

THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS WATER RESOURCES COMMISSION

Massachusetts Water Resources Commission

Receipt of a Request for Determination of Insignificance Under the Interbasin Transfer Act MGL Chapter 21 Sections 8b-8d

On April 20, 2006, the Massachusetts Water Resources Commission (WRC) received a response to the request for additional information needed to evaluate a request for determination of insignificance under the Interbasin Transfer Act (M.G.L. Chapter 21 §§ 8B-8D) from the Woodlands at Laurel Hill LLC. This information was contained in the FEIR for a development of the same name. The Secretary's Certificate, finding that no further MEPA review was necessary, was issued on June 2, 2006.

The Woodlands at Laurel Hill development is proposing to purchase water from the Littleton Water Department. The development is located in the towns of Westford and Acton in the Concord River basin. Littleton has agreed to sell the Westford portion of this development up to 0.015 mgd of potable water. Littleton's water supply sources are located within the Merrimack River Basin. The Acton portion of the development will be served by the Acton Water District and will not involve an interbasin transfer of water.

The WRC will discuss this request at its July 13, 2006 meeting. A vote to approve or deny the request is then anticipated for the August 10, 2006 WRC meeting. These meetings will be held at 1 PM in the 2nd Floor Conference Room, 100 Cambridge Street, Boston, MA.

As required by the Interbasin Transfer Act regulations (313 CMR 4.00), copies of this notice have been sent to the municipalities directly affected. For further information, contact Michele Drury, Department of Conservation and Recreation, Office of Water Resources, (617) 626-1366.

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