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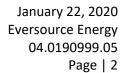
Dear Mr. Mauck:

On behalf of Public Service Company of New Hampshire dba Eversource Energy (Eversource), GZA GeoEnvironmental, Inc. (GZA) is submitting this Alteration of Terrain (AoT) Permit Application for the proposed 391, 385, and 373 Transmission Line Structure Replacement Project in accordance with Terrain Alteration Law (RSA 485-A:17), Administrative Rules (Env-Wq 1500 Alteration of Terrain), and recent discussions between New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services (NHDES) AoT Bureau and Eversource.

The proposed project includes the replacement of 32 existing utility structures, including 15 structures along the 391 Transmission Line, 15 structures along the 385 Transmission Line, and 2 structures along the 373 Transmission Line. The project area crosses through portions of Chester, Deerfield, and Strafford, New Hampshire for a distance of approximately 3.2 miles. Replacement of the existing utility structures is necessary in order to maintain the safety and reliability of the system. In order to more efficiently conduct routine maintenance of the existing 391, 385, and 373 Transmission Lines, work pad grading and access road improvements are proposed as part of this project. Based on the planned scope of work, we identified three separate proposed work areas in Chester, Deerfield, and Strafford that are subject to the Terrain Alteration Law and Rules referenced above.

The proposed project will require disturbance subject to AoT permitting through the NHDES as result of;

- An impact area that:
  - A. Is more than 2,500 square feet in size;
  - B. Is within 50 feet of any surface water;





- C. Is sloped such that runoff is in the direction of the surface water; and
- D. Is subject to runoff over 50 feet or more of land having a grade of 25% or greater when measured at 2-foot intervals; and
- 2) Impact area cumulatively exceeding 100,000 square feet of contiguous area.

In addition, included with this submittal is a copy of the application fee check, a completed AoT Permit Application Form, a detailed project overview narrative, required plans and figures, and additional required materials. In addition, a waiver request for the preparation of a stormwater drainage report, drainage area plans, and hydrologic soil group plans is enclosed as required by Env-Wq 1509.04. The proposed project is scheduled to start in April 2020. Eversource appreciates the efforts of the Alteration of Terrain Bureau in helping to maintain the anticipated construction schedule, which is dependent on previously scheduled outages dictated by regional outage planning.

Please feel free to contact us with any questions.

Very truly yours,

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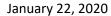
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#### 1.0 PROJECT BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE

The proposed project involves the replacement of select 391, 385, and 373 Transmission Line structures leading from Chester Street in Chester, New Hampshire and heading in a north/northeasterly direction to approximately 0.5 miles southwest of Parker Mountain Road in Strafford, New Hampshire. The utility structures are approximately 50 years old and have been subject to environmental damage (i.e., weathering, woodpecker holes) and must be replaced for the lines to continue to function safely and reliably. If utility structures fail, it could result in widespread electrical outages to customers. Impacts have been minimized and avoided to the greatest extent practicable through site evaluations of access routes and work pad placements.

Recent transmission line inspections determined that a total of 32 existing utility structures, including 15 structures along the 391 Transmission Line, 15 structures along the 385 Transmission Line, and 2 structures along the 373 Transmission Line must be replaced due to environmental damage. The project requires approximately 384,882 square feet (sq. ft.) of total disturbance, including 61,644 sq. ft. of temporary wetland matting and 323,238 sq. ft. of ground disturbance. Four separate portions of the proposed structure replacement project are subject to Alteration of Terrain disturbance threshold (Env-Wq 1500 and RSA 485-A:17), including (See Figure 4- Alteration of Terrain Permitting Plans and Appendix A – Alteration of Terrain Application Form):

- 1) Area A (Chester) approximately 6,400 sq. ft. of work pad grading at 373 Structure 286.
- 2) Area B (Chester) approximately 8,000 sq. ft. of work pad grading at 373 Structure 278.
- 3) Area C (Deerfield) approximately 169,147 sq. ft. of work pad grading and associated access improvements at 385 Structures 158 to 151 and 391 Structures 162 to 155.
- 4) Area D (Strafford)—approximately 139,691 sq. ft. of work pad grading and associated access improvements at 385 Structures 96 to 88 and 391 Structures 100 to 93.

#### 2.0 SITE INFORMATION

#### 2.1 <u>SITE LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION</u>

The project area includes the portion of the shared 391 and 373 Transmission Line Right of Way (ROW) from Chester Street to just north/northeast of Candia Road in Chester, New Hampshire. The total work area in this portion of the ROW is approximately 0.7 miles in length and approximately 275 feet (ft) in width.

The project area also includes the portion of the shared 391 and 385 Transmission Line ROW from approximately 0.7 miles northeast of Coffeetown Road in Deerfield, New Hampshire to approximately 0.5 miles southwest of Parker Mountain Road in Strafford, New Hampshire. The total work area in this portion of the ROW is approximately 2.5 miles in length and approximately 275 feet (ft) in width.

The total project area is approximately 3.2 miles in length and includes the replacement of 32 utility structures in total. The project area primarily crosses privately owned rural/residential properties and four public roads, three unnamed perennial streams, and one named perennial stream: The Bean River (see **Figure 1 – USGS Topographic Map**). There are approximately 45 wetlands along the project route located in the towns of Chester, Deerfield,



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and Strafford. The majority of ground disturbance resulting from the project will be related to access and work pad preparations

#### 2.2 TAX MAP AND LOT(S)

Eversource holds easements across the majority of the parcels along the ROW with the exception of 8 Eversource-owned parcels: Tax Map 4 Lot 21, Tax Map 7 Lot 71, Tax Map 7 Lot 70, Tax Map 7 Lot 33 (Chester); Tax Map 408 Lot 43 (Deerfield); Tax Map 244 Lot 30 (Northwood); Tax Map 12 Lot 36A, and Tax Map 8 Lot 51B (Strafford) (see **Figure 4**).

There are approximately 43 abutting properties that contain pre-existing Eversource easements for the ROW involved in the project. In those project locations, the easements are considered to be the "subject property" because Eversource is the applicant/owner and only has control over the easement. These abutters have been identified and listed on the enclosed abutters list. See **Appendix B** for Abutters List.

#### 2.3 IDENTIFICATION OF NATURAL AND CULTURAL RESOURCES

GZA GeoEnvironmental, Inc. (GZA) has been retained by Eversource to provide professional services on this project that relate to natural and cultural resource identification and assessment as well as permit applications for natural resource and alteration of terrain impacts required to complete the project. GZA has conducted field evaluations and has corresponded with the appropriate agencies to identify natural and cultural resources present in the vicinity of the proposed project.

#### 2.3.1 <u>Identification of Jurisdictional Wetlands and Vernal Pools</u>

Eversource provided GZA with delineated wetland data and classification of wetlands. Wetlands were delineated and classified by Tighe and Bond in 2018. GZA confirmed wetland boundaries, photographed resources, completed additional wetland documentation, and recorded data relevant to functions and values provided by these natural resources within the ROW in February 2019. GZA confirmed wetland boundaries in accordance with the United States Army Corps of Engineers (ACOE) Wetlands Delineation Manual using the Routine Determinations Method, and the Regional Supplement to the Corps of Engineers Wetland Delineation Manual as required by the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services (NHDES) Wetlands Bureau and the ACOE. The wetland delineation confirmation was conducted by GZA's New Hampshire Certified Wetland Scientist (CWS) James H. Long (CWS No. 007) on February 6 and 15, 2019.

A vernal pool evaluation was conducted on February 12, 2019 in accordance with "Identification and Documentation of Vernal Pools in New Hampshire," 2016, New Hampshire Fish and Game Department, Nongame and Endangered Wildlife Program. Vernal pool areas exist as confined basins and must exhibit vernal pool criteria outlined in the New Hampshire Code of Administrative Rules, Env-Wt 101.75, 101.86, and 101.106. GZA staff encountered four areas considered potential vernal pools based on observed signs of hydrology. All potential vernal pools are considered vernal pools for the purposes of impact avoidance and minimization for this project. Therefore, no temporary or permanent impacts are proposed to any potential vernal pools as a result of this project.



#### 2.3.2 Identification of Surface Waters

Jurisdictional limits of surface waters of the State of New Hampshire were delineated by Tighe and Bond in 2018 and confirmed by GZA in February 2019 in accordance with their definition in RSA 485-A:2 XIV, 482-A:4 II and rule Env-Wt 101.97. Surface waters include wherever fresh water flows or stands and tidal waters. This includes, but is not limited to, rivers, perennial and intermittent streams, lakes, ponds, intertidal zones, and tidal waters. In addition, jurisdiction extends to the portion of any bank or shore which borders such surface waters, and to any swamp or bog subject to periodic flooding by fresh water including the surrounding shore. The limit of jurisdiction for surface water areas were confirmed as the top of bank, where a natural bank occurs or its ordinary high water mark where a natural bank is not present. Surface waters within the project area include one named perennial riverine system: the Bean River, and three unnamed perennial streams.

#### 2.3.3 Identification of Rare, Threatened, and Endangered Species

The Natural Heritage Bureau (NHB) has identified records of Blanding's turtle (*Emydoidea blandigii*), spotted turtle (*Clemmys guttata*), wood turtle (*Glyptemys insculpta*), and northern black racer (*Coluber constrictor constrictor*) within the vicinity of the 391, 385, and 373 Transmission Lines shared ROW (See **Appendix C** for the NHB Report and regulatory correspondence). In correspondence with NHB and NHFG, it was requested that exposed mineral soils not be seeded or loamed upon completion of work and be left as disturbed exposed mineral soils as they provide important Blanding's turtle and northern black racer nesting habitat, and both loam and available seed mixes are a potential source of invasive and non-native species which could have effects on nesting habitat. GZA can provide flyers of species including northern black racer and various turtle species to construction personnel prior to the start of work. GZA is retained to complete construction oversight and construction personnel will be made aware of the potential presence of northern black racer in this area. In addition, construction personnel will be made aware of the potential to encounter Blanding's turtle, wood turtle and spotted turtle more frequently during turtle nesting season from late May through the beginning of July. GZA will notify the NHFG and NHB of any rare species observations for inclusion in the statewide database.

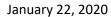
#### 2.3.4 Identification of Cultural and Historical Resources

GZA will submit a Request for Project Review (RPR) to the New Hampshire Division of Historical Resources (NHDHR) for the proposed project.

Commonwealth Heritage Group (CHG) conducted a Phase IA survey of the 391, 385 and 373 Transmission Lines Corridor for the purposes of identifying areas of archeological and historical sensitivity. Twelve (12) archeological sensitivity areas were identified along the 391, 385, and 373 ROW during Phase IA survey. GZA will retain CHG to conduct a Phase IB survey within identified Phase IA archeological sensitivity areas. Results of this work will be submitted to DHR consistent with the response to the RPR.

#### 3.0 EXISTING CONDITIONS

The proposed project is located within the existing and maintained shared 391 and 373 Transmission Lines ROW, and within the existing and maintained shared 391 and 385 Transmission Lines ROW. The proposed project work areas cross through portions of the Towns Chester, Deerfield, and Strafford. Existing dirt and/or grass access routes currently used for access to existing utility structures within the ROW are proposed to be improved using





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gravel and stone as a part of a routine structure maintenance project. Proposed access road improvements include 12- to 16-foot-wide gravel and stone roads with a 20-foot total width limit of disturbance. Based on NRCS soil mapping, existing upland soils include primarily fine sandy loams and very stony fine sandy loams. Slopes are variable and generally range from 0 to 70%, with an average of approximately 10%. As previously noted, the project has four separate areas that are subject to AoT permitting throughout the proposed project, and are referred to as Areas A, B, C, and D.

The project area includes upland and wetland areas located in primarily rural areas. Upland areas consist primarily of shrubs including common juniper (*Juniperus communis*), eastern white pine (*Pinus strobus*), gray birch (*Betula populifolia*) saplings, and red maple (*Acer rubrum*) saplings. Wetlands in the ROW primarily consist of palustrine emergent (PEM) or palustrine scrub shrub (PSS) systems that are seasonally saturated. Vegetation in the wetlands were dominated by sensitive fern (*Onoclea sensibilis*), speckled alder (*Alnus incana rugosa*), winterberry holly (*Ilex verticillate*), and meadowsweet (*Spiraea latifolia*).

Existing conditions along the 391, 385, and 373 Transmission Lines are discussed below by areas subject to jurisdiction under the Alteration of Terrain Law and Rules and consistent with recent discussions with the AoT Bureau for Eversource Line projects.

#### 3.1 <u>AOT AREA A - CHESTER</u>

Area A begins approximately 400 feet southwest of Old Chester Turnpike in Chester, New Hampshire. The area is specific to one proposed gravel workpad associated with 373 Line Structure 286 and is located entirely in uplands with elevations ranging from approximately 396 feet approximately 378 feet. This portion of the ROW is located in a rural forested portion of Chester.

Land disturbance subject to Alteration of Terrain Law and Rules due to *Env-Wq 1502.58 (b) (1)* (see *Section 5.1.2* below) within Area A includes the Line 373 Structure 286 work pad.

#### 3.1.1 <u>Surface and Groundwater Protection – Area A</u>

There are no surface waters or wetlands located within this portion of the project area (see **Figure 3 – Surface Water and Groundwater Overlay Plans**). AoT disturbance area is summarized in *Section 5.1.2*.

According to **Figure 3**, the entirety of Area A is within a Class A Surface Waters (RSA 485 A9) Watershed. However, Area A is located outside of the remaining AoT screening layers including "Watershed for 2016 Chloride Impairments," "All Lakes within a Quarter Mile Buffer," "Class A Surface Waters," "Designated Rivers 24k Buffer Quarter Mile," "Wellhead Protection Areas," "Surface Water Impairments," "Groundwater Classification Areas," and "Water Supply Intake Protection."

#### 3.1.2 <u>FEMA 100-year Floodplain, Shoreland Protection, Designated Rivers – Area A</u>

According to the FEMA Flood Insurance layer on **Figure 3**, there are no mapped 100-year floodplain areas within Area A.

According to the Consolidated List of Water Bodies Subject to RSA 483-B (January 23, 2019), and the NHDES Designated River Corridor Web Map, there are no rivers within Area A that are protected under RSA 483-B.



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#### 3.2 AOT AREA B – CHESTER

Area B begins approximately 815 feet northeast of Candia Road in Chester, New Hampshire. The area is specific to one proposed gravel workpad associated with 373 Line Structure 276 and is located entirely in uplands with elevations ranging from approximately 438 feet approximately 406 feet. This portion of the ROW is located in a rural forested portion of Chester and lacks documented drainage structures in the proposed access route.

Land disturbance subject to Alteration of Terrain Law and Rules due to *Env-Wq 1502.58 (b) (1)* (see *Section 5.1.2* below) within Area A includes the Line 373 Structure 286 work pad.

#### 3.2.1 <u>Surface and Groundwater Protection – Area B</u>

There are no surface waters or wetlands located within this portion of the project area (see **Figure 3 – Surface Water and Groundwater Overlay Plans**). AoT disturbance area is summarized in *Section 5.1.2*.

According to **Figure 3**, the entirety of Area B is within a Class A Surface Waters (RSA 485 A9) Watershed. However, Area A is located outside of the remaining AoT screening layers including "Watershed for 2016 Chloride Impairments," "All Lakes within a Quarter Mile Buffer," "Class A Surface Waters," "Designated Rivers 24k Buffer Quarter Mile," "Wellhead Protection Areas," "Surface Water Impairments," "Groundwater Classification Areas," and "Water Supply Intake Protection."

#### 3.2.2 FEMA 100-year Floodplain, Shoreland Protection, Designated Rivers – Area B

According to the FEMA Flood Insurance layer on **Figure 3**, a portion of the proposed gravel workpad associated with 373 Line Structure 276 is located within the 100-year floodplain zone for an unnamed stream and associated wetland. However, it is not anticipated that the proposed grading and improvement of existing access and work pads will significantly affect drainage within the 100-year floodplain as no new impervious surface area is proposed and minimal grading is required.

According to the Consolidated List of Water Bodies Subject to RSA 483-B (January 23, 2019), and the NHDES Designated River Corridor Web Map, there are no rivers within Area B that are protected under RSA 483-B.

#### 3.3 AOT AREA C – DEERFIELD

Area C begins 0.7 miles northeast of Coffeetown Road in Deerfield to the Northwood and Deerfield Town Line. This stretch includes upland and wetland areas with elevations ranging from approximately 464 feet adjacent to Line 391 Structure 148 to approximately 322 feet between 391 Line Structures 151 and 150. This portion of the ROW is located in primarily forested undeveloped areas of Deerfield and lacks documented drainage structures in the proposed access route.

Land disturbance subject to Alteration of Terrain Law and Rules due to *Env-Wq 1502.58 (b) (2)* (see *Section 5.1.2* below) within Area C includes;

- Line 385 Structures 158 to 151 Work Pads
- Line 391 Structures 162 to 155 Work Pads
- Access roads between Line 385 Structure 158 to the Northwood/Deerfield Town Line.

Access roads between Line 391 Structure 162 to the Northwood/Deerfield Town Line.

#### 3.3.1 Surface and Groundwater Protection – Area C

There are three unnamed streams within this portion of the project area associated with Wetlands DW-13, DW-9, and NW-30 (see **Figure 3 – Surface Water and Groundwater Overlay Plans**). This portion of the project area includes temporary wetland matting in 12 wetland systems; Wetland DW-18, DW-16, DW-15, DW-14, DW-13, DW-11, DW-10, DW-9, DW-8, NW-31, NW-30, and NW-29 for access and work pad placement. Temporary wetland matting totals are summarized in the table below. AoT disturbance area is summarized in *Section 5.1.2*.

Temporary Matting	Impact (sq. ft.)	
Wetland Access Matting	14,907	
Wetland Work Pad	5,811	

According to **Figure 3**, Area C is not located within any AoT screening layer. These layers include "Surface Water with Impairments Quarter Mile buffer," "Class A Surface Water (RSA 485 A9) Watersheds," "Watersheds with Chloride Impairments 2016," "All Lakes within a Quarter Mile Buffer," "Wellhead Protection Areas," "Groundwater Classification Areas," "Designated Rivers Quarter Mile Buffer," and "Water Supply Intake Protection."

