

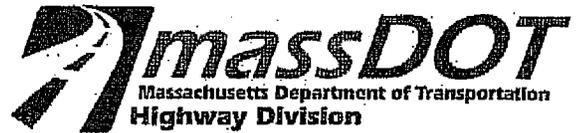
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February 13, 2015

Christopher Peck
Director of Public Works
48 Wareham Street
Middleborough, MA 02346

Subject: Middleborough – Route 28 - Sidewalk & Crosswalk Installation

Dear Mr. Peck:

This is in response to your letter of January 29, 2015, regarding the construction of a sidewalk on the west side of Route 28 starting at the Wood Street intersection and ending at the intersection with South Main Street (Route 105).

Please be advised that Engineers from MassDOT-Highway Division, District Five have done a preliminary investigation to the location in question and have deemed sidewalk installation in the area viable and to be included for consideration in the current reconstruction/resurfacing project of this roadway or in the current sidewalk reconstruction/construction project, subject to the availability of funds. Recent MassDOT policy requires the inclusion of sidewalk and bicycle accommodations in the above mentioned type projects where sufficient Right of Way exists.

It is noted that the maintenance of sidewalks is generally the responsibility of the community (Town of Middleborough), even though the sidewalk is located within the State Highway limits. Cities or Towns are also requested to submit in writing their support for sidewalks and agree to be responsible for said maintenance.

Thank you for bringing this matter to our attention. Should you have any further questions regarding this matter please call George Ayoub, District Highway Maintenance Engineer, at (508) 884-4220.

Sincerely,

Mary-Joe Perry
District Highway Director

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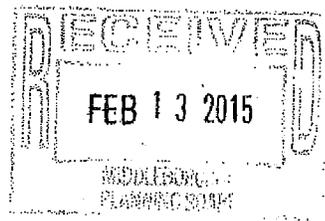
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File: Middleboro-Rte 28-SW

East Coast Engineering, INC.

February 11, 2015

Ms. Ruth McCawley Geoffrey
Town of Middleboro-Planning Department
Town Hall Annex
20 Centre Street
Middleboro, MA 02346



Dear Ms. Geoffrey:

Pending policy and regulations by the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection (MassDEP) (June 2015) regarding the import and reuse of soils at sand and gravel pits and quarries may be significant to your community. Known as Section 277 of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts FY2015 Budget, MassDEP will be issuing an Interim Policy, followed by regulations and guidance, which will establish standards or procedures for determining the suitability of soil used as fill material for the reclamation of quarries, sand pits and gravel pits. The proposed regulations/guidance will apply to site's accepting greater than 100,000 cy of material. Community acceptance and approval of the receiving facility and applicable conditions of operations (for projects greater than 100,000 cy of soil) will be required.

East Coast Engineering, Inc. is interested in working with your community to develop best management practices and technical criteria, which could be incorporated into by-law, for the import of soil fill. East Coast can also serve your community by providing third party review of project proponent's proposal to ensure that the project meets the community's needs and vision. It is critical that these soil fill projects not only meet your town's goals and long-term planning, but also are pro-active in protecting public welfare, safety and the environment. We have a proven track record of working with municipalities, citizen groups, and developers in the soils management arena, and welcome the opportunity to meet with you and your board to discuss how we can assist you in developing criteria which fits your towns needs.

Please contact me at 508.789.0089, and we will schedule a time to meet with you to discuss this further.

Sincerely,
East Coast Engineering, Inc.
Christine R. LeBlanc
Christine R. LeBlanc, LSP
Principal

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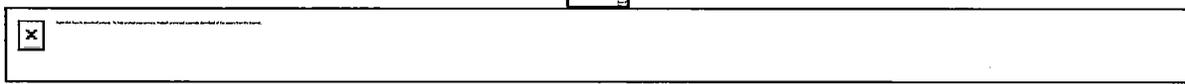
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Jacqueline Shanley

From: The Massachusetts Association of Health Boards <benes@mahb.ccsend.com> on behalf of The Massachusetts Association of Health Boards <benes@mahb.org>
Sent: Monday, February 23, 2015 12:26 PM
To: Jacqueline Shanley
Subject: February 2015 MAHB News



