

**Lannie Dobson - Re: Fwd: French Drain exterior**

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**From:** Cameron Thompson <cameronrsthompson@gmail.com>  
**To:** Philip DiPierro <PD@portlandmaine.gov>  
**Date:** 4/29/2015 9:24 AM  
**Subject:** Re: Fwd: French Drain exterior  
**CC:** Barbara Barhydt <BAB@portlandmaine.gov>  
**Attachments:** Thompson\_drain\_permit\_ES\_fee.pdf; 54Alba\_DrainageSystem.docx

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Hi Philip,

I've made a few changes to the plan in consideration of the information you provided. The updated document (attached) reflects those changes.

I'll be using two 50 gallon NDS dry-wells which can accommodate the square footage of rainwater the french drains will collect.

Is there anything else needed? The electronic signature and fee form is attached as well.

The "Criteria for Administrative Authorization" was confusing as they aren't really related to this project.

Cheers

Cameron

On Thu, Apr 16, 2015 at 11:28 AM, Philip DiPierro <[PD@portlandmaine.gov](mailto:PD@portlandmaine.gov)> wrote:

Hi Cameron, following up on my previous message, you should check to make sure your property contains soils that are suitable for the installation of a drywell. The NRCS website is very helpful for identifying soil types.

<http://websoilsurvey.nrcs.usda.gov/app/WebSoilSurvey.aspx>

You should also make sure that the installation location of the drywell is at least ten feet from all property boundaries. In addition, when you submit your application please include a specifications sheet of the type of drywell you will be using, and the construction details for its installation. I've attached the City's Stormwater Credit Manual, with a section on drywells, that may help to guide you with your design and installation.

Feel free to contact me with any questions. Thanks.

Phil

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>>> Philip DiPierro 4/16/2015 10:40 AM >>>

Hi Cameron, Barbara asked me to follow up with you regarding your proposed drainage project.

We have determined that this type of project can be reviewed as an Administrative Authorization. Please click on the following link for a copy of the application that you can fill out and submit.

<http://me-portland.civicplus.com/DocumentCenter/View/2809>

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>>> Cameron Thompson <[cameronrsthompson@gmail.com](mailto:cameronrsthompson@gmail.com)> 4/9/2015 11:04 AM >>>  
Hello,

I have attached a sketchup of the proposed drainage system. I have not considered applying for the stormwater credit. My goal is to prevent infiltration of water into my basement. I believe the land disturbance will be minor.

Regards,

Cameron

On Thu, Apr 9, 2015 at 8:05 AM, Building Inspections <[buildinginspections@portlandmaine.gov](mailto:buildinginspections@portlandmaine.gov)> wrote:

Do they have a sketch of what they want to do that I could look at? Also, are they hoping to do this to obtain a credit from the stormwater utility fees? Right now it could be an administrative authorization or a Level I, depending upon the amount of land disturbance. We are in the process of coming up with a process to review such requests that are seeking a stormwater credit and it might be something that is reviewed by DPS.

Please share my contact information with them.

Thank you.

Barbara

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