# BLUEWATER

PROPERTY GROUP

Warehouse (Storage) Building Project
23 Cape Road
Mendon, MA
Planning Board Hearing
November 28th, 2022

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# **Project Team**



## Development Team

Firm Name	Team Function	Team Members	
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HINCKLEY ALLEN	Land Use Counsel	Kelley A. Jordan-Price, Partner	



**Project Description** 

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Address: 23 Cape Road, Mendon, MA 01756 Mendon Tax Assessor ID: Parcel 14-114-23 Total Acreage: Approximately 21.3 acres Zoning: Highway Business (HB)



#### **Colored Site Plan**



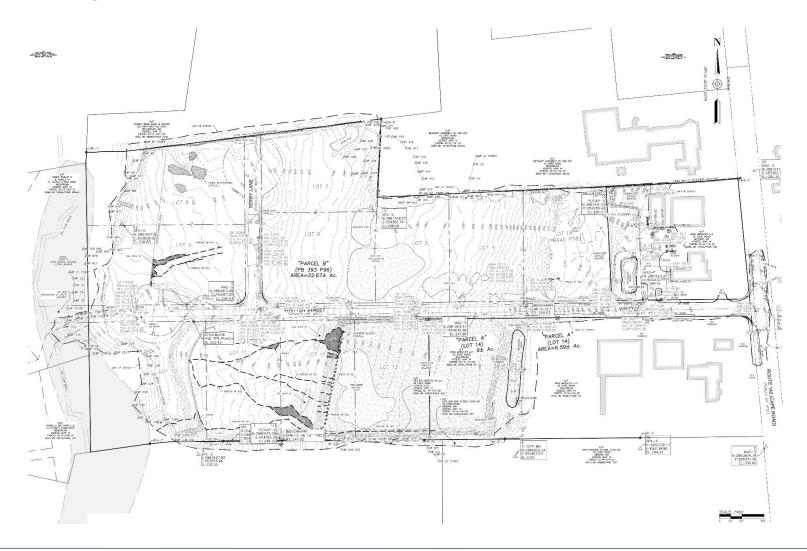
#### Colored Site Plan



**Civil Engineering Overview** 



# **Existing Conditions**

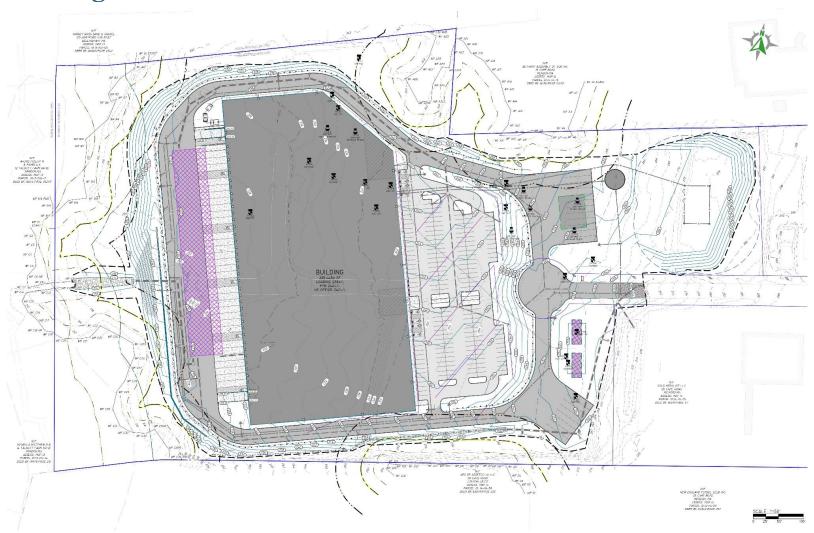


# Site Layout





# Grading

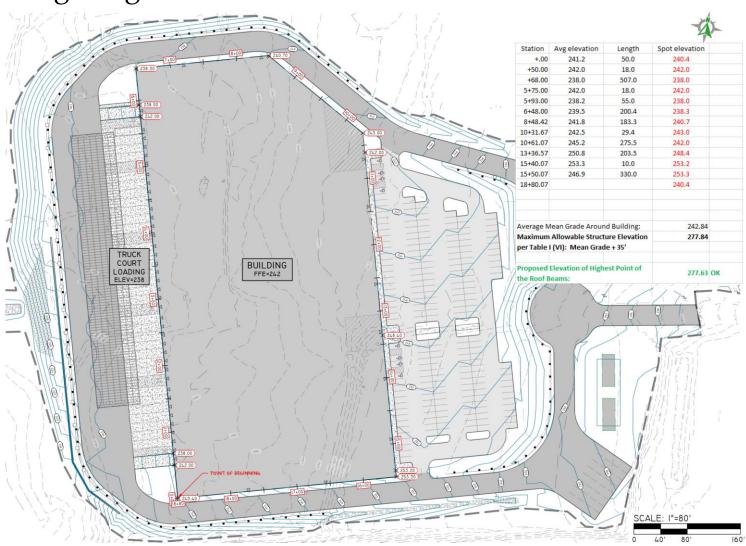


# Drainage & Utilities





### **Building Height**





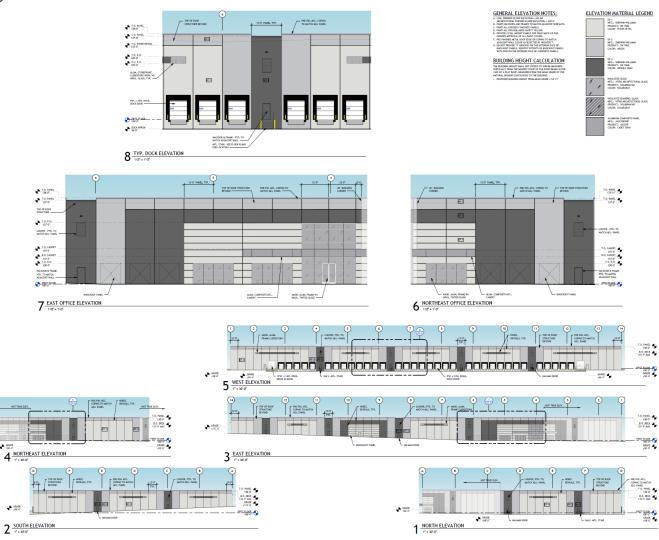
**Architectural Design Overview** 



# **Building Rendering**



### **Building Elevations**



# **Sound Study Summary**



### Sound Study - Overview

- Ostergaard Acoustical Associates (OAA) was retained by the project team to conduct a thorough sound study of the proposed project
- Sound study comprised:
