



June 6, 2018

Town of Weymouth
Community Preservation Committee
75 Middle Street
Weymouth, MA 02189

Re: Funding Smelt Brook Section 1135 Restoration Feasibility Study

Dear Community Preservation Committee,

On behalf of over 130,000 members and supporters across the Commonwealth, The Sierra Club Massachusetts Chapter writes to you in support of funding for the Smelt Brook Section 1135 Restoration Feasibility Study.

The Sierra Club recognizes the environmental and social benefits to improving fish passage for migratory fish species including Smelt and American Eel at the smelt brook fish gate and perched culvert.

The opportunity to remove the perched culvert, restore the natural streambed will increase the spawning habitat of Smelt and passage of American Eel. The potential creation of a passive recreation park at the location could benefit residents and visitors alike, providing passive space for people to view the restored stream and connect with nature.

CC: Mayor Hedlund

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Emily Norton". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Emily Norton,
Director, Massachusetts Chapter