



Submission of this Notice of Intent (NOI) constitutes notice that the operator identified in Section II of this form requests authorization to discharge pursuant to the NPDES Construction General Permit (CGP) permit number identified in Section II of this form. Submission of this NOI also constitutes notice that the operator identified in Section III of this form meets the eligibility requirements of Part 1.1 CGP for the project identified in Section IV of this form. Permit coverage is required prior to commencement of construction activity until you are eligible to terminate coverage as detailed in Part 8 of the CGP. To obtain authorization, you must submit a complete and accurate NOI form. Discharges are not authorized if your NOI is incomplete or inaccurate or if you were never eligible for permit coverage. Refer to the instructions at the end of this form.

Permit Information

NPDES ID: MAR1003HV

State/Territory to which your project/site is discharging: MA

Is your project/site located on federally recognized Indian Country lands? No

Are you requesting coverage under this NOI as a "Federal Operator" or a "Federal Facility" as defined in Appendix A (<https://www.epa.gov/system/files/documents/2022-01/2022-egp-final-appendix-a-definitions.pdf>)? No

Have stormwater discharges from your current construction site been covered previously under an NPDES permit? No

Will you use polymers, flocculants, or other treatment chemicals at your construction site? No

Has a Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP) been prepared in advance of filing this NOI, as required? Yes

Are you able to demonstrate that you meet one of the criteria listed in Appendix D (<https://www.epa.gov/system/files/documents/2022-01/2022-egp-final-appendix-d-endangered-species-protection.pdf>) with respect to protection of threatened or endangered species listed under the Endangered Species Act (ESA) and federally designated critical habitat? Yes

Have you completed the screening process in Appendix E (<https://www.epa.gov/system/files/documents/2022-01/2022-egp-final-appendix-e-historic-properties.pdf>) relating to the protection of historic properties? Yes

Indicating "Yes" below, I confirm that I understand that CGP only authorized the allowable stormwater discharges in Part 1.2.1 and the allowable non-stormwater discharges listed in Part 1.2.2. Any discharges not expressly authorized in this permit cannot become authorized or shielded from liability under CWA section 402(d) by disclosure to EPA, state or local authorities after issuance of this permit via any means, including the Notice of Intent (NOI) to be covered by the permit, the Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP), during an inspection, etc. If any discharges requiring NPDES permit coverage other than the allowable stormwater and non-stormwater discharges listed in Parts 1.2.1 and 1.2.2 will be discharged, they must be covered under another NPDES permit. Yes

Operator Information

Operator Information

Operator Name: Grafton Upton Railroad Company

Operator Mailing Address:

Address Line 1: 42 Westboro Road

Address Line 2:

City: North Grafton

ZIP/Postal Code: 01535

State: MA

County or Similar Division: Worcester

Operator Point of Contact Information

First Name Middle Initial Last Name: John DeWale

Title: General Manager

Phone: 401-295-2180

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NOI Preparer Information

This NOI is being prepared by someone other than the certifier.

First Name Middle Initial Last Name: John DeWale

Organization: Grafton and Upton RR

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Project/Site Information

Project/Site Name: Grafton Upton Railroad Site At 384 West Street Hopkinton

Project/Site Address

Address Line 1: 384 West Street

Address Line 2:

City: Hopkinton

ZIP/Postal Code: 01747

State: MA

County or Similar Division: Worcester

Latitude/Longitude: 42.16168°N, 71.694873°W

Latitude/Longitude Data Source: Map

Horizontal Reference Datum: NAD 84

Project Start Date: 08/01/2021

Project End Date: 12/31/2022

Estimated Area to be Disturbed: 30

Types of Construction Sites:

- Industrial**

Will there be demolition of any structure built or renovated before January 1, 1980? No

Will you be discharging dewatering water from your site? No

Was the pre-development land use used for agriculture? No

Are there other operators that are covered under this permit for the same project site? No

Have earth-disturbing activities commenced on your project/site? Yes

Is your project an "emergency-related project"? No

Is your project/site located on federally recognized Indian Country lands? No

Is your project/site located on a property of religious or cultural significance to an Indian tribe? No

Discharge Information

Does your project/site discharge stormwater into a Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4)? No

Are there any waters of the U.S. within 80 feet of your project's earth disturbances? Yes

Are any of the waters of the U.S. to which you discharge designated by the state or tribal authority under its antidegradation policy as a Tier 2 (or Tier 2.5) water (water quality exceeds levels necessary to support propagation of fish, shellfish, and wildlife and recreation in and on the water) or as a Tier 3 water (Outstanding National Resource Water)? See Resources, Tools and Templates (<https://www.epa.gov/npdes/construction-general-permit-resources-tools-and-templates>)

No

001: Mill River Mill River

Latitude/Longitude: 42.151428°N, 71.533608°W

Tier Designation: N/A

Is this receiving water impaired (on the CWA 303(d) list)? No

Has a TMDL been completed for this receiving waterbody? No

002: Hopedale Pond Hopedale Pond

Latitude/Longitude: 42.141801°N, 71.558163°W

Tier Designation: N/A

Is this receiving water impaired (on the CWA 303(d) list)? No

Has a TMDL been completed for this receiving waterbody? No

Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP)

Will all required personnel, including those conducting inspections at your site, meet the training requirements in Part 6 of this permit? Yes

First Name Middle Initial Last Name: John Daweja

Organization:

Title: General Manager

Phone: 401-285-2180 Ext:

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Endangered Species Protection Worksheet: Criterion A

Determine ESA Eligibility Criterion

Are your discharges and discharge-related activities already addressed in another operator's valid certification of eligibility for your "action area" under the current 2022 CGP? No

Has consultation between you, a Federal Agency, and the USFWS and/or the NMFS under section 7 of the Endangered Species Act (ESA) concluded? No

Are your construction activities the subject of a permit under section 10 of the ESA by the USFWS and/or NMFS, and this authorization addresses the effects of your site's discharges and discharge-related activities on ESA-listed species and/or designated critical habitat?

No

You must determine whether species listed as either threatened or endangered, or their critical habitat(s) are located in your site's action area (i.e., all areas to be affected directly or indirectly by the federal action and not merely the immediate area involved in the action, including areas beyond the footprint of the site that are likely to be affected by stormwater discharges, discharge-related activities, and authorized non-stormwater discharges).

Determine your Action Area

You must consider the following in determining the action area for your site, and confirm that all the following are true:

