



Save the Sound[®]

Action for our region's environment.

April 23, 2021

Mike Conklin
Director of Environmental Affairs
Town of Wilton
238 Danbury Road
Wilton, CT 06897

Re: Notification of Intent to Perform Maintenance

Dear Mr. Conklin,

Save the Sound, in partnership with the Town of Wilton, is working to design, permit and construct the removal the Strong Pond Dam in Wilton, Connecticut.

The Project Engineer, Stantec, has recommended that Save the Sound and the Town investigate the operability of the low level outlet in the dam structure, which could assist in raising and lowering the impoundment water surface elevation to the benefit of the project. Counsel for Save the Sound and the Town of Wilton are negotiating an agreement that governs this phase of work.

In accordance with Connecticut General Permit "Dam Safety General Permit to Conduct Maintenance, Repairs, and Alterations to Dams GP-014: Non-Filing Categories" Save the Sound is required to notify the relevant municipality at least two (2) weeks prior to initiating work permitted under GP-14. Save the Sound and the Connecticut Dam Safety Division has previously coordinated with you as the Director of Environmental Affairs and determined that, due to the jurisdiction of the dam safety division for maintenance and repair work concerning state-regulated dam, the GP-14 supersedes the need for an Inland wetlands permit.

Save the Sound intends to conduct the following scope of work:

1. Install temporary construction fencing to prevent pedestrian access to the site;
2. Cut six trees from the river right dam embankment (stumps to remain) along with minor brush as needed (photograph below);
3. Place gravel tracking pad on top of the river right dam embankment for vehicle access;
4. Install turbidity curtain and/or coffer dam around the low-level outlet structure on the upstream side of the dam spillway;
5. Install fenced temporary containment area on river right dam embankment for temporary sediment storage/dewatering;
6. Excavate debris and sediment from around the low-level outlet structure and place sediment into the temporary concrete containment area;
7. Contractor and Engineer to investigate low-level outlet structure.

Trees to be removed to facilitate dam maintenance:



Please consider this written notification to the Town of Wilton in accordance with the requirements of Connecticut General Statutes.

Thank you,

Handwritten signature of Gwen Macdonald in blue ink.

Gwen Macdonald
Director of Ecological Restoration