Secretary Matthew Beaton

Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs (EEA)

Attn: MEPA Office

Ms. Page Czepiga

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Boston, MA 02114

Subject: Comments on the I-90/ I-495 Interchange Improvements Project -ENF EEA# 15334

      Hopkinton, Westborough, and Southborough

Dear Secretary,

On behalf of Roosevelt Farms, the neighborhood in which I live, located to the southwest corner of the interchange referenced above, I would like to respectfully provide the following comments on the ENF submitted by MassDOT on this project.

1. Although the neighborhood is accustom to noise from the MassPike, we are concerned about the increase in noise from the traffic associated with this interchange, and especially related to the proposed elevated ramps associated the three alternatives presented in the ENF. This potential noise impact was also clearly identified in MassDOT's November 2, 2012 presentation on the project. Therefore, we are requesting that the scope of the required EIR include a detailed acoustical analysis, so that appropriate noise mitigation can be planned for and provided. We are the only neighborhood adjacent to this interchange and hope that our concerns can be adequately addressed.

2. Greenhouse gas is another concern. Though the improvements should theoretically reduce traffic and the amount of time the cars are idling in traffic at the interchange, this should also be adequately addressed in the EIR. We would be interested in knowing if there in an increase in CO_2 emissions from this project which could impact our neighborhood.

I appreciate your attention to this matter and would like to request that I be provided with a copy of the EIR once submitted to MEPA. Please mail to my home address at 24 Roosevelt Lane Hopkinton, MA 01748. Also I would appreciate notice of any upcoming public meetings regarding this project and also be involved in the Public Participation Plan discussed in the March 19, 2015 Public Information meeting.

Thank you,

Kathy Hervol

Cc; Renata Welch, MassDOT