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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 September 27, 2005. 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.

Mill Valley Golf Links, Belchertown, MA has applied for a Water Management Act permit for its historic withdrawal of water for golf course irrigation from the Connecticut River watershed. The application requests a total of **0.154 MGD** on average over the operating season. The WMA permit, if approved, would be valid through November 30, 2013.

Withdrawal Point Locations:	Latitude	Longitude
Jabish Brook Tributary	N 42° 15' 31"	W 72° 22' 25"
Jabish Brook	N 42° 15' 6"	W 72° 22' 42"

Mill Valley Golf Links has submitted an Environmental Notification Form after the fact because the project exceeded the MEPA water withdrawal and land clearing thresholds.

The Massachusetts Natural Heritage Atlas indicates that there are no areas designated as *Priority Habitats of Rare Species* or *Estimated Habitats of Rare Wildlife and Vernal Pools* in the vicinity of the withdrawal points for Mill Valley Golf Links.

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