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Subject:

Resident Kentmore Park on Sassafras River Restore Sassafras to health, which will set a precedent for healthy Bay

Object:

New solutions for old problems

Having sailed the Bay for twenty years, now living on the water for five, I want my grandchildren to experience the wonders of the rivers and the bay.

However, last weekend when my grandchildren went to the beach, there was a warning sign posted that said the water was polluted. This is **TOTALLY <u>UNACCEPTABLE</u>**.

We have been drowning billions of taxpayers' dollars for twenty-five years. The cleanup has become a Jobs Fau Fa. Those that only do testing - modeling - educating, and creating a blame game on who is at fault, BUT NOT ONE SINGLE POSITIVE INITIATIVE that ha a proven methodology.

#### **BONA FIDES**

Thirty years as a commercial real estate broker, specializing in land enhancement. In New Jersey worked on wet "Land Medication Banks," "Transfer Development Credits," for farmers "Pinelands" regulations.

### **SOLUTIONS**

The solution to all of these successful programs have similar plan. <u>SETBACKS</u> makes no sense that can't impact a drainage ditch within fifty feet of a wetland, by stream, 150 feet, headwater 500 feet, but can fertilize farmland twenty-five feet from the water.

Eighty-five percent of nutrients in Sassafras comes from Agra runoff. Period.

# **GAME PLAN I**

Fertilizing Ban 150 feet from flowing water. Farmers must be compensated by giving them bankable "Transfer Development Credits" EXAMPLE - every one-quarter acre of land area equals one credit, which equals one extra housing unit in areas that have public utilities. The farmer can exchange their units in a development bank, which works like a trading exchange. Builder then buys these building rights.

## **GAME PLAN II**

Add oxygen to water at head of river. Here's how. Upgrade wastewater treatment plants to turn "gray water" into clean, high-oxygen, water drain, into headwater by pumping clean water into river will kill off algae and add oxygen. Check out water treatment plant in Trenton, NJ.

## GAME III CRABS

Treat watermen as farmers. Allocate each waterman a section of the Bay by lon and lat. This way each waterman will not use their excessive crabbing area, rather maxing out their catch before another waterman does and instead, nurture these aeras.

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Let's start thinking outside the box instead of continuing to blame each other.