



**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**  
William Francis Galvin, Secretary of the Commonwealth  
Massachusetts Historical Commission

December 5, 2011

Pamela Stephenson  
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Cambridge, MA 02142

RE: Mitchell River Bridge, Bridge No. C-07-001, Chatham, MA; MHC# 46959

Dear Ms. Stephenson:

Thank you for your submission regarding the above referenced project, received November 10, 2011. The staff of the Massachusetts Historical Commission (MHC) has reviewed the information submitted and has the following comments.

I have reviewed the draft Memorandum of Agreement for the project referenced above and have the following requested changes:

Stipulation III E

The MHC recommends that the MHC and the State Archives Facility should not be sent an original set or a copy of the photographic documentation. Instead, the MHC recommends the original documents, together with the negatives, be transmitted to the Chatham Historical Commission only. Additionally, FHWA and MassDOT should explore and identify an appropriate site to host the photographic documentation on the internet. By placing the documentation on the internet the widest range of audience will be able to have access to the information.

Stipulation III F

This stipulation should read, "MassDOT shall include a compact disc containing all photographic and paper documentation with the archival documentation."

These comments are offered to assist in compliance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (36 CFR 800). Please do not hesitate to contact Michael Steinitz of my staff if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Brona Simon".

Brona Simon  
State Historic Preservation Officer  
Executive Director  
Massachusetts Historical Commission

xc: Carol Legard, ACHP (FHWA Liason)  
Steve Roper, MassDOT