Appendices



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Appendix 1: Lower Farmington River and Salmon Brook Study Act

PUBLIC LAW 109–370—NOV. 27, 2006 120 STAT. 2643 LEGISLATIVE HISTORY—S. 435: SENATE REPORTS: No. 109–189 (Comm. On Energy and Natural Resources). CONGRESSIONAL RECORD:

Vol. 151 (2005): Dec. 16, considered and passed Senate. Vol. 152 (2006): Nov. 13, considered and passed House.

Public Law 109–370 109th Congress An Act

To amend the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act to designate a segment of the Farmington River and Salmon Brook in the State of Connecticut for study for potential addition to the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the "Lower Farmington River and Salmon Brook Wild and Scenic River Study Act of 2005".

SEC. 2. DESIGNATION OF ADDITIONAL SEGMENT OF FARMINGTON RIVER AND SALMON BROOK IN CONNECTICUT FOR STUDY FOR POTENTIAL ADDITION TO NATIONAL WILD AND SCENIC RIVERS SYSTEM.

(a) DESIGNATION.—Section 5(a) of the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act (16 U.S.C. 1276(a)) is amended by adding at the end the following:

"(139) LOWER FARMINGTON RIVER AND SALMON BROOK, CONNECTICUT.—
The segment of the Farmington River downstream from
the segment designated as a recreational river by section 3(a)(156)
to its confluence with the Connecticut River, and the segment
of the Salmon Brook including its mainstream and east and west
branches.".

(b) TIME FOR SUBMISSION.—Not later than 3 years after the date on which funds are made available to carry out this Act, the Secretary of the Interior shall submit to Congress a report containing the results of the study required by the amendment made by subsection (a).

(c) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There are authorized to be appropriated such sums as are necessary to carry out this

Approved November 27, 2006.

Appendix 2: State of Connecticut Wild and Scenic Legislation



House Bill No. 5143

Public Act No. 08-37

AN ACT CONCERNING DESIGNATION OF THE LOWER FARMINGTON RIVER AND SALMON BROOK WITHIN THE NATIONAL WILD AND SCENIC RIVERS SYSTEM.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

Section 1. (NEW) (Effective October 1, 2008) (a) It is declared to be the policy of the state of Connecticut that the portion of the Lower Farmington River and Salmon Brook which is the subject of the authorized study by the Lower Farmington River and Salmon Brook Wild and Scenic River Study Committee for purposes of designation as a national wild and scenic rivers system be preserved as provided for in the federal Wild and Scenic Rivers Act, Public Law 90-542, as amended.

(b) The Commissioner of Environmental Protection shall cooperate with all relevant federal, state and local agencies to provide for such designation and to implement any management plan developed in accordance with the federal Wild and Scenic Rivers Act. Upon the designation of the Lower Farmington River and Salmon Brook by Congress, the commissioner shall notify the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to the environment regarding any statutory changes necessary to implement the preservation and conservation of the Lower Farmington River and Salmon Brook in accordance with the federal Wild and Scenic Rivers Act. The commissioner shall cause a copy of this section to be delivered to all United States Representatives and Senators representing Connecticut in the Congress of the United States.

Approved May 7, 2008

Appendix 3: Record of Endorsements and Support for The Wild and Scenic Designation (State, Towns, Organizations, and Individuals)



STATE OF CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION



March 26, 2010

Sally Rieger, Study Chair Joyce Kennedy Raymes, Study Coordinator Lower Farmington River/Salmon Brook Wild & Scenic Study Committee 749 Hopmeadow Street Simsbury, CT 06070

Dear Ms. Rieger and Ms. Kennedy Raymes,

The Connecticut Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) supports the proposed Wild & Scenic designation of the Lower Farmington River and Salmon Brook. The Department has participated in similar study committees that worked to successfully obtain designation for both the Upper Farmington River and Eight Mile River, the two existing Wild & Scenic partnership rivers in Connecticut. DEP continues to actively participate in and support the committees established to oversee Connecticut's Wild & Scenic designated areas.

The proposed designation of the Lower Farmington River and Salmon Brook is complementary to DEP's mission to conserve, improve and protect the natural resources and environment of the State in such a manner as to encourage the social and economic development of Connecticut while preserving the natural environment and the life forms it supports. The "outstanding resource values" that have been identified as making the Lower Farmington River and Salmon Brook areas unique and significant — geology, water quality, biological diversity, cultural landscape and recreation — mirror DEP's objectives. Likewise, the Department recognizes that successful accomplishment of its goals relies on cooperative partnerships with others. The management plan being drafted by the study committee in support of the proposed designation focuses on proactive strategies that can be determined and implemented at the local level, where most important land use decisions are made. The federal technical and financial assistance that will become available if designation is granted will be an important element in complementing State resources to achieve desired natural resource and environmental goals, and maintain the quality of life that the citizens of Connecticut have come to expect.

The Department appreciates this opportunity to express its support for the proposed Wild & Scenic designation. Once designated, DEP intends to remain an active partner associated with the Lower Farmington River and Salmon Brook Wild & Scenic area.

Yours truly,

Amey W. Marrella Commissioner

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June 10, 2010

Mr. Harry Spring Avon Wild & Scenic Study Committee Representative 41 Chidsey Road Avon, CT 06001

Ms. Joyce Kennedy-Raymes, Study Coordinator Ms. Eileen Fielding, Executive Director Lower Farmington River/Salmon Brook Wild & Scenic Study Farmington River Watershed Association 749 Hopmeadow Street Simsbury, CT 06070

Dear Mr. Spring, Ms. Kennedy-Raymes, and Ms. Fielding,

Please be advised that the Town Council considered the following agenda item at the regular meeting held on June 3rd: Farmington River Wild and Scenic Designation. Following discussion, the Town Council voted unanimously to adopt a resolution in support of the Wild and Scenic designation for the Farmington River, as it passes through the Town of Avon.

Thank you for attending the meeting. In addition, thank you for addressing the Town's questions regarding the impact of the designation. Please let us know if we can be of any assistance with the process required to obtain the federal designation.

Sincerely,

Brandon Robertson Town Manager

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Steven Kushner, Director of Planning & Community Development Congressman Chris Murphy



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March 3, 2010

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Mr. Mark Zacchio, Chairman Avon Town Council 60 West Main Street Avon, CT 06001

Dear Mr. Zacchio:

At the Inland Wetlands Commission's meetings held on January 5 and February At the Inland Wetlands Commission's meetings neid on January 5 and February 2, 2010, members of the Farmington River Watershed Association presented, to the Commission, their findings regarding a study of the Farmington River and their interest in designating the River as a "Wild and Scenic River" under a program administrated by the National Park Service. In attendance at the meetings were Eileen Fielding, Executive Director of the Farmington River Watershed Association, Joyce Kennedy Raymes, Study Coordinator, Farmington River Watershed Association, and Staff liaison to the National Park Service; and Henry Spring, Avon's Wild & Scenic Study Committee Representative.

I am writing to inform you that on March 2, 2010, the Inland Wetlands Commission, by a formal vote, indicated their support of the Wild and Scenic Designation for the Farmington River, as it passes through the Town of Avon.

If we can provide you with any additional information, please let us know.

Cliff Thier, Chairman

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At the Natural Resources Commission's meetings held on March 11, 2010 and May 13, 2010, members of the Lower Farmington River/Salmon Brook Wild &

Scenic Study Committee, presented to the Commission, their findings regarding a study of the Farmington River and the interest in designating the River as a "Wild & Scenic River" under a program administrated by the National Park Service. In

attendance at the meetings were Joyce Kennedy Raymes, Study Coordinator,
Farmington River Watershed Association and Staff liaison to the National Park

Service; Sally Rieger, Wild & Scenic Study Chair, and Harry Spring, Avon's

Commission, by a formal vote, indicated their support of the Wild & Scenic Designation for the Farmington River, as it passes through the Town of Avon.

