



Supplemental Information: January 2008

After the adoption of the Topsham Reuse Master Plan in December 2007, the information described below was developed which provides clarification to an issue that was unresolved as the reuse master plan report's publication:

Topsham Sewer District Notice of Interest

On page 145 of the Topsham Annex Reuse Master Plan report document, in the section describing the Notices of Interest Recommended for Approval, is the following text:

#7: The Topsham Sewer District requested two buildings at the entrance to the Annex, along Can Am Drive to be used to meet administrative and maintenance needs, along with 22,000 square feet of land for future expansion. While the TLRA determined that the request conformed to the proposed land uses for that part of the Annex, the amount of land sought by the District for future expansion is part of the same acreage proposed by the Town of Topsham for economic development (as described below). Legal Counsel for the TLRA advised that the proposed use was not a typical PBC granted by the Department of Health and Human Services, but that it may be possible to make a successful case to HHS. Understanding this, the TLRA voted to approve the Sewer District's request for the two structures, but modified the land request to approximately 20,000 square feet. Should the Sewer District's request be granted by HHS, this area would be removed from the town's EDC request for economic development and job creation, described below.

Since the publication of this paragraph, the US Department of Health and Human Services ruled that the Topsham Sewer District's proposed request for buildings and land at the Topsham Annex would qualify as a public benefit conveyance. Consequently, the Recommended Notices of Interest that will be considered for approval by HHS will include the Topsham Sewer District's request for the two buildings at the entrance to the Annex and 22,000 square feet of land.