

ENF Environmental Notification Form

For Office Use Only Executive Office of Environmental Affairs	
EOEA No.:	12782
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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: Lincoln Park Community School		
Street: Washington Street		
Municipality: Somerville	Watershed: Charles River Watershed	
Universal Transverse Mercator Coordinates:	Latitude: 42°22'41" N Longitude: 71°05'59" W	
Estimated commencement date:	Estimated completion date:	
Approximate cost: \$17.4M	Status of project design:	50 %complete
Proponent: Somerville Department of Public Works		
Street: 1 Franey Street		
Municipality: Somerville	State: MA	Zip Code: 02145
Name of Contact Person From Whom Copies of this ENF May Be Obtained: Brian Lawlor, P.E., Senior Associate		
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- Does this project meet or exceed a mandatory EIR threshold (see 301 CMR 11.03)?
 Yes No
- Has this project been filed with MEPA before?
 Yes (EOEA No. _____) No
- Has any project on this site been filed with MEPA before?
 Yes (EOEA No. _____) No
- Is this an Expanded ENF (see 301 CMR 11.05(7)) requesting:
- a Single EIR? (see 301 CMR 11.06(8)) Yes No
 - a Special Review Procedure? (see 301CMR 11.09) Yes No
 - a Waiver of mandatory EIR? (see 301 CMR 11.11) Yes No
 - a Phase I Waiver? (see 301 CMR 11.11) Yes No

Identify any financial assistance or land transfer from an agency of the Commonwealth, including the agency name and the amount of funding or land area (in acres):
Department of Education \$15.7M

Are you requesting coordinated review with any other federal, state, regional, or local agency?
 Yes (Specify _____) No

List Local or Federal Permits and Approvals: Site Plan Review (Planning Board/Zoning Board of Appeals), NPDES General Permit for Construction Activities

Which ENF or EIR review threshold(s) does the project meet or exceed (see 301 CMR 11.03):

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Land | <input type="checkbox"/> Rare Species | <input type="checkbox"/> Wetlands, Waterways, & Tidelands |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Water | <input type="checkbox"/> Wastewater | <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Energy | <input type="checkbox"/> Air | <input type="checkbox"/> Solid & Hazardous Waste |
| <input type="checkbox"/> ACEC | <input type="checkbox"/> Regulations | <input type="checkbox"/> Historical & Archaeological Resources |

Summary of Project Size & Environmental Impacts	Existing	Change	Total	State Permits & Approvals
LAND				<input type="checkbox"/> Order of Conditions <input type="checkbox"/> Superseding Order of Conditions <input type="checkbox"/> Chapter 91 License <input type="checkbox"/> 401 Water Quality Certification <input type="checkbox"/> MHD or MDC Access Permit <input type="checkbox"/> Water Management Act Permit <input type="checkbox"/> New Source Approval <input type="checkbox"/> DEP or MWRA Sewer Connection/ Extension Permit <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other Permits (including Legislative Approvals) – Specify: <u>Article 97 Land Deposition</u> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/>
Total site acreage	7.757			
New acres of land altered		0		
Acres of impervious area	3.63	-0.03	3.60	
Square feet of new bordering vegetated wetlands alteration		0		
Square feet of new other wetland alteration		0		
Acres of new non-water dependent use of tidelands or waterways		0		
STRUCTURES				
Gross square footage	97,000	7,000	104,000	
Number of housing units	0	0	0	
Maximum height (in feet)	45	0	45	
TRANSPORTATION				
Vehicle trips per day	989	32	1021	
Parking spaces	0	30	30	
WATER/WASTEWATER				
Gallons/day (GPD) of water use	8400	360	8760	
GPD water withdrawal	0	0	0	
GPD wastewater generation/ treatment	7,000	300	7,300	
Length of water/sewer mains (in miles)	0	0	0	

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?

Yes (Specify: See Project Description) 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?

Yes (Specify _____) No

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 _____) No

If yes, does the project involve any demolition or destruction of any listed or inventoried historic or archaeological resources?

Yes (Specify _____) No

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 involves the replacement of the existing Lincoln Park Community School within the limits of Lincoln Park and upgrades to the associated site amenities. Immediately following construction of the new school the existing structure will be demolished and redeveloped as athletic field space. The site measures 7.76 acres with frontage on Washington Street to the north and Lincoln Parkway to the south. The site is bordered to the northeast by an MBTA rail line.

The subject matter of the ENF filing relates to Article 97 of the Constitution of the Commonwealth, as amended ("Article 97"). In order to relocate the school on the Lincoln Park property legislative approval under Article 97 will be required.

Appendix One includes a copy of Chapter 376 of the Acts of 1973 which originally authorized the use of the park for school purposes. Chapter 376 describes a total parkland area of 7.12 acres with 1.5 acres to be disposed of for school property. Subsequent to 1973 the city acquired additional property such that the area of the site is now increased to 7.76 acres.

The proposed plan will increase the parkland area from 5.62 Ac. to 5.86 Ac. as shown on figures 4 and 5. As shown on figure 5, two areas of the park will be converted to school use. The first is the proposed building footprint with associated services and utilities adjacent to Lincoln Parkway. The second area is a proposed new driveway and curb cut on Washington Street. This new driveway will accommodate bus drop-off and pick-up (for 3 buses) and parking for approximately 30 cars. The remaining area of Lincoln Park, net of these two areas is 5.86 acres.

The City is currently preparing a Home Rule petition for the Article 97 disposition.

As part of the disposition process the City has requested approval letters from the Somerville Recreation Commission and the Somerville Conservation Commission. The Recreation Commission took a unanimous vote to endorse the reconfiguration on April 22nd. The Conservation Commission has requested additional information including subsurface geotechnical testing data and is continuing its review of the project.

The City Council is scheduled to vote on the disposition in the next month.

The elementary school will be 103,700 square feet on 3 stories serving Pre-K through 8th grades and will be a magnet program for science and bilingual education. The current school population is 580 students, the design population for the new facility is 600 students.