

June 10, 2026

Planning and Community Development  
Kellee Easler, Director  
116 North Main Street  
Boscawen, NH 03303

**RE: Response to Engineering Comments from Underwood Engineers  
Sled Road, LLC  
Commercial Street Excavation Permit  
Boscawen, New Hampshire  
Tax Map 18D, Lots 133, 134, and 147**

Dear Ms. Easler:

Wilcox & Barton, Inc. is pleased to submit this letter and revised plan set addressing the comments provided in the letter from Underwood Engineers, dated June 1, 2026. These comments have been addressed in the revised site plan set dated May 21, 2026, last revised June 8, 2026. They have been revised as follows:

Administrative and General:

1. *Although this pit formerly had an excavation permit, the permit lapsed and the current application is not for a renewal or extension of an existing permit, but rather for a new excavation permit. The Town regulations state excavation permits are subject to a Major Site Plan Review. This project was submitted as a Minor Site Plan Review.*

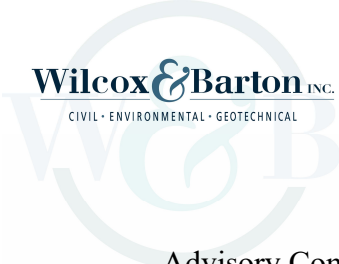
**Response:** The Town of Boscawen Planning Board granted a waiver to allow for a Minor Site Plan Review where a Major Site Plan Review is otherwise required at the meeting on June 2, 2026. See Note 8 under “General Notes” on Sheet C0.2, “Notes & Legend”.

2. *A bond is required.*

**Response:** The applicant understands that as a part of this project, a bond is required. A reclamation bond is in place.

3. *The pit is partially within the Shoreland zone of the Contoocook River. It is also within 1/4 mile of two NH designated rivers, the Contoocook River and the Merrimack River. Per Town regulations, the Applicant is required to notify the local river advisory committees as part of this new excavation permit. It is unclear if consultation with the Contoocook River LAC is required due to the Shoreland Zone. Please confirm.*

**Response:** The design of the proposed limit of work of the gravel pit has been adjusted such that no work falls within the 250’ Shoreland Protection Area for the Contoocook River. Per the Town regulations, notification to the Upper Merrimack River Local



Advisory Committee (UMRLAC) is required. A copy of this application has been sent to the UMRLAC for review and comment.

- 4. We recommend previous permit conditions be repeated.*

**Response:** The conditions from the Town of Boscawen Earth Excavation Permit #PB030620-1, with effective date March 6, 2020 have been added to the “Grading and Restoration Plan” Sheet of the Plan Set. See “Conditions” on Sheet C1.1.

- 5. Since the last excavation permit expired March 6, 2025, the applicant was required to submit an updated reclamation plan within 12 months of the expiration date in accordance with RSA 155-E:5. Therefore, as part of the re-application the applicant shall be required to submit an updated reclamation plan meeting all the standards outlined in RSA 155-E:5 I through V.*

**Response:** The requirements of RSA 155-E:5 I through V have been added to the “Grading and Restoration Plan” Sheet of the Plan Set. See “RSA 155-E:5” on Sheet C1.1. The proposed excavation meets the standards outlined in RSA 155-E:5 I through V.

Site Plans:

- 6. The concrete block wall and all operations and equipment storage areas that are currently encroaching into the ROW on River Road and Commercial Street should be removed from the Town’s ROW and the areas restored, excepting the south corner of the existing building on Commercial Street.*

**Response:** A callout has been added to Sheet C1.1, the Grading and Restoration Plan, stating that “Concrete block wall and stockpile area to be relocated entirely within subject property and outside of the Town of Boscawen’s ROW”, additionally, a callout has been added to the same sheet stating “Ensure all stored equipment is outside of Town ROW”.

- 7. Add Shoreland zone lines to the plans.*

**Response:** Shoreland zone lines have been added to the Existing Conditions Plan and the Grading and Restoration Plan.

- 8. The plan should include an indication of the highest annual average groundwater table elevation within or next to the proposed excavation, per RSA 155-E:3(5).*

**Response:** Test pits have not been conducted for the property. Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) data indicates that the typical Estimated High Water Table (ESHWT) for the soil type on site is greater than 6.5 feet. The approximate elevation of the Contoocook River adjacent to the project site is 240 feet, and the lowest elevation within the limit of work is 260 ft. A note has been added to the plan.

9. *We note the top of the proposed slope will be less than 100-feet from an existing house. We realize the abutting houses are on separate parcels and this is private property so anyone wandering onto the gravel pit's property would be trespassing. However, consideration should be given to providing a barrier or some form of fall protection, signage, etc at the top of slope. We note there is a 4' high chainlink fence along one side of one of the abutting parcels which does give partial protection for one of the houses.*

**Response:** The limit of work has been adjusted to be beyond 150' of the existing houses to better ensure the safety of the adjacent residents. Construction fencing is proposed to be installed along the property lines of Tax Map 183D Lot 145 as an added safety measure.

Please let us know if you require anything else. I can be reached at 603-369-4190 x544. Thank you in advance for your consideration.

Very truly yours,  
**WILCOX & BARTON, INC.**



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Senior Civil Engineer

Attachments: Revised Civil Plan Set