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New London Planning Board
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Date: November 17, 2018

Dear Chairman Gorman and Committee,

I had spoken at the June 26th Planning Board meeting relative to the Crimi Subdivision.

As the representative of the Lake Sunapee Protective Association (LSPA), I want to reinforce my comments on the handling of potential stormwater runoff resulting from the proposed Crimi development.

According to NH DES, stormwater runoff is the number one cause of freshwater degradation. In Lake Sunapee, it provides phosphorus that feeds algae (cyanobacteria) of which we are seeing more blooms in the lake. I cannot emphasize enough what this means to reduced water quality of Lake Sunapee.

I would also remind you that in other New England locales, “cyano” blooms have led to reduced property values and therefore reduced tax revenue for those locales. I would also like to share that our Scientific Advisory Committee, composed of research experts in the field, indicate to us that phosphorus flow prevention is currently the #1 action that we can take.

Minimizing the effects of deforestation and development is of vital importance. This can be done with thoughtful planning, landscaping for infiltration, and a variety of stormwater handling installations.

I would encourage the Planning Board to require preventative measures in the Crimi subdivision.

Thank you for your consideration,

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