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Water Management Act Permit Application
for the
Connecticut River Watershed
Received by the
Department of Environmental Protection, Western Region Office
Drinking Water Program
436 Dwight Street
Springfield, MA 01103

The Department of Environmental Protection, Western Regional Office, Drinking Water Program will accept written comments on the Water Management Act permit application recently filed for permitting water withdrawals in the Connecticut River Watershed under the Water Management Act (MGL c.21G). Comments will be accepted until October 7, 2005. A copy of the application is available for review from 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM, every Wednesday, at the DEP's Western Region Office, 436 Dwight Street, Springfield, MA - (413) 784-1100.

The **OakRidge Golf Club** golf course, located in Feeding Hills, has been in existence and irrigating since 1973, however, the club does not have a Water Management Act Registration. **OakRidge Golf Club** has applied for a Water Management Act permit for its historic water withdrawal from the Connecticut River watershed for irrigation of the golf course. The permit application states that **OakRidge Golf Club** requests an authorized, seasonal average daily withdrawal of **150,000 gallons per day (0.150 MGD)** for the permit duration. The permit if issued, would expire on November 30, 2013.

<u>Withdrawal Point</u>	<u>Latitude</u>	<u>Longitude</u>
On-site Pond	N 42d 02m 15.7s	W -72d 40m 41.2s

The withdrawal point is a man-made pond located on the **OakRidge Golf Club** property. The Massachusetts Natural Heritage Atlas, 2000-2001 Edition indicates no *Priority Habitats of Rare Species* and *Estimated Habitats of Rare Wildlife and Vernal Pools*¹ in the immediate vicinity of withdrawal point.

¹ West Springfield quad.