



Madbury Water Resources Board

13 Town Hall Road
Madbury, NH 03823

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Dear Planning Board,

The Madbury Water Resources Board is pleased to comment on the proposed amendment to Article IX-A, Wellhead and Aquifer Overlay District. We appreciate Planning Board Chair Mark Avery's attendance at our recent meeting to better understand the proposal.

We understand the major change is to follow the state's sanitary wellhead protective radii standard, which varies depending upon the well's withdrawal rate, rather than the ordinance's current fixed radius of 400 feet. We realize this lessens issues that might occur involving abutting landowner rights while still preserving water protection. We understand that other changes involve updates to references, alignment with other agency guidance, and clarification and organization of the ordinance.

The Water Resources Board finds no objection to the proposed amendment to Article IX-A Wellhead and Aquifer Overlay District.

Sincerely,

Garret Ahlstrom, Chair,
Madbury Water Resources Board