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Subject: Sample Size Rt 12 Corridor Study

Dear Town Council Members,

There is justified concern among the electorate regarding the current Route 12 Corridor Study online survey:

- There is no verification to ensure that survey respondents are actually town residents (e.g., IP addresses are not being confirmed).
- Limiting responses to one per IP address creates unintended issues:
 - Individuals can submit multiple responses by using both a home and mobile network.
 - Conversely, multiple residents sharing the same IP address (such as family members in the same household) are prevented from each participating.
- There is no indication when multiple responses are made using the same IP address that the latter responses are invalid.

These issues raise questions about the validity of any future survey results. If proposed changes to the Plan of Conservation and Development (PoCD) turn out to be unpopular with the actual majority of town residents, this flawed process could lead to legal challenges.

The intention here is not to cast blame but to advocate for more reliable data that can guide important town decisions. If the relevant town commissions are truly committed to making informed choices based on residents' input, it is essential to increase the sample size and ensure that responses are verifiable—ideally, one response per confirmed Ledyard resident.

The most reliable way to achieve this may be to include one or more related questions on the official November ballot.

Sincerely
Dave Schroeder