

Dear City Council,

I am a student here in the Boston area. I have found out about the situation of the Charles River Geese and the development plans for the nesting area and what was once a great and peaceful sitting area.

At one time I visited this area once per week with a group of study partners. We would sit atop the hill there and study and relax and watch the geese and ducks, then we would go out to eat in Cambridge and go to the movies in Kendall Square and take the T back to our apartments. Now we do none of these things, ever since seeing for the first time the awful and mindless disruption of a once beautiful natural area- one of the few left around here! I don't bother visiting the site, or Cambridge anymore, I don't go out to eat and I don't go out to the movies there. I just don't want to be around Cambridge if I can't stroll down to the river and enjoy those birds.

Please reconsider what you have involved yourselves with and redirect the plans. This park needs to stay a park- including the birds.

Thank you,

Karla Starkenburg

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Karla Starkenburg". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned to the right of the typed name.

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Consent Communication #6

A communication was received from
Karla Starkenburg, relative to the
protection of the white geese along
the Charles River.

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