#### 3.3.2 FEMA 100-year Floodplain, Shoreland Protection, Designated Rivers – Area C

According to the FEMA Flood Insurance layer on **Figure 3**, a portion of Area C is located within the 100-year floodplain zone. This includes a portion of the proposed work pad associated with 385 Line Structure 158, which is in the 100-year floodplain zone for the Bean River. However, it is not anticipated that the proposed grading and improvement of existing access and work pads will significantly affect drainage within the 100-year floodplain, as no new impervious surface area is proposed and minimal grading is required.

According to the Consolidated List of Water Bodies Subject to RSA 483-B (January 23, 2019), and the NHDES Designated River Corridor Web Map, there are no rivers within Area A that are protected under RSA 483-B.

#### 3.4 <u>AOT AREA D – STRAFFORD</u>

Area D begins at Range Road in Strafford and ends approximately 0.5 miles southwest of Parker Mountain Road in Strafford. This stretch includes upland and wetland areas with elevations ranging from approximately 424 feet at the proposed access off Range Road to approximately 276 feet adjacent to 385 Line Structure 88. This portion of the ROW is located in a primarily rural residential areas of Strafford.

Land disturbance subject to Alteration of Terrain Law and Rules due to *Env-Wq 1502.58 (b) (2)* (see *Section 5.1.2* below) within Area D includes;

- Line 385 Structures 94 to 88 Work Pads
- Line 391 Structures 99 to 93 Work Pads
- Access roads between Line 385 Structures 95 to 88
- Access roads between Line 391 Structures 100 to 93.



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#### 3.4.1 <u>Surface and Groundwater Protection – Area D</u>

There are no named surface waters within this portion of the project area (see **Figure 3 – Surface Water and Groundwater Overlay Plans**). This portion of the project area includes temporary wetland matting in 10 wetland systems; Wetland SW-35, SW-38, SW-40, SW-41, SW-42, SW-44, SW-45, SW-46, SW-50, and SW-52 for access and work pad placement. Temporary wetland matting totals are summarized in the table below. AoT disturbance area is summarized in *Section 5.1.2*.

Temporary Matting	Impact (sq. ft.)	
Wetland Access Matting	25,030	
Wetland Work Pad	15,896	

According to **Figure 3**, the entirety of Area D is located within the Outstanding Resource Water Watershed associated with the Isinglass River. A portion of Area D is located within Designated Rivers Quarter Mile Buffer associated with the Isinglass River. This area begins at 391 Line Structure 95 and continues through the remainder of Area D which ends at the work pad associated with 385 Line Structure 88. A portion of Area D is also located in the Surface Water with Impairments Quarter Mile Buffer layer associated with the Isinglass River, which is impaired by lead. Similar to the Designated River Buffer area, this area begins at 391 Line Structure 95 and continues through the remainder of Area D, which ends at the work pad associated with 385 Line Structure 88.

Screening layers that do not coincide with Area D include "Class A Surface Water (RSA 485 A9) Watersheds," "Watersheds with Chloride Impairments 2016," "All Lakes within a Quarter Mile Buffer," "Wellhead Protection Areas," "Groundwater Classification Areas," and "Water Supply Intake Protection."

#### 3.4.2 FEMA 100-year Floodplain, Shoreland Protection, Designated Rivers – Area D

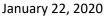
According to the FEMA Flood Insurance layer on **Figure 3**, a portion of Area D is located within the 100-year floodplain zone. This includes a portion of the proposed work pad associated with 385 Line Structure 88, which is in the 100-year floodplain zone for the Isinglass River. However, it is not anticipated that the proposed grading and improvement of existing access and work pads will significantly affect drainage within the 100-year floodplain, as no new impervious surface area is proposed and minimal grading is required.

According to the Consolidated List of Water Bodies Subject to RSA 483-B (January 23, 2019), and the NHDES Designated River Corridor Web Map, the Isinglass River is subject to RSA 483-B and is considered a Designated River in New Hampshire. No work is proposed in the Isinglass River or associated Shoreland Regulated Areas, and access to adjacent structures is not proposed through or across the Isinglass River. A copy of this application will be submitted to the Isinglass River Local Advisory Committee.

#### 4.0 PROJECT DESCRIPTION

#### 4.1 STRUCTURE REPLACEMENT AND MAINTENANCE

As previously mentioned, the proposed project includes the replacement of 32 existing utility structures that must be replaced due to environmental damage. The process for replacing structures consists of drilling approximately





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4-ft diameter holes to install a caisson approximately 15 to 20 ft below the ground surface. New structures will be installed in caissons and backfilled with clean, suitable materials. Spoils produced from drilling will be disposed in approved upland areas at a minimum distance of 100 ft from wetland areas. Any disturbed upland and wetland areas will be restored or stabilized upon completion of work. Anchors will also be installed to stabilize new structures. Anchors will be installed by excavating trenches, installing the concrete block anchors, and backfilling trenches. Backfill for anchors in wetlands will consist of hydric soils to maintain hydric conditions in the soil.

Old structures will be cut at the ground surface. In addition to removal of old structures, old cross-arms, wires and accessory equipment will be removed off site and disposed. Old structure butts will not be dug up and removed unless they impact the structural integrity of new structures.

#### 4.1.1 Access

The proposed structure replacement project utilizes existing access routes within the existing 391, 385 and 373 ROW to the greatest extent practicable. The majority of existing access routes are comprised of dirt or grassy areas and are proposed to be improved as part of this project. Proposed access routes are shown on the plans in both **Figures 3 and 4**. Access into the existing ROW will be obtained from various state and local roadways, and private properties where permission has been obtained. Proposed access routes as shown on **Figures 3 and 4** were identified to minimize ground disturbance to the greatest extent practicable while providing safe and efficient access to existing utility structures. Access through existing wetlands within the project area will be completed using temporary timber matting.

#### 4.1.1.1 Road Construction

Proposed access road improvements include 12- to 16-foot-wide gravel and stone roads with a 20-foot total width limit of disturbance. The roads will provide access to existing utility structures for routine maintenance activities. Improved access will provide reliable, permanent and quick efficient access to utility structures for future maintenance activities and when emergency repairs are required. Majority of proposed access road improvements are located within already existing dirt and grass access routes (see **Appendix E – Photo Log**).

#### 4.1.1.2 Wetland and Upland Temporary Matting

Access through existing wetlands in the project area will be completed using temporary timber matting to minimize and prevent rutting in the wetlands (see **Figure 4- Alteration of Terrain Permitting Plans**). In addition, upland matting may be used rather than improving access with gravel and stone if access is necessary through maintained property owner lawns or farm fields.

#### 4.1.2 Work Pad Construction

The proposed project includes the construction of 100-foot by 100-foot gravel work pads to stage construction equipment and vehicles necessary to replace utility structures. Work pads will be constructed using clean modified riprap (6- to 8-inch diameter) or equivalent stone. In addition, the work pad will be top dressed with 1.5- to 3-inch diameter clean stone. Lastly, disturbed areas in proximity to the final work pad configuration will be stabilized with upland seed mix.

Proposed work pads in wetland areas will be constructed using temporary timber matting and removed upon completion of work.



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#### 4.2 CONSTRUCTION SEQUENCE

This proposed project is scheduled to begin at the beginning of February 2020. The work is proposed to be undertaken during the early spring of 2020 following the receipt of all regulatory approvals. The following is a description of anticipated construction sequence for this type of routine maintenance work. Once contractor(s) are scheduled, a more finalized sequence and schedule will be determined.

- 1) Install sediment and erosion controls in proposed locations as shown on Figure 4.
- 2) Upgrade access routes and build work pads. Timber matting to be used in uplands and wetlands as designated by **Figure 4**.
- 3) Conduct structure replacement activities including installation of new structures, removal of old structures, and transfer of wires.
- 4) Remove temporary timber matting and stabilized exposed soils within the ROW and restore temporarily disturbed wetland areas with appropriate wetland seed mix.
- 5) Remove erosion and sedimentation controls following stabilization.

#### 4.3 <u>BEST MANAGEMENT PRACTICES</u>

Work will be conducted in accordance with Eversource's standard Best Management Practices (BMPs) as designated by the NHDES Best Management Practices Manual for Utility Maintenance in and Adjacent to Wetlands and Waterbodies in New Hampshire dated March 2019. By implementing these BMPs, impacts to both wetland and upland areas will be minimized and prevented to the greatest extent practicable.

Where necessary, perimeter protective measures consisting of silt fence, straw wattle, mulch, and straw bales will be installed around the structures to minimize potential impacts to nearby resource areas. Water bars will be installed in areas of road improvements with steep slopes as identified by the Contractor. If necessary and based on localized site conditions, silt fence may be used. Disturbed soil will be seeded and mulched with hay or straw for stabilization as needed following completion of work. No equipment or material will be stored within wetland areas. Erosion controls will be implemented during construction as detailed in Notesheets 1 and 2 of Figures 3 and 4 to minimize potential impacts during construction (see Figure 3 – Surface Water and Groundwater Overlay Plans and Figure 4 – Alteration of Terrain Permitting Plans).

Timber matting will be used in wetlands and in some upland areas to minimize impacts and provide level work pads. Upon completion of work where timber matting is implemented in upland areas, those upland areas will be restored and stabilized to pre-existing conditions and areas of exposed soils will be seeded and/or mulched. Additionally, should any removal of BMPs be necessary, it will occur during restoration activities.

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#### 5.0 REGULATORY COMPLIANCE

#### 5.1 <u>ALTERATION OF TERRAIN</u>

The NHDES requires an AoT permit whenever a project proposes to disturb more than 100,000 sq. ft. of terrain (50,000 sq. ft. if within a protected shoreland). This NHDES requirement, which is found in Administrative Rule Env-Wq-1500, is intended to protect New Hampshire surface waters by controlling soil erosion and managing stormwater runoff from developed areas. The project contains four distinct AoT regulated areas (referred to respectively as Areas A, B, C, and D) along the 391, 385, and 373 Transmission Lines ROW based on continuous areas of disturbance and the various criteria listed under Env-Wq 1502.58 (b) (1). Details on impacts in each regulated area are provided below in *Section 5.1.2* Quantification of Impacts Subject to AoT.

# 5.1.1 <u>Waiver Request: Stormwater Drainage Report; Drainage Area Plan; Hydrologic Soil Group Plans (Env-WQ 15.09)</u> and Information Required for Projects within the 100-year Floodplain (Env-Wg 1503.09)

Per Env-Wq 1509.02, a waiver is being requested from the requirements to prepare a Stormwater Drainage Report, Drainage Area Plans and Hydrologic Soil Group Plans and a supplementary report for work within the 100-year floodplain because new impervious surface is limited to the footprint of new transmission line structures. It is not anticipated that the proposed structures will have a significant impact on site drainage patterns. Accordingly, stormwater treatment practices are not proposed. A formal waiver request is provided in **Appendix F**.

#### 5.1.2 Quantification of Impacts Subject to AOT

There are approximately 384,882 sq. ft. of total disturbance, including 61,644 sq. ft. of temporary wetland matting and 323,238 sq. ft. of ground disturbance along the 391, 385, and 373 Transmission Lines ROW that requires an AoT permit in accordance with Env-Wq 1502.58. Specific areas and construction activities that significantly alter the terrain are detailed below. Additional details are shown in **Figure 4**.

#### AoT Area A - Chester

373 Line Structure 286

Map Sheet 1

Disturbance Type	Impact (sq. ft)	
New Access	0	
Gravel Work Pad	6,400	
Total AoT Disturbed Area	<u>6,400</u>	

Criteria: Env-Wq 1502.58 (b) (1) "An area that: Is more than 2,500 square feet in size; Is within 50 feet of any surface water; Is sloped such that runoff is in the direction of the surface water; and Is subject to runoff over 50 feet or more of land having a grade of 25% or greater when measured at 2-front intervals."



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#### AoT Area B - Chester

373 Line Structure 278

#### Map Sheet 2

Disturbance Type	Impact (sq. ft)	
New Access	0	
Gravel Work Pad	8,000	
Total AoT Disturbed Area	<u>8,000</u>	

Criteria: Env-Wq 1502.58 (b) (1) "An area that: Is more than 2,500 square feet in size; Is within 50 feet of any surface water; Is sloped such that runoff is in the direction of the surface water; and Is subject to runoff over 50 feet or more of land having a grade of 25% or greater when measured at 2-foot intervals..."

#### **AoT Area C - Deerfield**

385 Line Structure 158 to 145

#### Map Sheets 3 to 9

Disturbance Type	Impact (sq. ft)	
New Access	136,928	
Gravel Work Pad	141,389	
Total AoT Disturbed Area	<u>279,846</u>	

Criteria: Env-Wq 1502.58 (b) (2) "An area that, over a 10 year period, cumulatively exceeds 100,000 square feet of contiguous area..."

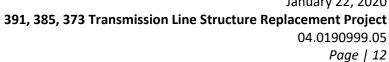
#### **AoT Area D - Strafford**

385 Line Structure 96 to 88

#### Map Sheets 10 to 13

Disturbance Type	Impact (sq. ft)	
New Access	65,990	
Gravel Work Pad	73,701	
Total AoT Disturbed Area	<u>139,691</u>	

Criteria: Env-Wq 1502.58 (b) (2) "An area that, over a 10 year period, cumulatively exceeds 100,000 square feet of contiguous area..."





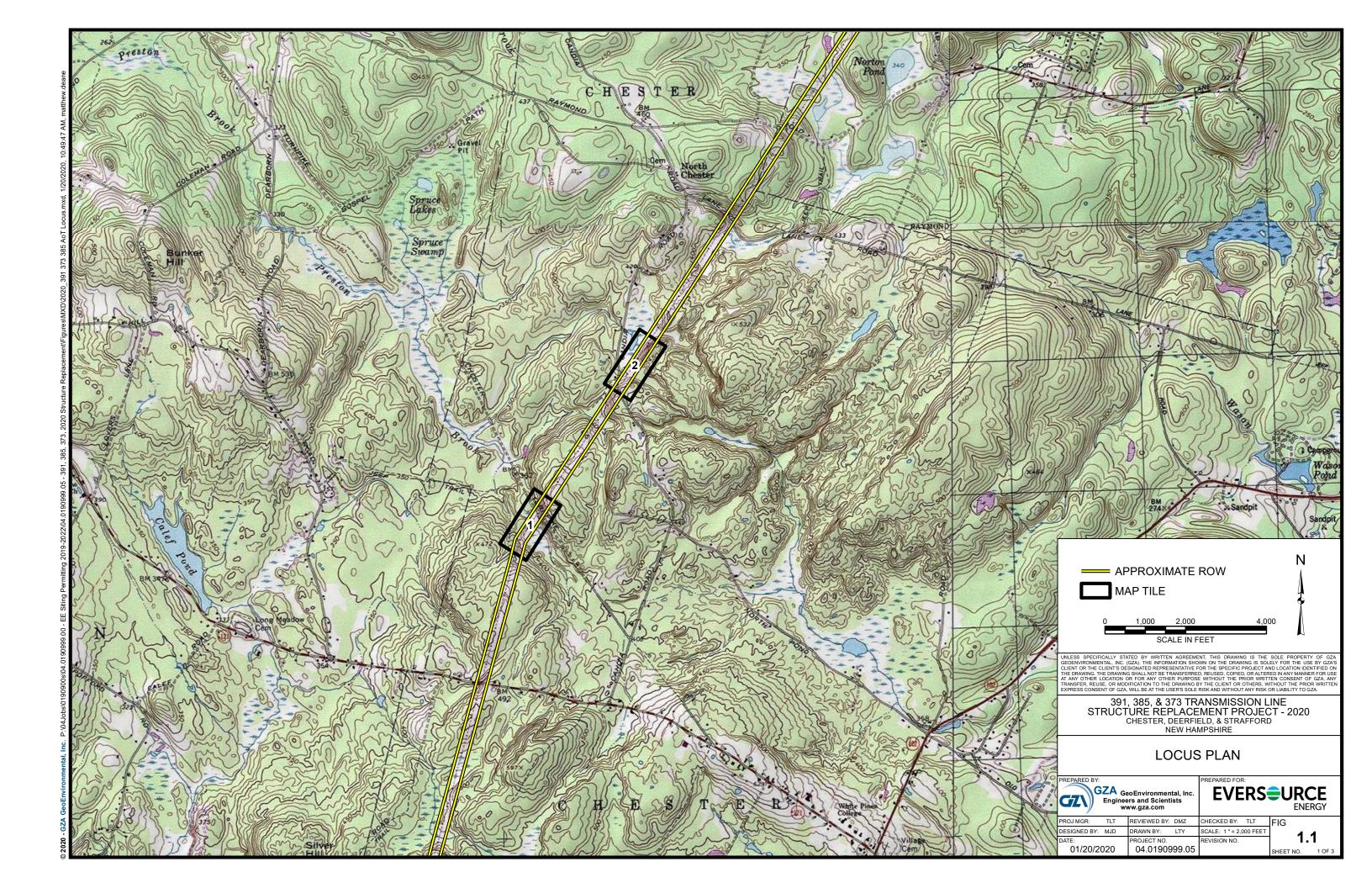
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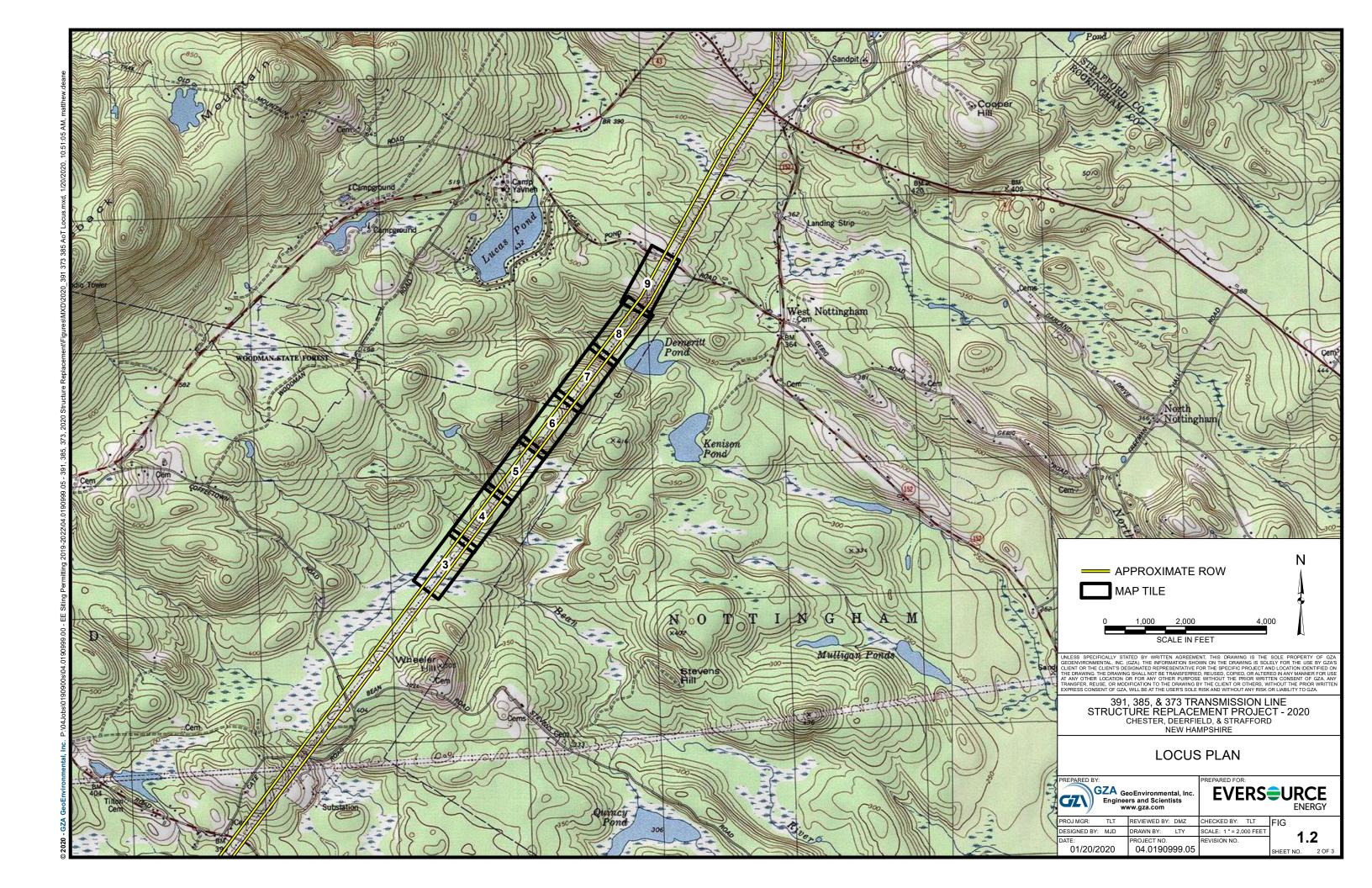
Other regulatory permits and notifications required for the proposed project are summarized below.

