Section 401 and State Regulated Wetlands Program **Wetlands and Stormwater Section** **Office of Water Quality** **Indiana Department of Environmental Management**	# Inspection Report **Purpose:** Document site conditions
Date Distributed: November 9, 2020 **Certified Mail Number: N/A**	**Authority:** *This inspection was conducted pursuant to Indiana Code (IC) 13-14-2-2 and is consistent with the requirements of IC 13-14-5.*

Responsible Party and Location Information	
Landowner: Shelton Properties Fremont Indiana LLC	**Site Name:** Shelton Properties Wetland Clearing
IDEM Identification Number: Not Applicable	**County:** Steuben
Incident No: RM 93437	**Date of Site Visit:** October 28, 2020
Project Location/Address *(Use for sites without ID Number)*: The site is located at approximately 41.74765 latitude, -84.99901 longitude.	**Contact Information** *(Use for sites without ID Number)* A copy of this inspection report will be sent electronically to Greg Shelton (gregshelton56@icloud.com)

Inspected				
☒ **Stream/River(s)**	☒ **Wetland(s)**	☐ **Open Water**	☐ **Mitigation**	☐ **Other:**

Observations/Comments *(Description of activities, impacts, violations, corrective action, dates)*:

(1) IDEM conducted a follow-up inspection to determine the status of the site.

(2) It was apparent that many of the original piles of cleared vegetation at the site have been removed from wetland areas. However, a significant amount of cleared vegetation remained on the western edge of the property near the road (see attached photos). It was also observed that additional vegetation has been removed at the site while tree stumps have been left intact (see attached photos).

(3) Several areas of disturbed, bare ground were documented on the western and southern edges of the site during the inspection (see attached photos). Additionally, the dredged channel exhibited instability, steep slopes, and several areas void of vegetative cover (see attached photos).

(4) If land disturbance is planned or increases beyond one acre in size, the owner of the property will be required to obtain permit coverage under 327 IAC 15-5.

(5) In response to this inspection report, please submit a restoration plan to IDEM by November 27, 2020 that incorporates the following:

a. A seeding/planting plan to stabilize the areas of bare ground on the western and southern edges of the project site. Based on aerial imagery, these areas are approximately 0.6 acres in size.
b. A stabilization plan for the dredged channel (disturbance estimated at .05 to .1 acre) that restores the preexisting slopes, reduces slope instability, and restores vegetative cover.
c. Delays in implementing a final stabilization plan may require temporary seeding.
d. A plan for the removal of the remaining stockpiles of vegetation in wetlands at the project site.

Inspection Distribution and Contact Information		
Questions/Inquiries Concerning this Report Should be Directed to the Inspector at:		
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Others Present at Site:		
Copies Provided to: ☐ **U.S. Army Corps of Engineers:**		

☒ **IDEM Stormwater Program for assessment of compliance with 327 IAC 15-5:** Drew Gamble (electronic)
☒ **Other:** Jim Lake, Dave Sorg, Lake George Conservancy (electronic)

Follow-up Inspection Photos:

Stockpiled Vegetation Remaining on Western Edge near Road:

Additional Vegetation Removal with Tree Stumps left in Place:

Areas of Disturbed Ground Devoid of Vegetation:

Instability at the Dredged Channel: