

TOWN OF HINGHAM  
CONSERVATION COMMISSION



December 17, 2018

RE: Proposed 2019 Warrant Article CC: Rezone Conservation Land to Official and Open Space

Dear Sir or Madam:

In the coming days, you will be receiving a postcard from the Hingham Planning Board notifying you, as an abutter, of an upcoming public hearing related to a proposed 2019 warrant article that will update the Town's zoning map. The purpose of this letter is to provide you with some additional information regarding the proposed warrant article.

A handful of parcels owned by the Conservation Commission are zoned Residence A, Residence B, or Residence C on the current version of the Town's zoning map. The majority of the Commission's parcels, as well as other open space parcels owned by the state or non-profit organizations, are zoned Official and Open Space on the same map. The proposed warrant article will rezone the aforementioned parcels in order to be consistent with the majority of the Commission's parcels and reflect the current use of the parcels.

It is important to note that this effort is simply a matter of making the Town's zoning map consistent. There will be no change in the ownership, management, or use of the parcels, and in the event that the proposed warrant article is not adopted at Town Meeting, the parcels will continue to be protected as open space.

This letter is simply informational; **no action is needed on your part.**

If you have any questions or concerns about the proposed warrant article, you may contact me at 781-741-1445 or [fournierl@hingham-ma.gov](mailto:fournierl@hingham-ma.gov), or visit the Conservation Commission office in Town Hall during normal business hours. Some additional information regarding the proposed warrant article is also available on the Town of Hingham website, on the Planning Board's Proposed By-Law Amendments webpage.

Sincerely,

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