Agency	Permit/Notifica	Status			
Local	Local				
Town of Chester	Conditional Use Permit		Approved		
Town of Deerfield	Conditional Use Permit		Pending		
State					
	Statutory Permit by Notification				
	Town/City	SPN File No.			
	Chester	2020-00041			
	Deerfield	2020-00040			
NHDES	Strafford	2020-00035	Pending		
Federal					
EPA (Construction General Permit)	t) Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP)		Pending		



Figure 1 – USGS Topographic Map





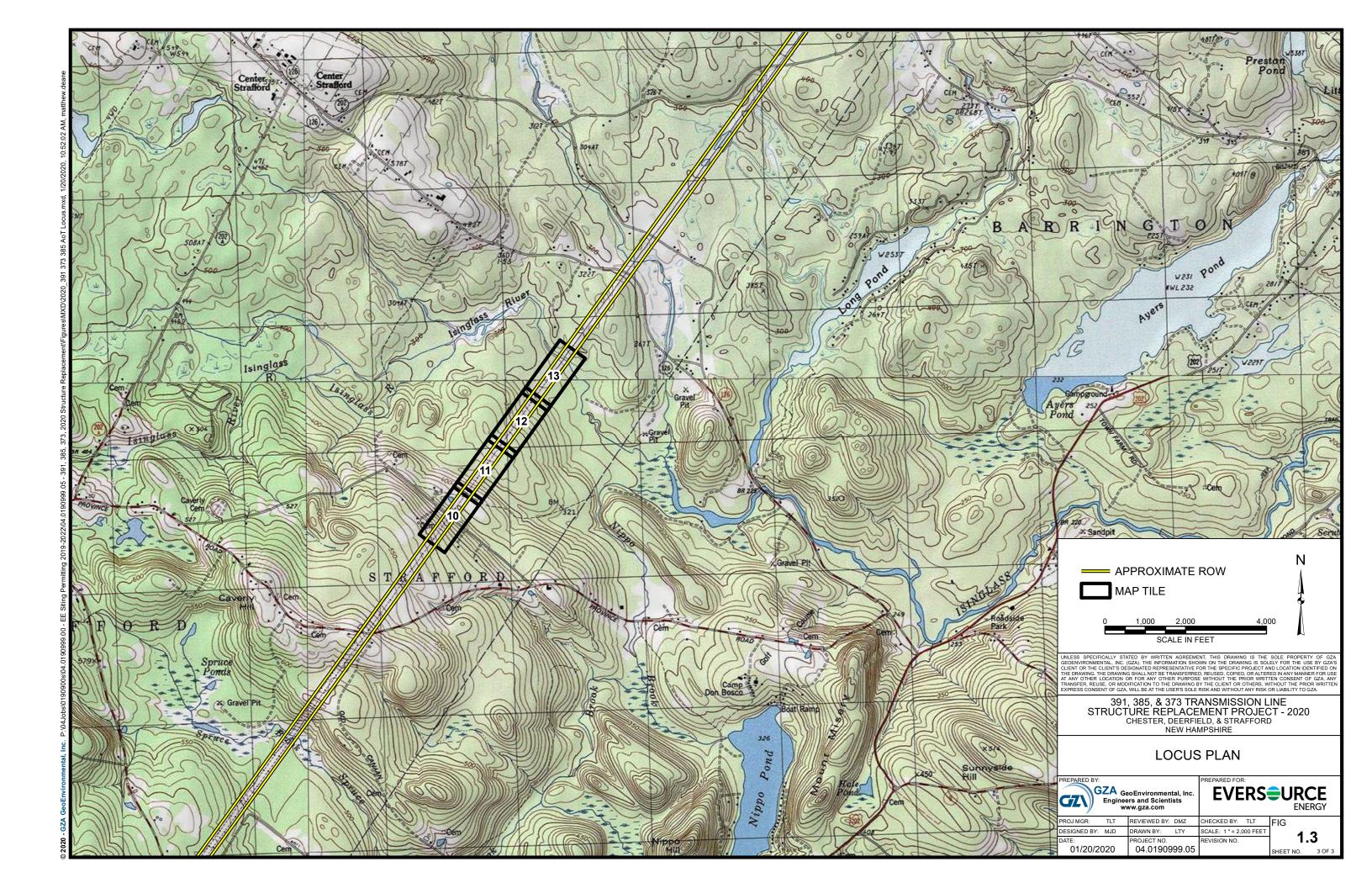




Figure 2 – Orthophotograph Site Map







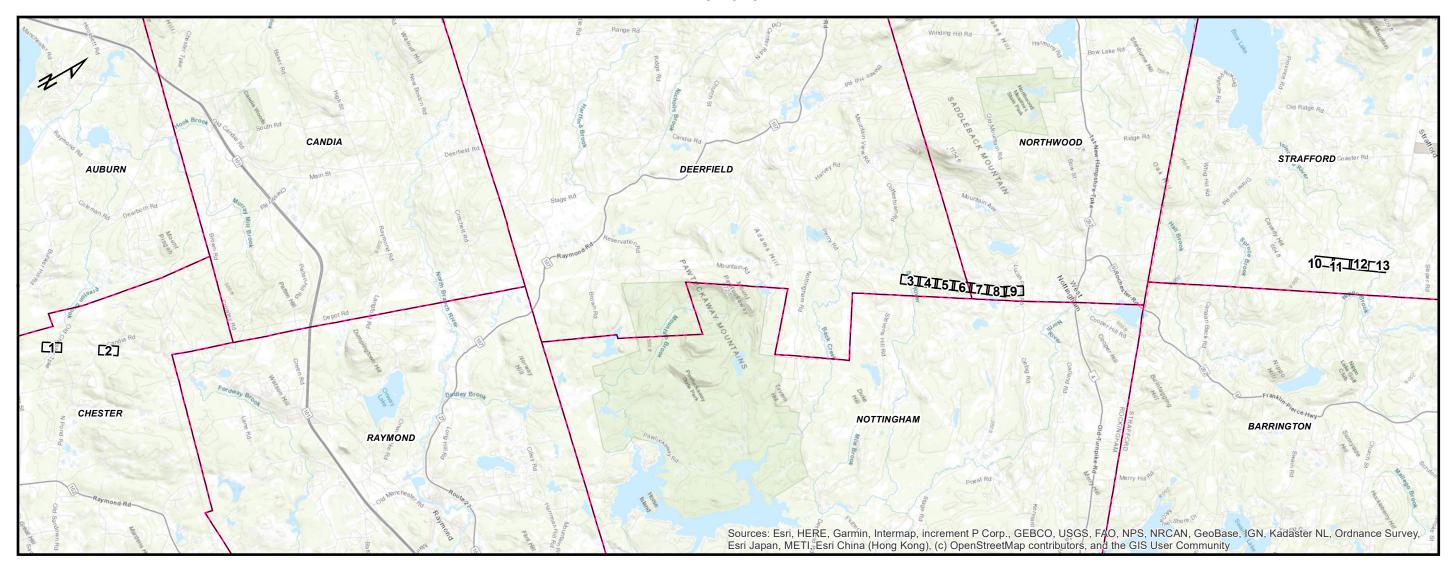


Figure 3 – Surface Water and Groundwater Overlay Plans

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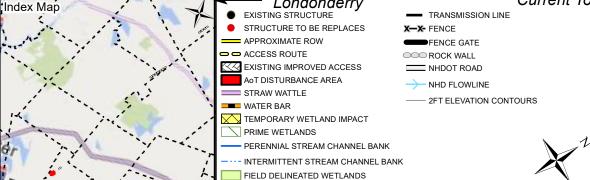
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#### NOTES

- 1. AERIAL IMAGERY WAS OBTAINED FROM NH GRANIT CLEARINGHOUSE AND IS DATED 2015.
- 2. EXISTING STRUCTURE AND TRANSMISSION LINE WERE PROVIDED BY EVERSOURCE ENERGY.
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- 4. APPROXIMATE ROW WAS GENERATED USING MILESHEETS PROVIDED BY EVERSOURCE ENERGY.
- 5. THE DATA LAYER "FIELD DELINEATED WETLANDS" WAS DELINEATED BY TIGHE & BOND IN 2018.
- 6. WATER MAIN WAS GPS LOCATED BY THE CITY OF ROCHESTER.
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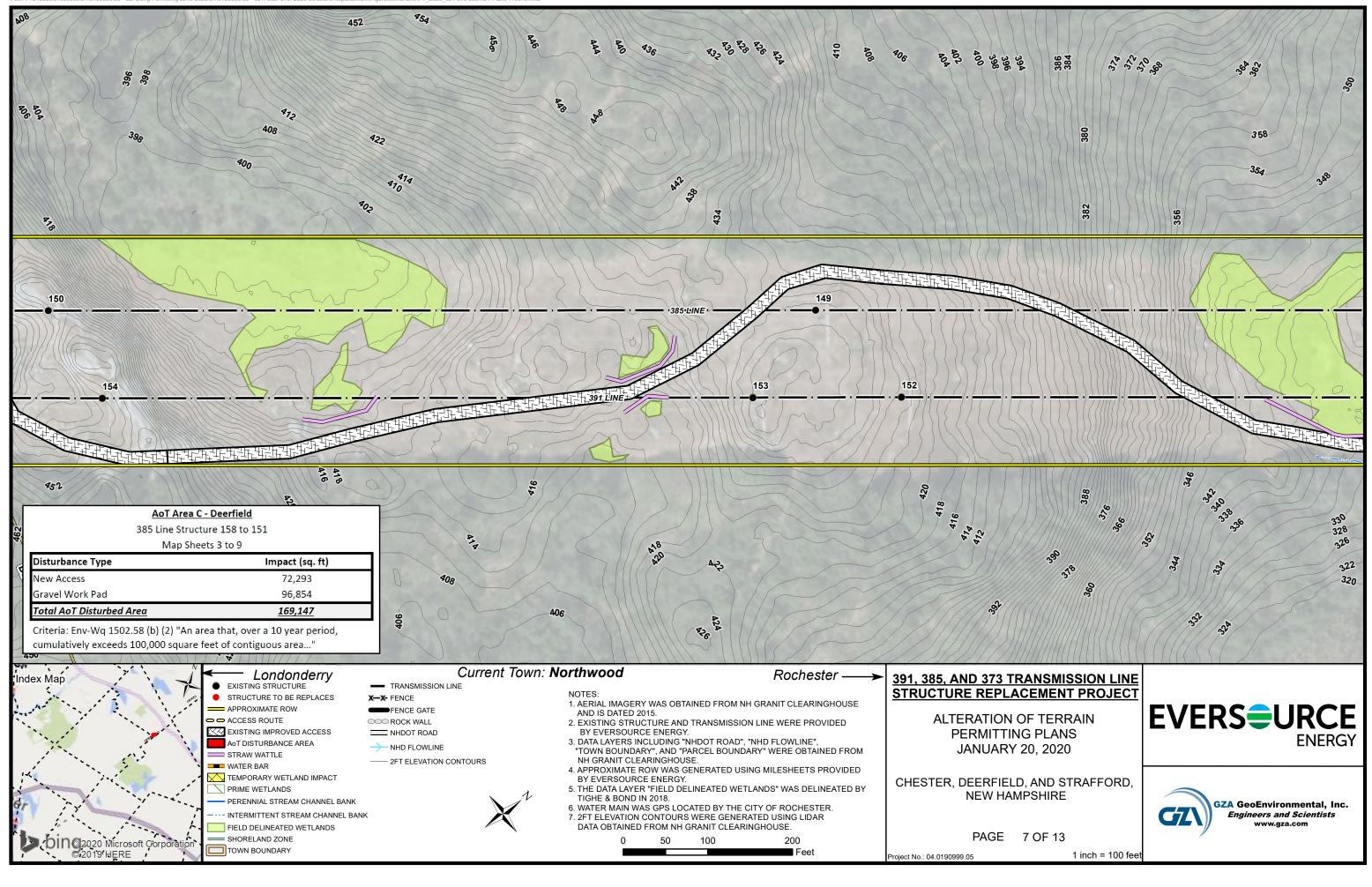
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#### CONSTRUCTION SEQUENCE:

