

PROJECT STATUS REPORT for the Community Preservation Committee

Project Name: Warner's Pond Restoration

Project Number: #5-FY24

Date: May 15, 2025 Interim Status Report Final Status Report*

1. **What percentage of the project has been completed?** 35%

2. **Describe work completed to date:**

Under this CPA project, funds have been used to develop a Preliminary Dam Removal Design (EA Engineering), which was contracted in August 2023 to advance dam removal design, respond to community feedback on this alternative, and continue community outreach efforts. This task is complete.

Two conceptual dredging cost estimates have been obtained, and one preliminary cost estimate for dam removal.

Funds have also been used to engage a professional facilitator (Consensus Building Institute) to work with the Warner's Pond Task Force. The Task Force anticipates a final recommendation to the Natural Resources Commission by June 2025.

3. **What key project milestones have been reached?**

All tasks under the Dam Removal Preliminary Design are complete. Preliminary cost estimates for dam removal and alternate dredging alternatives are complete. A bathymetric and sediment depth survey is contracted for May 2025.

4. **Expenditure Report:**

- a. **What is the date your project began or will begin spending CPC funds?** August 2023
- b. **Attach a detailed Expenditure Report.** See attached.
- c. **In a brief narrative, account for the amount of CPC funds expended to date:** Please see #2, above.

5. **Describe remaining work and projected timeline:**

Additional restoration efforts are subject to the recommendation of the Task Force, and approval of the NRC.

6. **Describe your outreach efforts.** A Warner's Pond Task Force website (including a public comment portal), newspaper articles, regular Task Force meetings with the opportunity for public comment, and regular updates at NRC meetings and Conservation Coffees. A report was made to the Select Board on dam removal and dredging alternatives in 2022 following receipt of a cost-prohibitive dredging bid.

7. **What is the expected project completion date?** TBD

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*For Final Status Reports, please include representative Before, During and After Photographs of your project, if applicable.