

Vote to Acquire Lot 3A

What is the issue?

The horse paddock adjacent to the Doug Rayner Wildlife Refuge is slated for development for up to **27 housing units**. All of these units would require septic systems that would leach through the wetlands into 100 Acre Cove where the Northern Diamondback Terrapins nest. The road would need to be widened and predators and scavengers would increase in the refuge.

What can be done?

The town of Barrington is prepared to acquire the land in a move that *protects the integrity* of the refuge and *enhances the tapestry of ecosystems* in our town.

How can I participate in this effort?

We need Barrington registered voters to <u>attend the financial town</u> <u>meeting</u> on **May 22nd at 7 pm at the Barrington H.S.** to vote <u>yes</u> on the resolution to approve the acquisition of Lot 3A.

What would this mean for wildlife?

Fifty years ago townspeople rallied to save Nockum Hill from development. Today terrapins, turkeys, bluebirds, swallows, rabbits, fox, skunk, egrets, osprey and now eagles find homes in this corner of our town. May 22, we can vote to *extend and enhance* their home in the face of global habitat loss!

"There can be no purpose more inspiring than to begin the age of restoration, reweaving the wondrous diversity of life that still surrounds us. "E. O. Wilson

