



Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection

Bureau of Resource Protection - Wetlands

Acton  
City/Town

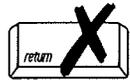
WPA Form 1- Request for Determination of Applicability

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:

Town of Acton/Natural Resources \_\_\_\_\_ ttidman@acton-ma.gov  
 Name E-Mail Address

472 Main Street \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mailing Address

Acton \_\_\_\_\_ MA \_\_\_\_\_ 01720  
 City/Town State Zip Code

978-929-6634 \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone Number Fax Number (if applicable)

2. Representative (if any):

Same as above \_\_\_\_\_  
 Firm

Tom Tidman \_\_\_\_\_  
 Contact Name E-Mail Address

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 Mailing Address

\_\_\_\_\_  
 City/Town State Zip Code

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 Phone Number Fax Number (if applicable)

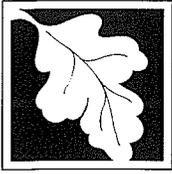
B. Determinations

1. I request the Acton \_\_\_\_\_ 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:

Town of Acton - Environmental Bylaw Chapter F  
 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):

Acton Arboretum (2 Taylor Road)	Acton
Street Address	City/Town
F4	76
Assessors Map/Plat Number	Parcel/Lot Number

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

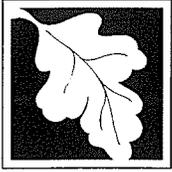
(a) Existing boardwalk at wildflower garden; (b) Existing lawn area near Taylor Road parking lot; (c) Sun pond.(please see attached plan)

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

Town Atlas Acton	2013
Title	Date
Acton Arboretum Base Map - aerial photograph	1990
Title	Date
Title	Date

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

(a) Remove existing wildflower boardwalk, replace with a new boardwalk in same location; remove dead or unhealthy ash, norway maple, willow trees and/or branches along boardwalk (see attached map); (b) Create a wildflower meadow planting in an existing lawn area (see attached map); (c) Sun pond - remove invasive species by cutting or digging; "cut and dab" Japanese Barberry with herbicide; trim blackberries, cut down black walnut; replant pond edge and bank with frothergilla, blueberry, wetland azalea, viburnum, shadbush (amelanchier)



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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).

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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.

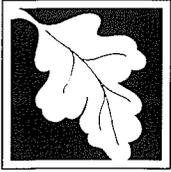
- Single family house on a lot recorded on or before 8/1/96
- Single family house on a lot recorded after 8/1/96
- Expansion of an existing structure on a lot recorded after 8/1/96
- Project, other than a single family house or public project, where the applicant owned the lot before 8/7/96
- New agriculture 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:

Town of Acton - Acton Arboretum  
 Name  
 472 Main Street  
 Mailing Address  
 Acton  
 City/Town  
 MA  
 State

01720  
 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.

