FIFTEEN ROPE FERRY ROAD

Town of Waterford

WATERFORD, CT 06385-2886

Date: February 5, 2021

To: Cheryl Sirpenski, Treasurer:
Rope Ferry Condominium Association
54 Rope Ferry Road B-28
Waterford, CT 06385

Re: Unauthorized Clearing of Vegetation and Soil Grading
Within and Adjacent to Intermittent Watercourse at
Rope Ferry Condominiums - 54 Rope Ferry Road, Waterford, CT
NOTICE OF VIOLATION

Ms. Sirpenski,

This notice is to inform you that the condominium association has conducted activity within designated inland wetlands and a watercourse on property located at 54 Rope Ferry Road, the Rope Ferry Condominiums, in violation of Section 6 of the Waterford Inland Wetlands and Watercourses Regulations. Activity observed includes; removal of vegetation, channel excavation and grading of soil within and adjacent to the stream channel located along the eastern property boundary, extending from the culvert outlet south of Route 156 for approximately 300 linear feet. The excavated channel is exposed to erosion, soils are not stabilized, and downstream wetlands and watercourses may be subject to sediment deposition and pollution.

In accordance with Section 6 the Town of Waterford Inland Wetlands and Watercourses Regulations, removal or deposition of material in a watercourse and clearing of vegetation from a wetland or watercourse is a regulated activity, requiring authorization from the inland wetland agency. An authorization to conduct this activity was not issued by the Waterford Conservation Commission.

This Notice is issued in accordance with Section 14 of the Waterford Inland Wetlands and Watercourses regulations. Failure to comply with the terms and required actions of this notice will result in further enforcement actions by the Town of Waterford.

REQUIRED ACTIONS:

1. You are requested to please contact this office within 72 hrs of your receipt of this notice to schedule a time to review the work conducted and evaluate the need for immediate and long-term soil and channel stabilization measures. This Notice is also being forwarded to you at your email address in addition to the required certified mailing.

2. This violation will be reviewed with the Waterford Conservation Commission at their scheduled February 11, 2021 meeting. The meeting will be virtual with remote access

available. Your attendance or that of a designated representative is requested at this meeting to answer any questions and provide information requested by the Commission.

3. The Waterford Conservation Commission may require additional corrective actions to remediate this violation.

View of stream channel at 54 Rope Ferry Road, Rope Ferry Condominiums – January 26, 2021.

Attached is a site location map of the area where the stream activity was observed January 26, 2021.

Questions regarding this matter should be directed to Maureen FitzGerald, Environmental Planner at 860 444-5813 or mfitzgerald@waterfordct.org. Your cooperation in correcting this violation is appreciated.

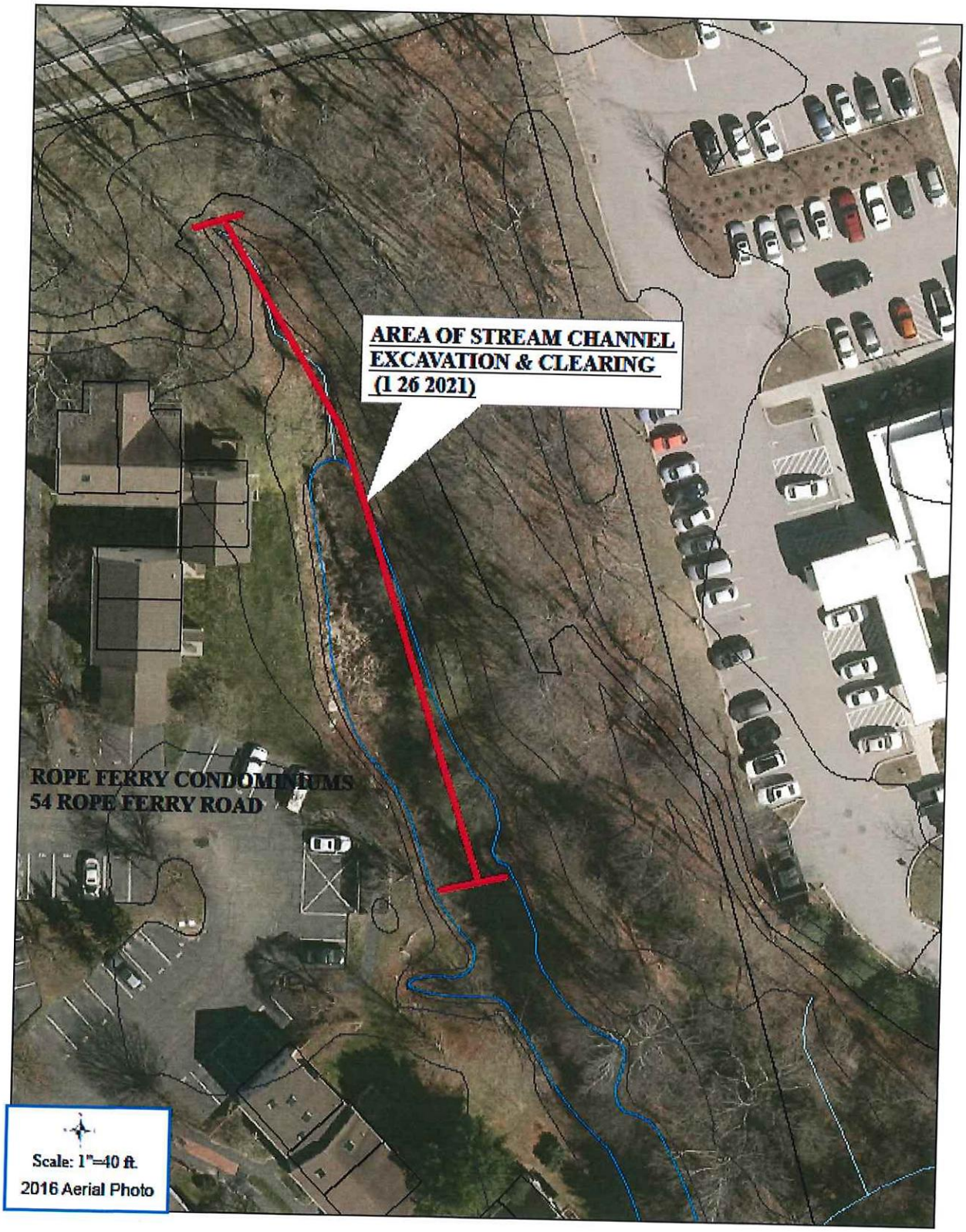
Sincerely,

Maureen FitzGerald, Environmental Planner
Town of Waterford

certified mailing #: 9171 9690 0935 0184 4156 11

cc: Waterford Conservation Commission
Chris Meyers, Northeast Properties - cmeyers@neproperty.com
J. Pisechko, Zoning Official

attachment: Aerial photo map 2016; scale 1"= 40 ft


AREA OF STREAM CHANNEL EXCAVATION & CLEARING (1 26 2021)
ROPE FERRY CONDOMINIUMS
54 ROPE FERRY ROAD
Scale: 1"=40 ft.
2016 Aerial Photo