REPORT OF THE STORMWATER COMMITTEE

In March of 2003, the Town of Hampden submitted a Notice of Intent and a five year Stormwater Management Program as required by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). The Program consists of various tasks and timelines, which address 6 Minimum Controls as outlined by the EPA. One such task, delineated under the Planning Board's responsibility, was the formation of a Stormwater Committee.

News articles requesting volunteers appeared in local papers in July and a Committee was formed in September. The nine member committee consists of members from the Board of Selectmen, Highway Department, Planning Board, School Department, and Citizens of Hampden. Our goal is to protect our natural resources by overseeing the implementation of the Stormwater Program in an efficient and economic manner.

The Committee has been very productive in the past several months and as a result, has completed many of the tasks which are due to be completed by May 2004. Some of those tasks include: setting up an educational display, sending out educational information to residents, placing stormwater links on the Town Website, stenciling storm drains, compiling existing outfall information.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the Committee volunteers for their valuable time, effort and dedication, which will make this program a success.

Respectfully submitted

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