

CHALMERS BUILDING SERVICES

BUILDING INSPECTION

PROJECT ADMINISTRATION

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Town Hall Jackson NH 03846

Re: V02 lot 53, 41 Switchback Way, potential health/ safety issue

To the Selectmen.

In fulfilling my role as a Home Inspector I have been on the above referenced property. I was on site to perform an inspection for a potential real-estate transaction.

While on site I discovered a few items, given the close proximity of the brook, that may present a health/ safety concern for the Town.

The septic is an open 'cesspool' that appears to have had several 'improvements' made in recent years. Cesspools/ dry wells may have been appropriate MANY years ago, but, even those unapproved systems are required to prevent the infiltration and exfiltration of ground water. This system appears to currently allow ground water to flow into the system and the ground water is actually encouraged (through the installation of a drainage ditch) to flow towards the brook.

The basement/ crawl area under the structure has groundwater flowing into and through the structure. There were sump-pumps in operation during my brief visit that were pumping water out of the structure and into a ditch directing water toward the