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Mr. John Radcliffe  
Chairman  
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New Bedford City Hall  
133 William Street  
New Bedford, MA 02744

RE: Nitsch Project #9972  
Northside Farm  
Review Letter  
New Bedford, MA

Dear Mr. Radcliffe:

This letter is in regards to the proposed Northside Farm project located between Acushnet Avenue, Phillips Road, and Victoria Street in New Bedford, Massachusetts. Nitsch Engineering has received and reviewed the following revised documents for compliance with the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection (MassDEP) Stormwater Management Standards:

- Grading and Drainage Plan for "Site Plan to Accompany Notice of Intent, *Northside Farm*, New Bedford, MA 02745," prepared by Cavanaro Consulting, revised June 2, 2016;
- Detail Sheet I for "Site Plan to Accompany Notice of Intent, *Northside Farm*, New Bedford, MA 02745," prepared by Cavanaro Consulting, revised June 2, 2016; and
- Detail Sheet IV for "Site Plan to Accompany Notice of Intent, *Northside Farm*, New Bedford, MA 02745," prepared by Cavanaro Consulting, dated April 25, 2016.

Based on these documents and coordination with Cavanaro Consulting, it appears that our comments have been substantially addressed. We note that the revised plans have reduced the sloped area that is steeper than 3:1, specifically on the side of the basin nearest the housing units. Additionally, the bottom of the basin will be seeded with conservation mix rather than lined with stone. The areas that remains steeper than 3:1 and will require riprap stabilization are on the southeast side of the basin and the slope down towards the wetland. These may be challenging for maintenance and should therefore be coordinated with DPI.

We have no further comments. We appreciate the opportunity to review this project for the Conservation Commission. Please contact us with any questions.

Very truly yours,

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