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80 Snow Road - Grafton and Upton Railroad Notification to Town and Land Owners

John DeWaele

Good morning Christopher,

Wed, Aug 5, 2020 at 11:17 AM

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Planning Board Grafton, MA

I wanted to take a minute to reach out to you today on behalf of the Grafton and Upton Railroad Company to express the railroads concern with the property design at 80 Snow Road. While the GU does not have an opinion on the land use, the current design allows storm water to drain onto the GU's property. On Page 3 of the submittal, the plan shows the roof runoff overflow site pointing towards the railroad. GU firmly objects to the use of our property for the purpose of water run off whether it come from the roof or other source. Moreover, the slope that shown on page 4 of the submittal will have to be such that it does not permit run off of water and construction debris (dirt, rocks, waste etc) to enter onto GU's property. GU will monitor the run off from the property and take action against the property owner if the land or integrity of railroad track structure is compromised. Finally, we ask the town convey to the builder that they are building next to an active railroad, which may see many trains per day. GU's property is strictly off limits for the use and management of this construction project and given the close proximity of building to the property line, we ask that temporary construction fence be erected by the developer on a mutually agreed upon property line during construction and finished with a permanent fence once construction is complete. GU also wishes to inform the builder and realtors of 80 Snow Road that they need to disclose the potential propensity of train movements to any future buyers or occupants of the property.

Thank you for you time. I'm available by phone if you have any questions, my cell number is below. This is a confidential email, please do not distribute.

Respectfully,

John P. DeWaele

General Manager

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