



CITY OF NEW BEDFORD
JONATHAN F. MITCHELL, MAYOR

May 22, 2018

To: Stevie Carvalho
Senior Project Manager
Farland Corp.

From: Sarah Porter
Conservation Agent
City of New Bedford

Re: SE49-0799
Riverwalk

The following comments summarize the verbal comments provided to Farland at the Con Com Hearings.

1. Please show the existing dune grass (*Ammophila breviligulata*) planted by the Army Corps of Engineers which is growing along the Top of the Bank of the Acushnet River. Please indicate how this vegetation will be preserved during the Riverwalk construction.
2. The proposed plants must be native and come from the list provided to you by Michele Paul in her April 12th email to you. Cultivars are not approved. In addition, shrubs and wildflowers should be dispersed along the Riverwalk and not just proposed at the entranceway and the sitting area. Wherever possible clump the shrubs and wildflowers to provide for better wildlife habitat.
3. The Riverwalk Area has already been seeded with a Conservation Seed mix, the source of which was provided to you in an email from me on April 20th. Please list the species in the Conservation Seed Mix and the New England Salt Tolerant Grass Mix on the plans. No other grass seed is approved. The note that says loam and seed should state which seed type will be used and where.
4. Please note on the plans that the grassy areas are only to be mowed once a year in the fall time so that they can provide valuable wildlife habitat.