



August 14, 2018

Town of Wayland
Zoning Board of Appeals
41 Cochituate Road
Wayland MA 01778

Re: Cascade Wayland Comprehensive Permit Application, 113-119 Boston Post Road

Dear Chairman Sachs and ZBA Board Members:

The Greater Boston Trout Unlimited (“GBTU”), a local chapter of Trout Unlimited, a national cold-water conservation organization, has previously provided letters supporting careful study of the potential effects of the Cascade Project on the Eastern Brook Trout population of Pine Brook. A former GBTU Chapter President from Wayland has testified at the hearings regarding the concerns raised by the development in its present form.

We were provided with a letter dated August 14, 2018, from Scott Horsley, a Water Resources Consultant. Mr. Horsley is considered credible and someone who is familiar with the issues surrounding the proposed project. His letter raises a number of significant issues with regard to the Geosphere Hydrogeologic Report.

In his letter, Mr. Horsley states “is difficult for me (or anyone) to complete a meaningful review of this report until these questions [further detailed in his letter] are answered.” These statements and the specific concerns raised are persuasive. Given Mr. Horsley’s statement in his letter, that the “Hydrogeologic Report does not address any of the water quality impacts of the proposed project,” the authors of the Report should be required to provide additional information so that the Report will contain sufficient information to allow the Board of Health to make a determination “that the groundwater and surface water is not compromised.”

Further, in an August 7, 2018 letter, Protect Wayland provided strong arguments in favor for the ZBA not granting a Flood Zone Study waiver and requiring the Applicant to provide such a study. Consistent with the reasoning in the letter, a Flood Zone Study is crucial to the Board’s addressing the “health and safety” requirements under G.L.C. 40B and should be required as part of the approval process.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

FOR: Greater Boston Trout Unlimited

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