- 1. WETLAND BOUNDARIES TO BE CLEARLY MARKED PRIOR TO THE START OF CONSTRUCTION.
- 2. SEDIMENT AND EROSION CONTROL MEASURES SHALL BE INSTALLED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE DETAIL PROVIDED, AS
- 3. WETLAND IMPACTS ASSOCIATED WITH WETLAND CROSSINGS ARE REQUIRED FOR ACCESS BETWEEN STRUCTURES WITHIN THE RIGHT OF WAY.
- 4. ADEQUATE PRECAUTION SHALL BE EXERCISED TO AVOID SPILLAGE OF FUEL OILS, CHEMICALS, OR SIMILAR SUBSTANCES; NO FUELS, LUBRICANTS, CHEMICALS OR SIMILAR SUBSTANCES SHALL BE STORED BENEATH TREES OR IN THE VICINITY OF ANY WETLANDS, RIVER, STREAM OR OTHER BODY OF WATER; OR IN THE VICINITY OF NATURAL OR MAN-MADE CHANNELS LEADING THERETO. NO POWER EQUIPMENT SHALL BE STORED, MAINTAINED, OR FUELED IN ANY AREA ADJACENT TO A WETLAND, RIVER, STREAM OR OTHER BODY OF WATER.
- 5. REMOVE COMPLETELY ALL CONTAMINATION FROM ANY SPILLAGE OF CHEMICALS OR PETROLEUM PRODUCT WITH COMPLETE REHABILITATION OF THE AFFECTED AREA.
- 6. ACCESS ROUTES HAVE BEEN SELECTED TO PREVENT DEGRADATION OF THE RIGHT-OF-WAY AND MINIMIZE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT. OPERATIONS SHALL BE CONFINED TO THE SPECIFIED ACCESS ROUTES WITHIN THE PROPOSED WETLAND IMPACT AREA. ACCESS ROUTES SHALL NOT EXCEED A 16 FOOT-WIDTH.
- 7. IMPACT TO VEGETATION WITHIN WETLANDS WILL BE LIMITED TO THE EXTENT NECESSARY TO PLACE THE TIMBER MATS WHERE REQUIRED
- 8. LOW GROWING VARIETIES OF VEGETATION ADJACENT TO WETLANDS SHALL BE PRESERVED TO THE EXTENT POSSIBLE. STUMPS AND ROCKS SHALL NOT BE REMOVED, AND THERE SHALL BE NO EXCAVATIONS, FILLS OR GRADING DONE ADJACENT TO WETLANDS, UNLESS MINOR EXCAVATIONS IS NEEDED FOR ACCESS.
- 9. TIMBER MATS WILL BE USED ALONG ACCESS ROUTES WITHIN WETLAND AREAS. THESE MATS ARE CONSTRUCTED OF HEAVY TIMBERS OR COMPOSITE MATERIAL, BOLTED TOGETHER, AND ARE PLACED END-TO-END IN THE WETLAND TO SUPPORT HEAVY EQUIPMENT. ALL SWAMP MATS SHALL BE PLACED AND REMOVED SO AS NOT TO CAUSE ANY RUTS, CHANNELS OR DEPRESSIONS, OR OTHERWISE CAUSE ANY UNDUE DISTURBANCE TO WETLANDS.
- 10. IF TIMBER MAT BMP IS NOT SUFFICIENT DUE TO HIGH WATER, ADDITIONAL BMP'S MAY INCLUDE THE PLACEMENT OF GEOTEXTILE FABRIC, 3"-4" STONE, AND GRAVEL TO PROVIDE A SUITABLE ROAD BED. A TEMPORARY CULVERT MAY BE REQUIRED IN AREAS OF HIGH FLOW TO MAINTAIN HYDROLOGIC CONNECTIVITY. ALL MATERIAL WILL BE REMOVED FROM JURISDICTIONAL AREAS AFTER CONSTRUCTION COMPLETION.
- 11. NO MATERIAL SHALL BE PLACED IN ANY LOCATION OR IN ANY MANNER SO AS TO IMPAIR SURFACE WATER FLOW INTO, THROUGH OR OUT OF ANY WETLAND AREA. NO INSTALLATION SHALL CREATE AN IMPOUNDMENT THAT WILL IMPEDE THE FLOW OF WATER OR CAUSE FLOODING.
- 12. NO MATERIAL SHALL BE TAKEN FROM THE WETLANDS AREA EXCEPT THAT WHICH MUST NECESSARILY BE REMOVED FOR THE STRUCTURE OR FOUNDATION PLACEMENT OR STABILIZATION. ALL EXCESS MATERIAL TAKEN FROM THE WETLAND WILL BE REMOVED FROM THE SITE.
- 13. ANY PROPOSED SUPPORT FILLS SHALL BE CLEAN GRAVEL AND STONE, FREE OF WASTE METAL PRODUCTS, ORGANIC MATERIALS AND SIMILAR DEBRIS AND SHALL NOT EXCEED THE AMOUNT PERMITTED. THIS ALLOWABLE FILL IS THE ONLY FILL THAT MAY REMAIN IN THE WETLAND AFTER CONSTRUCTION. ALL CUT AND FILLS SLOPES SHALL BE SEEDED/LOAMED WITHIN 72 HOURS OF ACHIEVING FINISHED GRADE
- 14. INSTALL NEW POLES IN THE LOCATIONS DESIGNATED ON THE PERMITTING PLANS.
- 15. CABLE INSTALLATION WILL BE PERFORMED IN A MANNER SO AS TO AVOID, OR LIMIT TO THE MAXIMUM EXTENT POSSIBLE, TRAVERSING WETLANDS WITH HEAVY EQUIPMENT. IN SOME CASES, A HELICOPTER MAY BE USED DURING THE INSTALLATION TO MINIMIZE IMPACTS.
- 16. ALL SWAMP MATS, MATERIAL, AND DEBRIS WILL BE REMOVED FROM THE WORK AREA UPON THE COMPLETION OF
- 17. UPLAND DISTURBED AREAS SHALL BE RESTORED AND STABILIZED UPON COMPLETION OF CONSTRUCTION. WORK PAD RESTORATION SHOULD INCLUDE REDUCING THE WORK PAD TO A 30 BY 60 FOOT AREA, AND REDUCING SLOPES TO A MAXIMUM OF 25%. STOCKPILED MATERIAL SHOULD BE SPREAD TO REDUCE ANY UNNECESSARY SLOPES. GRAVEL WORK PADS AND SLOPES SHOULD BE SCARIFIED TO A MINIMUM OF 3" BEFORE SPREADING TOPSOIL/LOAM.
- 18. ALL TEMPORARY WETLAND IMPACTS WILL BE RE-GRADED TO ORIGINAL CONTOURS FOLLOWING CONSTRUCTION. NEW ENGLAND EROSION CONTROL/RESTORATION MIX, AVAILABLE THROUGH NEW ENGLAND WETLAND PLANTS, INC., 820 WEST STREET, AMHERST, MA 01002, 413-548-8000, OR EQUIVALENT SEED MIX SHALL BE APPLIED IN WETLAND AREAS THAT ARE NOT INUNDATED, AS NECESSARY.
- 19. SEDIMENT AND EROSION CONTROL MEASURES WILL BE EVALUATED AND REMOVED IF NECESSARY UPON THE COMPLETION OF CONSTRUCTION.
- 20. COMMERCIAL LOAM WILL NOT BE USED AS PART OF RESTORATION. ONLY IN-SITU TOPSOIL WILL BE USED TO RESTORE
- 21. WHERE OPTIMAL TURTLE BREEDING AREAS OVERLAP WITH DISTURBANCE (AS DETERMINED BY AN ENVIRONMENTAL MONITOR), MINERAL SOILS WILL BE SCARIFIED TO ALLEVIATE COMPACTION AND BECOME MORE SUITED FOR TURTLE BREEDING.

#### WINTER CONSTRUCTION NOTES

- 1. PROPOSED VEGETATED AREAS WHICH DO NOT EXHIBIT A MINIMUM OF 85% VEGETATIVE GROWTH BY OCTOBER 15TH, OR WHICH ARE DISTURBED AFTER OCTOBER 15TH, SHALL BE STABILIZED. STABILIZATION METHODS SHALL INCLUDE SEEDING AND MULCH, AND INSTALLATION OF EROSION CONTROL BLANKETS ON SLOPES GREATER THAN 3:1, AND SEEDING AND PLACING 3 TO 4 TONS OF MULCH PER SECURED WITH ANCHORED NETTING, ELSEWHERE. THE INSTALLATION OF EROSION CONTROL BLANKETS OR MULCH AND NETTING SHALL NOT OCCUR OVER ACCUMULATED SNOW OR FROZEN GROUND AND SHALL BE COMPLETED IN ADVANCE OF THAW OR SPRING MELT
- 2. DITCHES OR SWALES WHICH DO NOT EXHIBIT A MINIMUM OF 85% VEGETATIVE GROWTH BY OCTOBER 15TH, OR WHICH ARE DISTURBED AFTER OCTOBER 15TH, SHALL BE TEMPORARILY STABILIZED WITH STONE OR EROSION CONTROL BLANKETS APPROPRIATE FOR THE DESIGN FLOW CONDITIONS.

3. AFTER NOVEMBER 15TH, INCOMPLETE ROAD OR PARKING SURFACES, WHERE WORK HAS STOPPED FOR THE WINTER SEASON, SHALL BE PROTECTED WITH A MINIMUM OF 3 INCHES OF CRUSHED GRAVEL (NHDOT 304.3).

EVERSOURCE ENERGY 13 LEGENDS DRIVE OWNER: HOOKSETT, NH 03106

- BASE PLAN PROVIDED BY EVERSOURCE ENERGY. EVERSOURCE ENERGY PROVIDED THE WETLAND DATA. EVERSOURCE ENERGY PROVIDED THE UTILITY DESIGN.
- 2. JURISDICTIONAL WETLANDS WERE DELINEATED BY TIGHE AND BOND IN 2018, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE 1987 U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS' "WETLANDS DELINEATION MANUAL, TECHNICAL REPORT Y-87-1," AND REGIONAL SUPPLEMENT TO THE CORPS OF ENGINEERS WETLAND DELINEATION MANUAL: NORTH CENTRAL AND NORTHEAST REGION," JANUARY 2012. WETLANDS WERE REVIEWED BY GZA GEOENVIRONMENTAL, INC. IN JANUARY AND FEBRUARY 2019.
- 3. GZA PERFORMED A WETLANDS FUNCTION AND VALUES ASSESSMENT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE ACOE'S "HIGHWAY METHODOLOGY WORKBOOK SUPPLEMENT," SEPTEMBER 1999, IN THE TOWN OF STRAFFORD.
- 4. SITE PLAN IS FOR PERMITTING PURPOSES ONLY AND DOES NOT REPRESENT A PROPERTY BOUNDARY SURVEY.
- 5. THE PROJECT WILL BE MANAGED IN A MANNER THAT MEETS THE REQUIREMENTS AND INTENT OF RSA 430:53 AND CHAPTER AGR 3800 RELATIVE TO INVASIVE SPECIES.
- 6. IN ACCORANCE WITH ENV-WQ 1505.02, THE SMALLEST PRACTICAL AREA SHALL BE DISTURBED DURING CONSTRUCTION, BUT IN NO CASE SHALL EXCEED 5 ACRES AT ANY ONE TIME BEFORE DISTURBED AREAS ARE STABILIZED. AN AREA SHALL BE CONSIDERED STABLE IF ONE OF THE FOLLOWING HAS OCCURRED:

   A MINIMUM 85 PERCENT VEGETATED GROWTH HAS BEEN ESTABLISHED

   A MINIMUM OF 3 INCHES OF NON-EROSIVE MATERIAL HAS BEEN INSTALLED

  - OR, EROSION CONTROL BLANKETS HAVE BEEN PROPERLY INSTALLED.
- 7. IN THE EVENT THAT A RARE OR THREATENED SPECIES IS OBSERVED, THE NEW HAMPSHIRE FISH AND GAME AND NEW HAMPSHIRE NATURAL HERITAGE BUREAU WILL BE NOTIFIED. TURTLE NESTING SEASON EXTENDS FROM LATE MAY THROUGH THE BEGINNING OF JULY. IF WOOD, BLANDING'S OR SPOTTED TURTLES ARE FOUND LAYING EGGS IN THE WORK AREA, CONTACT MELISSA DOPERALSKI AT 603-271-1738 OR JOSH MEGYESY AT 603-271-1125 FOR FURTHER INSTRUCTIONS. OBSERVATIONS OF NORTHERN BLACK RACER SNAKES SEEN IN ANY AREA FROM THE END OF SEPTEMBER THROUGH THE MONTH OF APRIL MUST BE IMMEDIATELY REPORTED TO THE NHFG DEPARTMENT (BRENDAN CLIFFORD AT 603-271-0463 OR MELISSA DOPERALSKI AT 603-271-1738). IF NORTHERN BLACK RACER IS FOUND IN A WORK AREA FROM NOVEMBER THROUGH THE MONTH OF APRIL, WORK SHALL IMMEDIATELY CEASE AND THE OBSERVATION MUST BE REPORTED TO THE NHFG (BRENDAN CLIFFORD OR MELISSA DOPERALSKI).

#### **EROSION CONTROL NOTES:**

- 1. INSTALLATION OF EROSION CONTROL GRINDINGS AND/OR SILT FENCES SHALL BE COMPLETE PRIOR TO THE START OF WORK IN ANY GIVEN AREA. EROSION CONTROLS SHALL BE USED DURING CONSTRUCTION AND REMOVED WHEN ALL SLOPES HAVE A HEALTHY STAND OF VEGETATION COVER. EROSION CONTROL MEASURES SHALL BE INSPECTED ON A WEEKLY BASIS AND AFTER .25" OR GREATER RAINFALL EVENTS.
- 2. AS REQUIRED, CONSTRUCT TEMPORARY BERMS, SILTATION FENCES, SEDIMENT TRAPS, ETC. TO PREVENT EROSION & SEDIMENTATION OF WETLANDS.
- 3. THE WORK AREA SHALL BE GRADED AND OTHERWISE SHAPED IN SUCH A MANNER AS TO MINIMIZE SOIL EROSION, SILTATION OF DRAINAGE CHANNELS, DAMAGE TO EXISTING VEGETATION, AND DAMAGE TO PROPERTY OUTSIDE LIMITS OF THE WORK AREA. EROSION CONTROL GRINDINGS WILL BE NECESSARY TO ACCOMPLISH THIS END.
- 4. ANY STRIPPED TOPSOIL SHALL BE STOCKPILED, WITHOUT COMPACTION, AND STABILIZED AGAINST EROSION, AS NECESSARY.
- 5. PERMANENT OR TEMPORARY COVER MUST BE IN PLACE BEFORE THE GROWING SEASON ENDS. WHEN SEEDED AREAS ARE NOT MULCHED, PLANTINGS SHOULD BE MADE FROM EARLY SPRING TO MAY 20 OR FROM AUGUST 15 TO SEPTEMBER 15. NO DISTURBED AREA SHALL BE LEFT EXPOSED DURING WINTER MONTHS, PLANT ANNUAL RYEGRASS PRIOR TO OCTOBER 15TH.
- 6. EROSION CONTROLS SHALL BE INSPECTED WEEKLY AND AFTER EVERY HALF-INCH OF RAINFALL
- 7. EROSION CONTROL MATTING, IF REQUIRED, WILL CONSIST OF JUTE MATTING. MATTING WITH WELDED PLASTIC OR 'BIODEGRADABLE PLASTIC' NETTING OR THREAD WILL BE AVOIDED TO LIMIT UNINTENTIONAL MORTALITY TO SNAKES.

UNLESS SPECIFICALLY STATED BY WRITTEN AGREEMENT, THIS DRAWING IS THE SOLE PROPERTY OF GZA GEOEN/IRONMENTAL, INC. (GZA). THE INFORMATION SHOWN ON THE DRAWING IS SOLELY FOR THE USE BY GZA CILENT OR THE CLIENT'S DESIGNATED REPRESENTATIVE FOR THE SPECIFIC PROJECT AND LOCATION DENTIFIED ON THE DRAWING. THE DRAWING SHALL NOT BE TRANSFERRED, REUSED, COPIED, OR ALTERED IN ANY MANNER FOR USE AT ANY OTHER LOCATION OF FOR ANY OTHER PURPOSE WITHOUT THE PRIOR WRITTEN CONSENT OF GZA, ANY TRANSFER, REUSE, OR MODIFICATION TO THE DRAWING BY THE CLIENT OR CHIEFS, WITHOUT THE PRIOR WRITTEN EXPRESS CONSENT OF GZA, WILL BE AT THE USERS SOLE RISE AND WITHOUT ANY RISK OR LABILITY TO

#### 391, 385, & 373 TRANSMISSION LINE STRUCTURE REPLACEMENT PROJECT

CHESTER, DEERFIELD, AND STRAFFORD, **NEW HAMPSHIRE** 

#### NOTES





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#### Best Management Practices (BMP's) for Straw wattles

#### Definition and purpose:

Straw wattles are burlap rolls filled with straw that trap sediment and interrupt water flow by reducing slope lengths.

#### Applications:

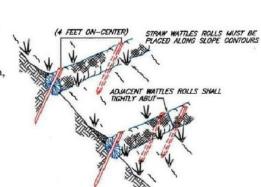
- \* Along erodible or unstablizied slopes
- \* Spread overland waterflow
- \* Trap sediment
- \* Around storm drain inlets to slow water and settle out sediment
- \* Overlap ends approximately 6 inches

#### Installation:

Straw wattles are installed parallel to slope contours and perpendicular to sheet flow.

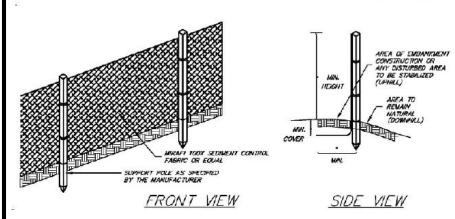
Spacing\* - Dependent on slope length, soil steepness and soil type (general range 10 - 25').

Trenching - 2"-5" inch trench Stacking - at each end and four foot on center (i.e. 25 foot wattle uses 6 stacks)







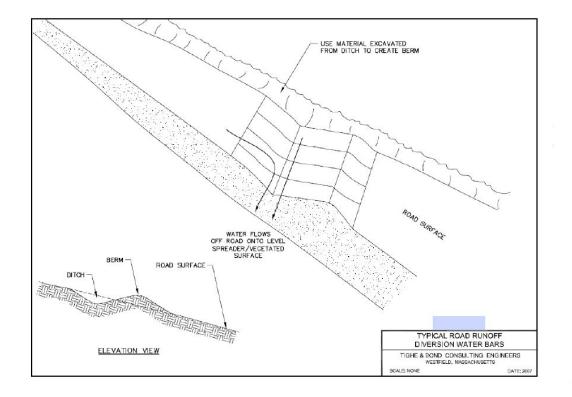


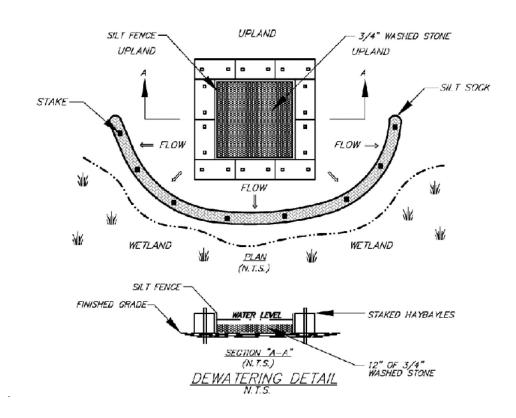
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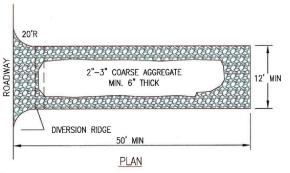
1. THE HEIGHT OF THE BARRIER SHALL NOT EXEED 36 INCHES.
2. WHEN JOINTS ARE NECESSARY, FILTER CLOTH SHALL BE SPLICED TOGETHER ONLY AT A SUPPORT POST. WITH A MINIMUM 6—INCH OVERLAP, AND SECURELY SEALED. SEE MANUFACTURER'S RECOMMENDATIONS. 3 POSTS SHALL BE PLACED AT A MAXIMUM OF 10 FEET APART AT THE BARRIER LOCATION AND DRIVEN SECURELY INTO THE GROUND (MINIMUM OF 12 INCHES). WHEN EXTRA STRENGTH FABRIC IS USED WITHOUT THE WIRE SUPPORT FENCE, POST SPACING SHALL BE AS MANUFACTURER RECOMMENDS.
4. A TRENCH SHALL BE EXCAVATED APPROXIMATELY 6 INCHES WIDE AND 6 INCHES DEEP ALONG THE LINE

- OF POSTS AND UPSLOPE OF THE BARRIER IN ACCORDANCE WITH RECOMMENDATIONS
- 5. THE FABRIC SHALL NOT EXTEND MORE THAN 36 INCHES ABOVE THE ORIGINAL GROUND SURFACE, AND WILL EXTEND A MINIMUM OF 8 INCHES INTO THE TRENCH. FILTER FABRIC SHALL NOT BE STAPLED 6. THE TRENCH SHALL BE BACKFILLED AND THE SOIL COMPACTED OVER THE FILTER FABRIC.
- 7. FABRIC BARRIERS SHALL BE REMOVED WHEN THEY HAVE SERVED THEIR USEFUL PURPOSE, BUT NOT BEFORE THE UPSLOPE AREA HAS BEEN PERMANENTLY STABILIZED.

