

July 17, 2023

«NEW PROPERTY OWNER»  
«STREET»  
«CITY», «STATE» «ZIP1»

Dear [PUT MR./MS. & THE LAST NAME IN HERE]:

On behalf of the Environmental Protection Board, I would like to welcome you to your new home in Stamford. Our records indicate that your property contains, is likely to contain, or is adjacent to wetland and/or watercourse areas. We therefore want to take this opportunity to introduce you to the Board and the regulations that govern activities in and around the important environmental resources that you now steward.

The Environmental Protection Board (EPB) was established in 1974 to enforce state statutes and regulate development activities that have the potential to adversely impact the City's freshwater resources. We are charged with the task of balancing a landowner's right to responsibly develop and use their property against the broader goals of the Stamford community to maintain water quality, provide protection from flooding, and encourage biodiversity through the preservation and restoration of wetlands and watercourses. Your property is an important part of a natural water management network that directly impacts the quality of our water resources and the ability of our community to manage flooding.

*As owner of a property containing or adjacent to wetlands and/or watercourses, you must contact the EPB to see if you need a permit before you begin any construction project or landscape modification, such as tree clearing or grading.*

To learn more about the EPB and Stamford's natural resources, please visit our website ([www.stamfordct.gov/government/operations/environmental-protection-board](http://www.stamfordct.gov/government/operations/environmental-protection-board)). You may also contact EPB staff at (203) 977-4028 if you have any questions about the EPB or would like to discuss specific information we may have about your property.

Welcome again – we look forward to working with you to protect our natural resources.

Sincerely,



Gary H. Stone  
Chairman

Enclosure: EPB Factsheet