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Re: 66 Mile Road Onsite Wetlands

Dear Mr. Gdanski,

At your request I visited the above site to delineate the onsite stream and any onsite wetlands that I found. The north side of the stream was upland lawn type habitat that sloped steadily down to a rocky stream edge. The south side of the stream has a narrow band of scrub/shrub wetland habitat from property line to property line. This wetland ends ant the culvert under Mile Road. Vegetation wise this wetland had the usual plant species common to the Hudson Valley, Skunk Cabbage, Soft Rush, Sensitive Fern, Silky Dogwood and Pin Oak. The Soil Survey of Rockland County, New York shows this location to be Wethersfield soils. This is an upland soil. Within the boundary I created there is a wetland type of soil that has hydric soil chromas and wetland soil conditions. This onsite wetland is fairly level and probably floods when the stream has a high-water event. The National Wetlands Inventory does not show any wetlands in this area. The NYSDEC Environmental mapper does not show any wetlands on either their previously mapped layer or their new informational wetland layer. For some reason this stream is a DEC Class C(T) stream. This classification means DEC permits must be obtained to do any work in and around the banks of the stream. When I was onsite the stream was stagnant with no flow, basically just the depressions had water in them. I doubt this location ever has fish of any kind. Being located downstream from a golf course does not help with water quality. Regarding wildlife this location is surrounded by layers of existing residential development and only animals adaptable to urban settings will normally be seen here. Currently this area is under the jurisdiction of the Village of Montebello as well as the US Army Corps Of Engineers.

Yours truly,

Peter Torgersen