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Town of Windham

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Portland Water District, Trustees 225 Douglass Street Portland, ME 04104-3553

Re: Potential Surplus Land Located at Gambo

Dear Trustees:

The Town of Windham is interested in the approximate fifty surplus acres, depicted on the attached map, for permanent recreational use. The Town Council has reviewed this potential opportunity for fields and trails and is unanimously in support of acquiring the parcel.

We envision making improvements to Cherry Lane to provide safer access to the soccer fields and the existing hand-carried river access area. The Town desires that this parcel would be open to the public with walking trails, small craft launch and playing fields. Additionally, the fifty acres of surplus land would be forever protected from housing or business development.

We are offering to have the parcel surveyed for your valuation purposes and commit to funding this park with public input on the design and usage. Preserving this parcel is consistent with the Town's Comprehensive and Open Space Plans and would be a regional asset.

Thank you for your consideration of this request for a public park.

Sincerely,

Barry A. Tibbetts Town Manager

Mark Morrison Council Chair

