



The Chamber that opens doors.

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Jamie Fosburgh, NPS, Manager, Northeast Region Rivers Program
Lucy Wallace, Chair, NRWSR Study Committee
Nashua River Wild & Scenic River Study Committee
c/o Nashua River Watershed Association, Inc.
592 Main Street
Groton, MA 01450

Dear Mr. Fosburgh and Ms. Wallace:

The Nashoba Valley Chamber of Commerce has about 600 members and provides opportunities for businesses to increase their exposure and to build business relations and partnerships within our region. Our members recognize that their work force and customers are drawn to this area in large part by the livability and charm of our communities. The character of our communities is forged from our beautiful landscapes, and our rich cultural heritage, and our natural resources. The Nashua, Squannacook, and Nissitissit Rivers run through the heart of nine of the Chamber's communities: Ayer, Bolton, Devens, Groton, Harvard, Lancaster, Pepperell, Shirley, and Townsend.

Designation by Congress of the Nashua, Squannacook, and Nissitissit Rivers as Partnership Wild & Scenic Rivers would provide the national recognition that these rivers deserve and be a tremendous source of pride to our business members and the townspeople at large.

The Nashua, Squannacook, and Nissitissit Rivers Stewardship Plan recommends many voluntary actions that will likely be of interest to our members, and I foresee many opportunities for partnerships in the coming years.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Melissa Fetterhoff".

Melissa Fetterhoff, IOM
President & CEO