Sally Rieger, FRWA
Henry Spring, Avon's Wild & Scenic Study Committee Representative Henry Spring, Avon's Wild & Sciente Study Committee Representation Brandon Robertson, Town Manager Steven Kushner, Director of Planning & Community Development John E. McCahill, Planning & Community Development Specialist

I am writing to inform you that on March 13, 2010, the Natural Resources

If we can provide you with any additional information, please let us know.

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Natural Resources Commission

May 19, 2010

Avon Town Council 60 West Main Street

Avon, CT 06001

Dear Mr. Zacchio

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Steven Samul, Chairman Natural Resources Commission

Wild & Scenic Representative.

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February 25, 2010

60 West Main St. Avon, CT 06001-3743

Mr. Mark Zacchio, Chairman Avon Town Council 60 West Main Street Avon, CT 06001

Dear Mr. Zacchio:

At the Commission's meetings held on January 12 and January 26, 2010, members of the Farmington River Watershed Association presented to the Commission their findings regarding a study of the Farmington River and their interest in designating the River as a "Wild and Scenic River" under a program administrated by the National Park Service. In attendance at the meetings were Eileen Fielding, Executive Director of the Farmington River Watershed Association; Joyce Kennedy Raymes, Study Coordinator, Farmington River Watershed Association, and Staff liaison to the National Park Service; and Henry Spring, Avon's Wild & Scenie Study Committee Representative. Also in attendance at the Commission's January 26 meeting was Jamie Fosburgh, Rivers Program Manager for the Wild and Scenie Program for the New England Region of the National Park Service.

The Commission initially expressed concern regarding the Town's interest in replacing the bridge over the Farmington River located on Old Farms Road, and whether the designation of the River as Wild and Scenic could present any impediments to the designation of the rayer as which and scenic count present any impediments to the implementation of this project. Mr. Fosburgh, of the National Park Service, suggested that the Town submit to him a copy of the proposed bridge plans. He agreed to review these and provide a report. Once the Town is ready to proceed with the project and submit applications to various federal regulatory agencies, this report would then serve as submit applications to various rederal regulatory agencies, this report would then serve as his official report. On February 9, 2010, Mr. Fosburgh provided written comments which were reviewed by Tom Daukas, Avon Special Projects Engineer, as well as the Commission. The report provided by the National Park Service would not appear to interfere with the Town's needs in this instance. On February 9, 2010, the Planning and Zoning Commission, by a vote of 5 to 2, indicated their support of the Wild and Scenic designation for the Farmington River, as it passes through the Town of Avon.

If we can provide you with any additional information, please let us know.

Sincerely,

Duano Starr/LS Duane Starr, Chairman Planning and Zoning Commission

Eileen Fielding, FRWA; Joyce Kennedy Raymes, FRWA Jamie Fosburgh, National Park Service Henry Spring, Avon's Wild & Scenic Study Committee Representative Steven Kushner, Director of Planning and Community Development Brandon Robertson, Town Manager Planning and Zoning Commission

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August 11, 2010

Ms. Sally Rieger Ms. Joyce Kennedy Raymes Lower Farmington River/Salmon Brook Wild & Scenic Study Committee 749 Hopmeadow Street Simsbury, CT 06070

Dear Ms. Rieger and Ms. Raymes:

I am writing on behalf of the Bloomfield Town Council to document our support for the Wild & Scenic River designation of the Lower Farmington River and Salmon Brook. This position was taken initially by unanimous vote of the Town Council at its January 26, 2009 meeting. Subsequently, Bloomfield town staff provided input on the designation and Management Plan, which have been reviewed and endorsed by the appropriate Bloomfield Town Commissions.

Bloomfield looks forward to swift action by Congress to add the Lower Farmington River and Salmon Brook to the nations system of Wild & Scenic Rivers, and Bloomfield thereby officially becoming a Wild & Scenic River town.

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March 17, 2010

Sally Rieger and Joyce Kennedy Raymes Lower Farmington River/ Salmon Brook Wild & Scenic Study Committee 749 Hopmeadow Street Simsbury, CT 06070

Dear Ms. Rieger and Ms. Raymes,

I am writing on behalf of Town of Bloomfield Inland Wetlands and Watercourses Commission to indicate our support of the Wild & Scenic River Designation of the Lower Farmington River and Salmon Brook and the Management Plan.

This position was taken by a formal vote of the Inland Wetlands and Watercourses Commission at our meeting on March 15, 2010. Enclosed is a copy of the minutes and the motion from that meeting.

Sincerely, Lauretta Spryley

Laurianetta Huguley, Secretary

Inland Wetlands and Watercourses Commission

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January 25, 2010

Sally Rieger and Joyce Kennedy Raymes Lower Farmington River/Salmon Brook Wild & Scenic Study Committee 749 Hopmeadow Street Simsbury, CT 06070

Dear Sally and Joyce,

I am writing on behalf of the Bloomfield Conservation, Energy, and Environment Committee to indicate our support for Wild & Scenic River designation of the Lower Farmington River and Salmon Brook. This position was taken by formal vote at the CEEC meeting on January 14, 2010.

The Bloomfield Conservation, Energy, and Environment Committee shares the conservation goals of the Wild & Scenic Study Committee. We would like to lend our support to the Study Committee's efforts to protect and enhance the natural and cultural resources of the Lower Farmington River and Salmon Brook. A portion of the Farmington River forms the northern boundary of Bloomfield and is a valuable natural feature of the town. We understand that Bloomfield could benefit from funding and technical assistance associated with a Wild & Scenic designation, which could help us maintain and enhance the value of Bloomfield's portion of the Farmington River for the town and its citizens.

As an environmental steward and advocacy group for the town of Bloomfield, we hope that the designation will be achieved for the benefit of our community.

Tollie Miller, Chair Bloomfield Conservation, Energy, and Environment Committee

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February 9, 2010

Sally Rieger and Joyce Kennedy Raymes Lower Farmington River/Salmon Brook Wild & Scenic Study Committee 749 Hopmeadow Street Simsbury, CT 06070

Dear Ms. Rieger and Raymes:

I am writing on behalf of the Town of Bloomfield Town Plan and Zoning Commission to indicate their support of the Wild & Scenic River designation of the Lower Farmington River and Salmon Brook and the Management Plan. The Commission took this action by unanimous vote at their regular meeting of January 28, 2010. As part of the motion, the Commission noted that they esupportive of the designation as long as the entire river frontage within the Town of Bloomfield received this designation.

February **, 2010

Sally Rieger and Joyce Kennedy Raymes Lower Farmington River/Salmon Brook Wild & Scenic Study Committee 749 Hopmeadow Street Simsbury, CT 06070

Dear Sally and Joyce,

I am writing on behalf of Bloomfield Leisure Services to indicate our support for Wild & Scenic River designation of the Lower Farmington River and Salmon Brook.

Bloomfield Leisure Services shares the conservation and land use goals of the Wild & Scenic Study Committee. We would like to lend our support to the Study Committee's efforts to protect and enhance the natural and recreational resources of the Lower Farmington River and Salmon Brook. A portion of the Farmington River forms the northern boundary of Bloomfield's Farmington River Park. It is also in close proximity to Wilcox Park. We understand that Bloomfield could benefit from funding and technical assistance associated with a Wild & Scenic designation, which could help us further develop and enhance these valuable outdoor recreational resources for the town and region's citizens.

