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Thursday, March 28, 1996

Mr. Resolvert W. Williams, President
Sheriff's Meadow Foundation
Wakeman Conservation Center
RFD Box 319X
Vineyard Haven, MA 02568

RE: Assessor's Map 12, Lots 115, 116 and 127

Dear Rez:

I am in receipt of your letter of March 21 and would like to clarify a few issues you have raised on behalf of Bear Realty Trust:

- The access over the ancient ways that was presented to you. Jennifer, Bob and Dick on March 1 is the only legal access currently available to the Trust. Any other potential access will be considered an "alternative."
- The improvement to the way we are proposing is relatively insignificant. There would be no apparent visual change from what currently exists, other than restoring the environmental damage of the way from the Warshaw construction.
- The Trust needs approval from the Conservation Commission for activities proposed within the buffer zone. DEP would interact only if an Order of Conditions is issued and appealed.
- The existing way we are proposing for access will require improvements to Parcel 111 to reach the lands controlled by the Trust. There are routes available through Parcel 111 that would not require the alteration of any wetland resource area and provide suitable access for swap lot Parcel 113.
- The Trust is strongly committed to protecting the scenic, cultural and environmental integrity of the "bend of the road" area and is willing to assist in this effort. The first step has been taken in this direction by providing photogrammetric mapping of the entire area to the conservation coalition to better assess the land.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any additional concerns or questions. Thank you.

Very truly yours,



James J. Decoulos, P.E., L.S.P.

cc: Megan Ottens-Sargent, Gay Head Planning Board
Mary Elizabeth Pratt, Gay Head Conservation Commission