



The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

House of Representatives

State House, Boston 02133-1054

September 28, 2011

Ms. Carole Cornelison, Commissioner
Division of Capital Asset Management
One Ashburton Place, 14th Floor
Boston, MA 02108

Dear Commissioner Cornelison:

As local elected State legislators, we each represent the Town of Medfield and the constituents there-in. We are writing to you with regard to the Division of Capital Asset Management's (DCAM) efforts to remediate in-river and riverbank contamination at the site of the former Medfield State Hospital.

We respectfully request that DCAM withdraw its current Section 404 permit application with the Army Corps of Engineers in order to thoroughly consider all permanent alternatives.

While we commend the Commonwealth for its initiative to begin remediation at the site, the affected community and interested parties remain unanimous in their opposition to the plan to cap rather than remove the contaminated area adjacent to the Charles River. The Board of Selectmen, Medfield State Hospital Environment Review Committee (SHERC), Public Improvement Process (PIP) and the Charles River Watershed Association have all expressed concerns that the current remediation plan is being implemented in a short-sighted, fractional manner that will not result in a permanent solution that protects the nearby well water and the long term health of the residents of Medfield and the surrounding area.

It is our hope and expectation that DCAM, along with the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection, will work in cooperation with the affected community to consider cleanup alternatives and select, through a transparent public process, one which is acceptable to all parties.

We welcome the opportunity to assist in this matter, so please do not hesitate to contact us directly. Thank you for your consideration of this urgent request.

Sincerely,

Handwritten signature of Denise C. Garlick in black ink.

DENISE C. GARLICK
State Representative
13th Norfolk District

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JAMES E. TIMILTY
State Senator
Bristol and Norfolk County

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DANIEL B. WINSLOW
State Representative
9th Norfolk District