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Dane County Executive

# Dane County Planning & Development

## Division of Zoning

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Wednesday, September 07, 2011

Phillip & Julie Richards  
5930 Schuman Rd.,  
Cross Plains, WI 53528

RE: Navigability Determination – Parcel #0807-104-9610-0, Town of Berry

Dear Mr. & Mrs. Richards:

Thank you for contacting our office to request a navigability determination for your property located in Section 10, Town of Berry. We've completed our review of the waterway in question, and have determined that this stream is not navigable.

We reviewed the applicable U.S.G.S. Topographic map to determine the categorization of this waterway, which was an "intermittent stream". An intermittent stream is one that has a periodic or recurrent flow and is typically considered navigable.

In our review of GIS data and satellite maps staff determined on September 7, 2011 the navigability of the stream based upon images, elevations and contours associated with the land. It was determined that these areas on your parcel were drainage swells as they did not indicate a defined bed and bank. A waterway is navigable if it has a defined bed and banks and is able to float a recreational watercraft of the shallowest draft on a regularly recurring basis. The waterway in question does not meet this definition.

I hope you find this information helpful. If you have any questions regarding this matter, or if I may be of further assistance, please feel free to call me at (608) 266-9085, or write to the address listed below.

Sincerely,

Shawn Widish  
Dane County Zoning Inspector