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INTER-DEPARTMENTAL MEMORANDUM

TO: Janet Hutchins, Assistant Director, MEPA

FROM: Jim Bumgardner, P.E., BRP/DWP/WERO

CC: Board of Selectmen, Whately, MA
Pioneer Valley Regional Planning Commission, 26 Central Street, West Springfield,
MA 01089
TREW Corporation
South Deerfield Water District
Deerfield Fire District
Williams Farm, Inc.
Nourse Farms, Inc.
Savage Farms, Inc.
Richard Hartley, DFWELE
Nancy Putnam, Natural Heritage & Endangered Species Program
Duane LeVangie, DEP Boston
Deirdre Cabral, Drinking Water Program Chief, WERO
Catherine Skiba, DEP WERO

RE: Chang Farms MEPA Notice: Water Management Act Permit Application

DATE: July 23, 2004

Attached you will find a copy of the Chang Farms Water Management Act MEPA Notice which is to appear in the next issue of the Environmental Monitor. If you have any questions regarding this notice, please feel free to contact me at 413-755-2270.



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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 August 31, 2004. A copy of the application is available for review from 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM, every Wednesday at DEP's Drinking Water Program, Western Region Office, 436 Dwight Street, Springfield, MA (413) 784-1100.

Chang Farms has applied for a Water Management Act permit for public water supply withdrawal from the Connecticut River watershed. **Change Farms** does not have a water management act registration. The permit application states that **Chang Farms** requests an authorized withdrawal of 150,000 gallons per day for the permit duration. The permit would expire on November 30, 2013.

The registered withdrawal points will be 14 wellpoints on the Chang Farm 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 vicinity of withdrawal points.

¹ Mt. Toby quad.