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Subject: 1252-1270 Boylston Street Draft Project Impact Report (DPIR) Comments

Dear Mr. Czerwienski:

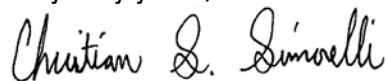
Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the 1252-1270 Boylston Street Draft Project Impact Report (DPIR) which is located in the Fenway. The Boston Groundwater Trust (BGwT) was established by the Boston City Council to monitor groundwater levels in sections of Boston where the integrity of building foundations is threatened by low groundwater levels and to make recommendations for solving the problem. Therefore my comments are limited to groundwater related issues.

The project is located in the Groundwater Conservation Overlay District (GCOD) established under Article 32 of the Zoning Code. In response to our May 7th, 2019 Project Notification Form (PNF) comment letter, the proponent committed to complying with both the installation of a recharge system to capture one (1) inch of rainfall across the portion of the Project Site and a demonstration that the project will not cause a reduction in groundwater levels on site or on adjoining lots by providing a no harm letter, which will be stamped by a professional engineer who is registered in Massachusetts.

In addition, the proponent committed to establishing a groundwater level monitoring program prior to, during, and after construction and coordinating with the Trust to confirm which observation wells will be protected, monitored, and reported.

I look forward to continuing to work with the proponent and the Agency to assure that this project can have only positive impacts on area groundwater levels.

Very truly yours,



Christian Simonelli
Executive Director

CC: Kathleen Pederson, BPDA
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