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West Tisbury Conservation Commission
Town Hall
454 State Road
West Tisbury, MA 02575

Re: Beach Access Stairs — Request to Construct Permanent Landing of Wood — 39 Beach Pebble Road, Map 1, Lot 51

Dear Members of the Commission,

Please find enclosed two drawings in support of our request for permission to construct the permanent landing at the top of the bluff from wood, in connection with the replacement of the beach access stairs at the above property.

As shown on the enclosed drawings, the project consists of a small fixed landing at the established top of the bluff, set on shallow pin footings and angled to align with the existing footpath, with a run of removable aluminum stairs (approximately ten treads) suspended above the bank surface down to beach level. The aluminum stairs will be removed at the end of each season. A continuous safety rail runs from the landing down the full stair run, and a gate with eight-foot wings on each side is proposed across the path approximately fifteen feet back from the landing.

We are requesting that the landing itself be built of wood rather than aluminum because we believe this will be less impactful to the bluff overall. A wood landing can be built in place from individual pieces entirely by hand, whereas a prefabricated aluminum landing would need to be maneuvered into position on the bluff and held on temporary jacks and shoring while the pin footings are set. Hand construction avoids that temporary staging and the associated disturbance to the bank.

In addition, the landing would be built of untreated wood, which is a more renewable material than aluminum — a consideration that is important to the owner from an ecological standpoint.

Sheet 1 shows a cross section of the stairs and landing; Sheet 2 shows the plan view including the path and gate. We would be glad to answer any questions or walk the site with the Commission at your convenience.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Daniel Summers
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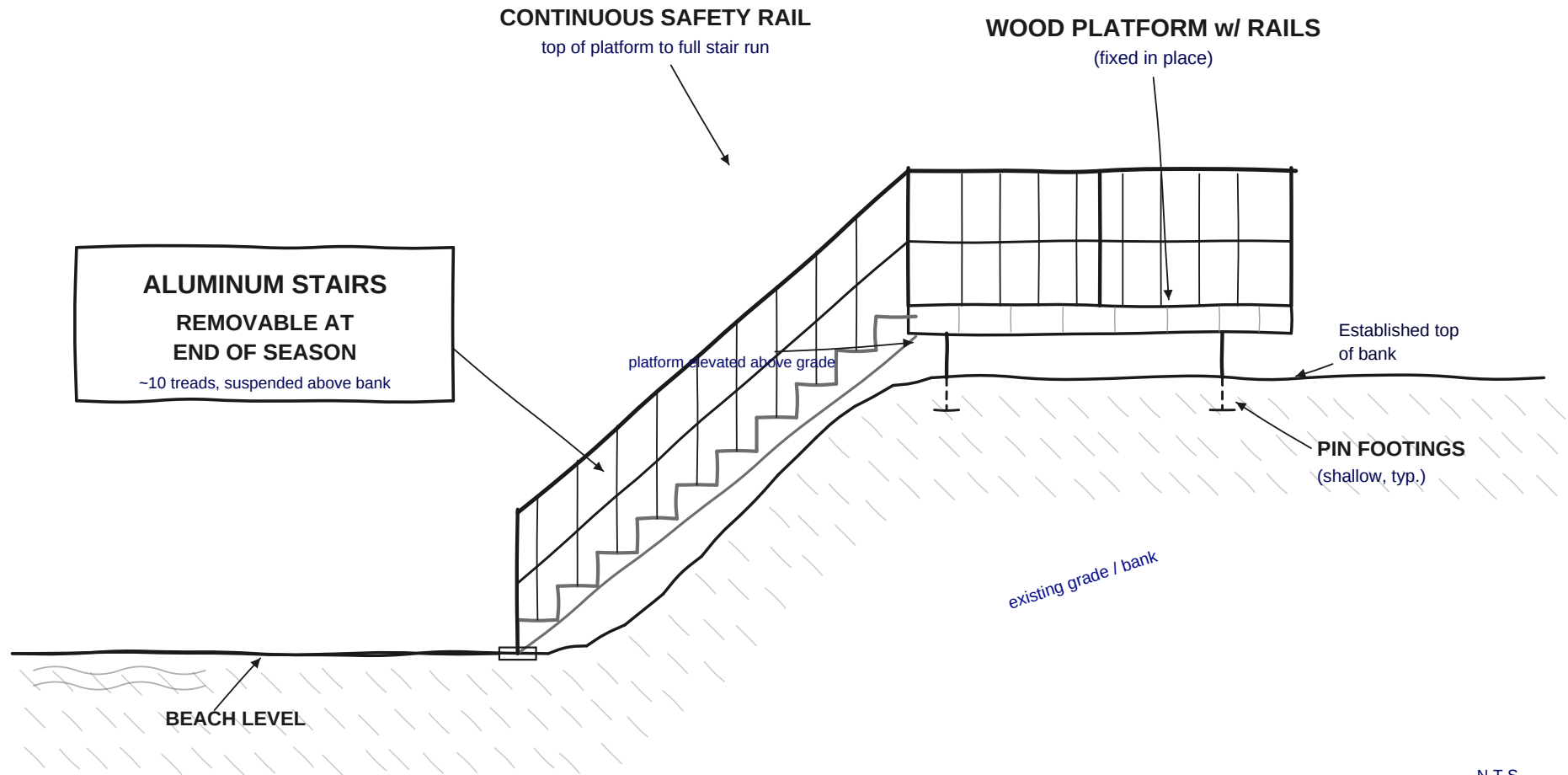
Enclosures: Beach Access Stairs — Cross Section (Sheet 1 of 2); Beach Access Stairs — Plan View (Sheet 2 of 2)