  - A sound survey of existing ambient conditions
  - Building an acoustical model of the site
  - Assessment if mitigation measures were necessary



### Sound Study - Regulations

Site sound emissions are regulated by local and state ordinances

State of Massachusetts – Division of Air Quality Control Policy 90-001

- Site sound emissions shall not exceed background ambient sound levels at the nearest residences by 10 dB(A)
- Background sound level is defined as the sound level present
   90% of the time during a measurement period when equipment is in operation

#### Town of Mendon -

• No noise bylaw; zoning bylaw can require proof that a site will not produce unreasonable noise.



### Sound Study – Ambient Survey

Typify area:

Location 1 - NE

Location 2 – SW

Location 3 - E



24-hours of data collected on August 18-to-19, 2021 (Thursday to Friday)



#### Sound Study - Ambient Survey Results

Summary of average statistical A-weighted sound levels documented across the ambient survey, in dB re  $20\mu Pa$ .

Location	${ m L_{min}}$	${ m L}_{90}$	$ m L_{eq}$	${\color{MyRed} { m L}_{10}}$	$\mathbf{L}_{max}$
1	44	48	50	52	70
2	47	50	52	54	71
3	45	53	58	62	81

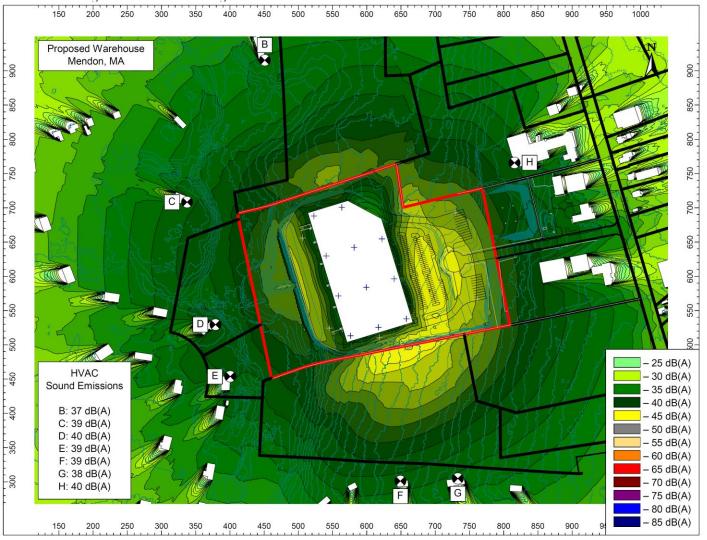
Residential code limit becomes 58 dB(A), based on the lowest average L90

