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Jarrod J. Cabral
Director
Department of Public Works
Truro MA 02666

RE: Mill Pond Salt Marsh Restoration Project

Dear Jarrod:

At your request I have reviewed the technical documents associated with the proposed Mill Pond Salt Marsh Restoration Project. These include "Mill Pond Salt Marsh Restoration Alternatives", prepared by Fuss & ONeill dated June, 2022 and the "Mill Pond Restoration Conceptual Design Report Truro, Massachusetts", prepared by the Woods Hole Group dated June 22, 2022.

I concur with the recommended alternative (breach channel with a 95-foot top). In my opinion this is the best long-term solution and will provide the best water quality and ecological restoration results. With climate change and sea level rise in mind this solution will also provide the most resilience to these changing conditions. The removal of the road and its associated stormwater drainage will be a net reduction in pollutant loading to the salt marsh and estuary.

The project is based upon hydrologic modeling completed by the Woods Hole Group. I have over twenty years of experience working with this firm and highly respect their professional work in these types of projects.

Best wishes for the project moving forward. Please call me directly with any questions that you might have.

Sincerely,

Scott W. Horsley

Water Resources Consultant