  8. FILTER BARRIERS SHALL BE INSPECTED IMMEDIATELY AFTER EACH RAINFALL AND AT LEAST ONCE.
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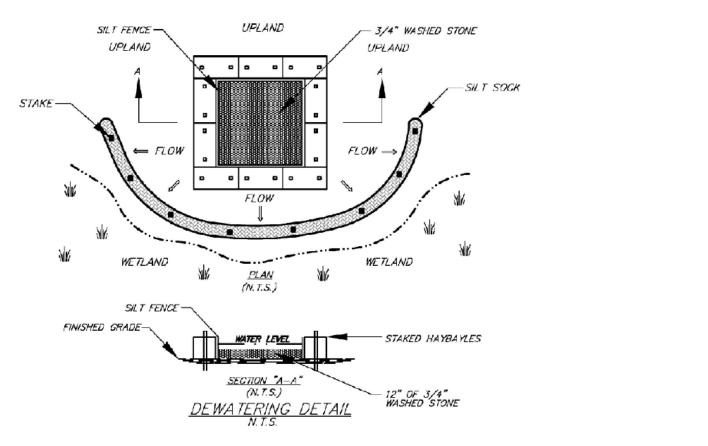
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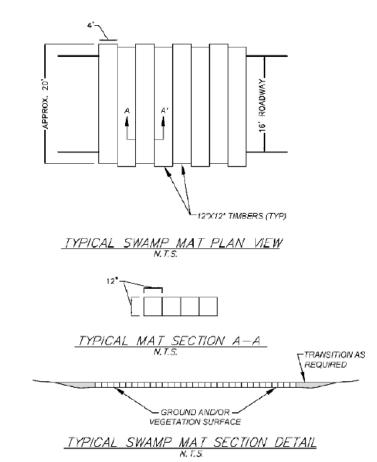
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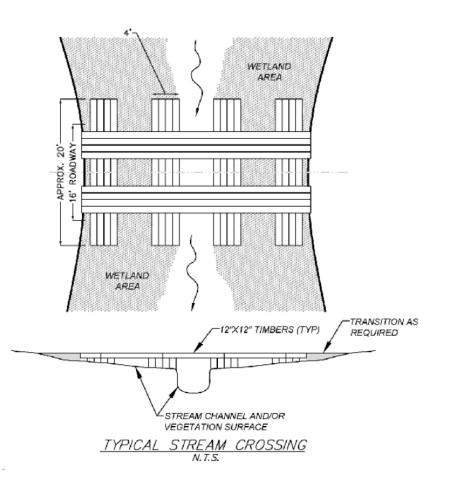
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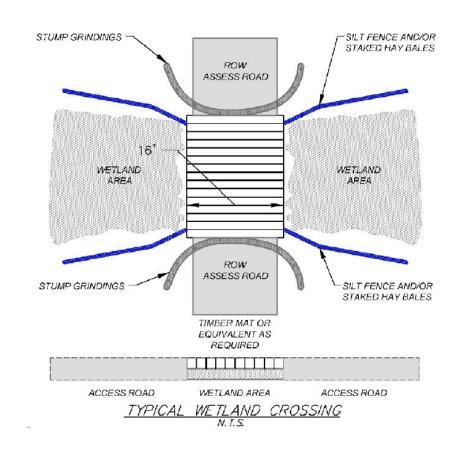
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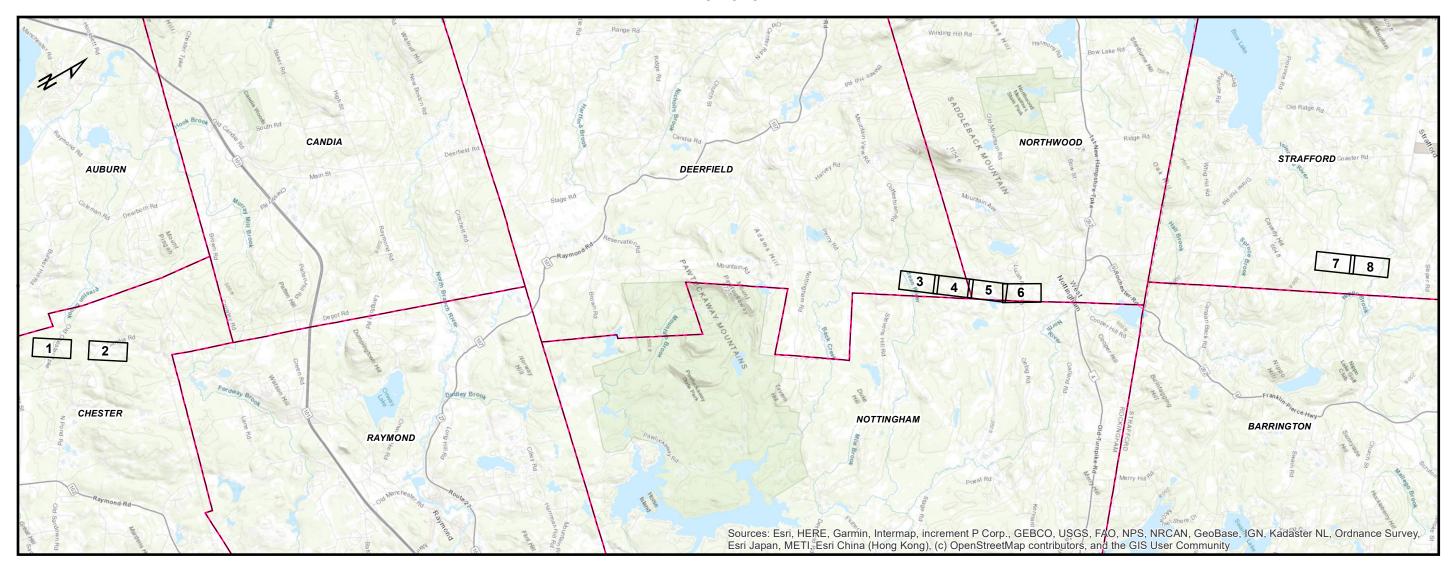


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## SURFACE WATER AND GROUNDWATER OVERLAY PLANS

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1 inch = 200 feet

ALL FEATURES (CLASS A SURFACE WATERS RSA485A9)

LOCAL POTENTIAL CONTAMINATION SOURCES

#### CONSTRUCTION SEQUENCE:

- 1. WETLAND BOUNDARIES TO BE CLEARLY MARKED PRIOR TO THE START OF CONSTRUCTION.
- 2. SEDIMENT AND EROSION CONTROL MEASURES SHALL BE INSTALLED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE DETAIL PROVIDED, AS
- 3. WETLAND IMPACTS ASSOCIATED WITH WETLAND CROSSINGS ARE REQUIRED FOR ACCESS BETWEEN STRUCTURES WITHIN THE RIGHT OF WAY.
- 4. ADEQUATE PRECAUTION SHALL BE EXERCISED TO AVOID SPILLAGE OF FUEL OILS, CHEMICALS, OR SIMILAR SUBSTANCES; NO FUELS, LUBRICANTS, CHEMICALS OR SIMILAR SUBSTANCES SHALL BE STORED BENEATH TREES OR IN THE VICINITY OF ANY WETLANDS, RIVER, STREAM OR OTHER BODY OF WATER; OR IN THE VICINITY OF NATURAL OR MAN-MADE CHANNELS LEADING THERETO. NO POWER EQUIPMENT SHALL BE STORED, MAINTAINED, OR FUELED IN ANY AREA ADJACENT TO A WETLAND, RIVER, STREAM OR OTHER BODY OF WATER.
- 5. REMOVE COMPLETELY ALL CONTAMINATION FROM ANY SPILLAGE OF CHEMICALS OR PETROLEUM PRODUCT WITH COMPLETE REHABILITATION OF THE AFFECTED AREA.
- 6. ACCESS ROUTES HAVE BEEN SELECTED TO PREVENT DEGRADATION OF THE RIGHT-OF-WAY AND MINIMIZE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT. OPERATIONS SHALL BE CONFINED TO THE SPECIFIED ACCESS ROUTES WITHIN THE PROPOSED WETLAND IMPACT AREA. ACCESS ROUTES SHALL NOT EXCEED A 16 FOOT-WIDTH.
- 7. IMPACT TO VEGETATION WITHIN WETLANDS WILL BE LIMITED TO THE EXTENT NECESSARY TO PLACE THE TIMBER MATS WHERE REQUIRED
- 8. LOW GROWING VARIETIES OF VEGETATION ADJACENT TO WETLANDS SHALL BE PRESERVED TO THE EXTENT POSSIBLE. STUMPS AND ROCKS SHALL NOT BE REMOVED, AND THERE SHALL BE NO EXCAVATIONS, FILLS OR GRADING DONE ADJACENT TO WETLANDS, UNLESS MINOR EXCAVATIONS IS NEEDED FOR ACCESS.
- 9. TIMBER MATS WILL BE USED ALONG ACCESS ROUTES WITHIN WETLAND AREAS. THESE MATS ARE CONSTRUCTED OF HEAVY TIMBERS OR COMPOSITE MATERIAL, BOLTED TOGETHER, AND ARE PLACED END-TO-END IN THE WETLAND TO SUPPORT HEAVY EQUIPMENT. ALL SWAMP MATS SHALL BE PLACED AND REMOVED SO AS NOT TO CAUSE ANY RUTS, CHANNELS OR DEPRESSIONS, OR OTHERWISE CAUSE ANY UNDUE DISTURBANCE TO WETLANDS.
- 10. IF TIMBER MAT BMP IS NOT SUFFICIENT DUE TO HIGH WATER, ADDITIONAL BMP'S MAY INCLUDE THE PLACEMENT OF GEOTEXTILE FABRIC, 3"-4" STONE, AND GRAVEL TO PROVIDE A SUITABLE ROAD BED. A TEMPORARY CULVERT MAY BE REQUIRED IN AREAS OF HIGH FLOW TO MAINTAIN HYDROLOGIC CONNECTIVITY. ALL MATERIAL WILL BE REMOVED FROM JURISDICTIONAL AREAS AFTER CONSTRUCTION COMPLETION.
- 11. NO MATERIAL SHALL BE PLACED IN ANY LOCATION OR IN ANY MANNER SO AS TO IMPAIR SURFACE WATER FLOW INTO, THROUGH OR OUT OF ANY WETLAND AREA. NO INSTALLATION SHALL CREATE AN IMPOUNDMENT THAT WILL IMPEDE THE FLOW OF WATER OR CAUSE FLOODING.
- 12. NO MATERIAL SHALL BE TAKEN FROM THE WETLANDS AREA EXCEPT THAT WHICH MUST NECESSARILY BE REMOVED FOR THE STRUCTURE OR FOUNDATION PLACEMENT OR STABILIZATION. ALL EXCESS MATERIAL TAKEN FROM THE WETLAND WILL BE REMOVED FROM THE SITE.
- 13. ANY PROPOSED SUPPORT FILLS SHALL BE CLEAN GRAVEL AND STONE, FREE OF WASTE METAL PRODUCTS, ORGANIC MATERIALS AND SIMILAR DEBRIS AND SHALL NOT EXCEED THE AMOUNT PERMITTED. THIS ALLOWABLE FILL IS THE ONLY FILL THAT MAY REMAIN IN THE WETLAND AFTER CONSTRUCTION. ALL CUT AND FILLS SLOPES SHALL BE SEEDED/LOAMED WITHIN 72 HOURS OF ACHIEVING FINISHED GRADE
- 14. INSTALL NEW POLES IN THE LOCATIONS DESIGNATED ON THE PERMITTING PLANS.
- 15. CABLE INSTALLATION WILL BE PERFORMED IN A MANNER SO AS TO AVOID, OR LIMIT TO THE MAXIMUM EXTENT POSSIBLE, TRAVERSING WETLANDS WITH HEAVY EQUIPMENT. IN SOME CASES, A HELICOPTER MAY BE USED DURING THE INSTALLATION TO MINIMIZE IMPACTS.
- 16. ALL SWAMP MATS, MATERIAL, AND DEBRIS WILL BE REMOVED FROM THE WORK AREA UPON THE COMPLETION OF
- 17. UPLAND DISTURBED AREAS SHALL BE RESTORED AND STABILIZED UPON COMPLETION OF CONSTRUCTION. WORK PAD RESTORATION SHOULD INCLUDE REDUCING THE WORK PAD TO A 30 BY 60 FOOT AREA, AND REDUCING SLOPES TO A MAXIMUM OF 25%. STOCKPILED MATERIAL SHOULD BE SPREAD TO REDUCE ANY UNNECESSARY SLOPES. GRAVEL WORK PADS AND SLOPES SHOULD BE SCARIFIED TO A MINIMUM OF 3" BEFORE SPREADING TOPSOIL/LOAM.
- 18. ALL TEMPORARY WETLAND IMPACTS WILL BE RE-GRADED TO ORIGINAL CONTOURS FOLLOWING CONSTRUCTION. NEW ENGLAND EROSION CONTROL/RESTORATION MIX, AVAILABLE THROUGH NEW ENGLAND WETLAND PLANTS, INC., 820 WEST STREET, AMHERST, MA 01002, 413-548-8000, OR EQUIVALENT SEED MIX SHALL BE APPLIED IN WETLAND AREAS THAT ARE NOT INUNDATED, AS NECESSARY.
- 19. SEDIMENT AND EROSION CONTROL MEASURES WILL BE EVALUATED AND REMOVED IF NECESSARY UPON THE COMPLETION OF CONSTRUCTION.
- 20. COMMERCIAL LOAM WILL NOT BE USED AS PART OF RESTORATION. ONLY IN-SITU TOPSOIL WILL BE USED TO RESTORE
- 21. WHERE OPTIMAL TURTLE BREEDING AREAS OVERLAP WITH DISTURBANCE (AS DETERMINED BY AN ENVIRONMENTAL MONITOR), MINERAL SOILS WILL BE SCARIFIED TO ALLEVIATE COMPACTION AND BECOME MORE SUITED FOR TURTLE BREEDING.

#### WINTER CONSTRUCTION NOTES

- 1. PROPOSED VEGETATED AREAS WHICH DO NOT EXHIBIT A MINIMUM OF 85% VEGETATIVE GROWTH BY OCTOBER 15TH, OR WHICH ARE DISTURBED AFTER OCTOBER 15TH, SHALL BE STABILIZED. STABILIZATION METHODS SHALL INCLUDE SEEDING AND MULCH, AND INSTALLATION OF EROSION CONTROL BLANKETS ON SLOPES GREATER THAN 3:1, AND SEEDING AND PLACING 3 TO 4 TONS OF MULCH PER SECURED WITH ANCHORED NETTING, ELSEWHERE. THE INSTALLATION OF EROSION CONTROL BLANKETS OR MULCH AND NETTING SHALL NOT OCCUR OVER ACCUMULATED SNOW OR FROZEN GROUND AND SHALL BE COMPLETED IN ADVANCE OF THAW OR SPRING MELT
- 2. DITCHES OR SWALES WHICH DO NOT EXHIBIT A MINIMUM OF 85% VEGETATIVE GROWTH BY OCTOBER 15TH, OR WHICH ARE DISTURBED AFTER OCTOBER 15TH, SHALL BE TEMPORARILY STABILIZED WITH STONE OR EROSION CONTROL BLANKETS APPROPRIATE FOR THE DESIGN FLOW CONDITIONS.

3. AFTER NOVEMBER 15TH, INCOMPLETE ROAD OR PARKING SURFACES, WHERE WORK HAS STOPPED FOR THE WINTER SEASON, SHALL BE PROTECTED WITH A MINIMUM OF 3 INCHES OF CRUSHED GRAVEL (NHDOT 304.3).

