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June 28, 2010

Honorable Governor John Lynch
Office of the Governor
State House
107 North Main Street Concord
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Dear Governor Lynch,

The Epsom Board of Selectmen recently met with our fellow Selectboard members from the Towns of Allenstown and Pembroke on Monday, June 21st to discuss the high priority need to address the Suncook River stabilization and the next steps to take for corrective action. The three Selectboards were unanimous that the stabilization is the responsibility of the State, not the local towns along the State's river.

In order to open up communication on the river stabilization, the three Selectboards wish to invite you, Commissioners from the Department of Environmental Services and the Department of Safety, and our communities' elected Federal and State members to a joint meeting for discussion on the next steps to address the severe river erosion occurring on a daily basis along the Suncook River in Chichester, Epsom, Pembroke and Allenstown.

The meeting is scheduled as follows:

DATE: Monday, July 19, 2010
TIME: 6:30 PM
LOCATION: Epsom Central School
(Gymnasium) 282 Black Hall Road

Because the meeting will be a joint meeting with Selectmen from each town, the meeting will be open to the general public and minutes will be taken. The Selectmen will be providing the opportunity for general public questions and input. An agenda of the meeting is attached. While the Towns have recently become aware that some limited funding may be forthcoming, the Selectboards look forward to understanding more as to the State's commitment to address the whole river system. The general public, especially the property owners along the river, have expressed extreme frustrations for lack of successful action to take corrective measures after so many years.

Please RSVP your regret by calling the Town Offices at 736-9002 or emailing the Town Offices at epsomtwn@metrocast.net by Monday, July 12th. Thank you.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact the Epsom Town Office. We look forward to opening up dialog and identifying concrete actions to address the river stabilization.

Sincerely,

Joanne Randall

Joanne Randall, Chairman
Epsom Board of Selectmen

Enclosure (Agenda for July 19th meeting)

cc: US Senator Judd Gregg
US Senator Jeanne Shaheen
US Congressman Paul Hodes
Executive Councilor John D. Shea
State Senator John S. Barnes, Jr.
State Representative Carole M. Brown State
Representative Carol M. McGuire State
Representative Margaret Porter
State Representative Charles B. Yeaton NHDES
Commissioner Tom Burack NHDOS
Commissioner John Barthelmes Pembroke
Town Administrator David Jodoin
Allenstown Town Administrator Paul Apple
Chichester Board of Selectmen

SUNCOOK RIVER RESTORATION JOINT BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING

Town of Allenstown
Town of Chichester
Town of Epsom
Town of Pembroke

DATE: Monday, July 19, 2010
LOCATIO Epsom Central School Gymnasium
N: 282 Black Hall Road, Epsom, NH
TIME: 6:30 PM

Mission

To address restoration and funding for the river avulsion within the Suncook River in the Towns of Chichester, Epsom, Pembroke and Allenstown.

Meeting Objectives

- . To discuss the scope for restoring the Suncook River
- . To update the town officials on the progress of related studies being conducted by the U.s. Geological Survey and the Department of Environmental Services;
- . To identify strategies and funding for implementation of restoration measures on the Suncook River; and
- . To establish a process to allow town officials and public input on the restoration actions under consideration.

Meeting Agenda

Estimate Time

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| 1. Welcome and introductions | (6:30 PM) |
| 2. Review of avulsion impacts and studies (Epsom, Allenstown and Pembroke) | |
| a. 2008 Geomorphology Restoration Alternatives (Epsom) | (6:40 PM) |
| b. USGS Sediment Transport Study (NHDES and/ or USGS) | (6:50 PM) |
| c. NHDES Feasibility Study for Buck Street Dam(s) (NHDES) | (7:00 PM) |
| 3. Joint Discussion with elected officials on alternative(s) and funding | (7:10 PM) |
| 4. Public input (limited to 3 minutes per person) | (7:40 P M) |
| 5. Comments from Governor's Office | (8:15 PM) |
| 6. Comments from US Congressman's Office | (8:20 PM) |
| 7. Comments from other State Elected Officials | (8:25 PM) |
| 8. Action items, next steps | (8:35 PM) |
| 9. Adjournment | (8:45 PM) |