The Massachusetts Association Of Health Boards Newsletter

Current Events

- [Montague considers 21 minimum for tobacco purchases](#)
- [Worcester Health Board Reorganized](#)

Inside this Issue Local Environmental Action Conference

- Harvard Winter Storm Survey
- Housing Court Update
- Ravi Nadkarni Obituary

SAVE THE DATES

2015 MAHB Fall Certificate Program

- Nov. 7th Taunton Holiday Inn
- Nov. 14th - Marlborough Holiday Inn



Dear MAHB Members and Friends,

Local Public Health lost a strong advocate this month in MAHB Executive Board member and former President Ravi Nadkarni. Ravi was my friend for several decades. He lived in the town next door and we shared many battles against local special interests while trying to enact and enforce regulations that would protect the environment and improve the public health. He was a wonderful friend and mentor and will be greatly missed. His daughter Maya sent me an obituary which is included below. It reminds me again of how multifaceted the public health community is. How often we do not have the full measure of a friend or colleague until they pass away and their life is summed up in an obituary.

We will once again be co-sponsoring **the Local Environmental Action Conference**. Two free tickets are available to the first two MAHB members who respond to this newsletter.

MAHB's fall **Certificate Program** will be our 20th, so we should plan something special to acknowledge the anniversary. If you have any suggestions for topics, entertainment or speakers, please contact me ASAP. If anyone is interested in volunteering to assist in an organizing committee, please let me know.

MAHB is also planning a Saturday training for Western Mass Boards of Health sometime this spring. I have sent out email requesting survey feedback on both dates and topics. If you didn't receive this and would like to respond, let me know.

Harvard SPH Conducting BOH Survey

Massachusetts has experienced a record-setting snowfall over the past weeks.

The Harvard School of Public Health in collaboration with the Massachusetts Association of Health

Boards is conducting a survey to learn from this experience on the following issues:

- 1) Public health issues your community has faced during this emergency
- 2) Activities your local health department has implemented to respond to the situation and
- 3) Types of resources and trainings that would be helpful for similar emergencies in the future.

The same survey has been sent to all towns affected by the snow emergency, aggregated results will be shared with all respondents and used to inform future responses and trainings.

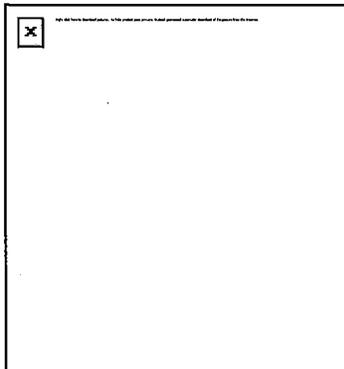
Contact Elena Savoia if you have any questions in regards to this survey at 617-384-9055 or by e-mail esavoia@hsph.harvard.edu

Please respond to the following questions in reference to the snow storms occurred between January and February 2015.

It will take you between 15-20 minutes to complete the survey. To start the survey click on the link below:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/localhealthsnow>

Ravi Nadkarni Obituary



Ravi Nadkarni passed away on February 12, 2015, at his home, with his family by his side. He was 75. He is survived by his daughters Maya, Asha and husband Jason, granddaughter Shama, sister Sheela Amembal and her husband Amar, and brother Prakash and former wife Rajani. Sara, his wife of 40 years, died in 2008, and his daughter Neela died in 1993 in a traffic accident.