Permissive for steady state equipment such as HVAC sound. Steady sound should blend in with existing background sound levels.

Recommend not exceeding 62 dB(A) at school



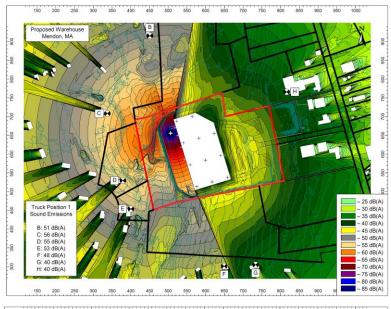
#### Sound Study - Steady Sound Levels

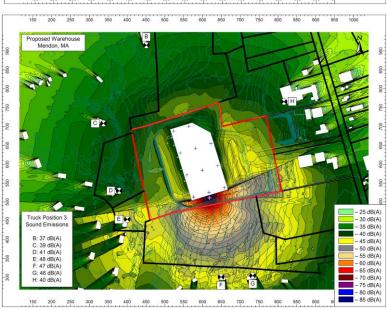


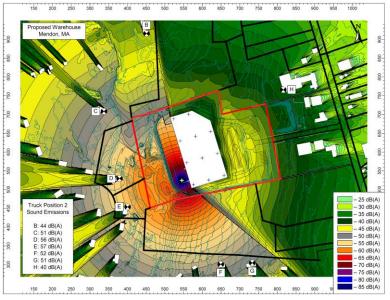
A-weighted sound emission contours, 5 feet above grade, from rooftop HVAC equipment. Each rooftop unit shown with a blue "+" sign. Buildings shown in white; site property line outlined in red. A-weighted sound emissions tabulated at 15 feet above grade for all Locations.

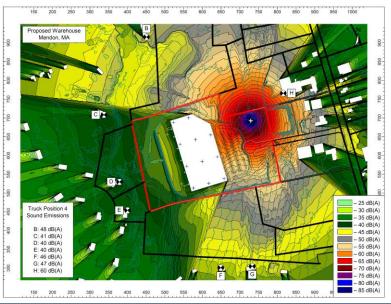


#### Sound Study - Maximum Sound Levels

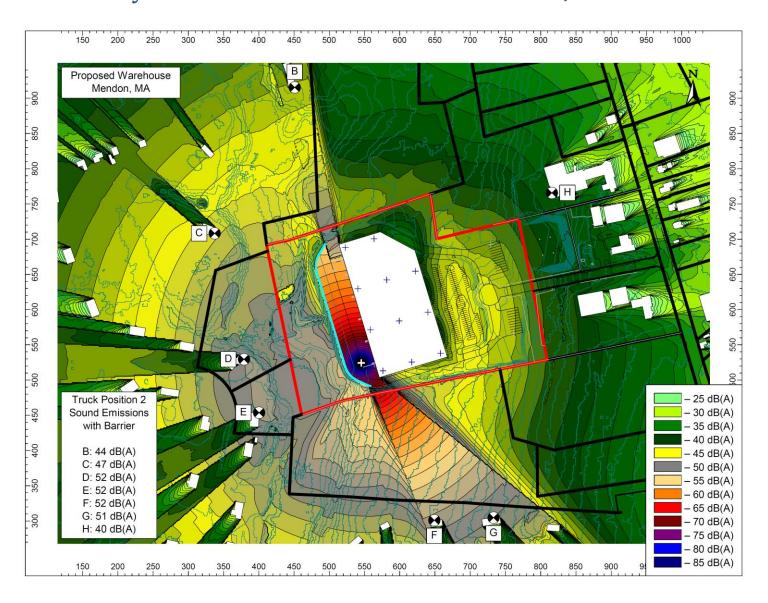








#### Sound Study – Maximum Sound Levels w/ 12ft Barrier





### Sound Study - Conclusions

- On-site steady and intermittent sound is below code limit.
- Proposed barrier to reduce sound at residential receptors.
- Emissions will blend in with existing sound in the vicinity.
- No negative acoustical impact from on or off-site operations.



