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To: Gary Goeschel <ggoeschel@eltownhall.com>
Subject: Wetlands

Dear Chairman Upton,

I am writing to say I do not support your proposal to increase the wetlands jurisdiction to 500 feet from 100 feet especially in the Niantic part of town. The vast majority lots in the beach areas are approximately one tenth of an acre and the building restrictions on them are tight enough. If the zoning officers in charge of the areas feel that residents can add an addition then that should suffice.

I would not be opposed to increasing the wetlands provision for commercial properties only, but am adamantly opposed to applying it to residential areas.

The residential building restrictions in this town are far more rigid than in most of our surrounding sister towns. Our taxes, which support the town, are in the beach areas the highest per acre and yet these properties would be the most compromised.

We are making it very difficult for younger people to afford a home that they can modify and grow into. Increasing restrictions and hoops to jump through are only making things worse.

Your proposal would greatly devalue most of the lots in the beach areas. We are talking about thousands of homes. This is not serving the general public. A balance needs to be achieved. I hope you reconsider your proposal.

Please read my letter into the minutes of the meeting for the general comments section. Thank you for your service and that of your committee to our community.

Sincerely,
Jane Pronsky-Brothers