THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

WATER RESOURCES COMMISSION

100 CAMBRIDGE STREET, BOSTON MA 02114

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
Relating to the Interbasin Transfer Application
For the Town of North Reading's
Proposal to Purchase Water from the Town of Andover

The Massachusetts Water Resources Commission hereby gives notice pursuant to MGL c. 21 §§ 8B - 8D, and 313 CMR 4.00, Interbasin Transfer Act and Regulations, that it will conduct two virtual public hearings, one each for the donor and receiving basins, to receive public comment on the proposed permanent interbasin transfer.

The Town of North Reading, which has land area in the Ipswich River Basin, is proposing to purchase additional water from the Town of Andover, which has sources in the Merrimack River Basin. North Reading currently has approval to purchase up to 1.5 million gallons per day (MGD) and is proposing to purchase up to an additional 1.5 MGD from Andover to replace its existing water supply sources.

The Water Resources Commission is required to consider the impact of the transfer on such issues as fisheries, recreation and the aquatic ecosystem of the donor basin. To this end, the Commission has scheduled two (2) public hearings to receive comments on this proposed interbasin transfer of water:

1. Donor basin: May 28, 2020 at 1:00 PM. This meeting will be held online via Zoom. Please see instructions for joining at the end of this notice.
2. Receiving basin: June 2, 2020 at 10:00 AM. This meeting will be held online via Zoom. Please see instructions for joining at the end of this notice.

Please note that interested parties are welcome to participate in either of the public hearings. Copies of the application, in the form of the DEIR and FEIR, can be requested by contacting amy.coppers@wright-pierce.com, the consultant for the Town of North Reading. For questions on the Interbasin Transfer Act process, please contact Anne.Carroll@mass.gov.

Persons desiring to present testimony at the hearing are encouraged to provide a written summary at or before the hearings. Written testimony, addressed to the Water Resources Commission, Attention: Vandana Rao, EOEEA, 100 Cambridge Street, Suite 900, Boston, MA 02114, or emailed to Anne.Carroll@mass.gov, will be accepted until 5 PM, June 9, 2020.

Instructions for Joining the May 28th Donor Basin Public Hearing Zoom Meeting:
Topic: Water Resources Commission Donor Basin Public Hearing - North Reading Application
Time: May 28, 2020 01:00 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting
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Instructions for Joining the June 2nd Receiving Basin Public Hearing Zoom Meeting:
Topic: Water Resources Commission Receiving Basin Public Hearing - North Reading Application
Time: Jun 2, 2020 10:00 AM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting
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