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**RE: Crossroads Facility Expansion - Support**

Ms. Butler:

As the Fairfield Town Manager, I am writing to express my support for the continued operation of the Crossroads Facility and specifically, the proposed expansion of that facility.

The Town of Fairfield is one of several communities that uses the transfer station on Airport Road in Norridgewock. Our residents bring all their wastes to the transfer station. Residents greatly appreciate this local and convenient service. The transfer station has a future potential to increase recycling in our community. WMDSM provides this service to the community at a reasonable and dependable cost at a time when waste disposal options are increasingly limited and come at higher prices.

If Crossroads closed, our community would need to construct its own transfer station or pay to haul our wastes to another location many miles away. Funding for a new transfer station or long-distance hauling would significantly increase our waste costs, taking away valuable tax payer dollars that could be used to fund other projects. Fairfield's contract expiration with PERC and corresponding decision to use the Crossroads Facility going forward, saved the municipality over \$ 80,000.00 for the 2018-2019 fiscal year.

Finally, since I started working with WMDSM in 2008 as Norridgewock's Town Manager and again as Fairfield's, they have always been a good steward of the environment and a sincere partner with local communities. For these reasons, I strongly support approval of WMDSM's expansion of its Crossroads Facility and urge the DEP to act favorably on the application.

Best Regards,

Michelle M. Flewelling  
Fairfield Town Manager