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Secretary Ian A. Bowles
Attn: MEPA Office
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Subject: EOE No.11865
Annual Update for the Muddy River Flood Control, Water Quality and Habitat
Enhancement, and Historic Preservation Project

Dear Secretary Bowles:

The enclosed 2007 Annual Update is provided for review pursuant to the Special Provisions provided by MEPA in the final Certificate issued for this project (EOEA No. 11865). The Muddy River Flood Control, Water Quality and Habitat Enhancement, and Historic Preservation Project (Muddy River Restoration Project) is currently in the design phase by the US Army Corps of Engineers, the lead design agency. Project implementation activities in the past year included a design evaluation of the use of bridge-culverts instead of buried box culverts and completion of all field survey work. Design work on Phase I was underway with a 50% design package submitted in April.

This year's Annual Update is the third update and as such, builds upon the structure of the previous years' reports. The Annual Update incorporates suggestions made by the Maintenance and Management Oversight Committee (MMOC) given on the 2006 report as well as during the preparation of this year's report. As the project moves forward and construction, permitting, and monitoring components are initiated, the proponents expect that MEPA, agency staff, and the Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC) will have suggestions for additions or structure. The proponents and MMOC will work together in the coming year to further refine the structure of the Annual Update to ensure that it continues to be a useful and comprehensive reporting system for the duration of the Muddy River Restoration Project.



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This Annual Update document in its entirety was submitted to MEPA, members of the CAC and the MMOC. Copies of the full report can be obtained upon request from Mr. Robert Kachinsky or Ms. Margaret Dyson with the Boston Parks and Recreation Department by calling (617) 635-4505.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Bruce R. Conklin".

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