DMR Wetlands Alteration Project Review

Project Information Review Date 10/10/2019

DEP Application #: L-28397-4E-A-N

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Location: Alna, Sheepscot River DEP Contact: Jami McNeil Type of Project: Private Boat ramp DMR Reviewer: Denis Nault

Project Description

The applicant proposes to construct a private boat ramp, 4' x 35 aluminum ramp to a 5' x 16 float with a 8' x 32' perpendicular float along rip-rap for shoreline stabilization on an undeveloped residential property. The private boat ramp is a 10' x 36' concrete plank boat ramp with gravel rip rail 1' on both sides. The use is for a private recreational club for recreational activities on the upper Sheepscot.

Site Description

The site is located on the western shore Sheepscot River in Alna approximately 2.5 miles north of the FALLS IN Sheepscot Village. The proposed project is on an undeveloped residential 120 acre lot. The shore is wooded vegetated bank to a narrow mud flat. The water quality is classified as Restricted for shellfish harvesting. There are no significant shellfish or marine worms present. This area sees no shellfish or marine worm harvesting activity due habitat.

Project Impact

The proposed private boat launch will have minimal impact to marine habitat but no impact to shellfish and marine worm resources. There portions of Sheepscot River just upstream from this project that are listed as Sea Run fish spawning and rearing habitat. The construction activity of placement and of the gravel base and concrete planks should be done during a winter work window (November 8th – April 8th). This is due to the removal of soft sediments in the inter-tidal.

The construction of the seasonal pier, ramp and floats can be done at any time period.

This proposed private boat ramp and dock system will have a minimal impact on the marine habitat and little on marine resources. No impact to traditional commercial harvest activities of access.