

## PUBLIC NOTICE

Pursuant to Executive Orders 11988 (Floodplain Management) and 11990 (Wetlands) Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) is required to implement regulations at Title 44 of the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 9, where FEMA would provide an initial notice of its intent to provide Hazard Mitigation Grant Program funding for an action located in floodplains and wetlands. Funding would be provided through Massachusetts Emergency Management Agency to the Town of Natick for the Charles River Dam Removal project.

The proposed action is located adjacent to Grove Park in Natick, MA. The proposal is to decommission the Charles River Dam (an earthen embankment of 200-linear feet and crest width 30-feet) along with its concrete spillways, concrete sluiceways, and fish ladder to improve public safety and to restore riverine flows.

The project is within a mapped special flood hazard area (1% annual chance floodplain) and consists of an area of bordering vegetative wetlands. A map of the area is available upon request.

Map requests and comments about this project and potential floodplain and wetland impacts are encouraged to be submitted within 15 days of the date of this publication to:

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