

Office of the Ayer Board of Selectmen  
Office of the Ayer Town Administrator



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April 18, 2018

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

**Re: Wild and Scenic River Designation**

Dear Mr. Fosburgh and Ms. Wallace:

On April 17, 2018 the Ayer Board of Selectmen unanimously voted to place a warrant article on the Ayer Annual Town Meeting Warrant (to take place on May 14, 2018) in support of the proposed "*Nashua, Squanacook & Nissitissit Rivers Stewardship Plan*" and endorsed the Plan's recommendation to seek designation as Partnership Wild and Scenic Rivers. The purposes and goals of the Plan and Designation are in concert with the Town's commitment of protecting natural and historic resources such as the main stem of the Nashua River which forms the western boundary of the Town of Ayer and which is part of the Oxbow National Wildlife Refuge.

The Board of Selectmen voted (3-0) at its April 17, 2018 meeting in support of the "*Nashua, Squanacook & Nissitissit Rivers Stewardship Plan*" as well as in support of the Partnership Wild and Scenic Rivers Designation. Copies of the minutes for the April 17, 2018 Board of Selectmen meeting will be posted on the Town's website ([www.ayer.ma.us](http://www.ayer.ma.us)) following their approval by the Board of Selectmen. Additionally, the Ayer Board of Selectmen will support passage of the warrant article in support of the Plan and Designation at the Ayer Annual Town Meeting on Monday, May 14, 2018.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Robert A. Pontbriand".

Robert A. Pontbriand  
Ayer Town Administrator

Cc: Ayer Board of Selectmen