

## Gonyea, Donald

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**Subject:** Proposed remediation Mill River and Exide battery site

I urge rejection of the proposed hydraulic dredging system because of the spreading of lead and other toxic particles that will occur through and over the proposed silt curtain that is planned.

The inappropriateness of the proposed system is of even greater concern since Exide proposes to dredge throughout the spawning season of the native anadromous fish of this river. The populations of both the alewives and blueback herring have declined close to being declared endangered spaces.

I urge DEEP to use a coffer dam system to keep river water out of the excavation cell and Exide must use clean fill which isn't included in the plan. A coffer dam system will allow the project to proceed continuously with minimal impact on the spawning species.

Please ensure these procedures be followed to the river can be restored from the serious pollution it has suffered so long.

Sincerely,  
Barbara S. Stetson