Ravi Nadkarni was born in Bombay, India. He was descended from a small group called Chitrapur Saraswats, with a total population of less than 25,000, who have their own language and culture and have contributed much to the cultural life of Bombay. He completed his undergraduate education in Bombay and Poona where he received a Bachelor's degree in Metallurgy. After teaching in Poona for a year, he came to the U.S. and received a Ph.D. in Metallurgy from the University of Utah, working under Prof. Milton Wadsworth. The paper based on his thesis received the best paper award from the American Institute of Mining, Metallurgical, and Petroleum Engineers (AIME). After graduation, Ravi started working for Arthur D. Little, Inc. in Cambridge, MA as a member of their professional staff. His activities ranged from development or evaluation of new technology, project economics and feasibility analysis, market studies, evaluation of alternative energy sources, the evaluation of economic impact of pollution control regulations through econometric modeling, etc. His consulting work involved numerous projects for the metals, chemical and energy industries and for governments in this country and abroad. His work took him to many countries including Japan, Philippines, Hong Kong, India, U.K., Ireland, France, Belgium, Austria, Sweden, Finland, France, Turkey and Morocco. He was promoted to Vice President, Energy Technology in 1980 and then Vice President, Chemical & Metallurgical Engineering in 1981. In the latter role, he was in charge of the company's technical activities in the process industries, supervising a group of about 40 professionals.

He had about a dozen patents. One of his inventions in the precious metals area was licensed to Leach & Garner in Attleboro, MA, whom he joined in 1983. Later, the refinery was acquired by Metalor, a subsidiary of Swiss Bank Corporation. He was always very proud of his work in the pollution control area on removing sulfur from stack gases and the processing of municipal solid wastes into a combustible fuel.

Over the years, Ravi authored or coauthored about 75 professional papers or presentations. These

included subjects such as precious metals processing, strategic materials, metal recycling, resource recovery from municipal solid wastes, economic impact of pollution control regulations (work which directly resulted in Section 119 of the Clean Air Act), production of conventional and non-conventional fuels (such as coal liquefaction and ethanol from biomass) and so on. He edited several books and contributed a section on pollution reduction to a handbook on petroleum refining. In the precious metal area, he wrote an invited paper on Precious Metal Processing, a part of the Elliott Symposium, held to honor Prof. John Elliott of MIT, several papers on precious metal refining, and a paper on applying statistical quality control to assaying and sampling of precious metals.

Ravi was awarded the Application to Practice Award by the Metallurgical Society of AIME in 1990. This award, the highest award for engineers in industry from The Metallurgical Society, was given for "advancements in the refining of precious metals and development of a major precious metal refinery in the United States."

Since retiring, Ravi became more active in the environmental and public health areas with an elected position on Wrentham's Board of Health. He also served on Wrentham's Environmental Protection Advisory Committee. He was the President of Massachusetts Association of Health Boards and received an award from the National Association of Local Boards of Health for his contributions to public health. He taught several courses at MAHB's Annual Fall training sessions. He served as an expert witness in several areas including fugitive emissions from asphalt plants, municipal solid waste transfer stations, precious metal assaying, precious metal inventory analysis and emissions from landfills. As the sole expert witness for a citizen group in Boston, he was able to win for them a lawsuit against the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) wherein the judge ruled the DEP had not conducted a proper analysis of emissions. He was also a member of the Wrentham Cable Access Corporation board for over two decades.

Ravi was a versatile musician, specializing in North Indian Classical Music. His favorite instrument was the sitar, but he was also fluent in playing the harmonium, bamboo flute, violin, mandolin, and sarod.

Ravi's accomplishments were many and varied, but he was also a devoted husband, father, and grandfather, and a caring friend and mentor to all who knew him. He shared a rare love with his wife Sara until her death in 2008. He was also an active and involved father who fostered his daughters' intellectual pursuits and supported them in good times and bad. In his last years, Ravi embraced his new role as grandfather, and he spent his final months living with daughter Asha, son-in-law Jason, and granddaughter Shama in Northampton, MA. There he delighted family and friends with his home-baked bread, cooking from his world travels, and stories and wisdom from his full life.

While born in the Hindu faith, Ravi was not religious in the conventional sense. He strongly believed that much strife in the world could be avoided if all religions emphasized their commonalities and not their differences. He will be deeply missed.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be sent in Ravi's name to Baithak/LearnQuest Inc., c/o Jawed Wahid, 125 Prospect St., Framingham, MA 01701 (Hindustani Classical Music Organization) or Wrentham Public Health Nurses, Town Hall, 79 South Street, Wrentham MA 02093. Cremation and interment will be private. Visiting hours will be between 4 and 7pm on March 7th at the R.J. Ross Funeral Home, 135 South Street, Wrentham MA. Words of remembrance from family and friends will conclude visiting hours.

