Town of Warner, New Hampshire Conservation Commission



February 5, 2018 Warner Select Board 5 East Main Street Warner, NH 03278

Dear Select Board Members:

Members of the Warner River Nomination Committee are informing town select boards and conservation commissions in Bradford, Sutton, Warner, Webster, and Hopkinton that the Warner River Nomination Committee has been disbanded. River nomination activities have progressed to the legislative phase of designation of the Warner River to the NH River and Management and Protection Program (RMPP).

After eighteen months of historical and environmental research, public meetings, and collecting letters of support, in December 20 the Commissioner of the NH Department of Environmental Services approved the nomination of the Warner River to the NH RMPP. In January members of the river nomination committee, legislators, landowners and town residents testified before the Energy and Resources Committee of the NH Senate. On January 31, the full Senate voted unanimously to pass SB 445. Now we are much closer to designation of the Warner River to the RMPP.

As the Chair of the Warner River Nomination Committee, I'd like to thank you for your cooperation while we scheduled and convened public meetings in your town to discuss river nomination. We will keep you informed of the progress of designating the Warner River to the NH RMPP. We expect the legislative process to be completed late this spring. If the river is designated, each town select board will be asked to nominate community representatives to the new Local Advisory Committee (LAC) formed so that residents, business owners, recreators, and other stakeholders can address river-related issues and seek solutions that balance the needs of many people who enjoy the countless uses of the Warner River.

Sincerely,

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