

GREETINGS ONCE AGAIN ABOUT A PROPOSED DATA CENTER IN YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD

THE GROTON TOWN COUNCIL WILL BE MEETING WHEN? MARCH 1th at 6:30 pm

Please try to show up in person if you can! This will be your only chance to address the Town Council before a vote on March 8th.

LET THE TOWN COUNCIL KNOW WHAT YOU THINK ABOUT A GIANT DATA CENTER

that will cover at least 250,000 square feet and be 50 feet tall near your neighborhood on the Holstein property located west of Flanders Rd, east of Hazelnut Hill Rd, south of Route I-95, and north of GOSA's Sheep Farm

WHERE IS THE MEETING? THRIVE 55+ SENIOR CENTER

102 Newtown Road next to Groton Library on Route 117

WHY SHOULD I GO? CONCERNS INCLUDE NOISE, TRAFFIC, WATER QUALITY, AIR QUALITY, HEAT AND IMPACT ON WET-LANDS AND STREAMS

Noise: Data Centers are essentially huge air-conditioned warehouses filled with computers that run 24-7. Blasting will be necessary to level the hills and bedrock ridges, which could affect local wells.

Traffic: During the construction phase, hundreds of cars and/or trucks will be accessing Flanders Rd. Once built, three shifts of ~30 workers will be coming and going daily. **Water**: The building roof, parking lot and road will cover ~14 acres and generate significant stormwater runoff, which could contaminate Fort Hill Brook and Long Island Sound.

Air Quality: Diesel fuel is used to power back-up generators that are tested regularly and keep the center running during power outages.

Heat: The heat given off warms the local climate and contributes to global warming. **Wetlands:** Pollution of wetlands from stormwater runoff is very possible. Wetlands need protection because they enhance water quality, control erosion, sequester carbon, and provide habitat for 1/3 of all threatened and endangered species.

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