Local Environmental Action Conference
Sunday, March 15
Curry Student Center, Northeastern University - Boston

MAHB is once again cosponsoring the Local Environmental Action Conference. We will have two free tickets available to the first MAHB members who respond. Tickets include admission, breakfast, lunch and reception. Additional MAHB members can attend for only \$25 each.

This is a great opportunity to have your energy and enthusiasm recharged and meet inspiring members of the environmental community.

If you are interested in attending as a representative of MAHB, please contact me ASAP. For more information, or to register for the conference, go to www.localenvironmentalaction.org.

Housing Court Expansion Bill

The **Supreme Judicial Court's Access to Justice Commission** together with the Massachusetts Supreme Judicial Court (SJC), the Trial Court Department, the Housing Court Department, and the Massachusetts Law Reform Institute submitted a bill to the Legislature to complete the expansion of the Housing Court statewide by July 2016.

The Commission proposes that a comprehensive expansion occur by expanding existing divisions and adding a sixth division. Considering transportation and projected summary process case loads, the Commission proposes the following:

- **Western Housing Court** was the last major expansion and includes Hampden, Hampshire, Franklin, and Berkshire counties. Maintain division as is.
- Expand Worcester Housing Court to become the **Central Housing Court** and include cities and towns in Middlesex County, including Framingham.
- Expand Boston Housing Court to become the **Eastern Housing Court** and include Chelsea, Revere, Winthrop and areas in Middlesex and Norfolk counties reachable into Boston by public transportation, including Newton and Brookline.
- Expand the **Northeast Housing Court** to include Woburn, Malden, Melrose, Waltham, Watertown, and the surrounding areas.
- Expand the **Southeast Housing Court** to include Barnstable, Dukes, and Nantucket counties.
- Create a new **Metro South Housing Court** that would include the existing Housing Court in Brockton and would cover Norfolk.

For more information, go to <http://www.housingcourt4all.org/>



This newsletter is intended to be useful and interesting to board of health members and staff. If you have **new board members** who are not receiving these messages, please be sure to log in to [The MAHB members page](#) and update your board's profile, including an email address. It will also be helpful if you click the "forward this email" link below. As always, your suggestions and contributions are welcome.

Sincerely,

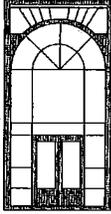
Marcia Benes
Executive Director
The Massachusetts Association Of Health Boards



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Window
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Middleborough Public Library

102 North Main St., Middleborough, MA 02346

Danielle M. Bowker
Director

PART-TIME LIBRARY TECHNICIAN POSITION AVAILABLE

February 23, 2015

The Middleborough Public Library has an opening for a part-time Library Technician. This is a 20 hour position with benefits. Hours will include some evenings and alternate Saturdays. In addition to the 20 hours, a 4 hour shift one Sunday a month is required, with an option to work multiple Sundays. Working under the direction of the Library Director, the successful candidate will perform a variety of library and public services tasks at the circulation desk. She/he will also assist the Director with bills payable tasks. The person must be outgoing, friendly, helpful and flexible.

Qualifications: A Bachelor's degree; skilled in both Windows and Microsoft Office and a working knowledge of social media are required. Experience with SirsiDynix Workflows or a similar automated library system is preferred. An ability to work as part of a team is a must.

Salary: Starting salary is \$14.53 as per contract between the Library Staff Association and the Town of Middleborough.

Resumes accepted electronically until March 14, 2015.

Please send to:

Library Director Danielle Bowker
dbowker@sailsinc.org

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Jacqueline Shanley

From: Taunton River Watershed Alliance <susan@savethetaunton.ccsend.com> on behalf of Taunton River Watershed Alliance <trwa_staff@verizon.net>
Sent: Tuesday, February 24, 2015 6:04 PM
To: Jacqueline Shanley
Subject: TRWA Water Quality Monitoring Training Postponed



February 24, 2015

Taunton River Watershed Alliance

CANCELLATION -- PLEASE NOTE!