We hope that the designation will be achieved to promote Bloomfield Leisure Service's goals of providing quality recreational opportunities, preserving our natural resources, and managing our system of parks and facilities so as to enrich our community.

Sincerely,

David Melesko, Director Bloomfield Leisure Services Department



Catherine R. Bergstrom

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Board of Selectmen

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Town of Burlington

May 25, 2010

Sally Rieger and Joyce Kennedy Raymes Lower Farmington River/Salmon Brook Wild & Scenic Study Committee 749 Hopmeadow Street Simsbury, CT 06070

Dear Sally and Joyce,

I am writing on behalf of the Town of Burlington Board of Selectmen to indicate our support of the Wild & Scenic River designation of the Lower Farmington River and Salmon Brook and the Management Plan. This position was taken by consensus of the Board of Selectmen at their meeting on May 11, 2010. Enclosed is a copy of the minutes from that meeting.

The Town of Burlington values the natural resources of the Farmington River and uses its land use regulations to protect those resources for the benefit of its citizens. In this we are in agreement with the purposes and the goals of the advisory Management Plan for the Lower Farmington River/Salmon Brook Wild & Scenic Study area. We commit to being a partner in the implementation of the Management Plan by appointing a representative and an alternative representative from our citizens to participate in the plan's implementation and to represent our needs and concerns. The Board of Selectmen recognizes that the town does not need to make any financical commitment to implementing the Management Plan. The Board also understands that the designation leaves management of lands along the river in the hands of local government control and that no regulatory changes are needed.

Catherine R. Bergstrom
First Selectman

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Town of Burlington

The Lower Farmington Wild & Scenic Study Committee

November 4, 2010

The Burlington Conservation Commission fully supports a Wild & Scenic designation for the lower Farmington River. As one of the ten towns through which the lower Farmington runs her course, Burlington and its citizenry enjoy the scenic beauty and recreational opportunity the river provides. It is a resource worth protecting.

The Burlington Conservation Commission is committed to preserving the character of our rural community understanding full well that we must develop and grow economically as a town. The Farmington River, with the rails-to-trails path that runs alongside her southwestern bank, is an important part of Burlington's character and an economic recourse. We would welcome the scientific information and technical support that could help local land use boards to make wise, defensible land use decisions concerning the river and her watershed while maintaining local control in planning and regulation.

The Burlington Conservation Commission

Carl Salsedo Diane Holhubner John Hebert Linda Graham Paul Rochford



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September 2, 2010

Sally Rieger Lower Farmington River / Salmon Brook Wild & Scenic Study 749 Hopmeadow Street Simsbury, CT 06070

Dear Ms. Rieger,

The Town of Canton Board of Selectmen on January 6, 2010 voted to endorse the designation of that portion of the Farmington River located in the Town of Canton from the Town of New Hartford line to the confluence of the Nepaug River for inclusion in the Federal Wild and Scenic River program. That portion of the River from the confluence of the Nepaug River to the Town of Burlington line was excluded because of the Town's desire that the hydroelectric generating facility at the Upper and Lower Collinsville dams be re-established.

The Canton Board of Selectmen supports the designation for the area specified because it would preserve, protect and enhance the environmental and recreational value of the Farmington River. While the designation is for inclusion in the Lower Farmington River and Salmon Brook study area the reach in Canton is contiguous with the existing Upper Farmington River designated wild and scenic. For that reason it would be better suited for inclusion in the Upper Farmington River Wild and Scenic designation area.

Sincerely yours,

Richard J. Barlow First Selectman

Richard J. Barlow

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To: Board of Selectmen

Inland Wetlands & Watercourses Agency From:

Date: February 16, 2010

 $Lower\ Farmington\ River\ and\ Salmon\ Brook\ designation\ as\ a\ Wild\ and\ Scenic\ Area\ and\ inclusion\ in\ the\ Wild\ and\ Scenic\ River\ System$ Re:

Please be advised that at a regular meeting on February 11, 2010, the Inland Wetlands & Watercourses Agency moved to make a positive endorsement to the Board of Selectman for the following item:

1. Lower Farmington River and Salmon Brook designated as a Wild and Scenic Area and inclusion in the Wild and Scenic River System

MOTION: Chairman Shepard moved to endorse the resolution passed by the BOS regarding the Lower Farmington River and Salmon Brook designation as a Wild and Scenic Area and inclusion in the Wild and Scenic River System.

Mr. Mischak seconded the motion.

VOTE: Evonsion-Yes; Mischak-Yes; Shepard-Yes The motion carried 3-0-0.



PLANNING COMMISSION Canton, Connecticut Inc. 1806

4 Market Street, Collinsville, Connecticut 06022

To: Board of Selectmen

From: Planning Commission

Date February 16, 2010

Re: Lower Farmington River and Salmon Brook designation as a Wild and Scenic Area and inclusion in the Wild and Scenic River System

Please be advised that at a special February 8, 2010 meeting, the Planning Commission moved to make a positive endorsement to the Board of Selectman for the following item:

- MOTION: Mr. Thiesse moved that the commission mirror the Board of Selectman and Planning Commissions endorsements number one and two as follows:

 a) The Town of Canton Planning Committee endorsed the designation of the Lower Farmington River from the New Hartford town line to the confluence of the Nepaug River as components of the National Wild & Scenic Rivers Systom. The area of flue Farmington River from the confluence of the Nepaug River downstream to the Aven/Narlington town line is specifically being activated from the proposed of the Nepaug River downstream to the Aven/Narlington town line is specifically being excluded from recommendation because of the important historical and cultural character and unique developmental opportunities which exist in the excluded areas.
- b) The Town of Canton Planning Committee endorses the purposes and goals of the management plan.

Mr. Mortimer seconded the motion.

VOTE: Dickstein-Yes; Mortimer-Yes; Thiesse-Yes; Aldridge-Yes.

Endorsement of the Designation of the Lower Farmington River/Salmon Brook as a Wild & Scenic River and of the Management Plan for the Study Area

At the meeting of the Board of Selectmen on January 13, 2010, a motion was made by Selectman Short and seconded by First Selectman Hayden to endorse the designation of the lower Farmington River and Salmon Brook as Wild & Scenic River and to endorse the advisory Management Plan as presented.

WHEREAS, the Town of East Granby Board of Selectmen recognizes that the lower Farmington River/Salmon Brook Wild & Scenic Study Area provides outstanding resources values in terms of its geology, water quality, biodiversity, cultural landscape and recreation opportunities, values that support the well-being and quality of life for its citizens, and

WHEREAS, the Town of East Granby Board of Selectmen recognizes that the advisory Management Plan for the lower Farmington River/Salmon Brook Wild & Scenic Study Area, which was developed in partnership with local communities and will be implemented in partnership with local communities, is an important tool to protect and enhance the outstanding resource values of the Study Area, and

WHEREAS, the Lower Farmington River/Salmon Brook Wild & Scenic Study Committee recognizes that the full implementation of the Management Plan will require human and financial resources that may be beyond the capacity of the Town of East Granby provide and that full implementation an of the plan will require funding and technical support that may become available as a result of Wild & Scenic designation,

WHEREAS, the National Park Service was authorized, at the request of the local communities to determine if the lower Farmington River and Salmon Brook Wild & Scenic Study Area is eligible and suitable for inclusion in the National Wild & Scenic

WHEREAS, that neither National Park Service nor any other agency of the federal government will own or manage any lands, will not create any new regulatory powers and will not have any control over local municipal boards and commission actions associated with a Wild & Scenic designation,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT

- 1. The Town of East Granby Board of Selectmen endorses the designation of the Lower Farmington River and Salmon Brook as components of the National Wild & Scenic Rivers System.
- 2. The Town of East Granby Board of Selectmen endorses the purposes and goals of the Management Plan.
 - 3. The Town of East Granby Board of Selectmen commits to being a partner and participant in the implementation of the Management Plan, including appointing a representative and an alternate to the Farmington River/Salmon Brook Stewardship Council, maintaining open communication with the Council on matters relevant to the watercourses, and working toward utilizing
 - best management practices for protecting the outstanding resource values.

