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Environmental Consulting & Restoration, LLC



August 28, 2023

Town of Barnstable
Conservation Commission
Attn. Darcy Karle, Conservation Administrator
367 Main Street
Hyannis MA 02601

RE: Phragmite Removal Update, 932 Craigville Beach Road & 39 Prospect Street, Centerville, MA (DEP File #SE3-5763)

Dear Ms. Karle & Members of the Conservation Commission:

On behalf of the Red Lily Pond Project Association (RLPPA), Environmental Consulting & Restoration, LLC (ECR) is pleased to provide this update regarding the work to remove Common Reed (*Phragmite spp.*) at 932 Craigville Beach Road & 39 Prospect Street in Centerville (the site). The work to remove Common Reed at the site has been undertaken by the RLPPA and has been completed in accordance with the Order of Conditions, DEP file #SE3-5763.

Most recently, RLPPA completed the removal of Common Reed between August 21-23, 2023. Work was completed between the “40 steps” at the eastern end of the site and the footpath that is an extension of Prospect Avenue at the western end of the site. The majority of the work was contained to the herring run and the banks/upland immediately abutting the run. In accordance with the approved methodology, all work was completed by hand using shears to cut the Common Reed near the base, which was then immediately collected and placed in trash bags and disposed of at the local transfer station to be incinerated. ECR was onsite to observe the protocol and Conservation and Natural Resources were both notified prior to the commencement of work.

At this time, work to remove Common Reed at the site by the RLPPA has been completed. It is expected that no other work will be completed until next year. Prior to the next round of removal, the Conservation Commission and Natural Resource Department will be notified. If you have any questions or require additional information, please contact me at (508) 648-3957.

Attachments:

- 1.) Photograph Pages

Sincerely,
Environmental Consulting & Restoration, LLC

Cameron Larson
Wetland Scientist

CC: Red Lily Pond Project Association, c/o Patricia Deyton, via email



Photograph #1 – View looking west from the “40 steps” along the herring run where Common Reed has been removed by the Red Lily Pond Project Association (RLPPA).



Photograph #2 – View along the herring run at the eastern end of the work area.



Photograph #3 – View of the western end of the work area where Common Reed has been removed.



Photograph #4 – View looking east from the western end of the work area along the herring run.



Photograph #5 – View of recently cut Common Reed. The Common Reed was cut and immediately bagged to be sent to the transfer station.



Photograph #6 – View of the bagged Common Reed.