**The TRWA Water Quality Monitoring Workshop
scheduled for this Saturday, February 28, 2015
has been cancelled
because of weather-related conditions.**

**The workshop will be held on
Saturday, March 28, 2015
at the Gertrude Boyden Refuge in Taunton.**

**Water testing will begin on the second Tuesday of April
(April 14). More information will be provided shortly. We
apologize for any inconvenience.**



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Jacqueline Shanley

From: Caroline R. LaCroix
Sent: Friday, February 27, 2015 8:55 AM
To: All Town Department Heads
Subject: FW: MIIA Training - Management 101- Duxbury May 20

From: Mary Ann Marino [<mailto:mmarino@mma.org>]
Sent: Thursday, February 26, 2015 5:09 PM
To: mmarino@mma.org
Cc: alexandra jomini
Subject: MIIA Training - Management 101- Duxbury May 20

Dear MIIA Members,

An upcoming MIIA/EAP training we would like to make you aware of.

Management 101

Date & Time:
Wednesday, May 20, 2015
1:30pm-3:00pm

Presenter:
Cally Ritter

Location:
Duxbury Senior Center Weyerhauser Room
10 Mayflower St
Duxbury, MA 02332

Contact:
Marianne Gonsalves
781-934-1100 x5411
gonsalves@town.duxbury.ma.us

Being a manager is a double-edged sword: an honor, and a huge responsibility for which we are often not prepared. This training is an opportunity to explore the unique transition into management.

Core management skills to be discussed include delegation, motivation, communication, prioritization, tapping resources, and supervising troubled employees. Each component of the program will provide managers with specific skills, theoretical background on managerial styles and strategies, and exercises to practice skills.

To register for this course please click [here](#)

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me.

Best Regards,

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David and Tanya Trzeciak

Middleboro, MA 02346

Board of Selectmen
Town Hall
10 Nickerson Avenue
Middleborough, MA

23 February 2015

Subject: Harvestwood Estates Old Center Street

Dear Sirs and Madams,

This property has been a matter of contention since at least 1995. There are major problems with drainage and in 1996 the Conservation Commission deemed it wetlands. Since that time the property has changed hands and there have been many attempts to build a development on it.

Middleborough needs more income as it grows but to what/whose expense? Should the homeowners who abut this property suffer more drainage issues and possibly have severe damage and unusable yards?

Our house should not have been built because it is surrounded by a swamp for much of the year and especially after heavy rains or winters with a lot of snow. We have pictures to support the water problem that we are willing to share. Or, if any of you wish to visit our property to see the problem first hand, you are more than welcome.

We dug a small hole in one area that is filled with water most of the year. We dug it in hopes of allowing the rest of the yard to be usable in the spring and early summer. That did not really help.

We dug a small, maybe 2", trench from the back of the house to the south end of our property hoping that would help the drainage issue. The water runs through that little trench like a fast moving river. Still we have problems.

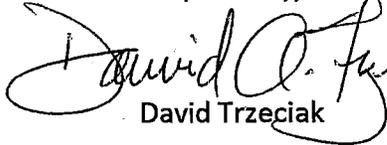
After a winter such as this one with the heavy snow coverage, we will be lucky to have full access to our back yard by July. We will not be able to cut the grass because of the water. Mosquitos will have a field day back there.

Our neighbor, Higgins, had many truckloads of fill brought in several years ago and there are still drainage issues there.

Some of the questions we have are:

1. How high above grade will the access road be? Which way will it drain? When Old Center Street was paved water rushed down our driveway like a torrential river. The Town came and built up a berm to slow that down.
2. How much fill will be trucked in to raise the foundations of the proposed houses above the water table?
3. If our drainage problems increase, what recourse will we have to have the increased water problem rectified?
4. How does the increased fill affect the certified vernal pool? Will changing the landscape disturb this pool?

Respectfully,


David Trzeciak


Tanya Trzeciak

Cc: Town Manager
Planning Board
Conservation Commission