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- BASE PLAN PROVIDED BY EVERSOURCE ENERGY. EVERSOURCE ENERGY PROVIDED THE WETLAND DATA. EVERSOURCE ENERGY PROVIDED THE UTILITY DESIGN.
- 2. JURISDICTIONAL WETLANDS WERE DELINEATED BY TIGHE AND BOND IN 2018, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE 1987 U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS' "WETLANDS DELINEATION MANUAL, TECHNICAL REPORT Y-87-1," AND REGIONAL SUPPLEMENT TO THE CORPS OF ENGINEERS WETLAND DELINEATION MANUAL: NORTH CENTRAL AND NORTHEAST REGION," JANUARY 2012. WETLANDS WERE REVIEWED BY GZA GEOENVIRONMENTAL, INC. IN JANUARY AND FEBRUARY 2019.
- 3. GZA PERFORMED A WETLANDS FUNCTION AND VALUES ASSESSMENT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE ACOE'S "HIGHWAY METHODOLOGY WORKBOOK SUPPLEMENT," SEPTEMBER 1999, IN THE TOWN OF STRAFFORD.
- 4. SITE PLAN IS FOR PERMITTING PURPOSES ONLY AND DOES NOT REPRESENT A PROPERTY BOUNDARY SURVEY.
- 5. THE PROJECT WILL BE MANAGED IN A MANNER THAT MEETS THE REQUIREMENTS AND INTENT OF RSA 430:53 AND CHAPTER AGR 3800 RELATIVE TO INVASIVE SPECIES.
- 6. IN ACCORANCE WITH ENV-WQ 1505.02, THE SMALLEST PRACTICAL AREA SHALL BE DISTURBED DURING CONSTRUCTION, BUT IN NO CASE SHALL EXCEED 5 ACRES AT ANY ONE TIME BEFORE DISTURBED AREAS ARE STABILIZED. AN AREA SHALL BE CONSIDERED STABLE IF ONE OF THE FOLLOWING HAS OCCURRED:

   A MINIMUM 85 PERCENT VEGETATED GROWTH HAS BEEN ESTABLISHED

   A MINIMUM OF 3 INCHES OF NON-EROSIVE MATERIAL HAS BEEN INSTALLED
- OR, EROSION CONTROL BLANKETS HAVE BEEN PROPERLY INSTALLED.
- 7. IN THE EVENT THAT A RARE OR THREATENED SPECIES IS OBSERVED, THE NEW HAMPSHIRE FISH AND GAME AND NEW HAMPSHIRE NATURAL HERITAGE BUREAU WILL BE NOTIFIED. TURTLE NESTING SEASON EXTENDS FROM LATE MAY THROUGH THE BEGINNING OF JULY. IF WOOD, BLANDING'S OR SPOTTED TURTLES ARE FOUND LAYING EGGS IN THE WORK AREA, CONTACT MELISSA DOPERALSKI AT 603-271-1738 OR JOSH MEGYESY AT 603-271-1125 FOR FURTHER INSTRUCTIONS. OBSERVATIONS OF NORTHERN BLACK RACER SNAKES SEEN IN ANY AREA FROM THE END OF SEPTEMBER THROUGH THE MONTH OF APRIL MUST BE IMMEDIATELY REPORTED TO THE NHFG DEPARTMENT (BRENDAN CLIFFORD AT 603-271-0463 OR MELISSA DOPERALSKI AT 603-271-1738). IF NORTHERN BLACK RACER IS FOUND IN A WORK AREA FROM NOVEMBER THROUGH THE MONTH OF APRIL, WORK SHALL IMMEDIATELY CEASE AND THE OBSERVATION MUST BE REPORTED TO THE NHFG (BRENDAN CLIFFORD OR MELISSA DOPERALSKI).

#### **EROSION CONTROL NOTES:**

- 1. INSTALLATION OF EROSION CONTROL GRINDINGS AND/OR SILT FENCES SHALL BE COMPLETE PRIOR TO THE START OF WORK IN ANY GIVEN AREA. EROSION CONTROLS SHALL BE USED DURING CONSTRUCTION AND REMOVED WHEN ALL SLOPES HAVE A HEALTHY STAND OF VEGETATION COVER. EROSION CONTROL MEASURES SHALL BE INSPECTED ON A WEEKLY BASIS AND AFTER .25" OR GREATER RAINFALL EVENTS.
- 2. AS REQUIRED, CONSTRUCT TEMPORARY BERMS, SILTATION FENCES, SEDIMENT TRAPS, ETC. TO PREVENT EROSION & SEDIMENTATION OF WETLANDS.
- 3. THE WORK AREA SHALL BE GRADED AND OTHERWISE SHAPED IN SUCH A MANNER AS TO MINIMIZE SOIL EROSION, SILTATION OF DRAINAGE CHANNELS, DAMAGE TO EXISTING VEGETATION, AND DAMAGE TO PROPERTY OUTSIDE LIMITS OF THE WORK AREA. EROSION CONTROL GRINDINGS WILL BE NECESSARY TO ACCOMPLISH THIS END.
- 4. ANY STRIPPED TOPSOIL SHALL BE STOCKPILED, WITHOUT COMPACTION, AND STABILIZED AGAINST EROSION, AS NECESSARY.
- 5. PERMANENT OR TEMPORARY COVER MUST BE IN PLACE BEFORE THE GROWING SEASON ENDS. WHEN SEEDED AREAS ARE NOT MULCHED, PLANTINGS SHOULD BE MADE FROM EARLY SPRING TO MAY 20 OR FROM AUGUST 15 TO SEPTEMBER 15. NO DISTURBED AREA SHALL BE LEFT EXPOSED DURING WINTER MONTHS, PLANT ANNUAL RYEGRASS PRIOR TO OCTOBER 15TH.
- 6. EROSION CONTROLS SHALL BE INSPECTED WEEKLY AND AFTER EVERY HALF-INCH OF RAINFALL
- 7. EROSION CONTROL MATTING, IF REQUIRED, WILL CONSIST OF JUTE MATTING. MATTING WITH WELDED PLASTIC OR 'BIODEGRADABLE PLASTIC' NETTING OR THREAD WILL BE AVOIDED TO LIMIT UNINTENTIONAL MORTALITY TO SNAKES.

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#### NOTES





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#### Best Management Practices (BMP's) for Straw wattles

#### Definition and purpose:

Straw wattles are burlap rolls filled with straw that trap sediment and interrupt water flow by reducing slope lengths.

#### Applications:

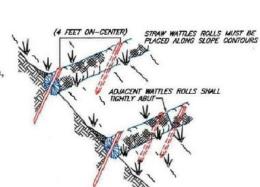
- \* Along erodible or unstablizied slopes
- \* Spread overland waterflow
- \* Trap sediment
- \* Around storm drain inlets to slow water and settle out sediment
- \* Overlap ends approximately 6 inches

#### Installation:

Straw wattles are installed parallel to slope contours and perpendicular to sheet flow.

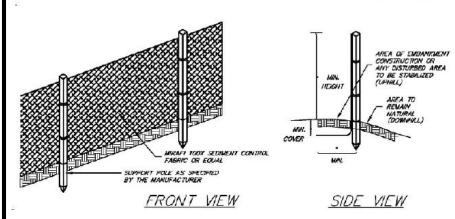
Spacing\* - Dependent on slope length, soil steepness and soil type (general range 10 - 25').

Trenching - 2"-5" inch trench Stacking - at each end and four foot on center (i.e. 25 foot wattle uses 6 stacks)





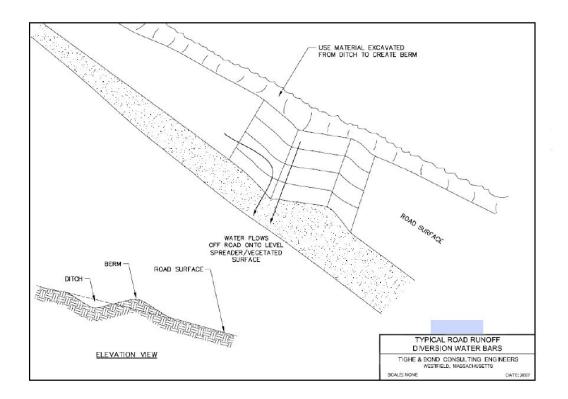


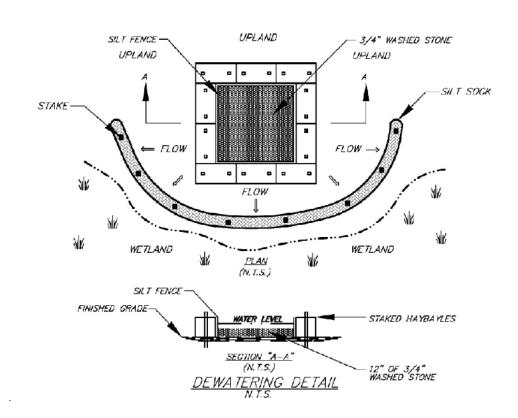


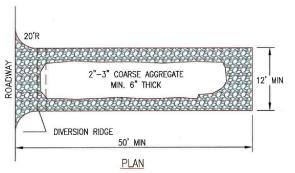
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- 1. THE HEIGHT OF THE BARRIER SHALL NOT EXEED 36 INCHES.
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  4. A TRENCH SHALL BE EXCAVATED APPROXIMATELY 6 INCHES WIDE AND 6 INCHES DEEP ALONG THE LINE
- OF POSTS AND UPSLOPE OF THE BARRIER IN ACCORDANCE WITH RECOMMENDATIONS
- 5. THE FABRIC SHALL NOT EXTEND MORE THAN 36 INCHES ABOVE THE ORIGINAL GROUND SURFACE, AND WILL EXTEND A MINIMUM OF 8 INCHES INTO THE TRENCH. FILTER FABRIC SHALL NOT BE STAPLED
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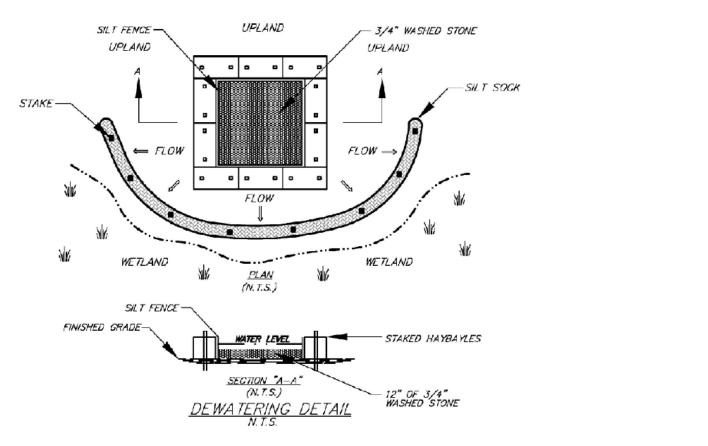
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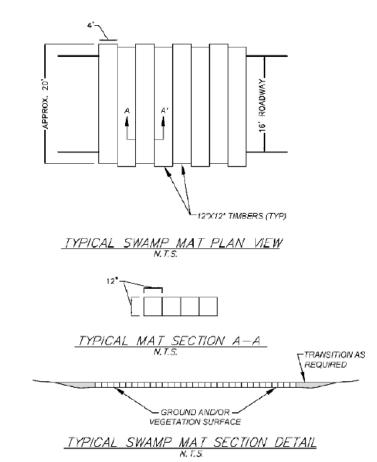
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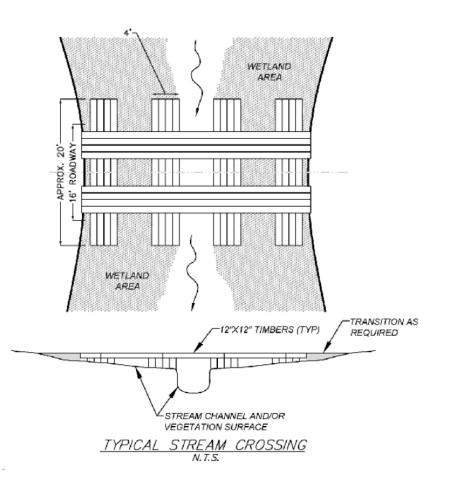
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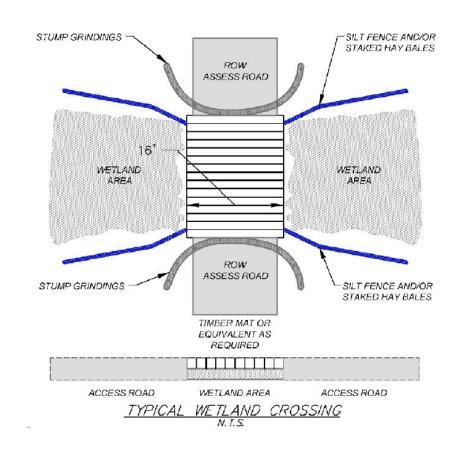
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**Appendix A – Alteration of Terrain Permit Application Form** 



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6. PROJECT TYPE					
Excavation Only	☐ Residential ☐	Commercial	☐ Golf Cour	se Schoo	ol Municipal
☐ Agricultural	☐ Land Conversion	⊠ Other:	<b>J</b> tility		
7. PROJECT LOCATION	INFORMATION				
Project Name: 391, 385, 3	373 Transmission Line Str	ucture Replace	ment Project		
Street/Road Address: Ex	isting Utility Right-of-Way				
Town/City: Multiple		Cou	ınty:		
Tax Map: See attached	Block:	•	Lot Number:		Unit:
Location Coordinates: 160	0286N, 158788E	☐ Latitude/Lo	ngitude	□ UTM 🗵	State Plane
Post-development, will the	proposed project withdraw	from or directly of	lischarge to any	of the following?	If yes, identify the
purpose.				□ \A/;th danol	Discharge
Stream or Wetland			☐ Yes ☑ No	☐ Withdrawal	Discharge
Purpose:	ed by impounding a stream	or wetland	Yes	☐ Withdrawal	☐ Discharge
Purpose:	ed by impounding a stream	or wettario	⊠ No	withdrawar	□ Discharge
3. Unlined pond dug into	the water table		Yes	☐ Withdrawal	Discharge
Purpose:			⊠ No		
Post-development, will the	proposed project discharge	e to:			
A surface water impaired			] Yes - include	information to de	emonstrate that project
<ul> <li>will not cause net inc</li> <li>A Class A surface water of</li> </ul>	rease in phosphorus and		Vos - includo	information to de	emonstrate that project
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<ul> <li>A lake or pond not covere</li> </ul>			nformation to o	demonstrate that	project will not cause net
Is the project a High Load a		No tivity:			
	-	-			
Is the project within a Wate Is the project within a Grou	• • •	, ,	☐ Yes ☐ Yes	No     No	
	dentified in Env-Wg 1508.0	•	□ res ⊠ Yes	□ No	
Note: Guidance document	•		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		able online. For more
details on the restrictions			2 of the NH Sto	rmwater Manual.	
Is any part of the property v	•		☐ No		
•	<pre>I/A cubic feet within the 10 I/A cubic feet within the 10</pre>				
Project IS within 1/4 mil				r	
	4 mile of a designated river		ionigiado ravo	•	
☐ Project IS within a Coa ☐ Project is NOT within	astal/Great Bay Region o	-	clude info req	uired by Env-Wo	1503.08(I) if applicable
8. BRIEF PROJECT DES		-	SEE ATTACH	ED"\	
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The proposed project includes the replacement of 32 utility structure along the existing 391, 385, and 373 Transmission Lines, which crosses through portions of Chester, Deerfield, and Strafford, New Hampshire. Access road improvements and work pad grading are proposed as part of this project for continued maintenance of the existing transmission lines.					
9. IF APPLICABLE, DES	SCRIBE ANY WORK STA	RTED PRIOR 1	O RECEIVING	S PERMIT	

N/A	A					
10	. ADDITIONAL REQUIRED INFORMATI	ON				
A.	Date a copy of the application was sent to	the municipality a	s required b	by Env-Wq 1	503.05(e) <sup>1</sup> : / / .	
	(Attach proof of delivery)					
B.	Date a copy of the application was sent to	the local river adv	risory comm	nittee if requi	ired by Env-Wq 1503.05(e) <sup>2</sup> :/_/	
	(Attach proof of delivery)					
C.	Type of plan required:   Land Conversio	n   Detailed De	velopment		ion, Grading & Reclamation   Steep Slope	
D.	Additional plans required:   Stormwater	Drainage & Hydro	ologic Soil G	Groups 🗌 S	ource Control	
E.	Total area of disturbance: 323,238 square	efeet				
F.	Additional impervious cover as a result of t coverage).	the project: <u>0</u> squa	are feet (us	e the "-" syn	nbol to indicate a net reduction in impervious	
	Total final impervious cover: <u>0</u> square feet	t				
G.	Total undisturbed cover: <u>0</u> square feet					
Н.	Number of lots proposed: $\underline{0}$					
I.	Total length of roadway: 0 linear feet					
J.	Name(s) of receiving water(s): 0					
K.	Identify all other NHDES permits required pending, or if the required approval has be applicable.				ther an application has been filed and is gistration date, or approval letter number, as	
Ι,	Type of Approval Application Filed?				Status	
'3	/pe of Approval	Application	riieu :	Pending If Issued:		
1.	Water Supply Approval	☐ Yes ⊠ No	□N/A		Permit number:	
2.	Wetlands Permit	⊠ Yes □ No	□N/A		Permit number: Multiple	
3.	Shoreland Permit	⊠ Yes ☐ No	□N/A	$\boxtimes$	Permit number:	
4.	UIC Registration	☐ Yes ⊠ No	□N/A		Registration date:	
5.	Large/Small Community Well Approval	☐ Yes ⊠ No	□N/A		Approval letter date:	
6.	Large Groundwater Withdrawal Permit	☐ Yes ⊠ No	□N/A		Permit number:	
7.	Other:	☐ Yes ☐ No			Permit number:	
L.	List all species identified by the Natural Heblack racer, spotted turtle, wood turtle.	eritage Bureau as	threatened	or endangeı	red or of concern: Blandings turtle, northern	
M.	Using NHDES's Web GIS OneStop prograturned on, list the impairments identified for				with the Surface Water Impairment layer re listed, enter "N/A." Isinglass River - Lead	
N.	Did the applicant/applicant's agent have a lf yes, name of staff member:	pre-application m	eeting with	AOT staff?	☐ Yes         No	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Env-Wq 1503.05(c)(6), requires proof that a completed application form, checklist, plans and specifications, and all other supporting materials have been sent or delivered to the governing body of each municipality in which the project is proposed.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Env-Wq 1503.05(c)(6), requires proof that a completed application form, checklist, plans and specifications, and all other supporting materials have been sent or delivered to the Local River Advisory Committee, if the project is within ¼ mile of a designated river.

