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Environmental Notification Form

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The information requested on this form must be completed to begin MEPA Review in accordance with the provisions of the Massachusetts Environmental Policy Act, 301 CMR 11.00.

Project Name: Genzyme Corporation-Proposed Parking Structure						
Street: New York Avenue and Boston Road (Route 30)						
Municipality: Framingham & Southborough	ipality: Framingham & Southborough Watershed: Concord					
Universal Tranverse Mercator Coordinates:	Latitude: 42.300177					
	Longitude: -071.490985					
Estimated commencement date: 9/07	Estimated completion date: June 2008					
Approximate cost: 14.2 Million	Status of project design: 60%complete					
Proponent: Genzyme Corporation						
Street: 11 Pleasant Street Connector						
Municipality: Framingham	State: MA	Zip Code: 01701				
Name of Contact Person From Whom Copies of this ENF May Be Obtained:						
David Pellegri						
Firm/Agency: Tetra Tech Rizzo	Street: One Grant Street					
Municipality: Framingham	State: MA	Zip Code: 01701-9005				
Phone: (508) 903-2408 Fax: (508) 903-200	1 E-mail: dave.	pellegri@tetratech.com				
Does this project meet or exceed a mandatory EIR threshold (see 301 CMR 11.03)?						
Has this project been filed with MEPA before?						
	es (EOEA No) 🖾No				
Has any project on this site been filed with MEPA	before? ′es (EOEA No)				
Is this an Expanded ENF (see 301 CMR 11.05(7)) reque a Single EIR? (see 301 CMR 11.06(8)) a Special Review Procedure? (see 301 CMR 11.09)	esting: □Yes □Yes	⊠No ⊠No				

the agency name and the amount of funding or land area (in acres): None

Are you requesting coordinated review with any other federal, state, regional, or local agency?

List Local or Federal Permits and Approvals: Framingham Building Dept.-Building Permit; Framingham Conservation Commission-Order of Conditions; Framingham Engineering Dept.-Water Connection Permit, Cross Connection Plan Approval; Framingham Fire Dept.-Backflow Permit, Above Ground Storage Tank Permit; Framingham Planning Board-Spocial Pormit; Framingham ZBA-Height Variance; Southborough Building Dept.-Building Permit; Southborough Conservation Commission-Order of Conditions; Southborough Planning Board-Special Permit; Southborough ZBA-Height Variance; USEPA-NPDES General Permit for Storm Water Discharges from Construction Activities

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	Regulations			Archaeological Resources
Summary of Project Size	Existing	Change	Total	State Permits &
& Environmental Impacts	LAISting	onunge		Approvals
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	AND			Order of Conditions
Total site acreage	8.02			Conditions
New acres of land altered		7.48		Chapter 91 License
Acres of impervious area	5.78	.24	5.54	401 Water Quality Certification
Square feet of new bordering vegetated wetlands alteration		0		MHD or MDC Access Permit
Square feet of new other wetland alteration		506		Water Management Act Permit New Source Approval
Acres of new non-water dependent use of tidelands or waterways		0		DEP or MWRA Sewer Connection/ Extension Permit Other Permits
STRU	JCTURES			(including Legislative
Gross square footage	94,150	281,182	375,332	Approvals) – Specify:
Number of housing units				General Construction
Maximum height (in feet)	30'	+60'-9.5"	90'-9.5"	Permits (NPDES)
TRANS	PORTATION			
Vehicle trips per day	90	1622	1712	
Parking spaces	366	387	693	
WATER/WASTEWATER				
Gallons/day (GPD) of water use	3855	61,703	65,558	
GPD water withdrawal	SAME	SAME	SAME	
GPD wastewater generation/ treatment	3855	20,867	24,722	
Length of water/sewer mains (in miles)	0.16	0.42	0.58	

CONSERVATION LAND: Will the project involve the conversion of public parkland or other Article 97 public natural resources to any purpose not in accordance with Article 97?

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Yes (Specify_

⊠No

Will it involve the release of any conservation restriction, preservation restriction, agricultural preservation restriction, or watershed preservation restriction?

Yes (Specify_

⊠No

RARE SPECIES: Does the project site include Estimated Habitat of Rare Species, Vernal Pools, Priority Sites of Rare Species, or Exemplary Natural Communities? No)

Yes (Specify_

HISTORICAL /ARCHAEOLOGICAL RESOURCES: Does the project site include any structure, site or district listed
in the State Register of Historic Place or the inventory of Historic and Archaeological Assets of the Commonwealth?
Yes (Specify)
If yes, does the project involve any demolition or destruction of any listed or inventoried historic or archaeological
resources?

No

Yes (Specify_____

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AREAS OF CRITICAL ENVIRONMENTAL CONCERN: Is the project in or adjacent to an Area of Critical Environmental Concern?

☐Yes (Specify_____) ⊠No

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The project description should include (a) a description of the project site, (b) a description of both on-site and off-site alternatives and the impacts associated with each alternative, and (c) potential on-site and off-site mitigation measures for each alternative (*You may attach one additional page, if necessary.*)

The proposed project consists of a parking garage to be located on an existing surface parking lot at the Genzyme facilities located at New York Avenue and Boston Road in Framingham and Southborough. A site location map is included as Figure 1. The complete project, currently under construction, was permitted by the Towns of Framingham and Southborough in 2005 and 2006 and included parking area improvements (in Southborough), construction of a Science Building (49 New York Avenue in Framingham), a Central Utility Building (55 New York Avenue, Framingham), associated site improvements, and utility connections to two existing facilities (45 and 80 New York Avenue, Framingham), near the intersection of Boston Road (Route 30) and New York Avenue. Pre-construction conditions are shown on Sheet C-1 and proposed conditions are shown on Sheet C-2. No Massachusetts Environmental Policy Act (MEPA) thresholds were exceeded under the existing project.

The proposed project will consist of the redevelopment of an existing parking lot within the Framingham Technology Park. A three-story parking structure containing 556 parking spaces will be constructed on the surface parking lot on the western portion of the site. All work will be performed within a previously disturbed area and will have no significant adverse effect on the riverfront area, other resource areas, rare species, or historical or archaeological resources. Stormwater will be routed to the stormwater management system approved under the previous filing. Erosion control measures will be installed to ensure protection of resource areas and grades, and surface features will be restored upon completion of the project.

In developing the project scope, in consideration of the site's Riverfront Area, we reviewed several site development options. Options included a no-build option, possible alternative sites, and the proposed project. The no-build option was rejected as Genzyme's space needs are critical and must be addressed. Alternate sites were rejected since Genzyme already owns this site which is a critical piece in expanding Genzyme's Framingham/Southborough corporate campus. The proposed project was the preferred alternative as it meets the current needs of the owner, and represents a significant net benefit to the resource areas over existing conditions.

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