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1. Existing and Future Roadway Traffic

The method of reconstruction is designed to maintain traffic on the bridge at all times, thereby not significantly impacting existing traffic patterns or flows.

The additional traffic caused by the closing of Ramp B on other routes is insignificant and will not deteriorate operational characteristics nor have any detrimental effects on the Back Bay or Olmstead Historic Districts.

2. Roadway Safety

The replacement of the structurally unstable superstructure and new decks will provide for better rideability.

The closing of Ramp B will remove a dangerous maneuver while leaving the ramp and entering onto Storrow Drive.

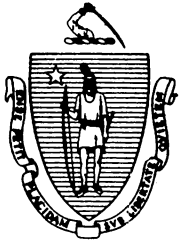
3. River Mitigations

Proper use of standard construction measures and specifications can be very effective in minimizing adverse environmental impacts caused by working in and over the Charles River. The Contractor is required to prevent debris from falling into the Charles River. The construction work will be performed in accordance with the Massachusetts Department of Public Works Standard Specifications for Highways and Bridges, 1973 Edition, and the contract documents will include special provision language protecting properties and the environment plus river activities.

Special construction procedures will also be incorporated into the contract to minimize any impacts caused by the reconstruction of Pier 12.

4. Historic Values

The design of the new superstructure will present an appearance which is similar to the existing structure and compatible with the area. In order to perpetuate the memory of the Harvard Bridge as it originally was or now stands, a Historic American Engineering Record will be prepared for the bridge. The bridge railing and lighting will be similarly designed to be compatible with the surrounding area.



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Office of the Commissioner

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City Clerk
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Dear Sir:

On December 27, 1985, this office mailed an Environmental Assessment for the Harvard/Massachusetts Avenue Bridge Replacement Project to your office. Unfortunately, it seems page 10 of the document was missing; therefore, we are enclosing said page. We are sorry for this inconvenience.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Robert T. Tierney".

Robert T. Tierney
Commissioner

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Comm. from Robert T. Tierney, Comm. Mass
Dept. of Public Works, transmitting the
Environmental Assessment for the
Mass. Avenue Bridge Replacement in
the City of Boston.

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In City Council,

January 13, 1986

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