To whom it may concern,

The Mascoma River Local Advisory Committee has reviewed the Comprehensive Conservation Plan for the Silvio O. Conte National Fish and Wildlife Refuge, & have voted to support the alternative "C" as presented. We believe that this alternative is the best fit for not only the Mascoma River Watershed but for the entire Refuge, & also provides for the proper management of the resource. In addition, this alternative also allows the continuation of a variety of uses to the benefit of the local communities included in the expansion of the Refuge. We greatly look forward to working with the staff of the Refuge to help develop a plan of both outreach & education for the Mascoma River Focus area as well.

The Mascoma River Local Advisory Committee is a volunteer group of citizen representatives from the City of Lebanon, Town of Enfield and Town of Canaan, NH. As authorized by New Hampshire RSA 483, we are charged with developing and implementing a River Corridor Management Plan so that the outstanding qualities of the river may be better managed and protected now and in the future.

Sincerely,

Bill Chabot  
Chair  
MRLAC