



TOWN OF UPTON, MASSACHUSETTS

Press Release Grafton-Upton Railroad

The recent decision of the Surface Transportation Board in the matter of the Grafton-Upton Railroad concluded that the railroad operation is pre-empted from local regulation. This decision confirms that local regulation of the Railroad and its operations is prohibited. Therefore, the Board of Health has determined that no further action will be taken with respect to regulating noise resulting from the Railroad operations. We are aware that significant modifications were made by the owner of the Railroad to decrease the noise levels at the Maple Avenue rail station. It is the intent of the Board of Selectmen and Board of Health to continue its communication with the Grafton-Upton Railroad in an effort to maintain a cooperative relationship.