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TOWN HALL 238 Danbury Road Wilton, Connecticut 06897

January 13, 2023

CERTIFIED MAIL -- RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED & REGULAR MAIL

Jorge Valentin 573 Nod Hill Road Wilton, CT 06897

RE: CEASE AND DESIST ORDER

Nod Hill Road - Wilton, CT, Map 52, Lot 30

Dear Mr. Valentin,

Wetland Commission staff has recently learned of site work being conducted at your property on Nod Hill Road (Map 52 Lot 30), in a regulated area, without a permit. Based on our observations of the property, conducted on January 12, 2023, it was noted that nine (9) trees were cleared from a regulated area without a permit.

It is my conclusion that unauthorized activities have occurred on the property. Therefore, you are in violation of Connecticut General Statutes sections 22a-36 through 22a-45 which requires that a permit be obtained prior to conducting regulated activities affecting inland wetlands and watercourses.

A Cease and Desist Order has been placed on the property at Nod Hill Road (Map 52 Lot 30). You are directed to stop all work on the property.

A "show cause" hearing shall be held to discuss this matter on Thursday, January 26, 2023 at 7:30 p.m. via remote public meeting via computer (Zoom). Zoom remote meeting login information will be listed in the meeting agenda posted on the Town's website on Wednesday, January 25, 2023 at 4:00 p.m. If you wish to submit any supporting documentation for your testimony at this hearing, you will need to email it to mike.conklin@wiltonct.org and elizabeth.larkin@wiltonct.org no later than 12:00 p.m. on January 24, 2023. During the hearing you will have the right to present testimony to the Commission to help determine if the Order should be withdrawn, modified or remain in effect. The Commission shall render a decision within 10 days of this hearing. Failure to comply with directives resulting from this hearing shall

result in court action.

Any further failure to follow the directives of the Commission or its staff, including any additional work, shall result in the issuance of additional citations and fines.

The issuance of this Cease and Desist Order shall not delay or bar an action pursuant to section 22a-44(b) of the General Statutes.

If you have any questions, please contact me at 203-563-0180. Your prompt cooperation is appreciated.

Sincerely,

Zen Herter Environmental Analyst Department of Environmental Affairs

cc: Lynne Vanderslice, First Selectman
Ira Bloom, Town Counsel
Wilton Health Department – Barry Bogle, Director
Planning & Zoning – Tim Bunting, ZEO