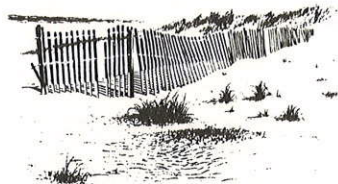


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Attention: Mr. William Ashe

Re: Charlestown Naval
Auxiliary Landing Field

Dear Mr. Ashe:

As you are aware, there is currently some serious controversy over the uses to which the Town of Charlestown can apply the acreage awarded it under Acting GSA Director Goulding's decision.

This is to notify you that after consultation with the Washington attorneys who represented the Town throughout the NEPCO application process, and with our consultant planner who prepared the Town's application to Heritage Conservation and Recreation Service, it is our opinion, as the majority of the Charlestown Town Council, that the integrity of Mr. Goulding's decision must be upheld in this matter as it was in the Federal appeals process and that the Town's requisition of 172 acres for recreational purposes through Heritage Conservation and Recreational Service should proceed.

We want to assure your office that we intend to act in accordance with the requirements outlined in the Goulding decision, which clearly states that the 172 acres is to provide a buffer for the Fish and Wildlife Service refuge, and is to be used for recreational purposes.

Very truly yours,

Gilbert K. Mook

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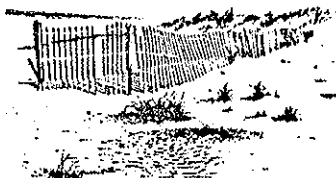
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Attn: L. F. Bretta, Regional Administrator

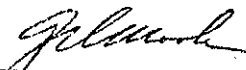
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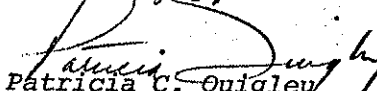
In light of the apparent controversy and confusion over the disposal of 237 acres to the Town of Charlestown under acting GSA Administrator Goulding's decision, we, as the majority of the Charlestown Town Council, should like to go on record with your office as supporting the original plan which is now before the Heritage Conservation and Recreational Division of the Department of the Interior.

It is our feeling after consultation with our Washington attorneys who represented the Town in the NEPCO appeals process, that Goulding's intent for the Town's portion of the property was clearly outlined in the decision and that to challenge the decision by attempting to purchase the land for commercial and/or industrial use would put the Town in a position where the proposed use is in conflict with the uses which the Fish and Wildlife Service intends for its land.

Very truly yours,


Gilbert K. Mook


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CC: J. W. O'Connell,
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