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Dear Ms. Hallquist,

On behalf of the membership of the Messer Pond Protective Association (MPPA), I would like to thank the Town of New London for assisting and working with us to improve the management of the stormwater runoff around Messer Pond. By having the town as a partner, the MPPA was able to receive a Watershed Assistance Grant to address the nutrient loading at several locations in the Messer Pond watershed. Specifically:

- At the intersection of County Road and Fieldstone Lane – by replacing an undersized culvert and armoring ditches to reduce sediment loading into a wetland that borders Messer Pond.
- On Fieldstone Lane - by replacing the 3 distressed culverts and upgrading/expanding the vegetative buffers around these locations to mitigate any stormwater runoff.
- On Bog Road and Castle Lane – by replacing over 500 feet of soft sandy material with a stable vegetative buffer, installing gravel swales and grading ditches. This roadwork was done to reduce ditch erosion and better manage stormwater runoff into Messer Pond.
- At Bog Road culvert – by repairing/replacing headers and restoring the vegetative buffer to prevent stormwater runoff from the road from entering the wetland.

I would especially like to thank Sam Clarke and Bob Harrington for the many hours they spent working with the MPPA reviewing the site design plans and helping to acquire material for the project. I would like to acknowledge the handoff from Bob to Sam over the summer. The seamless transition allowed things to go very smoothly and helped keep the project on schedule and under budget.

I would also like to thank the team at the DPW on the efficient installation at each location – thereby minimizing the impact to traffic in those areas. Our Grant Project Manager visited all the project sites in September. She was very complimentary on the great work that had been done. The crew is an asset to the Town of New London, and we are very fortunate to have such a great group working at the DPW.

Thank you again for your support.

Sincerely,

Audrey Chijner
President, Messer Pond Protective Association

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