**Traffic Impact Assessment Summary** 

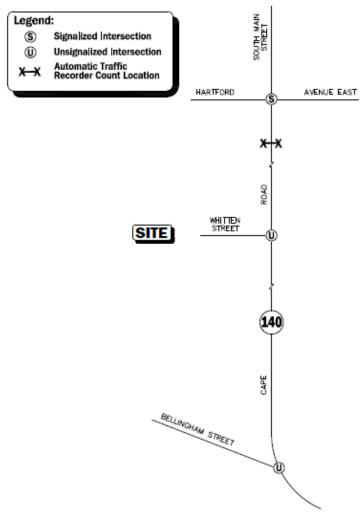


# Site Location Map





### Study Area Intersections



### Transportation Impact Assessment Scope

- Reviewed existing and future traffic conditions, both with and without the proposed warehouse
- Reviewed safety characteristics of Cape Road within the study area, including motor vehicle crash analyses and sight distances
- Developed an access plan to provide safe and efficient access to the Project
- Reviewed potential signal timing enhancements to the intersection of Hartford Avenue at Cape Road and South Main Street



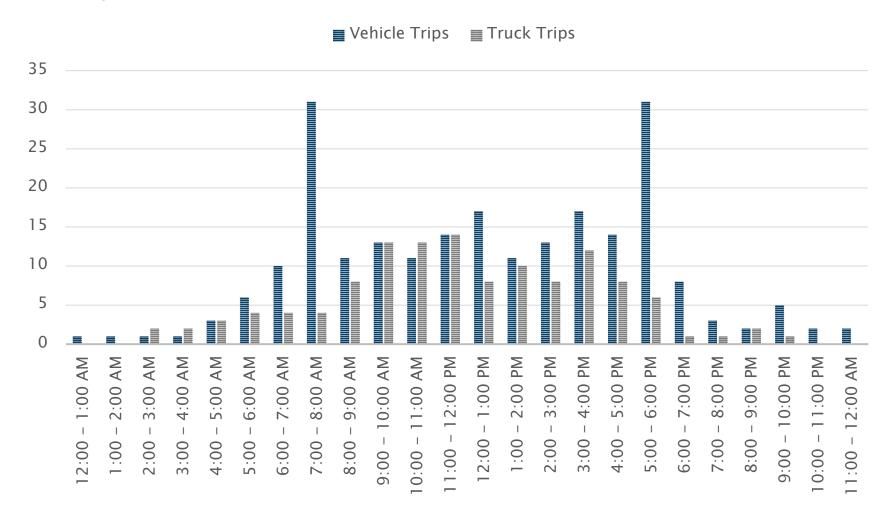
### Trip Generation Summary

	(A) Passenger	(B)	(A + B)
Time Period/Direction	Car Trips	Truck Trips	Vehicle Trips <sup>a</sup>
Average Weekday:			
Entering	114	62	176
Exiting	<u>114</u>	62	<u>176</u>
Total	228	124	352
Weekday AM Peak-Hour of Adjacent Roadway: Entering Exiting Total	$\frac{25}{\frac{6}{31}}$	2 2 4	27 <u>8</u> 35
Weekday PM Peak-Hour of Adjacent Roadway: Entering Exiting Total	7 <u>24</u> 31	3 <u>3</u> 6	10 <u>27</u> 37

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup>Based on ITE LUC 150 – Warehousing, applied to 205,445 sf.



### Daily Vehicle Trip Distribution (Approximate)





### Conclusions and Recommendations

- Project-related traffic increases during peak hours amount to approximately one new vehicle trip every other minute at all study area locations
- Project-related traffic amounts to a 1.2% increase to peak hour traffic at the intersection of Hartford Avenue with Cape Road, including only one to two arriving truck trips from Hartford Avenue westbound
- Available sight lines at the intersection of Whitten Street with Cape Road allow for safe access to and from the Project
- Upgrade intersection of Cape Road with Whitten Street to meet current MassDOT design guidelines
- Optimize signal timing at Hartford Avenue and Cape Road if deemed appropriate by MassDOT



**Conclusions/Questions** 

