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**From:** Bill Evans <bill@freshrootsgreenhouse.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, September 11, 2020 10:53 AM  
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**Subject:** Fwd: Fat Moon Mushroom Proposal

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Good Morning Paul and Dale,

I have been approached by a fantastic agricultural opportunity to utilize the leased land we have at Sunny Meadow Farm from Elizabeth Almeida from Fat Moon Mushrooms. I have attached her proposal draft that will need some details added in with regard to how utilities are provided but I wanted to present this draft to you as a request for the next steps to giving the project a "Go" to move forward in the finer details of planning and ordering supplies. It makes sense to me to have this area across the road from the front of the greenhouse away from the wetlands and closer to the utilities that supply the greenhouse. Please let me know whether this proposal needs to be brought in person in front of the Chelmsford Land Conservation Trust or any other group within the Town that might need to approve this work in setting up the mushroom business. Please let me know the next Trsut board meeting if it is required for Elizabeth to present to board.

My review of the Conservation Restriction didn't bring up any concerns other than watching out for the wetlands. Please let me know if you agree.

Thanks for your time.

Kind regards,  
Bill

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Begin forwarded message:

**From:** Elizabeth Almeida <[elizabeth@healthylivingandlearning.com](mailto:elizabeth@healthylivingandlearning.com)>  
**Subject:** Fat Moon Mushroom Proposal  
**Date:** September 10, 2020 at 1:01:02 PM EDT  
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Bill -

Thank you for taking time to talk about the property you are leasing in Chelmsford and welcoming the conversation about moving my mushroom business to the site.

Here is a summary of how I would use the space:

- 4 Mobile Grow Rooms, each in a 40' shipping container

- 1 Walk-in cooler, 8'x20'
- 1 Workspace, also in a container 8'x20'
- Space to install compost bins for management of spent mushroom waste

Total space required (with room for vehicles) will be approximately 50'x100', depending on the final layout. These containers will require the installation of gravel or similar surfaceto ensure they don't sink in the ground. Any topsoil that is disturbed will remain on site. The containers can be easily removed from the site.

The shipping containers require electricity and water. We will need to determine if I can use the hookups you've already brought to the site or need to bring additional service to the site.

I will have up to 5 employees on site at a time and will need parking for their vehicles.

Supplies are delivered on a weekly basis via semi. I would offload the pallets with a small tractor or bobcat.

Mushrooms are delivered to restaurants and retailers 3 - 4 times a week. A small refrigerated delivery van will be parked onsite for deliveries.

Using roughly 1/10th of an acre, we will be able to produced approximately 100,000# of mushrooms a year, making a significant contribution to our local food system. In addition, we will produce organic compost for sale to local farmers.

I would be looking to gain access later this fall with a goal of having the container farm operational by spring.

Thanks, Bill!

Elizabeth

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Elizabeth Almeida

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