Hi Carolyn:

I hope you had a relaxing vacation. Welcome back!

As you probably know by now, we have installed a stone wall along the Steinman’s property at the head of Lower Beech Pond. The goals of the project were two fold:

1) To keep boat trailers and large boats from backing down into the pond and to thereby reduce the threat of exotic weed introduction into the pond;

2) To keep trucks and cars off the road shoulder/pond bank to limit further compression of the soil and to stop/limit erosion/road water runoff.

I’d appreciate it if you would focus on the second goal when discussing this at your public meetings. I may be overreacting but I fear a disgruntled person might purposely introduce milfoil into Lower Beech Pond. Thus, if we don’t emphasize this goal in public no one will get any bad ideas. Finally, David Smith will be in touch with you to discuss how the town might be able to build back up the shoulder of the roadway and reintroduce native vegetation around the rock wall to help stop/limit road runoff.

Thanks,

Mark Evitts
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