

Winter Wetland Resource Area Delineation Policy

Wetland resource area identifications and delineations shall be field reviewed between April 1st and December 1st within any given calendar year. No wetland boundary reviews shall occur outside of this review season other than by exception granted by the Wellesley Wetlands Protection Committee.

Exception to this policy may be granted upon a written request stating the reasons for the exception sought. Each request shall be evaluated on its own merits, on a case-by-case basis. Grant of an exception on any given property or for any particular application, when warranted, shall be for that one instance only.

Exception may be granted by the Wellesley Wetlands Protection Committee at their sole discretion when it is determined that accurate review of a wetland resource boundary between Dec. 1st and April 1st is not compromised by lack of relevant resource indicators such as, but not limited to, hydric soil features, wetland vegetation, topography and hydrology.

If the applicant does not agree to a meeting or hearing continuance in order to complete an adequate field review of the wetland resource boundaries affecting a particular application, the Wetlands Protection Committee shall close the hearing and make a determination based on the information available.