 4. The Town of East Granby Board of Selectmen will work on implementing the Management Plan to the best of its abilities regardless of a Wild & Scenic Designation being achieved, recognizing that the implementation of tools that require funding beyond the normal expenditures of the town may not be pursued until or unless outside funding is secured.



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January 22, 2010

Sally Rieger and Joyce Kennedy Raymes Lower Farmington River & Salmon Brook Wild & Scenic Study Committee 749 Hopmeadow Street Simsbury, CT 06070

Wild & Scenic River Endorsement Letter

Dear Sally & Joyce:

I am writing on the behalf of the Inland Wetland Commission to indicate their support of the Wild & Scenic River designation of the Lower Farmington River and Salmon Brook and the associated Management Plan. This position was taken by a formal vote of the Inland Wetland Commission at their January 20, 2010 meeting, in which the Commission unanimously voted to support your efforts in applying for the Wild & Scenic River designation. For copies of the minutes for the January 20, 2010 Inland Wetland meeting please visit our website www.eastgranby.net.

Gary M. Havnes

Director of Community Development

Cc: IWC



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December 29, 2009

Sally Rieger and Joyce Kennedy Raymes Lower Farmington River & Salmon Brook Wild & Scenic Study Committee 749 Hopmeadow Street Simsbury, CT 06070

Wild & Scenic River Endorsement Letter

Dear Sally & Joyce:

I am writing on the behalf of the Economic Development Commission to indicate their support of the Wild & Scenic River designation of the Lower Farmington River and Salmon Brook and the associated Management Plan. This position was taken by a formal vote of the Economic Development Commission at their December 28, 2009 meeting, in which the Commission unanimously voted to support your efforts in applying for the Wild & Scenic River designation. For copies of the minutes for the December 28, 2009 Economic Development meeting please visit our website www.eastgranby.net.

Gary M. Haynes Director of Community Development

Cc: EDC



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December 8, 2009

Sally Rieger and Joyce Kennedy Raymes Lower Farmington River & Salmon Brook Wild & Scenic Study Committee 749 Hopmeadow Street Simsbury, CT 06070

Re: Wild & Scenic River Endorsement Letter

Dear Sally & Joyce:

I am writing on the behalf of the Planning & Zoning Commission to indicate their support of the Wild & Scenic River designation of the Lower Farmington River and Salmon Brook and the associated Management Plan. This position was taken by a formal vote of the Planning & Zoning Commission at their December 8, 2009 meeting, in which the Commission unanimously voted to support your efforts in applying for the Wild & Scenic River designation. For copies of the minutes for the December 8, 2009 Planning & Zoning meeting please visit our website www.eastgranby.net.

Sincerely,

Gary M. Haynes

Director of Community Development

Cc: PZC



Town of Farmington Incorporated 1645 One Monteith Drive Farmington, Connecticut 06032-1035

PAULA B. RAY, TOWN CLERK Tel: 860-675-2380 Fax: 860-675-2389 Email: <u>RayP@Farmington-ct.org</u>

CERTIFIED RESOLUTION

I, Paula B. Ray, Town Clerk of the Town of Farmington, CT, do hereby certify that the following is a true and correct copy of a resolution duly adopted at a meeting of the Town Council of Farmington, duly held and convened on February 2, 2010, at which meeting a duly constituted quorum of the Town Council was present and acting throughout, and that such resolution has not been modified, rescinded or revoked, and is at present in full force and effect:

RESOLVED: To approve the attached endorsement of the designation of the Lower Farmington River/Salmon Brook as a Wild & Scenic River and the management plan for the study area recorded with these minutes as Agenda Item N-1.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has affixed her signature and the Town Seal this 18^{th} day of February, 2010.

Paula B. Ray, Toyn Clerk

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MOTION:

To Approve the Attached Endorsement of the Designation of the Lower Farmington River/Salmon Book as a Wild & Scenic River and the Management Plan for the Study Area.

NOTE:

- October 2003, the Farmington Town Council was the first Town to authorize a letter of support to Congress encouraging the study of the lower Farmington River and the Salmon Brook for National Wild & Scenic designation.
- November 2006, "The Lower Farmington River and Salmon Brook Wild and Scenic Study Act" was signed into law.
- April 2007, the Farmington Town Council appointed two residents (Walter Sargent and Larry Schlegel) to the Wild and Scenic River Study Committee. One of the charges of the Study Committee is to "develop a river Management Plan with local support that details the strategy for future protection of the area's outstanding values."
- December 2009, the Wild and Scenic Study Committee published a Draft Management Plan for the Lower Farmington River and Salmon Brook. Excerpts from this Plan are included with this agenda as "Draft Management Goals and Priorities for the Outstanding Resource Values." The complete study is available at www.LowerFarmingtonRiver.org under Documents & Maps
- January 2010, both the Farmington Conservation Commission and Town Plan and Zoning Commission unanimously voted to endorse and support the Wild and Scenic River designation of the Lower Farmington River and Salmon Brook and the Management Plan.

For additional information see "Partnership Wild & Scenic: A Brief Description", which is also included with this agenda.

Attachments

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10. Wild and Scenic River Study Committee
Motion was made and seconded (Demicco/Vibert) that Larry Schlegel be appointed to the Wild and Scenic River Study Committee for an indefinite term beginning immediately

Adopted unanimously.

11. <u>Green Efforts "Large" Committee</u>
Motion was made and seconded (Wadsworth/Keniston) that Mike Clark be appointed Chair of the Green Efforts "Large" Committee.

Adopted unanimously. Mr. Clark abstained.

M. Old Business

There was no old business conducted.

N. New Business.

 To Approve the Endorsement of the Designation of the Lower Farmington River/Salmon Book as a Wild & Scenic River and the Management Plan for the Study Area.

Motion was made and seconded (Wadsworth/Nickerson) to approve the attached endorsement of the designation of the Lower Farmington River/Salmon Brook as a Wild & Scenic River and the management plan for the study area recorded with these minutes as Agenda Item N- 1.

Adopted unanimously.

2. To Approve the Town of Farmington's Strategic Plan.

Motion was made and seconded [Wadsworth/Keniston] to approve the attached Town of Farmington's Strategic Plan recorded with these minutes as Agenda

- Mr. Keniston made the following typographical corrections:

 Goal 2, 2.2, number 2 change bi-annually to semi-annually
 Goal 3, 3.4, remove references to any certain groups
 Goal 3, 3.5, number 14 add a "/" between the words "and" and "or".

Motion was made and seconded (Demicco/Vibert) to amend the motion by removing from Goal 3, 3.5, number 14 from the Strategic Plan .

Mr. Demicco yes.

Voting no were Clark, Keniston, Nickerson, Stoddard, Vibert and Wadsworth.

Minutes of the Town of Farmington Special Meeting of the Town Council dated February 2, 2010

THE TOWN OF FARMINGTON

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January 21, 2010

Sally Rieger and Joyce Kennedy Raymes Lower Farmington River/Salmon Brook Wild & Scenic Study Committee 749 Hopmeadow Street Simsbury, CT 06070

Dear Ms. Rieger and Ms. Kennedy Raymers,

I am writing on behalf of the Farmington Conservation Commission to indicate our support of the Wild & Scenic River designation of the Lower Farmington River and Salmon Brook and the Management Plan. This position was taken by formal vote of the Farmington Conservation Commission at their meeting on January 4, 2010. (Enclosed is a copy or the motion from that meeting.)

