

1. Petitioners would like to clarify that with Finding #8: Rare, Threatened and Endangered Species Habitat — Non-significance was not confirmed by section 11 of the petition. Section 11 was not checked as a function that was present when the evaluation happened. However, in Section 11.1: Remarks on RTE Habitat, the Wetland’s Ecologist wrote:

*The RTE habitat could be present, the area examined was limited and occurred in early Fall of 2023, so the spring plant community is largely unknown.*

Non-significance was not confirmed as it was not necessary to confirm significance or non-significance for the purposes of this petition. For this determination application, there was no further exploration of RTE function, which is largely unknown. Additionally, on Pg. 9 of the Wetland Evaluation Form (Included with the petition), the Wetland’s Ecologist identified that *there is credible documentation that the wetland provides habitat for multiple uncommon species of plants or animals (S3 rank), and noted that Plantanthera aquillonis and S3 species were identified, but due to time of year it is unknown if there are other rare, threatened or endangered plants present.*

2.) In Section 1 the Draft Decision states: A complete petition was received from Kayle Hope and Susan Bourque for a Wetland Determination #2023-820.D on November 2, 2023 in association with an application for a general permit authorization. However, Section 3.4.3 of the petition application (pg.3) states:

*This is an application to get a large unmapped Class 2 wetland mapped, petitioners have no project.*

Petitioners would like to clarify that this petition does not involve a general permit as they have no project.

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