

Town of Killingworth  
Inland Wetlands and Watercourses Commission  
Killingworth, Connecticut 06419

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SPECIAL MEETING ON SITE WALK-THRU MINUTES

**3:15 – 4:25 p.m.**

**August 18, 2026**

**Hammonasset Fishing Association**

605 County Road, Madison, CT

**Application # W65**

**APPLICATION FOR:** Maintenance dredging of existing fishing pool on Hammonasset River (dredging will be done on the Killingworth side and partially on the Madison site of the river).

**CALL TO ORDER 3:15 PM**

The application set forth calls for the dredging of a fishing pool located within the center of the Hammonasset River located at center of the Madison/Killingworth border. The proposal is to restore the river bottom to its natural state which has endured much siltation from both recent (construction of immediate upstream box culvert crossing County Road) and long-term detrimental activities from upstream activities such as poor storm water discharge management, new housing and road construction and road sanding occurring within the large watershed area upstream.

A field walk-thru was conducted on August 18, 2026, at the above reference site, the following were in attendance:

Chris Plum- Inland Wetlands Commissioner  
Erine Pizzuto-Inland Wetlands Commissioner  
Glenn Johnson-Inland Wetlands Chairman  
Terrance Doyle-Inland Wetlands Commissioner  
Cini McGonagle-Inland Wetlands Commissioner  
Joe Agro- Hammonasset Fishing Assoc.  
Allen Gomes- Hammonasset Fishing Assoc.  
Roger Nemergut, P.E., agent for Hammonasset Assoc.

We proceeded to the exact location where the dredging equipment would be placed on the east side of the riverbank (See Picture Nos. 1&2). A question concerning the method of dredging was brought up by the commission. The river would need to be deepened by 3 to 6 feet in order to restore to its more natural bottom. There are two methods being considered by the applicant: 1) Dragline dredging in the wet with a long-boomed crane and 2) hydraulic dredging with a submerged suction pipe and hose. Right now, option number 1 was the preferred method by the

applicant due to the quickness in which silt removal could be accomplished and the significant apparent cost advantage (1:10) over option 2. The applicant stated that the cost for the dredging option would be established very soon perhaps as soon as Wednesday.

Other questions raised by the commission were: 1) What was the distance to the headwaters of the Hammonasset River? and 2) what was the size of the upstream watershed? Answers to these questions will be given at the next meeting.

We next proceeded to the location of the disposal site which is located just south of the dredge area. This site can be described as heavily vegetated field with a few large specimen trees scattered about. It was stated that the disposal area would be approximately 70' by 70' and 8' high sloped at perhaps a 2 horizontal to 1 vertical ratio. This would only be a temporary stockpile area to allow for drying. Once the dredge material has dried it would be spread in the low spots in the field and graded appropriately to a depth of perhaps 6"-12". This would only encompass an area of approximately 80' x 80' to 120' x 120' given the 700 cubic yards estimate of in place material that has been proposed for removal. The area of disturbance would be re-vegetated with a suitable grass mixture which would be periodically maintained as the current field is.

There were no other concerns raised by the commission at this time.

## ADJOURNMENT

The special meeting adjourned at 4:25 PM.

Respectfully submitted, Glenn Johnson

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'G. Johnson'.

cc: Linda Robitaille

**PICTURE NO. 1- 605 COUNTY ROAD**  
**LOOKING SOUTHWEST AT PROPOSED DREGING LOCATION FROM THE**  
**KILLINGWORTH SIDE**



Accumulation of silt  
which has recently  
occurred

**PICTURE NO. 2- 605 COUNTY ROAD**  
**LOOKING WEST AT PROPOSED DREGING LOCATION AND UPSTREAM STONE**  
**BAFFLE FROM THE KILLINGWORTH SIDE**



ACCUMULATION OF  
SILT IN THE MIDDLE  
OF THE RIVER

STONE BAFFLE  
PLACED IN THE  
MIDDLE OF THE  
RIVER BY OTHERS