



Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection
Bureau of Resource Protection - Wetlands

City/Town _____

WPA Form 1- Request for Determination of Applicability

Massachusetts Wetlands Protection Act M.G.L. c. 131, §40

A. General Information

Important:
When filling out forms on the computer, use only the tab key to move your cursor - do not use the return key.



1. Applicant:

City of New Bedford Dept. of Parks Recreation & Beaches
Name
181 Hillman St Bld 3
Mailing Address
New Bedford
City/Town
508-961-3015
Phone Number

mary.rapoza@newbedford-ma.gov
E-Mail Address

Ma
State
508-991-6175
Fax Number (if applicable)

02740
Zip Code

2. Representative (if any):

Parks Recreation & Beaches
Firm
Mary Rapoza
Contact Name
181 Hillman St Bld 3
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B. Determinations

1. I request the New Bedford _____ make the following determination(s). Check any that apply:
Conservation Commission

- a. whether the **area** depicted on plan(s) and/or map(s) referenced below is an area subject to jurisdiction of the Wetlands Protection Act.
- b. whether the **boundaries** of resource area(s) depicted on plan(s) and/or map(s) referenced below are accurately delineated.
- c. whether the **work** depicted on plan(s) referenced below is subject to the Wetlands Protection Act.
- d. whether the area and/or work depicted on plan(s) referenced below is subject to the jurisdiction of any **municipal wetlands ordinance** or **bylaw** of:

New Bedford
Name of Municipality

- e. whether the following **scope of alternatives** is adequate for work in the Riverfront Area as depicted on referenced plan(s).



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C. Project Description

1. a. Project Location (use maps and plans to identify the location of the area subject to this request):

Brock Ave and Freedom Blvd

Street Address

New Bedford

City/Town

Map 006

Assessors Map/Plat Number

1

Parcel/Lot Number

- b. Area Description (use additional paper, if necessary):

Cattails (*Typha latifolia*), black willows (*Salix nigra*) and some invasive species such as multiflora rose are enclosing the open water at Victory Pond and local residents would like a vegetation management plan to control this vegetation for aesthetic and recreational benefits. The pond is approximately 3.5 acres and is fed by rainfall, stormwater runoff from roadways and overland flow, and an artesian well.

- c. Plan and/or Map Reference(s):

Victory Park aerial

Title

2014

Date

Victory Park Street Plan

Title

2014

Date

Assessor's map 006

Title

2016

Date

2. a. Work Description (use additional paper and/or provide plan(s) of work, if necessary):

We propose a vegetative management plan that will to maintain Victroy Pond and prevent eutrophication. We would like permission to remove the invasives altogether, prune the willow along Freedom Blvd and Brock Ave to a height of 3 feet, and selectively remove the cattail to leave a vegetated border of not less than 15' along the east and north east edge of Victory Pond and not less than 6' on the western and southern edges of the pond.

Working by hand in waders or from a non motorized boat we would hand pull the cattails out by the bottom of the root system and remove them from the site for composting. Their root systems should be pulled out when they are first emerging in the spring (around 6" in height above the water). we would also like to clear a path from the warming house stairs to the pond.

We will also use a mechanical method to continuously cut off the new green shoots as they emerge from the water. This will be accomplished with sharp shears or gasoline powered weed trimmers (we will not use electrical weed trimmers around the pond). This will be done continuously as staffing allows throughout the growing season to have an effect. The goal is to prevent the leaves from reaching maturity upon which they produce and transport large amounts of food to the root system. We will remove and compost the vegetation.



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C. Project Description (cont.)

b. Identify provisions of the Wetlands Protection Act or regulations which may exempt the applicant from having to file a Notice of Intent for all or part of the described work (use additional paper, if necessary).

3. a. If this application is a Request for Determination of Scope of Alternatives for work in the Riverfront Area, indicate the one classification below that best describes the project.

- Single family house on a lot recorded on or before 8/1/96
- Single family house on a lot recorded after 8/1/96
- Expansion of an existing structure on a lot recorded after 8/1/96
- Project, other than a single family house or public project, where the applicant owned the lot before 8/7/96
- New agriculture or aquaculture project
- Public project where funds were appropriated prior to 8/7/96
- Project on a lot shown on an approved, definitive subdivision plan where there is a recorded deed restriction limiting total alteration of the Riverfront Area for the entire subdivision
- Residential subdivision; institutional, industrial, or commercial project
- Municipal project
- District, county, state, or federal government project
- Project required to evaluate off-site alternatives in more than one municipality in an Environmental Impact Report under MEPA or in an alternatives analysis pursuant to an application for a 404 permit from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers or 401 Water Quality Certification from the Department of Environmental Protection.

b. Provide evidence (e.g., record of date subdivision lot was recorded) supporting the classification above (use additional paper and/or attach appropriate documents, if necessary.)



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D. Signatures and Submittal Requirements

I hereby certify under the penalties of perjury that the foregoing Request for Determination of Applicability and accompanying plans, documents, and supporting data are true and complete to the best of my knowledge.

I further certify that the property owner, if different from the applicant, and the appropriate DEP Regional Office were sent a complete copy of this Request (including all appropriate documentation) simultaneously with the submittal of this Request to the Conservation Commission.

Failure by the applicant to send copies in a timely manner may result in dismissal of the Request for Determination of Applicability.

Name and address of the property owner:

City of New Bedford

Name

181 Hillman St Bld 3

Mailing Address

New Bedford

City/Town

Ma

State

02740

Zip Code

Signatures:

I also understand that notification of this Request will be placed in a local newspaper at my expense in accordance with Section 10.05(3)(b)(1) of the Wetlands Protection Act regulations.

Signature of Applicant

9-7-2016

Date

Signature of Representative (if any)

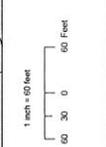
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Final Year 2016
This parcel map should be used for planning
and assessment purposes only.

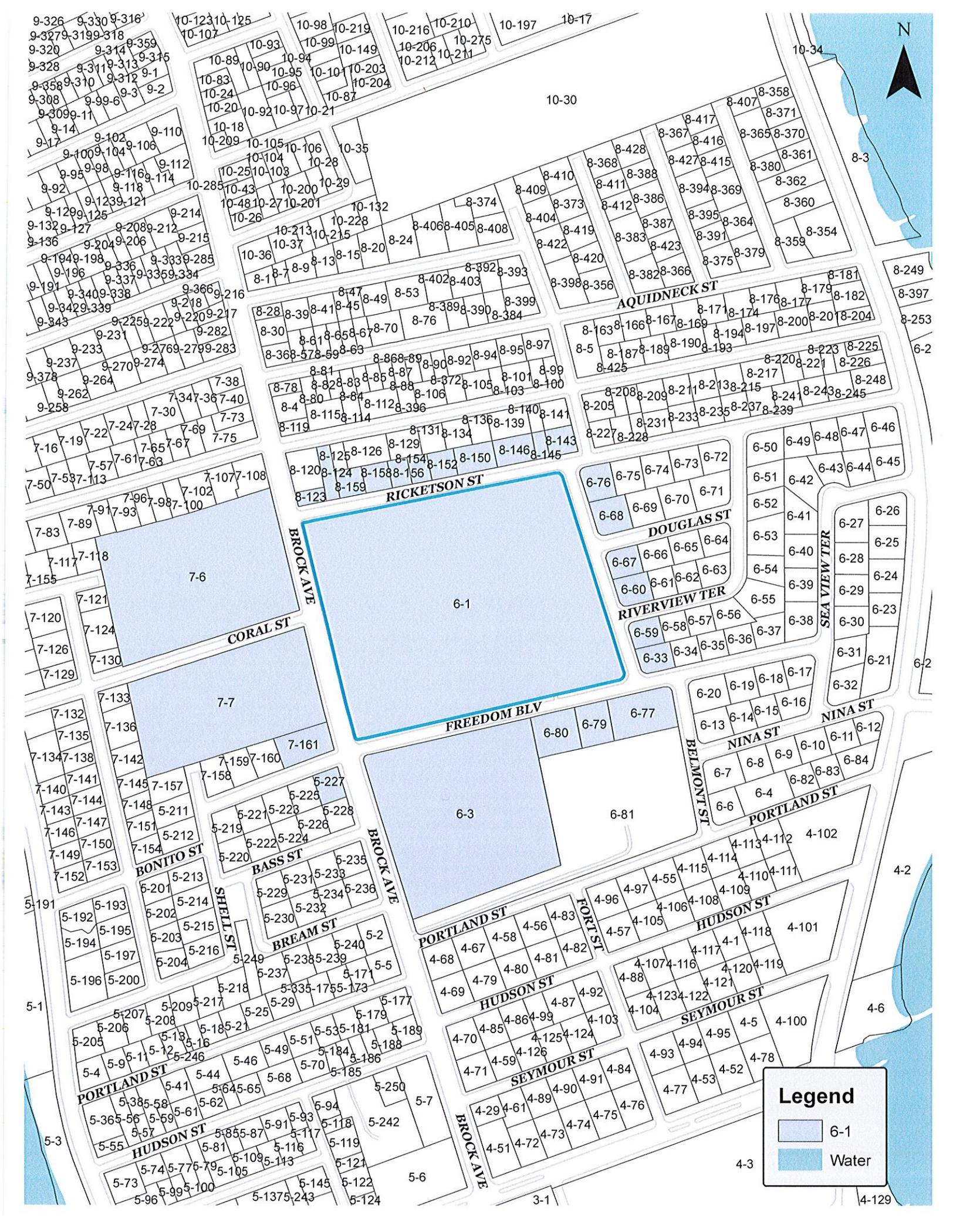
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City of New Bedford Massachusetts