Sincerely,

Robert Hennon (9 2)
Robert Hannon, Chair Farmington Conservation Commission

cc: Kathleen A. Eagen, Town Manager Elizabeth S. Dolphin, Assistant Town Planner

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January 21, 2010

Sally Rieger and Joyce Kennedy Raymes Lower Farmington River/Salmon Brook Wild & Scenic Study Committee 749 Hopmeadow Street Simsbury, CT 06070

CERTIFIED MAIL

Farmington River Wild and Scenic River Designation

Dear Ms. Ricger and Ms. Raymes,

At a meeting of the Town Plan and Zoning Commission held on January 19, 2010, it was unanimously voted to endorse and support the Wild and Scenic River designation of the Lower Farmington River and Salmon Brook and the Management Plan.

Please contact the Planning Department at (860) 675-2325 if you have any questions. Thank

Very truly yours,

Philip R. Drunn, Jr., Secretary Town Plan and Zoning Commission

PRD/sjm

Kathy Eagen



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Endorsement of the Designation of the Lower Farmington River/Salmon Brook as a Wild & Scenic River and of the Management Plan for the Study Area

At the meeting of the Town Council on February 2, 2010, a motion was made by Council Member William Wadsworth and seconded by Council Member Nancy Nickerson to endorse the designation of the lower Farmington River and Salmon Brook as Wild & Scenic River and to endorse the advisory Management Plan as presented.

WHEREAS, the Town of Farmington Town Council recognizes that the lower Farmington River/Salmon Brook Wild & Scenic Study Area provides outstanding resources values in terms of its geology, water quality, biodiversity, cultural landscape and recreation opportunities, values that support the well-being and quality of life for its citizens, and

WHEREAS, the Town of Farmington Town Council recognizes that the advisory Management Plan for the lower Farmington River/Salmon Brook Wild & Scenic Study Area, which was developed in partnership with local communities and will be implemented in partnership with local communities, is an important tool to protect and enhance the outstanding resource values of the Study Area, and

WHEREAS, the Lower Farmington River/Salmon Brook Wild & Scenic Study Committee recognizes that the full implementation of the Management Plan will require human and financial resources that may be beyond the capacity of the Town of Farmington to provide and that full implementation an of the plan will require funding and technical support that may become available as a result of Wild & Scenic designation, and

WHEREAS, the National Park Service was authorized, at the request of the local communities to determine if the lower Farmington River and Salmon Brook Wild & Scenic Study Area is eligible and suitable for inclusion in the National Wild & Scenic Rivers System. and

WHEREAS, that neither National Park Service nor any other agency of the federal government will own or manage any lands, will not create any new regulatory powers and will not have any control over local municipal boards and commission actions associated with a Wild & Scenic designation,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT

- The Town of Farmington Town Council endorses the designation of the Lower Farmington River and Salmon Brook as components of the National Wild & Scenic Rivers System.
- 2. The Town of Farmington Town Council endorses the purposes and goals of the Management Plan.
 - 3. The Town of Farmington Town Council commits to being a partner and participant in the implementation of the Management Plan, including appointing a representative and an alternate to the Farmington River/Salmon Brook Stewardship Council, maintaining open communication with the Council on matters relevant to the watercourses, and working toward utilizing best management practices for protecting the outstanding resource values.
 - 4. The Town of Farmington Town Council will work on implementing the Management Plan to the best of its abilities regardless of a Wild & Scenic Designation being achieved, recognizing that the implementation of tools that require funding beyond the normal expenditures of the town may not be pursued until or unless outside funding is secured.

WILLIAM F. SMITH, JR.

TOWN OF GRANBY

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February 17, 2010

Sally Rieger and Joyce Kennedy Raymes Lower Farmington River/Salmon Brook Wild & Scenic Study Committee 749 Hopmeadow Street Simsbury, CT 06070

Dear Ms. Reiger and Ms. Raymes:

I am writing on behalf of the Granby Board of Selectmen to indicate our support of the Wild & Scenic River designation of the Lower Farmington River and Salmon Brook and the Management Plan. This position was taken by formal vote of the Board at their meeting on February 16, 2010. Enclosed is a true copy of the Endorsement of the Designation of the Lower Farmington River/Salmon Brook as a Wild and Scenic River and of the Management Plan for the Study Area from that meeting.

Very truly you

tudolV William F. Smith, Jr. Town Manager

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Granby Inland Wetlands And Watercourses Commission Wild and Scenic Endorsement

January 14, 2010

Sally Rieger and Joyce Kennedy Raymes Lower Farmington River/Salmon Brook Wild & Scenic Study Committee 749 Hopmeadow Street Simsbury, CT 06070

Dear Sally and Joyce,

I am writing on behalf of the Granby IWWC to indicate our support of the National Park Service (NPS) Wild & Scenic (W&S) River designation of the Lower Farmington River and Salmon Brook and the Management Plan. An NPS W&S designation owould be an affirmation that our IWWC regulations provide resource protection in keeping with the intent of the national Wild & Scenic Rivers act. This position was taken by formal vote of the IWWC at their meeting on January 13, 2010. (Enclosed is a copy of the minutes of that meeting with the motion.)

Sincerely,

David W. Tolli, Chairman Granby Inland Wetlands and Watercourses Commission

I CERTIFY THIS TO BE A TRUE COPY.

ATTEST: A TOUR Town Clerk

Dated at Granby, CT 2-17-10 2 pages

TOWN OF GRANBY

Endorsement of the Designation of the Lower Farmington River/Salmon Brook as a Wild and Scenic River and of the Management Plan for the Study Area

At the meeting of the Board of Selectmen on February 16, 2010 a motion was made by Board member B. Scott Kuhnly and seconded by Board member Mark Neumann to endorse the designation of the lower Farmington River and Salmon Brook as Wild and Scenic River and to endorse the advisory Management Plan as presented.

- WHEREAS, the Town of Granby Board of Selectmen recognizes that the lower Farmington River/Salmon Brook Wild and Scenic Study Area provides outstanding resources values in terms of its geology, water quality, biodiversity, cultural landscape and recreation opportunities, values that support the well-being and quality of life for its citizens; and
- WHEREAS, the Town of Granby Board of Selectmen recognizes that the advisory Management Plan for the lower Farmington River/Salmon Brook Wild and Scenic Study Area, which was developed in partnership with local communities and will be implemented in partnership with local communities, is an important tool to protect and enhance the outstanding resource values of the Study Area; and
- WHEREAS, the Lower Farmington River/Salmon Brook Wild and Scenic Study Committee recognizes that the full implementation of the Management Plan will require human and financial resources that may be beyond the capacity of the Town of Granby to provide and that full implementation of the plan will require funding and technical support that may become available as a result of the wild and scenic designation; and
- WHEREAS, the National Park Service was authorized, at the request of the local communities to determine if the lower Farmington River and Salmon Brook Wild and Scenic Study Area is eligible and suitable for inclusion in the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System; and
- WHEREAS, that neither National Park Service nor any other agency of the federal government will own or manage any lands, will not create any new regulatory powers and will not have any control over local municipal boards and commission actions associated with a wild and scenic designation,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT

- 1. The Town of Granby Board of Selectmen endorses the designation of the Lower Farmington River and Salmon Brook as components of the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System.

