



CITY OF NEW BEDFORD  
JONATHAN F. MITCHELL, MAYOR

March 7, 2016

Charles and Elaine Gendreau – Trustee  
1151 Cardinal St.  
New Bedford, MA 02745

Re: 1151 Cardinal Street, New Bedford  
Map 138, Lot 385


Dear Mr. and Mrs. Gendreau,

This is to advise you that the recent deposit of rocks in your backyard constitutes a violation of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Wetlands Protection Act (MGL c. 131 S40) and the City of New Bedford Wetlands Ordinance (Sections 15-101 through 15-112). The rocks are considered fill material and the placement of fill into a wetland is prohibited by the aforementioned regulations.

Rather than undertake enforcement action at this time, the Commission would prefer that you appear at its next regularly scheduled meeting on Tuesday March 15, 2016 at 6:30 PM in Room 314 of City Hall, 133 William St. The purpose of this meeting is to have a discussion regarding the state Wetlands Protection Act and the city Wetlands Ordinance so that you can understand what activities require permits from the Conservation Commission and what activities are prohibited, thereby helping you avoid possible legal penalties.

Please contact Sarah Porter, the Conservation Agent, at 508-991-6188 if you have any questions regarding this correspondence.

Sincerely,

*John G. Radcliffe* 

John G. Radcliffe, Chairman  
New Bedford Conservation Commission

Cc: Conservation Commissioners