

Bradford Conservation Commission on housing proposal at traffic circle

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From the Bradford Conservation Commission Re: Proposal of Regional Impact

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Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the proposed housing at the Warner traffic circle by Route 89.

We feel that this proposal is indeed of regional impact because of its close proximity to the Warner River. Although Bradford is upstream of this housing project, fish, invertebrates, and aquatic birds move up and down stream to complete their life cycles. There appears to be an insignificant buffer to the river and the easement the town holds to protect the river.

We were puzzled by the original application which states: "None of the harms that a zoning ordinance is typically designed to prevent (noise, traffic, safety issues, incompatible uses in close proximity to each other, negative aesthetic impact) would be present in this case." We might disagree with this assessment and add that increased runoff from parking and landscaping and general population growth here would have a negative effect on the river system.

We hope that our comments are considered with this application review.

Sincerely, J. Ann Eldridge, for the Bradford Conservation Commission.