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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

Dear Mr. Fosburgh and Ms. Wallace:

Friends of Nashua River Rail Trail has dedicated its efforts to improving conditions on the 11-mile shared use trail that extends from Ayer, MA in the south to the NH state line in Dunstable, MA. Our focus is on the four towns – also including Groton and Pepperell — through which the rail trail passes and all four are in the Nashua, Squannacook, and Nissitissit River Study area. Needless to say, the Nashua River features as the most prominent and unifying element of the rail trail.

We are writing in support of the NSN Stewardship Plan and its recommendation to seek Wild and Scenic River designation: and its great that so do each of the four towns as seen by their voting for such at their recent ATMs. We look forward to working with the Study Committee or Stewardship Council on future trail-oriented and public-awareness raising initiatives.

Sincerely,

Duane Cromwell, Co-Chair

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