

THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS WATER RESOURCES COMMISSION

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Relating to the Interbasin Transfer
From the Town of North Attleborough
Hillman Well

The Massachusetts Water Resources Commission hereby gives notice pursuant to MGL c. 21 §§ 8B - 8D, and 313 CMR 4.00, Interbasin Transfer Act and Regulations, that it will conduct public hearings in North Attleborough to receive public comment concerning the Hillman Well.

The Hillman Well should have gone through the ITA process when it was being developed in 1987. The well is located in the Blackstone River basin portion of North Attleborough along the Abbott Run near the Rhode Island border. This subbasin is "unassessed" in the 2001 Stressed Basin Report. Water from this well is used throughout town, which has land area in both the Blackstone and Ten Mile River basins. However, wastewater is discharged through a wastewater treatment plant located in the Ten Mile River basin, in the City of Attleboro. The Hillman Well has a DEP approved safe yield 1.0 MGD

The Water Resources Commission is required to consider the impact of the transfer on such issues as fisheries, recreation and the aquatic ecosystem of the donor basin. To this end, the Commission has scheduled two (2) public hearings to receive comments on this interbasin transfer of water:

- 1. Tuesday afternoon, April 18, 2006 at 3 PM at the North Attleborough Water Department Facility, 49 Whiting Street, North Attleborough, MA 02760.
- 2. Tuesday evening, April 18, 2006 at 6 PM at the North Attleborough Electric Department Facility, 275 Landry Avenue, North Attleborough, MA 02760.

Further information can be obtained by calling Michele Drury at 617-626-1366.

Persons desiring to present testimony at the hearings are encouraged to provide a written summary at or before the hearings. Written testimony, addressed to the Water Resources Commission, Attention: Michele Drury, DCR, Office of Water Resources, 251 Causeway Street, Boston, MA 02114, (fax: 617-626-1455; email: michele.drury@state.ma.us) will be accepted until 5 PM, April 19, 2006.

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