
Comments on Proposed MEPA Amendments (301 CMR 11.00)

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To: Secretary Tepper and Governor Healey,

Please record this voter's strong opposition to the proposed amendments to the Massachusetts Environmental Policy Act (MEPA) regulations, 301 CMR 11.00.

Weakening MEPA's environmental review process in favor of fast-tracking development undermines public health, environmental justice, and climate resilience across the Commonwealth. Reducing public participation and oversight silences the communities most affected by these projects and allows harm—flooding, pollution, habitat loss, traffic—to go unchecked.

Massachusetts is a leader among states in environmental protection. I urge you to reject any amendments that weaken MEPA's review standards or limit public input. Rather, please strengthen environmental safeguards, expand community engagement, and ensure all development aligns with the state's climate and environmental justice goals.

The time is now for unabashed support for baseline Democratic Party principles of environmental protection and justice for working people. The mood of the electorate is clear. Nantucket is home to more than wealthy second home owners. My Environmental Justice-designated neighborhood is under threat. Please help us protect the health, safety, and future of all of our communities.

Sincerely,

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