



March 14, 2022

Re: Notice of Permit Decision
Nontidal Wetlands and Waterways Permit
Tracking Number 19-NT-0278/201961268

Dear Property Owner, Public Official, or Interested Person:

On June 11, 2020, the Maryland Department of the Environment (MDE or the Department) issued Nontidal Wetlands and Waterways Permit No. 19-NT-0278/201961268 (Permit) to CREG/Westport I, LLC for the regulated activities associated with construction of a mixed-use business park (known as Abingdon Business Park) on 330 acres located in Abingdon, Harford County. (Please note that the Permittee was changed to BTC III I-95 Logistics Center LLC via a April 28, 2021 Permit Modification.)

Within 30 days of Permit issuance, certain petitioners filed a petition for judicial review in the Circuit Court for Harford County. On August 20, 2021, the Circuit Court granted the petitioners' motion to remand the permit to MDE to allow the petitioners to provide comments on the Tier II Antidegradation Review and Socio-Economic Justification Analysis (SEJ). On September 15, 2021, MDE placed the Tier II Antidegradation Review and SEJ on a 30-day public notice which was sent to the Interested Persons List and added to the Department's website for review.

The Department has reviewed the comments received during the Tier II Antidegradation Review and SEJ public notice and finds that a revocation or modification of the permit is not warranted. The permit effective dates and expiration date remain in effect.

A copy of the Addendum to the Summary of the Basis for Determination is enclosed. A copy of the Department's original Permit decision, and the Addendum to the Summary of the Basis for Decision, may be viewed at https://mde.maryland.gov/programs/water/WetlandsandWaterways/Pages/CREG_Westport_I.aspx

If you have any questions or need any additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me at 410-537-3766 or Mr. Jeff Thompson, Central Region Chief, Nontidal Wetlands Division at 410-537-3828.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Amanda Sigillito".

Amanda Sigillito, Chief
Nontidal Wetlands Division

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Enclosure