Massachusetts Residents Against Crumbling Concrete Timeline

- Russ and Tatiana Dupere’s story:
  - Fall of 2017 – hot water tank floods the finished basement
  - Upon removal of the sheetrock, crumbling concrete is discovered
  - Liberty Mutual, the homeowners’ company, pays for 4 core samples
  - Testing determines this is the same issue as in Connecticut
  - Liberty Mutual denies the claim

- December 2017 – When Russ’s story hit local media, this is when Michelle and Joseph Loglisci became aware of the issue and realized they were in the same situation. They called their legislators and got a variety of answers; however, credit must be given to our state senators and representatives, they have worked hard for us and continue to do so.

- June 12, 2018 – The advocacy group (Massachusetts Residents Against Crumbling Concrete) was formed and began planning our first forum.

- September 17, 2018 – Our first forum was held with help from CCACB and Tim Heim. We had many in attendance from CT to share information with our Massachusetts residents who attended.

- February 2019 – Our legislators held two public meetings to gather information and concerns of residents one in Brimfield, MA and another in East Longmeadow, MA to hear from residents about their concerns.

- July 2018 – the FY19 state of Massachusetts budget was passed including these two items:
  - Funding to reimburse homeowners for engineer inspections and core testing.
  - The formation of the Massachusetts special commission to study the financial and economic impacts of crumbling concrete foundations due to the presence of pyrrhotite.

- May 13, 2019 – Our first commission meeting was held in Longmeadow, MA

- June 10, 2019 – The second commission meeting was held in Monson, MA

- July 22, 2019 – The third commission meeting was held in Monson, MA

- July of 2019 – The FY20 state budget passed and again funds were made available to reimburse for engineer inspection and core testing. We need more residents to take advantage of this opportunity and let our legislators know the extent of the issue in Massachusetts.

- October 7, 2019 – Meeting planned with Michael Maglaras with the MA Commission.

The costs to replace foundations in MA appears to be similar to CT, and we are hopeful that as the number of homes affected grows, and if funds become available in MA, that the prices will come down to a level that makes it possible to actually complete the project.

Future plans include further commission meetings with a report to the state to follow. Another forum to update MA residents of our progress is in the planning stages.