- Easement
- Planned Subdivision
- Combined Parcels
- Master Parcel Linking to Assessing DB
- Associated Parcels
- Water Bodies
- Town Boundary
- Text Engineering Lot Number
- Text Lot Area

e.g. 250-41



Legend

- 6-1
- Water

Victory Pond Vegetative Management Plan

August 25, 2016



Remove all invasives from buffer edge including multiflora rose.

Preserve a 6' vegetated buffer along the west and south edge of the pond.





Cut back willows to a height of 3' on the west and south edge of the pond.



Maintain a 15' vegetative buffer on the east and north east edge of the pond.



Clear a path to the pond from the Warming House stairs.

Seaview Terrace

Nina St

Belmont St

Douglas St

St Paul Street

Ricketson St

Lighthouse Ln

Freedom Blvd

Ricketson St

Victory Park
Community Gardens

Victory Park

Victory
Park Pond

Brock Ave

Brock Ave

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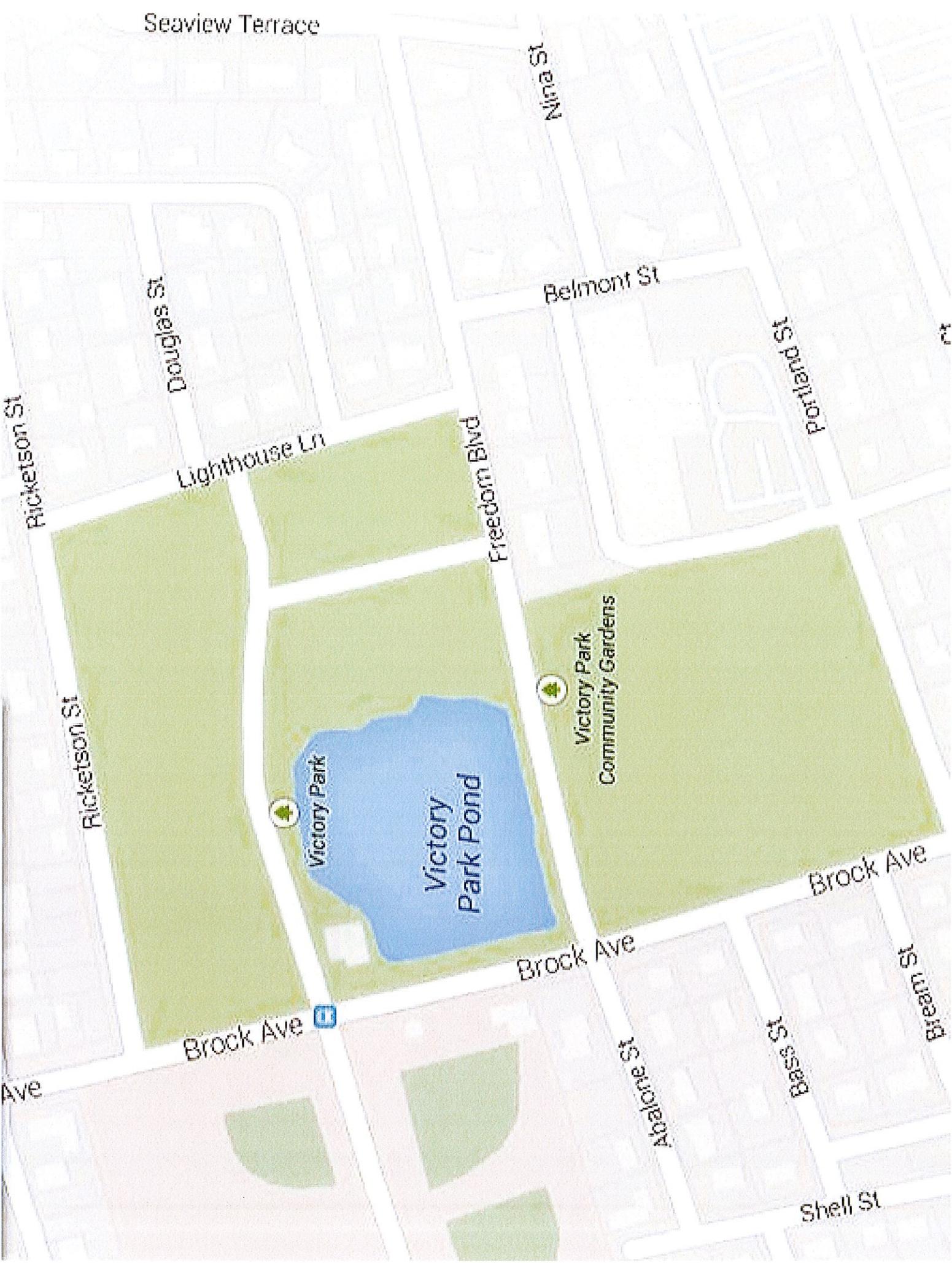
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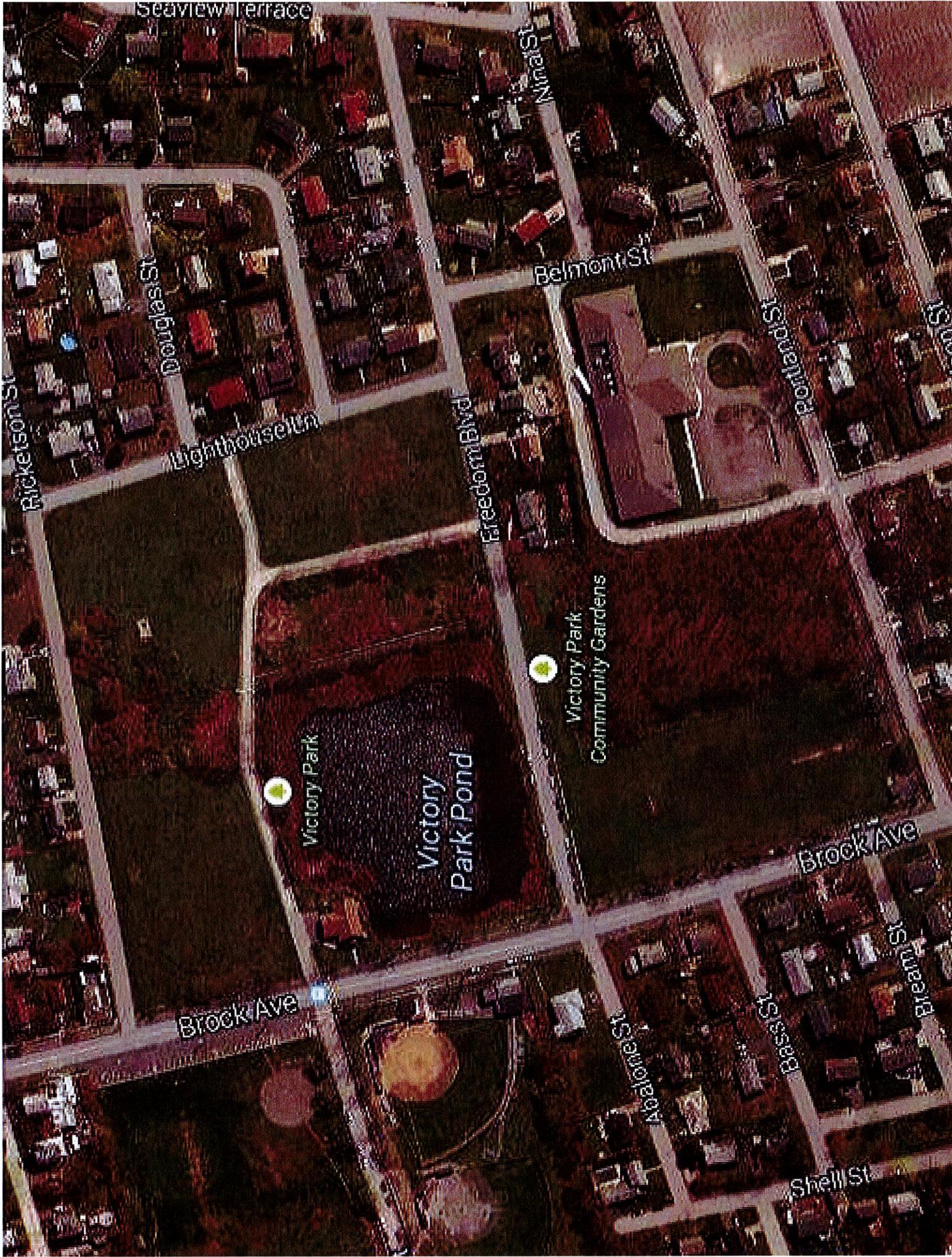
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Besse St

Bream St

Shell St





Seaview Terrace

Ricketson St

Douglas St

Lighthouse Ln

Belmont St

Freedom Blvd

Spuermonst

Victory Park

Victory Park Pond

Victory Park Community Gardens

Brock Ave

Brock Ave

Albatross St

Cassin St

Bream St

Shell St