Beach Access Stairs — Cross Section

Side view · Not to scale

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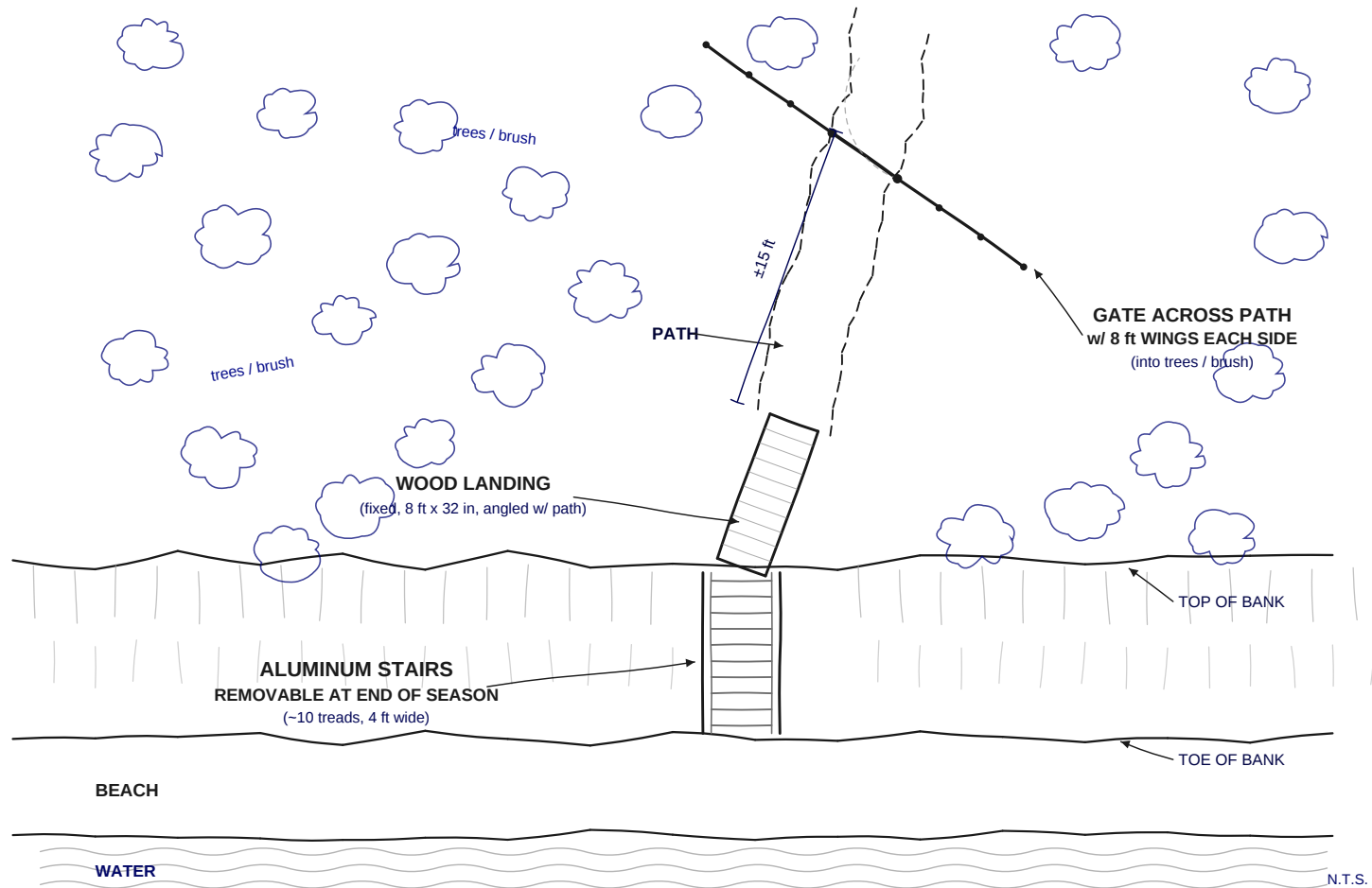
1. Aluminum stairs installed at start of season, removed at end of season. Approx. ten (10) treads, suspended above existing bank surface.
2. Wood platform with rails remains in place year-round, elevated above the established top of bank on shallow pin footings.
3. Continuous safety rail from top of platform down the full stair run.
4. Side (cross-sectional) view. Not to scale.

Beach Access Stairs — Plan View

Overhead view · Not to scale

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1. Aluminum stairs (~10 treads, approx. 4 ft wide) run down the bank from the landing to the beach; removable at end of season.
2. Wood landing is fixed at the top of bank, approx. 8 ft long x 32 in wide, extending inland at a slight angle to match the existing path.
3. Existing path meanders inland from the landing at approximately the same angle.
4. Gate located approx. 15 ft back from the landing, set across the path at an angle, with 8 ft wings extending each side into the adjacent trees / brush.
5. Overhead (plan) view. Not to scale. See Sheet 1 for cross section.