



## Clean Water Act Section 404: Site Visit/Case Development

For inspections authorized pursuant to Clean Water Act sections 308 and 404 (33 U.S.C. §§ 1318 and 1344)

This report includes only factual information gained by documentation, onsite observations, and/or onsite interviews.

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| Inspector Name(s)                                 | Raymond Putnam<br>Stephanie Tougas                                                                        | Time In           | 10 am                        | Start Date                                                          | October 28, 2021 |
|                                                   |                                                                                                           | Time Out          | 12:38 PM                     | End Date                                                            | October 28, 2021 |
| Inspector's Organization                          | US EPA                                                                                                    |                   |                              |                                                                     |                  |
| Organization Requesting Inspection (if different) |                                                                                                           |                   |                              |                                                                     |                  |
| Inspection Type                                   | Evaluation                                                                                                | Inspection Status | Original                     |                                                                     |                  |
| Site Name                                         | Vorsteveld Farms                                                                                          |                   |                              |                                                                     |                  |
| Site Address*                                     | 4530 Jersey St                                                                                            |                   |                              |                                                                     |                  |
| City*                                             | Panton                                                                                                    | County*           |                              | State*                                                              | VT               |
|                                                   |                                                                                                           |                   |                              | Zip Code*                                                           | 05491            |
| Mailing Address*                                  |                                                                                                           |                   |                              |                                                                     |                  |
| City*                                             |                                                                                                           | County*           |                              | State*                                                              |                  |
|                                                   |                                                                                                           |                   |                              | Zip Code*                                                           |                  |
| Latitude*                                         | 44° 7'45.98"N                                                                                             |                   | Longitude*                   | 73°20'58.25"W                                                       |                  |
| Estimated Size of Site (acres)                    | 270 acres                                                                                                 |                   | Is there a home on the site? | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No |                  |
| Inspector Signature                               | RAYMOND PUTNAM<br><small>Digitally signed by RAYMOND PUTNAM<br/>Date: 2021.11.04 06:29:40 -04'00'</small> |                   |                              | Date                                                                |                  |
| Supervisor Signature                              | DENNY DART<br><small>Digitally signed by DENNY DART<br/>Date: 2021.11.04 07:42:38 -04'00'</small>         |                   |                              | Date                                                                |                  |



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| Site Name                                                                                 | Vorsteveld Farms   | Start Date | October 28, 2021 |
|                                                                                           |                    | End Date   | October 28, 2021 |
| Inspection Purpose                                                                        | Initial site visit |            |                  |
| <b>Opening Conference</b>                                                                 |                    |            |                  |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Presentation of Inspector Credentials                 |                    |            |                  |
| Name and Title (Use N/A if owner/operator not available to join the inspection)           |                    |            |                  |
| Hans Vorsteveld, Registered Agent and Partner                                             |                    |            |                  |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Opening Conference                                    |                    |            |                  |
| Name of person authorizing access if applicable                                           |                    |            |                  |
| Hans Vorsteveld                                                                           |                    |            |                  |
| Notes from Opening Conference                                                             |                    |            |                  |
| EPA described purpose and areas of focus                                                  |                    |            |                  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Access Issues if Any                                             |                    |            |                  |
| Describe                                                                                  |                    |            |                  |
|                                                                                           |                    |            |                  |
| <b>Inspection Observations and Sample Collection</b>                                      |                    |            |                  |
| Site Owner/Site Operator/Responsible Party (Name, title and contact information)          |                    |            |                  |
| Hans Vorsteveld                                                                           |                    |            |                  |
| Additional Persons Present at Inspection                                                  |                    |            |                  |
| Zapata Courage, District Wetlands Ecologist, VT DEC; John Mazzuchi, Lynch and Foley, P.C. |                    |            |                  |
| General Site Characteristics (layout of property, etc.)                                   |                    |            |                  |
|                                                                                           |                    |            |                  |
| Purpose and Need for Discharge of Dredged and/or Fill Material                            |                    |            |                  |
| HansVorsteveld stated purpose of work was to expand fields.                               |                    |            |                  |
| Site Overview (Past inspections, site description, permits, etc.)                         |                    |            |                  |
|                                                                                           |                    |            |                  |
| Scope of Inspection (Areas inspected or not inspected)                                    |                    |            |                  |
| See attached map - areas of inspection                                                    |                    |            |                  |

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| Site Name                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | Vorsteveld Farms | Start Date | October 28, 2021 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |                  | End Date   | October 28, 2021 |
| Environmental Conditions (e.g., wind, rain, smoke, dust, temperature, snow)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |                  |            |                  |
| sunny                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |                  |            |                  |
| Field Work Conducted                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |                  |            |                  |
| The group walked to the areas of interest 1, 3, and 4 (see attachments C-F). RAP assessed 3 soil auger samples and 44 GPS photographs (Photos 44-88). Area of Interest 2 was assessed from the road. Two tile drain outfalls were photographed within the Areas of Interest.                                                                                                                                |                  |            |                  |
| <b>Closing Conference</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |                  |            |                  |
| Documents Received and/or Requested During the Inspection                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |                  |            |                  |
| NA                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |                  |            |                  |
| Compliance Assistance Provided (If any)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |                  |            |                  |
| I informed HansVorsteveld that a federal permit is required under Section 404 for activities which discharge dredged, or fill material into wetlands and other waters of the United States. The Corps and EPA share enforcement responsibilities under CWA 404, while the Corps is responsible for permitting activities. The Corps should be consulted before doing any work in wetlands and or waterways. |                  |            |                  |
| Observations Relayed to Site Owner/Operator                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |                  |            |                  |
| I told Hans Vorsteveld that based on our preliminary observations, EPA would be following up with and information request letter and would potentially schedule additional field work.                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |                  |            |                  |
| Actions Taken by Owner/Operator During the Inspection (If any)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |                  |            |                  |
| NA                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |                  |            |                  |
| Potential Issues of Concern Including Regulatory Citations                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |                  |            |                  |
| NA                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |                  |            |                  |
| <b>Attachments*</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |                  |            |                  |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Maps and Sketches<br><input type="checkbox"/> Photographs (including location) and Photo Log<br><input type="checkbox"/> Other (SSIP, Wetlands Delineation Forms, etc.)                                                                                                                                                                                                 |                  |            |                  |
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| <b>Additional Notes</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |                  |            |                  |
| GPS froze on camera- photographs 73-88 all have the same (incorrect) GPS coordinates                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |                  |            |                  |