 2. The Town of Granby Board of Selectmen endorses the purposes and
- goals of the Management Plan.

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- The Town of Granby Board of Selectmen commits to being a partner and participant in the implementation of the Management Plan, including appointing a representative and an alternate to the Farmington River/Salmon Brook Stewardship Council, maintaining open communication with the Council on matters relevant to the watercourses, and working toward utilizing best management practices for protecting the outstanding recoverage relevance. the outstanding resource values.

 The Town of Granby Board of Selectmen will work on implementing the
- Management Plan to the best of its abilities regardless of a wild and scenic designation being achieved, recognizing that the implementation of tools that require funding beyond the normal expenditures of the town may not be pursued until or unless outside funding is secured.

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Town of Granby Granby Planning and Zoning Commission

January 12, 2010

Sally Rieger and Joyce Kennedy Raymes Lower Farmington River/Salmon Brook Wild & Scenic Study Committee 749 Hopmeadow Street Simsbury, CT 06070

Dear Sally Rieger and Joyce Kennedy Raymes,

I am writing on behalf of the Granby Planning and Zoning Commission to indicate our support of the Wild & Scenic River designation of the Lower Farmington River and Salmon Brook and the Management Plan. This position was taken by formal vote of the Commission at their meeting on 1-12-10. Enclosed is a copy or the minutes from that

Sincerely,

Planning and Zoning Commission



Town of Hartland 22 South Road EAST HARTLAND, CT 06027 860-653-6800 .munic.state.ct.us/hartland/hartland.htm

March 9, 2010

Sally Rieger and Joyce Kennedy Raymes Lower Farmington River/Salmon Brook Wild and Scenic Study Committee 749 Hopmeadow Street Simsbury, CT 06070

Dear Sally and Joyce:

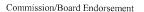
I am writing on behalf of the Hartland Selectmen to indicate our support of the Wild and Scenic River designation of the Lower Farmington River and Salmon Brook and the Management Plan. This position was taken by formal vote of the Board of Selectmen at our Regular Monthly meeting, held on Monday, March 8, 2010. The motion was carried unanimously.

Sincerely,

Wade E. Cole First Selectman

cc: Susan Murray

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March 3 Month, day, 2010

Sally Rieger and Joyce Kennedy Raymes Lower Farmington River/Salmon Brook Wild & Scenic Study Committee 749 Hopmeadow Street Simsbury, CT 06070

Dear Sally + foyee,

I am writing on behalf of the (name of board or commission) to indicate our support of the Wild & Scenic River designation of the Lower Farmington River and Salmon Brook and the Management Plan. This position was taken by formal vote of the (board or commission) at their meeting on (date). (Enclosed is a copy or the motion from that meeting.)

Sincerely,

Miller N Surviye (have n HI WC (name), (position)

(Name of organization)

(Name of organization)

Hartland Inlands Wetlands Commission

Commission/Board Endorsement

Month, day, 2010

Sally Rieger and Joyce Kennedy Raymes Lower Farmington River/Salmon Brook Wild & Scenic Study Committee 749 Hopmeadow Street Simsbury, CT 06070

Dear_Sally Rieger & Joyce Kennedy Raymes

I am writing on behalf of the (name of board or commission) to indicate our support of the Wild & Scenic River designation of the Lower Farmington River and Salmon Brook and the Management Plan. This position was taken by formal vote of the (board or commission) at their meeting on (date). (Enclosed is a copy or the motion from that meeting was unamous 3-22-10

Sincerely, Warn Hoag Chairma PdZ (name), (position)

(Name of organization)

Hartland Planning & Zoning



Town of Simsbury

933 HOPMEADOW STREET

SIMSBURY, CONNECTICUT 06070

Mary A. Glassman ~ First Selectman

May 10, 2010

Sally Rieger Joyce Kennedy Raymes c/o Farmington River Watershed Association 749 Hopmeadow Street Simsbury, CT 06070

Dear Sally and Joyce:

 ${\it Congratulations}. \ The Simsbury Board of Selectmen voted to endorse the wild and scenic designation for the Lower Farmington River and Salmon Brook at its February 8, 2010 meeting.$

The Lower Farmington River is a unique recreational and natural resource and we applaud your work in safeguarding its quality and well-being. We hope that our endorsement will enhance your efforts to support native brook trout populations and wide-ranging public recreation opportunities.

We look forward to reaping the many benefits of designation, which will include the availability of federal technical and financial resources to help protect the river.

Please be assured of our gratitude and best wishes as you continue your pursuit of this valuable endeavor.

Sincerely

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/sbm

cc: Board of Selectmen

Telephone (860) 658-3230 Facsimile (860) 658-9467



Town of Simsbury Conservation Commission

933 HOPMEADOW STREET

SIMSBURY, CONNECTICUT 06070

February 2, 2010

The Board of Selectmen Town of Simsbury 933 Hopmeadow Street Simsbury, Connecticut 06070

Dear Ladies and Gentlemen:

The Conservation Commission has had two informative presentations from leaders of the Lower Farmington River/Salmon Brook Wild & Scenic Study Committee. These presentations have summarized the goals and priorities of the study and the relevant provisions of the Wild & Scenic Rivers Act. This evening's discussion also dealt with the content of the committee's Management Plan, which is to be submitted to Congress this summer. We understand that this plan does not require changes in local land use regulations and does not affect private property rights. Rather, it recommends, in a wholly advisory manner, general measures to protect and enhance the outstanding resource values of the Lower Farmington River and Salmon Brook. Additionally, we understand that, if the watercourses are designated wild and scenic, National Park Service annual funding can be expected for river related conservation projects.

The Conservation Commission enthusiastically endorses the wild and scenic designation of the watercourses and urges the Board of Selectmen to give favorable consideration to doing so as well.

Respectfully,

The Conservation Commission

Kull A. Miller, Jr. Chairman



November 3, 2010

Ms. Joyce Kennedy-Raymes Wild & Scenic Study Coordinator c/o FRWA 749 Hopmeadow Street Simsbury, CT 06070

Re: Farmington River Wild & Scenic Designation

Dear Joyce:

Please accept my apologies for the delay in sending you this letter. As confirmation, the Town Council endorsed the proposed wild and scenic designation for the Farmington River during its August 2, 2010 meeting with the following resolution:

RESOLVED that the Town Council endorse the Farmington River Wild Resolved that the found council endorse the ramington knew rata & Scenic River designation as presented by the study committee, which excludes the Rainbow Reservoir, from the western end of the impoundment area to 0.485 miles below the tailrace of the Rainbow Dam."

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions regarding this motion or the

Sincerely,

Evi Bany Eric Barz Town Planner

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March 17, 2010

Sally Rieger and Joyce Kennedy-Raymes Lower Farmington River/Salmon Brook Wild & Scenic Study Committee 749 Hopmeadow Street Simsbury, CT 06070

Subject: Designation Endorsement

Dear Joyce:

Thank you for updating the Windsor Inland Wetlands Commission on the progress of the Lower Farmington River & Salmon Brook Wild & Scenic River designation at the meeting on March 2, 2010. At the meeting the Commission voted to endorse and support the Wild & Scenic designation and the Management Plan. Enclosed is a copy of the draft minutes that include the motion of endorsement from March 2, 2010.

Sincerely,

Cyd R. Kroff.

Environmental Planner & Inland Wetlands Agent Town of Windsor, CT

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October 20, 2010

Joyce Kennedy-Raymes Lower Farmington River/Salmon Brook Wild & Scenic Study Committee 749 Hopmeadow Street Simsbury, CT 06070

Subject: Designation Endorsement

Dear Joyce:

Thank you for updating the Windsor Town Planning and Zoning Commission on the progress of the Lower Farmington River & Salmon Brook Wild & Scenic River designation at the meeting on March 9, 2010. At the meeting the Commission voted to endorse and support the Wild & Scenic designation and the Management Plan. Enclosed is a copy of the minutes that include the motion of endorsement from March 9, 2010.

