Commonwealth of Massachusetts Executive Office of Environmental Affairs **■** MEPA Office

Environmental Notification Form

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EOEA No.: 14380 MEPA Analyst: PURV; PATEl Phone: 617-626- 1029

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: East Street Roadway Improvement Project				
Street: East Street				
Municipality: Chesterfield		Watershed: Westfield River		
Universal Tranverse Mercator Coordinates:		Latitude: 42° 22' 25"		
N: 4693509 E: 678484		Longitude: 72° 49' 54"		
Estimated commencement date: 2013		Estimated completion date: 2014		
Approximate cost: \$2,500,000		Status of project design: 100 %complete		
Proponent: Select Board				
Street: 422 Main Road – PO Box 299				
Municipality: Chesterfield		State: MA	Zip Code: 01012	
Name of Contact Person From Whom Copies of this ENF May Be Obtained:				
Matthew A. Nowak				
Firm/Agency: Hatch Mott MacDonald		Street: 150 Lower Westfield Road		
Municipality: Holyoke		State: MA	Zip Code: 01040	
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			matthew.nowak@hatchmott.com	

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))	⊠No
a Special Review Procedure? (see 301CMR 11.09)	⊠No
a Waiver of mandatory EIR? (see 301 CMR 11.11)	⊠No
a Phase I Waiver? (see 301 CMR 11.11)	⊠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):

It is currently anticipated that the Town of Chesterfield will be paying for the project, without financial assistance or land transfer from an agency of the Commonwealth.

Are you requesting coordinated review with any other federal, state, regional, or local agency?

List Local or Federal Permits and Approvals: <u>WPA - Notice of Intent</u>, <u>USACE - Category II</u> <u>Programmatic General Permit</u> Which ENF or EIR review threshold(s) does the project meet or exceed (see 301 CMR 11.03):

Land
Water
Energy
ACEC

Rare Species
Wastewater
🗌 Air
Regulations

- ☐ Wetlands, Waterways, & Tidelands ☑ Transportation
 - Solid & Hazardous Waste
- Historical & Archaeological

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Summary of Project Size	Existing	Change	Total	State Permits &
& Environmental Impacts				Approvals
	LAND			Order of Conditions
Total site acreage	12.41			Superseding Order of Conditions
New acres of land altered		3.9		Chapter 91 License
Acres of impervious area	8.50	1.95	10.45	401 Water Quality Certification
Square feet of new bordering vegetated wetlands alteration		3,906		MHD or MDC Access Permit
Square feet of new other wetland alteration		0		Water Management Act Permit
Acres of new non-water dependent use of tidelands or waterways		0.0037		 New Source Approval DEP or MWRA Sewer Connection/
STR	UCTURES			Extension Permit
Gross square footage	N/A	N/A	N/A	Other Permits (including Legislative
Number of housing units	N/A	N/A	N/A	Approvals) – Specify:
Maximum height (in feet)	N/A	N/A	N/A	
TRANS	PORTATION			U.S. Army Corps of Engineers – Category II,
Vehicle trips per day	624	0	624	Programmatic General
Parking spaces	N/A	N/A	N/A	Permit
WATER/	WASTEWATER			
Gallons/day (GPD) of water use	N/A	N/A	N/A	
GPD water withdrawal	N/A	N/A	N/A	
GPD wastewater generation/ treatment	N/A	N/A	N/A	
Length of water/sewer mains (in miles)	N/A	N/A	N/A	

<u>CONSERVATION LAND</u>: 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_

____) ⊠No

Will it involve the release of any conservation restriction, preservation restriction, agricultural preservation restriction, or watershed preservation restriction?

Yes (Specify_

pecify_____) ⊠No

<u>RARE SPECIES</u>: Does the project site include Estimated Habitat of Rare Species, Vernal Pools, Priority Sites of Rare Species, or Exemplary Natural Communities?

igtriangleqYes (Specify	Estimated Habitat of Rare Species)	□No
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HISTORICAL /ARG	CHAEOLOGICAL R	ESOURCES: Does	the project site i	nclude any struct	ure, site or district
listed in the State F	Register of Historic F	Place or the invento	ry of Historic and	Archaeological	Assets of the
Commonwealth?					

Yes (Specify_

) 🛛 No

The East Street roadway is not listed in the State Register of Historic Places, however, several adjacent properties are listed.

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?

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 Town of Chesterfield is proposing a roadway improvement project for the entire 3.2± mile length of East Street, beginning at the intersection with South Street and ending at the Westhampton town line. Dwellings are spread out along both sides of the road, separated by stretches of agricultural fields and forest. Improvements will include drainage, grading, road base reclamation, paving, and guardrails.

The proposed project falls under the Massachusetts Highway Department Footprint Road Pilot Program. Work under this program consists primarily of roadway improvements that generally follow the existing horizontal and vertical alignments. No new land takings for right-of-way are planned.

Reconstructing the roadway will increase the safety for drivers and improve the quality of life for the community. The major deficiency on East Street is the deteriorated pavement conditions. Due to the poor sub-base in the 3,700-foot section of East Street from the intersection of South Street to the bridge at the Dead Branch, full depth sub-base reclamation, new pavement and drainage swale reconstruction are proposed. The 11,800-foot roadway section east of the bridge to the Westhampton town line will be improved by surface milling, pavement overlay, shoulder widening and drainage swale reconstruction. The enclosed site plans indicate the locations and extent of the roadway improvements. Additional improvements such as new roadway signage and guardrails are proposed to increase safety along East Street.

Proposed work areas are limited to the minimum amount needed to safely and effectively perform the roadway improvements. Activities in wetlands, waterways and associated resource areas will be allowed only as approved by the agents having jurisdiction. Some minor disturbance within resource areas is necessary in the performance of the roadway improvements.

If the Town of Chesterfield takes no action on the East Street Improvement Project, the roadway will continue to deteriorate leading to further unsafe conditions. In addition, stormwater drainage swales and piping will potentially fail resulting in erosion.