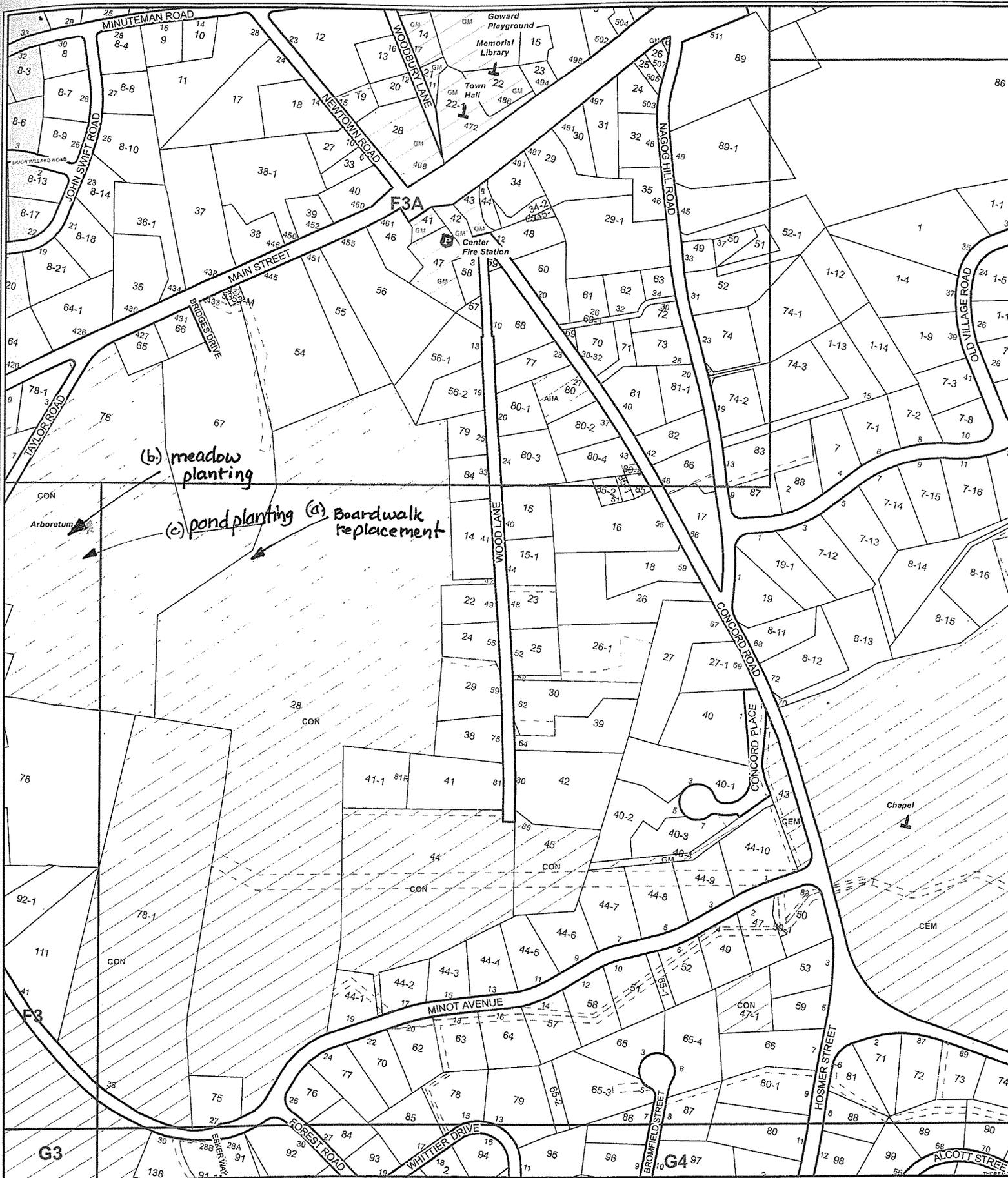
Signature of Applicant

6.13.13

Date

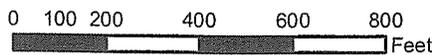
Signature of Representative (if any)

Date



- LEGEND**
- Building
  - Rivers & Streams
  - Easements
  - Target Map Parcels
  - Adjacent Map
  - Water Bodies
  - 10-5 Parcel Number
  - 21 Street Address
  - CON, Municipal Land

1 inch = 400 feet



Town of  
MASSACHUSETTS



HERB GARDEN

TAYLOR ROAD

DAILY COLLECTION

ORCHARD

meadow planting

READING CIRCLE

NURSERY

PARKING

pond planting

ORCHARD LOOP TRAIL

WILDLIFE POND

FUTURE RHODODENDRON COLLECTION

MEADOW

RED MAPLE SWAMP

WETLAND

LOWER FARM POND

UPPER FARM POND

(a) boardwalk replacement

OLD FARM DUMP

QUARRY

PINE GROVE

FOREST RIDGES

MEAD

SPRING

FERN COLLECTION

RED MAPLE SWAMP