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Dear Chairman Kwiatkowski and Planning Board Members,

The Green Mountain Conservation Group has an 18-year history of water quality research and protection advocacy in the Ossipee Watershed. We have closely followed the proposed expansion of the Westward Shores Campground with continued concern about its impact on the water quality of Ossipee Lake and the natural resources of the area.

Healthy floodplains provide vital public safety benefits in addition to the important work of recharging aquifers, protecting water quality and improving wildlife habitat. GMCG believes the Westward Shores Campground expansion plan cannot be sufficiently remediated to make it acceptable for the protection of these important floodplain areas and the quality of the water that that the entire watershed relies on for its health and economic vitality.

We urge the Planning Board to deny the Westward Shores site plan application.

Sincerely,

Blair Folts
Executive Director

Healthy **floodplains** can help increase flood protection, recharge aquifers, and improve wildlife habitat