parcel number for the Airport include the following: 123-3, 124-28, 124-82, 125-22 and 128-32. Additional property owners associated with this OOC include Callaghan Shelia c/o City of New Bedford at 133 William Street, New Bedford MA 02740, map number 124-14 and Ahavath Achim Congregation Inc at 145 Brownell Avenue, New Bedford MA 02740, map 124-113. The OOC remains valid until March 18, 2019.

The gravel access road has been built and the wetland replication area has been constructed, planted, stabilized and enhanced with wildlife habitat features, as required by the OOC. However, because of a delay in funding from FAA, the related obstruction lighting work has not yet been constructed including associated permitted fill in bordering vegetated wetlands (approximately up to 1,400 square feet of temporary impact and 5 square feet of permanent impacts). Additionally, the post-construction wetland replication monitoring work has not been completed.

As a portion of the permitted project is not yet constructed and the replication area is still in development, the Airport Commission respectfully requests that the New Bedford Conservation Commission extend the OOC for three additional years to March 18, 2022. With this letter, I also enclose a copy of the recorded OOC.

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