Sincerely,

Eric Barz, AICP Town Planner Town of Windsor, CT

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May 21, 2009

Ms. Sally Rieger, Chairlady,
Ms. Joyce Kennedy Rames. Community Planner
Lower Farmington River and Salmon Brook
Wild and Scenic Rivers Study Committee
749 Hopmeadow St.
Simsbury, CT 06070

Dear Ms Rieger and Ms Kennedy Rames:

The Board of Directors of the Avon Land Trust, at its meeting on May 21, 2009, voted to offer its strongest endorsement of the efforts and accomplishments of The Lower Farmington River and Salmon Brook Wild and Scenie Rivers Study Committee.

As the committee enters its third year of gathering information and scientific data substantiating the validity of the river and brook's suitability for designation as one of the nation's finest stream systems we applied the committee's diligence and success. We wish it continued success as it enters the phase of preparing the necessary documentation for Congressional approval. The ten towns of the study area will be the beneficiaries of Congressional approval and the efforts of the Study Committee.

We are pleased to note that the Avon Land Trust was the first organization to offer endorsement when Representative Nancy Johnson (R CT) and Representative John Larsen (D CT) first raised the bill establishing the Study Committee.

Sincerely,

MM MM J.
Robert Breckinridge, President
Avon Land Trust



THE BURLINGTON LAND TRUST

www.burlingtonlandtrust.org

The Lower Farmington Wild & Scenic Study Committee

November 11, 2009

The Burlington Land Trust fully supports a Wild & Scenic designation for the lower Farmington River. As one of the ten towns through which the lower Farmington runs her course, Burlington and its citizenry enjoy the scenic beauty and recreational opportunity the river provides. It is a resource worth protecting.

A land trust is a resource to preserve and protect open space and natural resources. The Farmington River, with the rails-to-trails path that runs alongside, are important parts of Burlington's character as a rural community. We would welcome the scientific information and technical support that could help local land use boards to make wise, defensible land use decisions concerning the river and her watershed while maintaining local control in planning and regulation.

The Burlington Land Trust Board of Directors

The Burlington Land Trust PO Box 1153 Burlington, CT 06013

RESIDENT



P.O. Box 41 Canton Center, CT 06020

October 28, 2009

To: Lower Farmington River/Salmon Brook Wild and Scenic Study Committee

The Canton Land Conservation Trust supports very enthusiastically the designation of the lower Farmington River and Salmon Brook as Wild and Scenic. The Farmington River is an important resource for Canton and particularly the Collinsville area. It is also an important shared resource with our neighbor towns. Canton also contains Cherry Brook, an important tributary of the Farmington. The Land Trust owns several parcels that contain portions of Cherry Brook or smaller streams that feed Cherry Brook, and the water quality of these streams and Cherry Brook itself are very important to us.

Charles

Charles DeWeese,

President, Canton Land Conservation Trust



December 3, 2009

Sally Rieger and Joyce Kennedy Raymes Lower Farmington River/Salmon Brook Wild & Scenic Study Committee 749 Hopmeadow Street Simsbury, CT 06070

Dear Sally and Joyce,

I am writing on behalf of the East Granby Land Trust to indicate our support of the Wild & Scenic River designation of the Lower Farmington River and Salmon Brook. This position was taken by formal vote of the Board of Directors at our meeting on December 3, 2009.

The East Granby Land Trust endorses the resource conservation goals of the Wild & Scenic Study Committee. We support the Study Committee's efforts to protect and enhance the outstanding natural and cultural resources of Salmon Brook and the lower Farmington River. The main stem of Salmon Brook is in East Granby and flows into the Farmington River. Forming the southern boundary of our town, the Farmington River plunges through the Tarriffville Gorge, then slows and meanders into Windsor. The water quality and varied habitat of these streams and their riparian zones harbor diverse biological communities and provide recreational resources that are very important to us. We believe Wild & Scenic designation and resulting technical support and funding will help our town protect the river and brook so they can continue to host thriving natural communities and be enjoyed by future generations.

As a non-profit conservation organization and landowner in East Granby, we think Wild & Scenic designation will benefit our organization and our community.

Sincerely.

Jennifer G. Frank, P.E.

President ~ East Granby Land Trust

GRANBY Land Trust

Preserving Granby's Natural Heritage

January 26, 2010

Ms. Sally Rieger and Ms. Joyce Kennedy Raymes Lower Farmington River/Salmon Brook Wild & Scenic Study Committee 749 Hopmeadow Street Simsbury, CT 06070

Dear Sally and Joyce,

I am writing on behalf of the Granby Land Trust to indicate our support of the Wild & Scenie River designation of the Lower Farmington River and Salmon Brook. This position was taken by formal vote of the Granby Land Trust's board of directors at their meeting on January 25, 2010.

The Granby Land Trust shares the resource conservation goals supported by a Wild & Scenic designation. As a property owner of land on the Salmon Brook's West Branch, the Land Trust would very much like to have this special resource benefit from the extra protection that a Wild & Scenic designation would bring to the brook. We also could potentially benefit from the National Park Service funding available through the Wild & Scenic Rivers program for a project that would benefit the stream segment that runs through Land Trust property.

Salmon Brook is a wonderful asset for our town. We believe that Granby and the other towns along Salmon Brook and the Lower Farmington River would benefit from a Wild & Scenic designation and we are happy to take this opportunity to offer our enthusiastic support.

Rick Orlow, President Granby Land Trust



11/24/09

Sally Rieger Chair of the Lower Farmington River / Salmon Brook Wild & Scenic Study

Dear Sally

The Hartland Land Trust, Inc. is pleased to write in support of the Lower Farmington River and Salmon Brook study committee's effort to protect this watercourse through a National Wild and Scenic designation. The Hartland Land Trust is committed to building conservation efforts both locally and regionally throughout the Farmington River Watershed.

At our November 23^{rd} meeting, a vote was taken concerning the Hartland Land Trust's endorsement of the Lower Farmington River and Salmon Brook study. The result was 100% in favor of supporting your efforts toward designation.

Respectfully,

Fred W. Jones

Fred W. Jones

President Hartland Land Trust



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November 23, 2009

Sally Rieger and Joyce Kennedy Raymes Lower Farmington River/Salmon Brook Wild & Scenic Study Committee 749 Hopmeadow Street Simsbury, CT 06070

Dear Sally and Joyce:

I am writing on behalf of the Simsbury Land Trust to indicate our support for the Wild & Scenic River designation of the Lower Farmington River and Salmon Brook. This position was taken by formal vote of the Board of Directors at their meeting on November 10, 2009.

Simsbury Land Trust shares the resource conservation goals of the Wild & Scenic Study Committee. We would like to lend our support to the Study Committee's efforts to protect and enhance the cultural and natural resources of the Farmington River and Salmon Brook. As riparian landowners on the lower Farmington, we hope that the funding and technical assistance associated with a Wild & Scenic designation will support our organization's efforts to make our river front property accessible to the public for recreational and educational purposes in a way compatible with river protection.

The Farmington River is a wonderful asset for our town and the other towns through which it flows. A Wild & Scenic River designation for the Lower Farmington River and Salmon Brook would greatly benefit our community. If there is anything further that we can do to be of assistance in this regard, please let me know.

