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## Edgecomb

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Edgecomb goes to Augusta, a brief report. The Edgecomb town bypass task force visited DOT Commissioner David Bernhardt, Ken Sweeney, Chief Engineer, and Peggy Duval, Assistant Chief Engineer, at their Augusta offices last Tuesday.

Led by Select board and Task Force Chair Jack Sarmanian, we explained how the apparently abandoned nest or fishing platform bang in the middle of the proposed N8c route landing spot on Davis Island, and the supposed presence of one or more bald eagles, is endangering not only the Town of Edgecomb and its citizens who live on the two roads, Englebrekt and Cochran, which lie along alternative routes N2a and N2f, but also the \$1.9 million investment, to date, by the State of Maine and the U.S. Federal Highway Authority.

Although not in a position to give us any firm answers, Mr. Bernhardt and his staff listened courteously, asked good questions, and explained their understanding of the difficulties. They hope to be able to tell us something solid before Memorial Day. We are very grateful to them for this opportunity to discuss the problem face-to-face.

Attending this meeting, besides Dr. Sarmanian, were Selectmen Jessica Chubbuck and Stuart Smith and Dianne Eacobacci, Jim Lamson, Jarryl Larson, Bruce and Jo Cameron.