

# **PUBLIC NOTICE**

US Army Corps of Engineers © New England District 696 Virginia Road Concord, MA 01742-2751 Date: November 20, 2012 File Number: NAE-2008-3213 In Reply Refer To: Kevin R. Kotelly, P.E. Phone: (978) 318-8703 E-mail: kevin.r.kotelly@usace.army.mil

The District Engineer issued an emergency permit on October 26, 2012, to conduct work in waters of the United States as described below.

# APPLICANT

The Coastal Property Owner's Association Plum Island, Massachusetts

## PROPOSED WORK AND PURPOSE

To perform work and discharge dredged material below the high tide line (HTL) of waters of the United States in order to relocate sand using a bulldozer from below the HTL and place it in front of the coastal dune just above the HTL at Plum Island Beach, Newbury, Massachusetts. This activity is referred to as beach scraping. The work area is directly in front of One Southern Boulevard and 25 and 27 Annapolis Way on the attached Figure 1. The total area below the HTL where beach scraping is proposed is approximately 35,000 square feet. Sand would be bulldozed in layers not to exceed two (2) feet. The purpose of the project is storm protection. The permit is valid for a one time beach scraping event only. Future beach scraping proposals will require a permit reauthorization. The work is described on the enclosed plans entitled, "Plum Island Beach Scraping," on two sheets, and dated, September, 2012.

This public notice supersedes the previous public notice for this work dated October 23, 2012. An emergency permit was issued for the project on October 26, 2012, in advance of Hurricane Sandy, thereby making the previous public notice unnecessary.

#### **MITIGATION**

Plum Island Beach is a high energy barrier beach consisting of shifting sand. There are no quantifiable environmental resources expected to be impacted in the intertidal area of the beach. Therefore, no mitigation is proposed and none will be required.

#### WATERWAY AND LOCATION OF THE PROPOSED WORK

This work is proposed in the Atlantic Ocean at Plum Island Beach at 1 Southern Boulevard and 25 and 27 Annapolis Way, Newbury, Massachusetts. The site coordinates are: Latitude 42°47'55" N Longitude 70°48'29" W.

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endangered or threatened species or their designated critical habitat. By this Public Notice, we are requesting that the appropriate Federal Agency concur with our determination.

The States of Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire and Rhode Island have approved **Coastal Zone Management Programs**. Where applicable the applicant states that any proposed activity will comply with and will be conducted in a manner that is consistent with the approved Coastal Zone Management Program. By this Public Notice, we are requesting the State concurrence or objection to the applicant's consistency statement.

The following authorizations have been applied for, or have been, or will be obtained:

- (X) Permit, License or Assent from State.
- (X) Permit from Local Wetland Agency or Conservation Commission.
- (X) Water Quality Certification in accordance with Section 401 of the Clean Water Act.

If you have any questions, please contact Kevin Kotelly at (978) 318-8703, (800) 343-4789 or (800) 362-4367, if calling from within Massachusetts.

THIS NOTICE IS NOT AN AUTHORIZATION TO DO ANY WORK.

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Karen K. Adams Chief, Permits and Enforcement Branch Regulatory Division

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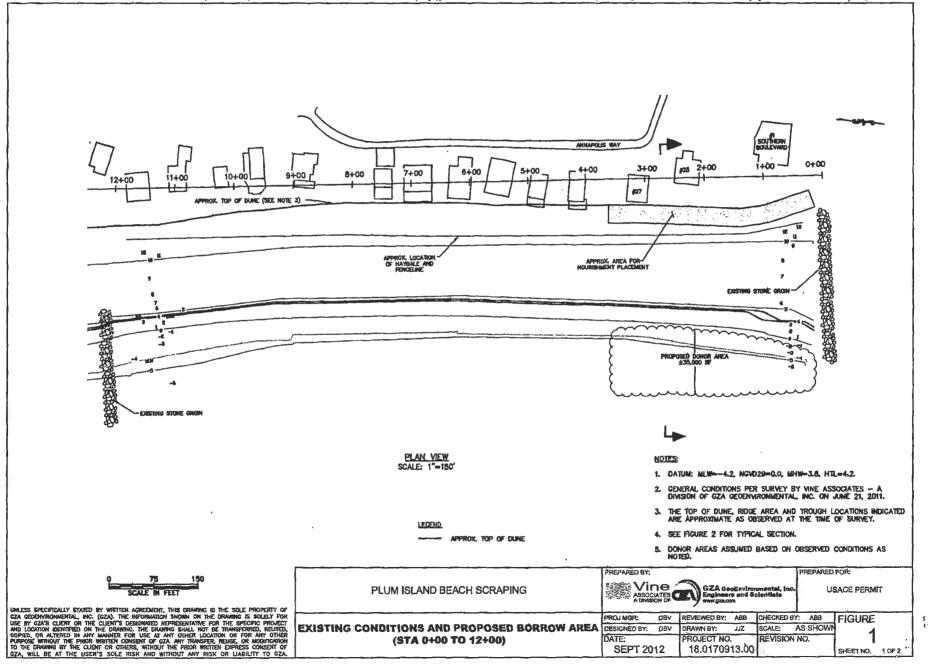
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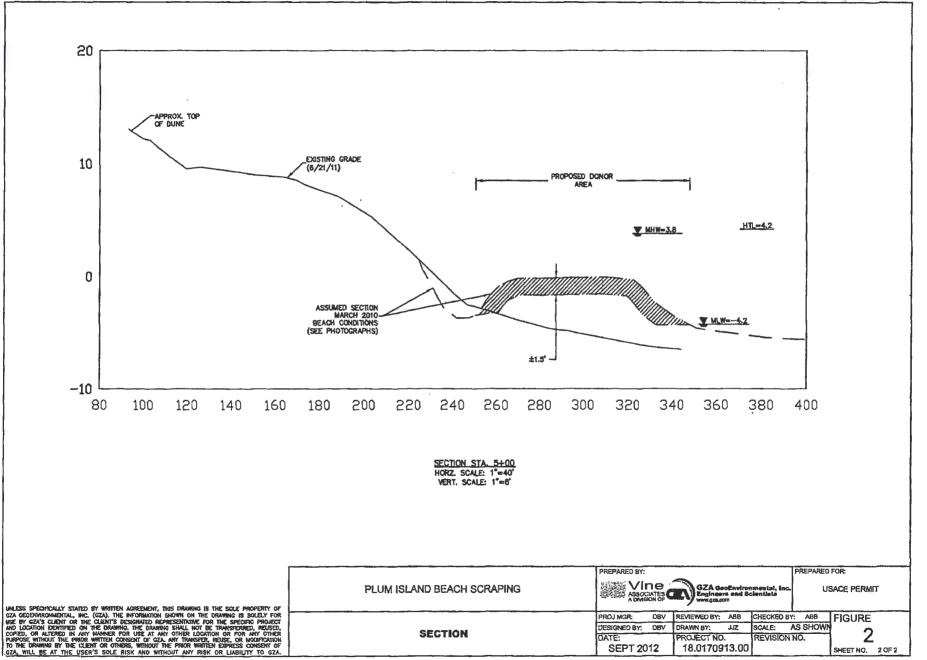
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