

## Dane County Planning & Development

Division of Zoning

May 14, 2010

Rodney & Sara Shea 7823 Sagebrush Trail Middleton, WI 53562

RE: Navigability Determination – Parcel #0708-062-0199-8, Town of Middleton

Dear Mr. & Mrs. Shea:

Thank you for contacting me to request a navigability determination for your property located in Section 6, Town of Middleton. I completed my review of the waterway in question, and have determined that this stream is not navigable in fact based on actual field conditions.

Prior to completing a site inspection I 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.

Our inspection staff conducted a site inspection on March 23, 2010 to verify the navigability of the stream based on actual field conditions. 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. The inspector could not locate a bed and banks.

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