



Conservation Commission

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Mr. Craig D. Rennie, CWS, CWB
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The State of New Hampshire
Department of Environmental Services
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RE: Standard Dredge and Fill Wetlands Permit Application (RSA 482-A) NHDES File Number: 2020-02239, Subject Property: Douglas Drive, Dalton, Tax Map #M405, Lot #33

Dear Mr. Rennie:

The Lisbon Conservation Commission has reviewed a copy of your response and request for more information on the above stated application. As a downstream community, we are particularly concerned with #16 of additional information required:

"16. It is not clear how the downstream high-value Alder Brook wetland complex (which was previously considered for prime wetland designation by the Town of Dalton) and ultimately the Ammonoosuc River's water quality will be protected if treatment of landfill runoff fails or if the landfill liners develop leaks over time. Downstream wetlands and surface waters should be monitored long term to protect from contaminants and pollution, and to ensure that these resources are protected pursuant to RSA 482-A:1. It should be noted that there are also downstream communities that depend on the Ammonoosuc River as a drinking water source, so it is imperative that these issues are addressed as part of the project."

The Town of Lisbon's drinking water comes from two wells located adjacent to the Ammonoosuc River. There have been issues with contamination of these wells in the past. The Conservation Commission is concerned how Lisbon's water quality would be further impacted by the proposed project. Please take this into account in your review of the application.

Sincerely,

Katrine N. Barclay
Chair, Lisbon Conservation Commission

Cc: Rene Pelletier, NHDES Assistant Director, Water Division
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