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**CERTIFIED MAIL
RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED**

November 14, 2022

Town of Westford
Board of Selectmen
55 Main St.
Westford, MA 01886

Attn: Richard Barrett, Highway Supt.

SUBJECT: NATIONAL BRIDGE INSPECTION STANDARDS (NBIS)
BRIDGE CLOSURE
Westford: BEAVER BK RD / BEAVER BROOK
Bridge No: W-26-014
BIN No: 26G
Structure No: W26014-26G-MUN-NBI

Dear Select Board:

The Massachusetts Department of Transportation (MassDOT) - Highway Division has undertaken the inventory, inspection, and rating of locally-owned bridges to assist the cities and towns in complying with State and Federal Legislation.

The above bridge was inspected on 11/10/22, and it is recommended that the bridge be **CLOSED** to vehicular traffic.

The reason for this recommendation is due to increased severe deterioration of the corrugated structural pipes and the loss of fill that the corrugated pipes are intended to support.

This letter confirms the notification to close the subject bridge per a telephone message and a follow up email between Mr. Mohammed Nabulsi, District 3 Bridge Engineer on 11/14/22 and Mr. Steven Cronin, Westford DPW Director.

Your immediate action is requested. Please respond in writing confirming your action not later than 11/18/22.

A copy of the Inspection Report regarding this recommendation is available and may be obtained from Mr. Nabulsi. Barry Lorion, the District Highway Director, will be pleased to review the report with you and advise you of any programs available regarding this bridge.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

for Carrie Lavallee, P.E.
Chief Engineer

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cc: DHD, D-3 & DBIE, D-3
Duplicate sent by Regular First Class Mail