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Zoning Board of Appeals
9 Cordaville Road
Southborough, MA 01772

Subject: 250 Turnpike Road Comprehensive Permit Comments, Wildlife Crossing

Zoning Board of Appeals Members,

The Conservation office has the following comments based on the submitted revised documents for the wildlife crossing and a preliminary discussion had by the Conservation Commission on July 10, 2025. Due to timing constraints, the Commission has not done a full review of the proposal and its adequacy but had the following comments and/or concerns to note:

1. The Commission is concerned with the length of the wildlife crossing. The Applicant should show evidence of similar crossings of length that have been successful in allowing migration of applicable species.
2. The Commission is concerned with the 'ends' of the crossing and the shape and whether it will provide adequate guidance for wildlife to find and utilize the crossing. The Applicant should provide information on if the proposals are a standard size and spec for wildlife crossings.
3. The Commission expressed concerns about the size or width of the crossing and ensuring that there is adequate space to provide for wildlife to cross. The Applicant should show evidence of success with the proposed crossing width.

The Commission will conduct further research into viable wildlife crossings and looks forward to Lucas Environmental's review of the proposal. Please do not hesitate to contact the office if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Melissa Danza".

Melissa Danza
Conservation Agent