Chuck Howard,
President
Simsbury Land Trust

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Wintonbury Land Trust

December 31, 2009

Sally Rieger and Joyce Kennedy Raymes Lower Farmington River/Salmon Brook Wild & Scenic Study Committee 749 Hopmeadow Street Simsbury, CT 06070

Dear Sally and Joyce,

The Wintonbury Land Trust Board of Directors voted in the December 30th meeting to support the Wild & Scenic River designation of the Lower Farmington River and Salmon Brook

The Wintonbury Land Trust shares the conservation goals of the Wild & Scenic Study Committee. We would like to lend our support to the Study Committee's efforts to protect and enhance the natural and cultural resources of the Lower Farmington River and Salmon Brook. A portion of the Farmington River forms the northern boundary of Bloomfield and is a valuable natural feature of the town. We understand that Bloomfield could benefit from funding and technical assistance associated with a Wild & Scenic designation, which could help us maintain and enhance the value of Bloomfield's portion of the Farmington River for the town and its citizens.

As an environmental steward and advocacy group owning land in the Town of Bloomfield, Windsor and Simsbury, we think the designation will be beneficial to our larger regional environmental community.

Sincerely.

T TO TO BOOK TO Dale Bertoldi, President Wintonbury Land Trust



April 22, 2010

Sally Rieger and Joyce Kennedy Raymes Lower Farmington River/Salmon Brook Wild & Scenic Study Committee 749 Hopmeadow Street Simsbury, CT 06070

Dear Sally and Joyce,

I am writing on behalf of the Bloomfield Chamber of Commerce to indicate our support for Wild & Scenic River designation of the Lower Farmington River and Salmon Brook.

The Bloomfield Chamber of Commerce recognizes that the Lower Farmington River is important to the economic vitality and cultural health of Bloomfield and the Lower Farmington Valley. The Chamber voted overwhelmingly at its March 10 meeting to endorse the Wild & Scenic Study Committee's efforts to protect and enhance the natural and recreational resources of the Lower Farmington River and Salmon Brook. We believe Bloomfield could benefit from funding and technical assistance associated with a Wild & Scenic designation, helping the Town to further develop and enhance valuable natural resources which, in turn, could generate future business opportunities for the town and region's citizens.

The Bloomfield Chamber of Commerce actively supports business and community efforts so that Bloomfield continues to be an economically vibrant, attractive place in which to live and do business. We hope that the designation will be achieved for the benefit of our community and the region.

Vera Smith-Winfree M.Ed. Executive Director, Bloomfield Chamber of Commerce

The Simsbury Garden Club P.O. Box 123, Simsbury, CT 06070

February 10, 2010

Sally Rieger and Joyce Kennedy Raymes Lower Farmington River/Salmon Brook Wild & Scenic Study Committee 749 Hopmeadow Street Simsbury, CT 06070

Dear Ms. Rieger and Ms. Raymes:

I am writing on behalf of the Simsbury Garden Club to indicate our support of the Wild & Scenic River designation of the Lower Farmington River and Salmon Brook. This position was taken by formal vote of the Club's general membership at their meeting on January 25, 2010.

The stated mission of the Simsbury Garden Club is, in part, to promote conservation and protection of natural resources. The Club recognizes that the designation of the Lower Farmington River and Salmon Brook as a Wild and Scenic River would benefit these waterways by providing funding, research and support that help protect the Farmington River.

The Simsbury Garden Club hopes that the designation of these treasured natural resources will be achieved for the benefit of our community and our wild areas.

Sincerely

Susan Duncan, President The Simsbury Garden Club

February 7, 2010

Susan Murray Lower Farmington River/Salmon Brook Wild & Scenic Study Committee 749 Hopmeadow Street Simsbury, CT 06070

Dear Sue,

I am writing on behalf of the Hartland Lions Club to indicate our support of the Wild & Scenie River designation of the Lower Farmington River and Salmon Brook.

We would like to lend our support to the Study Committee's efforts to protect and enhance the cultural and natural resources of Salmon Brook and the lower Farmington River. The headwaters of the West Branch of Salmon Brook runs through Hartland and we understand the community could benefit from funding and technical assistance associated with a Wild & Scenic designation, which could help us maintain and enhance the stream's water quality so it can continue to be an outstanding resource for generations to come.

Sincerely

Rob Davis, Hartland Lions Club

John W. Owens 21 Kenmore Road Bloomfield, CT 06002 Tel: 860.713.1088 JohnWo

February 12, 2010

Sally Rieger and Joyce Kennedy Raymes Lower Farmington River/Salmon Brook Wild & Scenic Study Committee 749 Hopmeadow Street Simsbury, CT 06070

Dear Sally and Joyce,

I am writing on behalf of the Bloomfield Greenway Study Committee to indicate our support for Wild & Scenie River designation of the Lower Farmington River and Salmon Brook. This position was taken by the a vote of the Bloomfield Conservation, Energy and Environment Committee, a town committee and parent committee of the Greenway Sub-Committee in its regular meeting on February 11, 2010.

The Bloomfield Greenway Study Committee shares the conservation and land use goals of the Wild & Scenic Study Committee. We would like to lend our support to the Study Committee's wild & Scenic Study Committee. We would nike to lead our support to the study Committee refforts to protect and enhance the natural and recreational resources of the Lower Farmington River and Salmon Brook. A portion of the Farmington River forms the northern boundary of Bloomfield and is in close proximity to the first section development envisioned for the Bloomfield Greenway. We understand that Bloomfield could benefit from funding and technical assistance associated with a Wild & Scenic designation, which could help us develop this valuable outdoor recreational resource for the town and region's citizens.

As a recreational and outdoor advocacy group for the town of Bloomfield, we hope that the designation will be achieved for the benefit of our community.

Sincerely.

For n. Our John Owens, Chair

Bloomfield Greenway Study Committee

Simsbury Historical Society

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11 March 2010

Sally Rieger and Joyce Kennedy Raymes Lower Farmington River – Salmon Brook Wild & Scenic Study Committee 749 Hopmeadow Street Simsbury, CT 06070

Dear Congressman Murphy,

I am writing on behalf of the Simsbury Historical Society to indicate our unanimous board and staff support of a Wild & Scenic River Partnership designation of Lower Farmington River and Salmon Brook. The preservation of lands, waterways and historic sites crosses political boundaries while promoting public recognition, regional tourism and the healthy use of the natural and built environment. By joining forces with the National Park Service, additional avenues of support and education become available; we ask that a national Wild & Scenic designation be made for the Lower Farmington River and Salmon Brook.

Suzan D. Friedlander

Director



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Yes wish you presented.

James R. Habriel

Wintonbury Historical Society • P.O. Box 7454, Bloomfield, Co.

The Canton Historical Society

December 27, 2009

Saily Rieger and Joyce Kennedy Raymes Lower Farmington River/Salmon Brook Wild & Scenic Study Committee 749 Hopmeadow Street Simsbury, CT 06070

Dear Study Committee:

I am writing on behalf of the Canton Historical Society, Inc. to indicate our support of the Wild & Scenic River designation of the Lower Farmington River and Salmon Brook.

The Canton Historical Society recognizes the important role of the Farmington River in supporting the greater Canton community, including its historical importance as a source of power for the factories such as the Collins Axc Factory that operated along its banks.

Today the river is an important recreational area and serves as the hub of the historic Village of Collinsville. The protection of this waterway is a vital part of retaining the historic context of the area while allowing residents and visitors alike the opportunity to enjoy its beauty and the habitats that surround it. The presence of an unspoiled riverfront serves as a draw to those utilizing the walking trails and helps the museum to attract visitors who come to enjoy the river views.

We heartily support the efforts to conserve this important resource.

Sincerely,

Paul J. Therrien, President Canton Historical Society, Inc.

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