O. Will blasting of bedrock be required?   Yes   No If yes, estimated quantity of blast rock: cubic yards If yes, standard blasting BMP notes must be placed on the plans, available at: <a href="http://des.nh.gov/organization/commissioner/pip/publications/wd/documents/wd-10-12.pdf">http://des.nh.gov/organization/commissioner/pip/publications/wd/documents/wd-10-12.pdf</a>
<b>NOTE:</b> If greater than 5,000 cubic yards of blast rock will be generated, a groundwater monitoring program must be developed and submitted to NHDES. Contact AOT staff for additional detail.
11. CHECK ALL APPLICATION ATTACHMENTS THAT APPLY (SUBMIT WITH APPLICATION IN ORDER LISTED)
LOOSE:
<ul> <li>Signed application form: des.nh.gov/organization/divisions/water/aot/index.htm (with attached proof(s) of delivery)</li> <li>Check for the application fee: des.nh.gov/organization/divisions/water/aot/fees.htm</li> <li>Color copy of a USGS map with the property boundaries outlined (1" = 2,000' scale)</li> <li>If Applicant is not the property owner, proof that the applicant will have a legal right to undertake the project on the property if a permit is issued to the applicant.</li> </ul>
BIND IN A REPORT IN THE FOLLOWING ORDER:
<ul> <li>         \infty Copy of the signed application form &amp; application checklist (des.nh.gov/organization/divisions/water/aot/index.htm)     </li> <li>         \infty Copy of the USGS map with the property boundaries outlined (1" = 2,000' scale)     </li> </ul>
☐ Narrative of the project with a summary table of the peak discharge rate for the off-site discharge points ☐ Web GIS printout with the "Surface Water Impairments" layer turned on -
http://www4.des.state.nh.us/onestopdatamapper/onestopmapper.aspx  Web GIS printouts with the AOT screening layers turned on -
http://www4.des.state.nh.us/onestopdatamapper/onestopmapper.aspx
NHB letter using DataCheck Tool – www.nhdfl.org/about-forests-and-lands/bureaus/natural-heritage-bureau/
☐ The Web Soil Survey Map with project's watershed outlined – websoilsurvey.nrcs.usda.gov
□ Aerial photograph (1" = 2,000' scale with the site boundaries outlined)
Photographs representative of the site
☐ Groundwater Recharge Volume calculations (one worksheet for each permit application):
des.nh.gov/organization/divisions/water/aot/documents/bmp_worksh.xls
☐ BMP worksheets (one worksheet for each treatment system):
des.nh.gov/organization/divisions/water/aot/documents/bmp_worksh.xls
☐ Drainage analysis, stamped by a professional engineer (see Application Checklist for details) ☐ Riprap apron or other energy dissipation or stability calculations
☐ Site Specific Soil Survey report, stamped and with a certification note prepared by the soil scientist that the survey was done
in accordance with the Site Specific Soil Mapping standards, Site-Specific Soil Mapping Standards for NH & VT, SSSNNE Special Publication No. 3.
☐ Infiltration Feasibility Report (example online) [Env-Wq 1503.08(f)(3)]
Registration and Notification Form for Storm Water Infiltration to Groundwater (UIC Registration-for underground
systems only, including drywells and trenches): ( <a href="http://des.nh.gov/organization/divisions/water/dwgb/dwspp/gw_discharge">http://des.nh.gov/organization/divisions/water/dwgb/dwspp/gw_discharge</a> )
☐ Inspection and maintenance manual with, if applicable, long term maintenance agreements [Env-Wq 1503.08(g)]
Source control plan
DI ANC.
PLANS:  One set of design plans on 34 - 36" by 22 - 24" white paper (see Application Checklist for details)  Pre & post-development color coded soil plans on 11" x 17" (see Application Checklist for details)  Pre & post-development drainage area plans on 34 - 36" by 22 - 24" white paper (see Application Checklist for
details)
100-YEAR FLOODPLAIN REPORT:  ☐ All information required in Env-Wq 1503.09, submitted as a separate report.
ADDITIONAL INFORMATION RE: NUTRIENTS, CLIMATE  ☑ See Checklist for Details
☑ REVIEW APPLICATION FOR COMPLETENESS & CONFIRM INFORMATION LISTED ON THE APPLICATION IS INCLUDED WITH SUBMITTAL.

#### 12. REQUIRED SIGNATURES

JM By initialing here, I acknowledge that I am required by Env-Wq 1503.20(e) to submit a copy of all approved documents to the department in PDF format on a CD within one week after permit approval.

By signing below, I certify that:

- The information contained in or otherwise submitted with this application is true, complete, and not misleading to the best of my knowledge and belief;
- I understand that the submission of false, incomplete, or misleading information constitutes grounds for the department to deny the application, revoke any permit that is granted based on the information, and/or refer the matter to the board of professional engineers established by RSA 310-A:3 if I am a professional engineer; and
- I understand that I am subject to the penalties specified in New Hampshire law for falsification in official matters, currently RSA 641.

□ APPLICANT	APPLICANT'S AGENT:
Signature: Jani Menendez  Name (print or type): Jeni Menendez	Date: Date: Date:
☐ PROPERTY OWNER	☐ PROPERTY OWNER'S AGENT:
Signature: Name (print or type):	Date: Title:

# ATTACHMENT A: ALTERATION OF TERRAIN PERMIT APPLICATION CHECKLIST

Check the box to indicate the item has been provided or provide an explanation why the item does not apply.

DESIGN PLANS
☐ Plans printed on 34 - 36" by 22 - 24" white paper
☐ PE stamp
☐ Treatment for all stormwater runoff from impervious surfaces such as roadways (including gravel roadways), parking areas, and non-residential roof runoff. Guidance on treatment BMPs can be found in Volume 2, Chapter 4 of the NH Stormwater Management Manual.
☐ Pre-existing 2-foot contours
☐ Proposed 2-foot contours
☐ Drainage easements protecting the drainage/treatment structures
☑ Compliance with the Wetlands Bureau, RSA 482- A <a href="http://des.nh.gov/organization/divisions/water/wetlands/index.htm">http://des.nh.gov/organization/divisions/water/wetlands/index.htm</a> . Note that artificial detention in wetlands is not allowed.
Compliance with the Comprehensive Shoreland Protection Act, RSA 483-B. <a href="http://des.nh.gov/organization/divisions/water/wetlands/cspa">http://des.nh.gov/organization/divisions/water/wetlands/cspa</a>
☐ Benches. Benching is needed if you have more than 20 feet change in elevation on a 2:1 slope, 30 feet change in elevation on a 3:1 slope, 40 feet change in elevation on a 4:1 slope.
Check to see if any proposed ponds need state Dam permits. <a href="http://des.nh.gov/organization/divisions/water/dam/documents/damdef.pdf">http://des.nh.gov/organization/divisions/water/dam/documents/damdef.pdf</a>
DETAILS
☐ Typical roadway x-section
☐ Detention basin with inverts noted on the outlet structure
☐ Stone berm level spreader
☐ Outlet protection – riprap aprons
☑ A general installation detail for an erosion control blanket
⊠ Silt fences or mulch berm
☐ Storm drain inlet protection. Note that since hay bales must be embedded 4 inches into the ground, they are not to be used on hard surfaces such as pavement.
☐ Stone check dams
☐ Gravel construction exit
☐ Temporary sediment trap
☐ The treatment BMP's proposed
☐ Any innovative BMP's proposed

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CONSTRUCTION SEQUENCE/EROSION CONTROL
Note that the project is to be managed in a manner that meets the requirements and intent of RSA 430:53 and Chapter Agr 3800 relative to invasive species.
Note that perimeter controls shall be installed prior to earth moving operations.
☐ Note that temporary water diversion (swales, basins, etc) must be used as necessary until areas are stabilized.
☐ Note that ponds and swales shall be installed early on in the construction sequence (before rough grading the site).
☐ Note that all ditches and swales shall be stabilized prior to directing runoff to them.
☐ Note that all roadways and parking lots shall be stabilized within 72 hours of achieving finished grade.
☑ Note that all cut and fill slopes shall be seeded/loamed within 72 hours of achieving finished grade
☑ Note that all erosion controls shall be inspected weekly AND after every half-inch of rainfall.
☑ Note the limits on the open area allowed, see Env-Wq 1505.02 for detailed information.
Example note: The smallest practical area shall be disturbed during construction, but in no case shall exceed 5 acres at any one time before disturbed areas are stabilized.
Note the definition of the word "stable"
Example note: An area shall be considered stable if one of the following has occurred:
Base course gravels have been installed in areas to be paved.
A minimum of 85 percent vegetated growth has been established.
A minimum of 3 inches of non-erosive material such stone or riprap has been installed.
Or, erosion control blankets have been properly installed.
Note the limit of time an area may be exposed Example note: All areas shall be stabilized within 45 days of initial disturbance.
☑ Provide temporary and permanent seeding specifications. (Reed canary grass is listed in the Green Book; however, this is a problematic species according to the Wetlands Bureau and therefore should not be specified)
☑ Provide winter construction notes that meet or exceed our standards.
Standard Winter Notes:
All proposed vegetated areas that do not exhibit a minimum of 85 percent vegetative growth by October 15, or which are disturbed after October 15, shall be stabilized by seeding and installing erosion control blankets on slopes greater than 3:1, and seeding and placing 3 to 4 tons of mulch per acre, secured with anchored netting, elsewhere. The installation of erosion control blankets or mulch and netting shall not occur over accumulated snow or on frozen ground and shall be completed in advance of thaw or spring melt events.
All ditches or swales which do not exhibit a minimum of 85 percent vegetative growth by October 15, or which are disturbed after October 15, shall be stabilized temporarily with stone or erosion control blankets appropriate for the design flow conditions.
After October 15, incomplete road or parking surfaces, where work has stopped for the winter season, shall be protected with a minimum of 3 inches of crushed gravel per NHDOT item 304.3.
<ul> <li>Note at the end of the construction sequence that "Lot disturbance, other than that shown on the approved plans, shall not commence until after the roadway has the base course to design elevation and the associated drainage is complete and stable." − This note is applicable to single/duplex family subdivisions, when lot development is not part of the permit.</li> </ul>
DRAINAGE ANALYSES
Please double-side 8 ½" x 11" sheets where possible but, <b>do not</b> reduce the text such that more than one page fits on one side.

# Rainfall amount obtained from the Northeast Regional Climate Center-<a href="http://precip.eas.cornell.edu/">http://precip.eas.cornell.edu/</a>. Include extreme precipitation table as obtained from the above referenced website. Drainage analyses, in the following order:

☐ PE stamp

Pre-development analysis: Drainage diagram.
Pre-development analysis: Area Listing and Soil Listing.
Pre-development analysis: Node listing 1-year (if applicable), 2-year, 10-year and 50-year.
Pre-development analysis: Full summary of the 10-year storm.
Post-development analysis: Drainage diagram.
Post-development analysis: Area Listing and Soil Listing.
Post-development analysis: Node listing for the 2-year, 10-year and 50-year.
Post-development analysis: Full summary of the 10-year storm.
Review the Area Listing and Soil Listing reports
Hydrologic soil groups (HSG) match the HSGs on the soil maps provided.
There is the same or less HSG A soil area after development (check for each HSG).
There is the same or less "woods" cover in the post-development.
Undeveloped land was assumed to be in "good" condition.
The amount of impervious cover in the analyses is correct.
Note: A good check is to subtract the total impervious area used in the pre analysis from the total impervious area used in the post-analysis. For residential projects without demolition occurring, a good check is to take this change in impervious area, subtract out the roadway and divide the remaining by the number of houses/units proposed. Do these numbers make sense?
☐ Check the storage input used to model the ponds.
☐ Check to see if the artificial berms pass the 50-year storm, i.e., make sure the constructed berms on ponds are not overtopped.
☐ Check the outlet structure proposed and make sure it matches that modeled.
☐ Check to see if the total areas in the pre and post analyses are same.
☐ Confirm the correct NRCS storm type was modeled (Coos, Carroll & Grafton counties are Type II, all others Type III).
PRE- AND POST-DEVELOPMENT DRAINAGE AREA PLANS
☐ Plans printed on 34 - 36" by 22 - 24" on white paper.
☐ Submit these plans separate from the soil plans.
A north arrow.
☐ A scale.
Labeled subcatchments, reaches and ponds.
☐ Tc lines.
☐ A clear delineation of the subcatchment boundaries.
☐ Roadway station numbers.
☐ Culverts and other conveyance structures.
PRE AND POST-DEVELOPMENT COLOR-CODED SOIL PLANS
11" x 17"sheets suitable, as long as it is readable.
☐ Submit these plans separate from the drainage area plans.
A north arrow.
☐ A scale.
☐ Name of the soil scientist who performed the survey and date the soil survey took place.

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2-foot contours (5-foot contours if application is for a gravel pit) as well as other surveyed features.
☐ Delineation of the soil boundaries and wetland boundaries.
☐ Delineation of the subcatchment boundaries.
☐ Soil series symbols (e.g., 26).
☐ A key or legend which identifies each soil series symbol and its associated soil series name (e.g., 26 = Windsor).
☐ The hydrologic soil group color coding (A = Green, B = yellow, C= orange, D=red, Water=blue, & Impervious = gray).
Please note that excavation projects (e.g., gravel pits) have similar requirements to that above, however the following are common exceptions/additions:
☐ Drainage report is not needed if site does not have off-site flow.
☐ 5 foot contours allowed rather than 2 foot.
☐ No PE stamp needed on the plans.
Add a note to the plans that the applicant must submit to the Department of Environmental Services a written update of the project and revised plans documenting the project status every five years from the date of the Alteration of Terrain permit.
Add reclamation notes.
See NRCS publication titled: <i>Vegetating New Hampshire Sand and Gravel Pits</i> for a good resource, it is posted online at: <a href="http://des.nh.gov/organization/divisions/water/aot/categories/publications">http://des.nh.gov/organization/divisions/water/aot/categories/publications</a> .
ADDITIONAL INFORMATION RE: NUTRIENTS, CLIMATE
☐ If project will discharge stormwater to a surface water impaired for phosphorus and/or nitrogen, include information to demonstrate that project will not cause net increase in phosphorus and/or nitrogen.
☐ If project will discharge stormwater to a Class A surface water or Outstanding Resource Water, include information to demonstrate that project will not cause net increase in phosphorus and/or nitrogen.
☐ If project will discharge stormwater to a lake or pond not covered previously, include information to demonstrate that project will not cause net increase in phosphorus in the lake or pond.
☐ If project is within a Coastal/Great Bay Region community, include info required by Env-Wq 1503.08(I) if applicable.



Appendix B – Abutters List



## Eversource 391, 385, 373 Transmission Line Structure Replacement Project Chester, Deerfield, and Strafford

#### New Hampshire

#### **Table 1. Parcels Intersecting Project Area**

Deerfield
Tax Map-Lot
408-046-000
408-043-000
407-027-000
408-045-000
407-026-000

Chester	
Tax Map-Lot	
7-34-0	Ī
4-24-0	
7-29-1	
4-22-0	
7-7-2	
7-7-0	Ī
7-59-0	
4-21-0	
7-1-0	
7-24-0	
7-24-1	
7-19-0	
7-71-0	
7-70-0	
7-7-2	
7-33-0	
7-23-0	

7-32-0

Northwood
Tax Map-Lot
244-32

Strafford
Tax Map-Lot
12-36-A
12-42
12-2
8-26
8-25
8-29
8-28
8-51-B-0
8-28-1
12-41
12-29-4



Appendix C – New Hampshire Natural Heritage Bureau Report and E-Mail Review from NHB and New Hampshire Fish and Game

### **CONFIDENTIAL – NH Dept. of Environmental Services review**

#### Memo

NH NATURAL HERITAGE BUREAU NHB DATACHECK RESULTS LETTER

To: Lindsey White, GZA GeoEnvironmental

5 Commerce Park North

Suite 201

Bedford, NH 03110

From: Amy Lamb, NH Natural Heritage Bureau
Date: 9/27/2019 (valid for one year from this date)
Re: Review by NH Natural Heritage Bureau

NHB File ID: NHB19-3021 Town: Deerfield Location: Eversource Energy Right of Way

Description: Eversource is proposing to replace select utility poles along the existing 391/373/385 transmission lines.

cc: Kim Tuttle

As requested, I have searched our database for records of rare species and exemplary natural communities, with the following results.

Comments: Contact the NH Fish & Game Department to address wildlife concerns.

Vertebrate species	State <sup>1</sup>	Federal	Notes
Blanding's Turtle (Emydoidea blandingii)	Е		Contact the NH Fish & Game Dept (see below).
Northern Black Racer (Coluber constrictor	T	# 1	Contact the NH Fish & Game Dept (see below).
constrictor)			
Spotted Turtle (Clemmys guttata)	T	, /	Contact the NH Fish & Game Dept (see below).

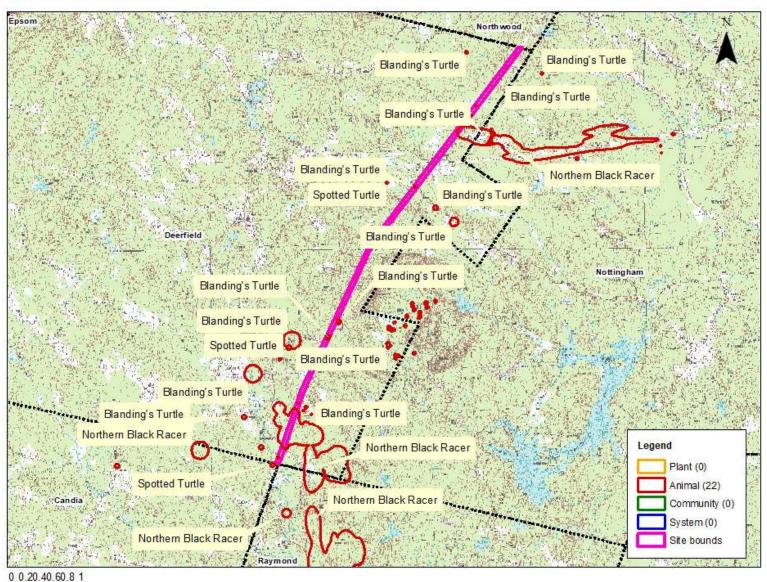
<sup>1</sup>Codes: "E" = Endangered, "T" = Threatened, "SC" = Special Concern, "--" = an exemplary natural community, or a rare species tracked by NH Natural Heritage that has not yet been added to the official state list. An asterisk (\*) indicates that the most recent report for that occurrence was more than 20 years ago.

Contact for all animal reviews: Kim Tuttle, NH F&G, (603) 271-6544.

A negative result (no record in our database) does not mean that a sensitive species is not present. Our data can only tell you of known occurrences, based on information gathered by qualified biologists and reported to our office. However, many areas have never been surveyed, or have only been surveyed for certain species. An on-site survey would provide better information on what species and communities are indeed present.

