

Project Name: 40 Thorndike (Sullivan Courthouse Renovation)

Dear Mr. Bourre,

The application for waiver of MEPA review for 40 Thorndike (Sullivan Courthouse Renovation) must be denied.

The project triggers the threshold to deny any waiver of MEPA review because this building is a habitat for a State-Listed Endangered Species, the Peregrine Falcon. Under 301 CMR 11.00: MEPA Regulations, Section 11.01, Review Thresholds, State-Listed Species under M.G.L. c. 131A, ENF and Other MEPA Review if the Secretary so Requires is needed. This project has activities spelled out in 321 CMR 10:00 Massachusetts Endangered Species Act which would require more review by MEPA and other reviews which have not yet been done. Being two blocks from the Charles River and close to wetlands preserved under law, this would be a site of concern under MEPA. MEPA must review this issue in the project.

The Leggat McCall application for a MEPA wavier should be denied.

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