



June 30, 2010

Dear Interested Citizen or Stakeholder:

As you know, the Department of Conservation and Recreation (DCR), State Representative Jeffrey Sánchez, and the Emerald Necklace Conservancy (ENC) have been engaged in hosting a public process to solicit input from the community for enhancing pedestrian and bicyclist access to Jamaica Pond. This process has identified preferred alternatives for crossings at three locations: the Jamaica way at Eliot Street, Parkman Drive at Kelley Circle, and Parkman Drive at the Parkman Memorial.

DCR is currently completing the permitting and design process for the three crossings with its design consultant. This process had been delayed by the expiration of the old design contract, but has now resumed under a new contract with the same designer.

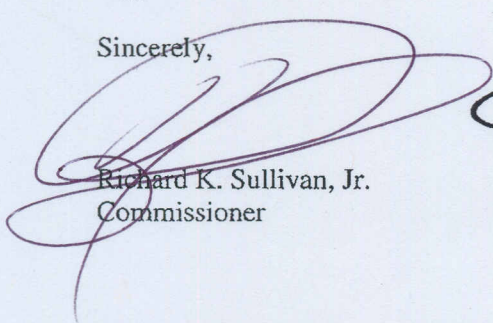
Submissions have been prepared for the following Commission meetings:

Massachusetts Historic Commission	July 2010
Boston Conservation Commission	July 21, 2010
Boston Landmark Commission	July 27, 2010

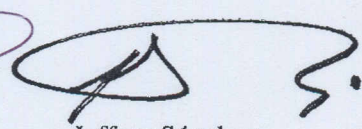
Following completion of reviews by the above Commissions, in late August, DCR plans to advertise the Eliot Street Crossing construction project, identified as the priority for implementation. The agency anticipates holding a bid opening in early September and awarding the construction contract toward the end of that month. We will hold a pre-construction public meeting with the community, for which you will receive notice, before construction begins in the fall of 2010. Construction is expected to be completed by the end of spring 2011.

Going forward, we look forward to continuing to work with the community on our collective goal of improving access to parks for pedestrians and bicyclists. We appreciate your interest and support.

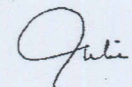
Sincerely,



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Commissioner



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