# **Aquifer & Wetlands Protection at 5 Concord Road**

The Aquifer Protection District by-laws look at percentage of land that is non-permeable.

% of Non-Permeable Land	Result
Less than 15%	Allowed
15% - 30%	By Special Permit
30%+	Not allowed

Article 18 proposes to add 2,000 sqft (4,000 sqft over 2 floors) to the footprint, combine the Library lot with the Freight House Lot and remove all macadam from parking lots and instead use porous material. The result is only **12.8%** of the land would be non-permeable, which is allowed. Since both land parcels are municipal, there is no cost to combining the two lots.

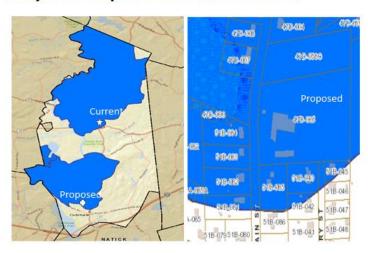
Building with porous material is more expensive than macadam. But it is not prohibitive. In fact, the proposed new Library site, 195 Main Street, is also in the Aquifer Protection District and the entire 90+ car parking area will be paved with porous material. Here's how the existing Library at 5 Concord Road compares to the proposed new Library.

Library building has 14,025 sqft over 2 floors, 7,150 sqft per floor

Comparision of Impervious Surface			
5 Concord Road Coverage		195 Main St. Coverage	
sqft.		sqft.	
44,431	Library Land Area	90,694	
39,426			
83,857			
	Building	20,280	
7,150	Overhang	7,309	
1,570	Sidewalk 1	503	
2,000	Sidewalk 2	967	
	Minus Median	(2,574)	
10,720		26,485	
12.8%	Coverage %	29.2%	
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If you are concerned with the amount of land covered by non-permeable material, clearly, the smaller footprint of expanding at our current library is the less wasteful, greener choice than covering over 26,485 sqft of land.

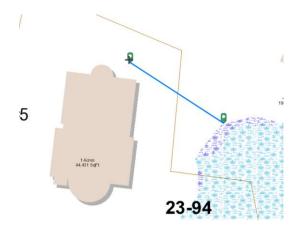
# **Wayland's Aquifer Protection District**



### **Wetlands Permitting Process**

WETLANDS PROTECTION - BACKGROUND:

- The state Wetlands Protection Act sets limits on projects near wetlands.
- The town also has Chapter 194 bylaw Wayland's own wetlands protection bylaw which is somewhat more strict.
- Ch 194 says that if you are within 100 ft of a wetland, then the project will require filing a notice of intent (NOI) which describes the project. The NOI will have an alternatives analysis and a description of how the project will benefit the interests of the Wetlands protection act. The Conservation Commission will hold public hearings and then make a determination IF the project may proceed, and if so the CONDITIONS under which it can proceed they issue an 'Order of Conditions'.

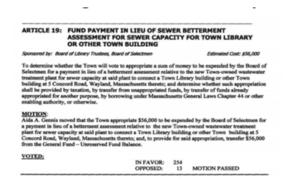


The proposed addition IS within 100' of wetlands and subject to Wetlands permitting. Because the proposal would be adding 2,000 sqft. of impervious surface but removing 16,000 sqft. of impervious surface (the parking lots), there is good reason to expect the project would be permitted. The \$175K would go to design and engineering work needed for permitting.

Here's a Google Map view of the area and proposed expansion:



Building over the septic field is not a new idea. We approved Article 19 in 2016 to start the process of connecting the wastewater to Town Center sewage treatment and the reason for starting this is explained in the Library Planning Committee minutes.



In 2016, Wayland approved \$56,000 for Article 19

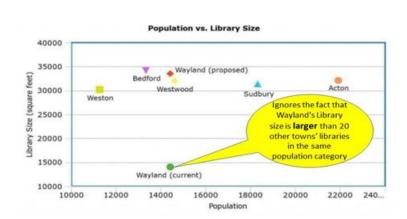
#### **Library Planning Committee**

Minutes of Meeting on March 21, 2016

Article 19 concerns connecting the current building at 5 Concord Road to the town-owned wastewater (sewage) treatment plant. This is needed to have available land upon which the library at 5 Concord

Road can be expanded. If the library connects to the wastewater plant, the current aging septic system can be excavated and that land could then be used to enlarge the footprint of the library. Even if the library is not expanded, it is anticipated a new septic will soon be required as the current one is 29 years old.

**Some idea of size** of Wayland's Library compared to other Towns in our population cohort. The current 14,025 sq. ft. is 83% of the 16,817 sq. ft average and larger than 20 towns in our population size. After adding 4,000 sq. ft. we would be #31 out of 49 Towns.





# References to the 2018 Annual Town Meeting Warrant displayed here



2018 ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

For FY19 the Finance Committee is recommending a General Fund Budget of \$79,895,000 or a 3.64% increase over FY18 and an estimated tax rate of \$18.80 as shown in Table 1 below. This amount exceeded the Finance Committee's 3.5% guideline by 14%. The Committee's recommended FY19 operating and capital-badgets together would result in an increase in the average bousehold's property tax bill of roughly 6.81%.) The six major capital projects before the town, the Big 6, are proposed in Town Meeting Articles. Thus, these costs are not included in the Town's FY19 Omnabus Budget as these items will be voted on at Town Meeting in separate Warrant Articles and if passed will not impact the tax rate until FY20.

On pg. 5. On average, our property tax bill will increase by ~6.81% this July. This increase is **before** the cost of a new library.



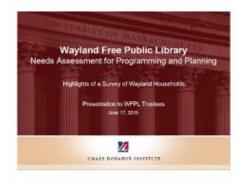
On pg. 10. You'll see the proposed new Library, principal + interest, will cost tax payers \$29.9M

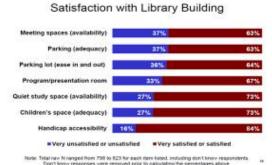


And on pg. 19. List of other capital projects requested over next 5 yrs. The total is \$99.5M.

# References to the 2015 UMass Donahue Annual Survey displayed

herehttps://waylandlibrary.org/wp-content/uploads/2015/11/WFPL-PP-Final-to-post.pdf





13. How likely would you be to support a bond issue you fund a library project in Wayland that expands/modernizes the current building?

Likely + Very Likely = 73%

14. If it is not possible to expand/modernize the current building, how likely would you be to support a bond issue to fund construction of a new facility on a different site?

Likely + Very Likely = 50%

