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The following statements are made in response to a query about the Green Harbor River located by Dike Road, Brant Rock, Marshfield, MA across from the Green Harbor Marina.

I used to vacation there when I was growing up with my mother and father; namely, Edgar and Sarah McClellan of Hanson, Massachusetts. I spent basically the years from 1940 to 1949 on the island in the river.

The river had nice clear water there (salt and fresh combined), as the tide used to come in and out twice a day. There were at least two different kinds of clams, salt water and fresh water fish in the river. The channel in the middle of the river was really deep. It was deep enough so that we could dive from our boat and swim around. The shoreline was very muddy on the bottom, so we swam out in the middle in the channel. If you stepped on the shore you were sure to get cut by clam shells and the like. I know we didn't have the "bloom" (as we called it) that the water has now in the river. The tides really kept it moving, therefore, keeping the water beautiful and clean.

I also remember when my twin sister, Edna (Blauss) Howland, and I were in a rowboat with a motor attached. The motor became disengaged from the boat and went a distance before it sank. We went right back to look for it with my Aunt Ruth, and the motor had already gone so deep in the mud that we could not find it - and never did.

I hope some of this information will be helpful. It has been a long time since I stayed there; but it was a great place to bring up kids in the summer. With the water conditions the way they are now, I don't feel that you would want your family swimming there. They really should allow some of the tide gates to be taken out, so that on high tides the water could come in to clean out the river., even if it were only once in awhile. The river had a lot of different species living there such as clams, fish, turtles, et cetera. I hope there are still many living creatures using the river as their habitat.

I do hereby certify and make oath that the above statements made by me are true firsthand acco

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\_\_\_\_\_ 12/26/2003  
(Dated)

Subscribed and sworn this 26<sup>th</sup> day of Dec. in the year 2003.

Notary Public  
*My Notary Expires: 8/27/04*