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**DEPARTMENT OF
ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES**

Subject: Warner River Nomination to the NH Rivers Management & Protection Program

Dear Ms. Sales,

The Warner Board of Selectmen support the nomination of the Warner River to the New Hampshire Rivers Management and Protection Program (RMPP). Our support is based on discussions with the Nomination Committee, feedback from the public information session, and the recommendation of the Warner Conservation Commission.

If the river nomination succeeds a Local Advisory Committee (LAC) will form bringing representatives from five communities together to develop a river management plan to identify goals and recommend actions to preserve the outstanding qualities of the Warner River. The wells that provide Warner's municipal drinking water are located close to the river so it is essential to protect the quality of the river water and the adjacent aquifer. Based on input from public information sessions in all five abutting towns, the Nomination Committee has already adjusted classifications of segments of the Warner River to accommodate the wishes of landowners with deeded water rights.

A successful nomination to the RMPP will enhance the partnership between New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services (DES) and the Warner River LAC as we develop and implement a river management plan to balance the various uses of the river. A successful nomination will result in the protection of one of our Town's most valuable assets so that future generations will benefit from its exceptional natural, cultural and economic resources.

Please give serious consideration to the application of the Warner River to the RMPP. If you have any questions regarding this letter of support, please contact us.

Yours truly,


WARNER BOARD OF SELECTMEN


Clyde Carson, Chairman

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