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Re: Hanscom North Airfield Development ENF

Dear Mr. Strysky:

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the Hanscom North Airfield Development ENF.

For the past 45 years, on numerous occasions, Massport has affirmed its commitment to the 1978 Master Plan for Hanscom Field. But the Master Plan has only a few statements that can be considered absolute and unequivocal:

One of them is on p. 29 of the Master Plan. It says

"Acquisition [of land] would be considered only in instances where it was essential to preclude major incompatible developments."

The plan for this project proposes acquisition of land by Massport. It is clearly **not** to preclude a major incompatible development; quite the opposite - it's to facilitate airport expansion, and it's a clear violation of the 1978 Master Plan.

Many sections of the ENF questionnaire ask the proponent to address consistency with existing state, regional, and local plans and policies. However, the proponent's ENF does not even acknowledge the existence of the Master Plan.

Can Massport ignore its Master Plan whenever it chooses to do so? Or does it first need to modify the Plan through a public process, possibly overseen by the Secretary of Energy and Environmental Affairs? We trust that the MEPA office will give these questions full consideration.

Sincerely, Robert Domnitz Chair, Lincoln Planning Board

via email and USPS