

COMPOSTING TOILETS

Dear Wetlands Committee Members,

Many golf courses in Massachusetts and across the country have solved their "porta-pottie problems" by installing eco-friendly composting toilets.

These cost-effective, attractive and even luxurious facilities can negate the need for water, sewer and electric hookups. The buildings can be customized to incorporate features like lightning/weather shelters, and aesthetically designed to be placed where needed most. Best of all, they would have almost no impact on our town's natural resources.

Permitting should be simpler. They can be built quickly. And it's a solution the community would support.

Below are links detailing the use of these toilets on golf courses. One of the companies is located in Massachusetts and has installations on golf courses in Concord, MA, New Seabury, MA, and Stowe, VT.

<http://gsr.lib.msu.edu/article/vavrek-dealing-1-21-11.pdf>

<http://www.clivusne.com/foam-flush-toilets-concord-cc.php>

We ask that a compost system be explored as a permanent solution as Wellesley Country Club moves forward with solving their bathroom and shelter needs. This type of Alternative Analysis seems appropriate given this project's impact on the Riverfront Area.