

ENF Environmental Notification Form

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Executive Office of Environmental Affairs

EOEA No.: 13667
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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: <u>The Village at Russell Farm</u>		
Street: <u>Merrimack Street (Route 110)</u>		
Municipality: <u>Methuen</u>	Watershed: <u>Bare Meadow Brook</u>	
Universal Transverse Mercator Coordinates:	Latitude: <u>042° 44' 54.27" N</u> Longitude: <u>071° 07' 40.35" W</u>	
Estimated commencement date: <u>July 2005</u>	Estimated completion date: <u>November 2007</u>	
Approximate cost: <u>\$19,931,709</u>	Status of project design: <u>70</u> %complete	
Proponent: <u>Homestead Village, LLC</u>		
Street: <u>240 Pleasant Street</u>		
Municipality: <u>Methuen</u>	State: <u>MA</u>	Zip Code: <u>01844</u>
Name of Contact Person From Whom Copies of this ENF May Be Obtained: <u>Bridget Vrooman</u>		
Firm/Agency: <u>SFC Engineering Partnership, INC</u>	Street: <u>25 Sundial</u>	
Municipality: <u>Manchester</u>	State: <u>NH</u>	Zip Code: <u>03103</u>
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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 301 CMR 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): None

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

List Local or Federal Permits and Approvals: Methuen Site Plan Special Permit, Order of Conditions, Massachusetts Highway Driveway Permit, EPA NOI

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 Resources

Summary of Project Size & Environmental Impacts	Existing	Change	Total	State Permits & Approvals
LAND				<input checked="" 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> MHD or MDC Access Permit <input type="checkbox"/> Water Management Act Permit <input type="checkbox"/> New Source Approval <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> DEP or MWRA Sewer Connection/Extension Permit <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other Permits (including Legislative Approvals) – Specify: <u>Site Plan</u> <u>Special Permit</u>
Total site acreage	20.92			
New acres of land altered		9.51		
Acres of impervious area	.21	8.44	8.65	
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				
Number of housing units				
Maximum height (in feet)				
TRANSPORTATION				
Vehicle trips per day	0	1612	1612	
Parking spaces	0	208	208	
WATER/WASTEWATER				
Gallons/day (GPD) of water use				
GPD water withdrawal				
GPD wastewater generation/treatment				
Length of water/sewer mains (in miles)				

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 _____) 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 project upon completion is to consist of 13 - 3 unit condominiums, 9 - 2 unit condominiums, 2 - 40 unit senior apartment buildings, a 3 story 27,810 square foot retail / office use building, 208 parking spaces and access roadways. The project meets the ENF transportation review threshold. The proponent is requesting a special review procedure.

Alternatives were discussed during the planning process and the project has developed with the least environmental impact possible. An alternative location for the entrance road was studied but would have involved extensive wetland filling. While the transportation review threshold is met, the attached Traffic Impact Assessment demonstrates that the project will have no adverse impact to the existing roadways or intersections.