## **CONFIDENTIAL** – **NH Dept. of Environmental Services review**

## NHB19-3021



NHB19-3021 EOCODE: ARAAD04010\*1020\*NH

# New Hampshire Natural Heritage Bureau - Animal Record

#### Blanding's Turtle (Emydoidea blandingii)

Legal Status Conservation Status

Federal: Not listed Global: Apparently secure but with cause for concern State: Listed Endangered State: Critically imperiled due to rarity or vulnerability

**Description at this Location** 

Conservation Rank: Not ranked

Comments on Rank:

Detailed Description: 2016: Area 14159M: 1 adult female nesting, 1 adult, sex unknown on 6/16. 1 adult, sex

unknown on 6/21.

General Area: 2016: Area 14159M: Residential property with horse farm. Power line right-of-way on one

side and Patuckaway ring dike on the other. Sandy soils, horse pasture and stables.

General Comments:

Management Comments:

Location

Survey Site Name: Pawtuckaway

Managed By:

County: Rockingham Town(s): Deerfield

Size: 1.9 acres Elevation:

Precision: Within (but not necessarily restricted to) the area indicated on the map.

Directions: 2016: Area 14159M: 4 Tandy Road, Deerfield.

**Dates documented** 

First reported: 2016-06-16 Last reported: 2016-06-21

NHB19-3021 EOCODE: ARAAD04010\*1058\*NH

# New Hampshire Natural Heritage Bureau - Animal Record

#### Blanding's Turtle (Emydoidea blandingii)

Legal Status Conservation Status

Federal: Not listed Global: Apparently secure but with cause for concern State: Listed Endangered State: Critically imperiled due to rarity or vulnerability

**Description at this Location** 

Conservation Rank: Not ranked

Comments on Rank:

Detailed Description: 2016: Area 14314: 1 female observed, laying eggs. Upon a revisit the following day, the nest

had been depredated.

General Area: 2016: Area 14314: Sandy soils in power line right-of-way close to road.

General Comments: Management Comments:

Location

Survey Site Name: Pawtuckaway

Managed By:

County: Rockingham Town(s): Deerfield

Size: .4 acres Elevation:

Precision: Within (but not necessarily restricted to) the area indicated on the map.

Directions: 2016: Area 14314: Power line right-of-way near 135 Nottingham Road, Deerfield.

**Dates documented** 

First reported: 2016-06-03 Last reported: 2016-06-03

NHB19-3021 EOCODE: ARAAD04010\*222\*NH

# New Hampshire Natural Heritage Bureau - Animal Record

#### Blanding's Turtle (Emydoidea blandingii)

Legal Status Conservation Status

Federal: Not listed Global: Apparently secure but with cause for concern State: Listed Endangered State: Critically imperiled due to rarity or vulnerability

**Description at this Location** 

Conservation Rank: Not ranked

Comments on Rank:

Detailed Description: 2004: Area 4548: 1 adult female.

General Area:

General Comments: 2004: Area 4548: Seen while crossing reservation road, Sara Callahan who studied

Blanding's turtles determined it to be an 11 year old female. Seen while on a Bear-Paw

vernal pool walk.

Management Comments:

Location

Survey Site Name: Pawtuckaway

Managed By:

County: Rockingham Town(s): Deerfield

Size: 30.8 acres Elevation:

Precision: Within (but not necessarily restricted to) the area indicated on the map.

Directions: 2004: Area 4548: Reservation road about 1/2 mile east of Rte. 107.

**Dates documented** 

First reported: 2004-05-01 Last reported: 2004-05-01

NHB19-3021 EOCODE: ARAAD04010\*391\*NH

# New Hampshire Natural Heritage Bureau - Animal Record

#### Blanding's Turtle (Emydoidea blandingii)

Legal Status Conservation Status

Federal: Not listed Global: Apparently secure but with cause for concern State: Listed Endangered State: Critically imperiled due to rarity or vulnerability

**Description at this Location** 

Conservation Rank: Not ranked

Comments on Rank:

Detailed Description: 2009: Area 12318: 1 observed.

General Area: 2009: Area 12318: Next to Lamprey River.

General Comments: Management Comments:

Location

Survey Site Name: Deerfield Fairgrounds

Managed By:

County: Rockingham Town(s): Deerfield

Size: 30.8 acres Elevation:

Precision: Within (but not necessarily restricted to) the area indicated on the map.

Directions: 2009: Area 12318: 156 Raymond Road, Deerfield, next to Lamprey River.

**Dates documented** 

First reported: 2009-09-25 Last reported: 2009-09-25

NHB19-3021 EOCODE: ARAAD04010\*567\*NH

# New Hampshire Natural Heritage Bureau - Animal Record

#### Blanding's Turtle (Emydoidea blandingii)

Legal Status Conservation Status

Federal: Not listed Global: Apparently secure but with cause for concern State: Listed Endangered State: Critically imperiled due to rarity or vulnerability

**Description at this Location** 

Conservation Rank: Not ranked

Comments on Rank:

Detailed Description: 2009: Area 12317: 1 observed.

General Area: 2009: Area 12317: Observed on horse farm.

General Comments: Management Comments:

Location

Survey Site Name: Pawtuckaway

Managed By:

County: Rockingham Town(s): Deerfield

Size: 7.7 acres Elevation:

Precision: Within (but not necessarily restricted to) the area indicated on the map.

Directions: 2009: Area 12317: 201 Nottingham Road, Deerfield.

**Dates documented** 

First reported: 2009-07-19 Last reported: 2009-07-19

NHB19-3021 EOCODE: ARAAD04010\*580\*NH

# New Hampshire Natural Heritage Bureau - Animal Record

#### Blanding's Turtle (Emydoidea blandingii)

Legal Status Conservation Status

Federal: Not listed Global: Apparently secure but with cause for concern State: Listed Endangered State: Critically imperiled due to rarity or vulnerability

**Description at this Location** 

Conservation Rank: Not ranked

Comments on Rank:

Detailed Description: 2010: Area 12770: 1 adult female observed laying eggs.

General Area: 2010: Area 12770: Residential yard.

General Comments: Management Comments:

Location

Survey Site Name: Pawtuckaway

Managed By: Dowst - Cate Town Forest

County: Rockingham Town(s): Deerfield

Size: 1.9 acres Elevation:

Precision: Within (but not necessarily restricted to) the area indicated on the map.

Directions: 2010: Area 12770: Backyard of 155 Nottingham Road, Deerfield.

**Dates documented** 

First reported: 2010-06-01 Last reported: 2010-06-01

NHB19-3021 EOCODE: ARAAD04010\*664\*NH

# New Hampshire Natural Heritage Bureau - Animal Record

#### Blanding's Turtle (Emydoidea blandingii)

Legal Status Conservation Status

Federal: Not listed Global: Apparently secure but with cause for concern State: Listed Endangered State: Critically imperiled due to rarity or vulnerability

**Description at this Location** 

Conservation Rank: Not ranked

Comments on Rank:

Detailed Description: 2012: 1 juvenile caught and marked.

General Area: General Comments: Management Comments:

Location

Survey Site Name: Pawtuckaway
Managed By: Lamontagne WMA

County: Rockingham Town(s): Deerfield

Size: .7 acres Elevation:

Precision: Within (but not necessarily restricted to) the area indicated on the map.

Directions:

**Dates documented** 

First reported: 2012-07-11 Last reported: 2012-07-11

NHB19-3021 EOCODE: ARAAD04010\*670\*NH

# New Hampshire Natural Heritage Bureau - Animal Record

#### Blanding's Turtle (Emydoidea blandingii)

Legal Status Conservation Status

Federal: Not listed Global: Apparently secure but with cause for concern State: Listed Endangered State: Critically imperiled due to rarity or vulnerability

**Description at this Location** 

Conservation Rank: Not ranked

Comments on Rank:

Detailed Description: 2012: 37 males, 35 females, and 5 juveniles.

General Area: General Comments: Management Comments:

Location

Survey Site Name: Pawtuckaway

Managed By: Pawtuckaway State Park

County: Rockingham Town(s): Deerfield

Size: 17.7 acres Elevation:

Precision: Within (but not necessarily restricted to) the area indicated on the map.

Directions:

**Dates documented** 

First reported: 2012-05-10 Last reported: 2012-09-14

NHB19-3021 EOCODE: ARAAD04010\*728\*NH

# New Hampshire Natural Heritage Bureau - Animal Record

#### Blanding's Turtle (Emydoidea blandingii)

Legal Status Conservation Status

Federal: Not listed Global: Apparently secure but with cause for concern State: Listed Endangered State: Critically imperiled due to rarity or vulnerability

**Description at this Location** 

Conservation Rank: Not ranked

Comments on Rank:

Detailed Description: 2012: Area 13051: 1 adult female observed.

General Area: 2012: Area 13051: Crossing road near a strip of trees and what appears to be a wetland area,

abutting a subdivision.

General Comments: Management Comments:

Location

Survey Site Name: Deerfield Fairgrounds

Managed By:

County: Rockingham Town(s): Deerfield

Size: 1.9 acres Elevation:

Precision: Within (but not necessarily restricted to) the area indicated on the map.

Directions: 2012: Area 13051: Cotton Road, Deerfield, about 100m west of the intersection with Homestead

Road.

**Dates documented** 

First reported: 2012-07-23 Last reported: 2012-07-23

NHB19-3021 EOCODE: ARAAD04010\*748\*NH

# New Hampshire Natural Heritage Bureau - Animal Record

#### Blanding's Turtle (Emydoidea blandingii)

Legal Status Conservation Status

Federal: Not listed Global: Apparently secure but with cause for concern State: Listed Endangered State: Critically imperiled due to rarity or vulnerability

**Description at this Location** 

Conservation Rank: Not ranked

Comments on Rank:

Detailed Description: 2011: Area 13136: 8 adults observed. General Area: 2011: Area 13136: Shrub swamp.

General Comments:
Management
Comments:

Location

Survey Site Name: Pawtuckaway

Managed By: Curry

County: Rockingham Town(s): Nottingham

Size: 1.9 acres Elevation:

Precision: Within (but not necessarily restricted to) the area indicated on the map.

Directions: 2011: Area 13136: In wetland adjacent to Bean Hill Road, Nottingham.

**Dates documented** 

First reported: 2011-04-11 Last reported: 2011-04-11

NHB19-3021 EOCODE: ARAAD04010\*828\*NH

# New Hampshire Natural Heritage Bureau - Animal Record

#### Blanding's Turtle (Emydoidea blandingii)

**Legal Status** Conservation Status

Federal: Not listed Global: Apparently secure but with cause for concern State: Listed Endangered State: Critically imperiled due to rarity or vulnerability

**Description at this Location** 

Conservation Rank: Not ranked

Comments on Rank:

Detailed Description: 2015: Area 13442M: 1 adult observed, sex unknown.<br/><br/><br/>
>2013: Area 13442M: 1 adult

observed, sex unknown.

General Area: 2015: Area 13442M: Brushy border to power lines.<br/>
y>2013: Area 13442M: Roadside,

powerline, coniferous forest.

General Comments:

Management Comments:

Location

Survey Site Name: Pawtuckaway

Managed By:

County: Rockingham Town(s): Deerfield

Size: 1.9 acres Elevation:

Precision: Within (but not necessarily restricted to) the area indicated on the map.

Directions: 2013: Area 13442M: Reservation Road. Crossing Reservation Road at powerline crossing.

**Dates documented** 

First reported: 2013-09-03 Last reported: 2015-04-29

NHB19-3021 EOCODE: ARAAD04010\*847\*NH

# New Hampshire Natural Heritage Bureau - Animal Record

#### Blanding's Turtle (Emydoidea blandingii)

Legal Status Conservation Status

Federal: Not listed Global: Apparently secure but with cause for concern State: Listed Endangered State: Critically imperiled due to rarity or vulnerability

**Description at this Location** 

Conservation Rank: Not ranked

Comments on Rank:

Detailed Description: 2013: 10 turtles observed: 5 males and 5 females.

General Area: General Comments: Management Comments:

Location

Survey Site Name: Pawtuckaway Managed By: Fernald et al

County: Rockingham Town(s): Nottingham

Size: 3.7 acres Elevation:

Precision: Within (but not necessarily restricted to) the area indicated on the map.

Directions:

**Dates documented** 

First reported: 2013-08-21 Last reported: 2013-08-23

NHB19-3021 EOCODE: ARAAD04010\*848\*NH

# New Hampshire Natural Heritage Bureau - Animal Record

#### Blanding's Turtle (Emydoidea blandingii)

**Legal Status** Conservation Status

Federal: Not listed Global: Apparently secure but with cause for concern State: Listed Endangered State: Critically imperiled due to rarity or vulnerability

**Description at this Location** 

Conservation Rank: Not ranked

Comments on Rank:

Detailed Description: 2013: 1 female observed.

General Area: General Comments: Management Comments:

Location

Survey Site Name: Pawtuckaway

Managed By:

County: Rockingham Town(s): Deerfield

Size: .7 acres Elevation:

Precision: Within (but not necessarily restricted to) the area indicated on the map.

Directions:

**Dates documented** 

First reported: 2013-07-19 Last reported: 2013-07-19

NHB19-3021 EOCODE: ARAAD04010\*871\*NH

# New Hampshire Natural Heritage Bureau - Animal Record

#### Blanding's Turtle (Emydoidea blandingii)

Legal Status Conservation Status

Federal: Not listed Global: Apparently secure but with cause for concern State: Listed Endangered State: Critically imperiled due to rarity or vulnerability

**Description at this Location** 

Conservation Rank: Not ranked

Comments on Rank:

Detailed Description: 2013: 14 individuals observed on 4/19. 12 individuals observed on 5/3 from 2 separate

vantage points: 7 observed from the first vantage point, 5 observed from the second vantage

point.

General Area: General Comments: Management Comments:

Location

Survey Site Name: Pawtuckaway

Managed By: Curry

County: Rockingham Town(s): Nottingham

Size: 4.1 acres Elevation:

Precision: Within (but not necessarily restricted to) the area indicated on the map.

Directions:

**Dates documented** 

First reported: 2013-04-19 Last reported: 2013-05-03

NHB19-3021 EOCODE: ARAAD04010\*886\*NH

# New Hampshire Natural Heritage Bureau - Animal Record

#### Blanding's Turtle (Emydoidea blandingii)

Legal Status Conservation Status

Federal: Not listed Global: Apparently secure but with cause for concern State: Listed Endangered State: Critically imperiled due to rarity or vulnerability

**Description at this Location** 

Conservation Rank: Not ranked

Comments on Rank:

Detailed Description: 2014: Area 13570: 1 adult observed, sex unknown.

General Area: 2014: Area 13570: Recently abandoned beaver pond. Dam breached, much exposed mud and

aquatic plants.

General Comments: Management Comments:

Location

Survey Site Name: Pawtuckaway Managed By: Fernald et al

County: Rockingham Town(s): Nottingham

Size: .4 acres Elevation:

Precision: Within (but not necessarily restricted to) the area indicated on the map.

Directions: 2014: Area 13570: [Mulligan Forest, Nottingham].

**Dates documented** 

First reported: 2014-04-25 Last reported: 2014-04-25

NHB19-3021 EOCODE: ARADB0701D\*008\*NH

# New Hampshire Natural Heritage Bureau - Animal Record

#### Northern Black Racer (Coluber constrictor constrictor)

**Legal Status** Conservation Status

Federal: Not listed Global: Demonstrably widespread, abundant, and secure

State: Listed Threatened State: Imperiled due to rarity or vulnerability

**Description at this Location** 

Conservation Rank: Not ranked

Comments on Rank:

Detailed Description: 2011: Area 13177: 1 adult observed. T020, T881: 2 radiotracked females. T059, T520: 2

radiotracked males. 2010: T200, T299: 2 radiotracked individuals.2001: Area 1111: 1 adult

seen.

General Area: 2011: Area 13177: Residential yard.

General Comments: 2001: Area 1111: Large black snake moved quickly when approached.

Management Comments:

Location

Survey Site Name: Robinson Hill

Managed By: Lillian Cassier Memorial Forest Easement

County: Rockingham Town(s): Raymond

Size: 756.7 acres Elevation:

Precision: Within (but not necessarily restricted to) the area indicated on the map.

Directions: 2011: Area 13177: 17 Smith Pond Road, Raymond.2001: Area 1111: West of Governor Lake.

**Dates documented** 

First reported: 2001-07-01 Last reported: 2011-12-13

NHB19-3021 EOCODE: ARADB0701D\*042\*NH

# New Hampshire Natural Heritage Bureau - Animal Record

#### Northern Black Racer (Coluber constrictor constrictor)

Legal Status Conservation Status

Federal: Not listed Global: Demonstrably widespread, abundant, and secure

State: Listed Threatened State: Imperiled due to rarity or vulnerability

**Description at this Location** 

Conservation Rank: Not ranked

Comments on Rank:

Detailed Description: 2011: T539: 1 radiotracked female. T779: 1 radiotracked male. 2010: T111: 1 radiotracked

individual. Area 12787: 2 hatchlings observed, likely <1 week old.2009: Area 12298: 1

observed, about 4' long.

General Area: 2010: Area 12787: Shrub powerline corridor. Large mulch pile 20 ft away likely nest

location.2009: Area 12298: Dense vegetation in power line corridor (juniper).

General Comments:

Management Comments:

Location

Survey Site Name: Stevens Hill Managed By: Fernald et al

County: Rockingham Town(s): Nottingham

Size: 347.1 acres Elevation:

Precision: Within (but not necessarily restricted to) the area indicated on the map.

Directions: 2010: Area 12787: 156 Stevens Hill Road, Nottingham.2009: Area 12298: Power lines off Stevens

Hill Road (43.14485 / 71.15713).

**Dates documented** 

First reported: 2009-10-21 Last reported: 2019-05-23

NHB19-3021 EOCODE: ARADB0701D\*051\*NH

# New Hampshire Natural Heritage Bureau - Animal Record

#### Northern Black Racer (Coluber constrictor constrictor)

Legal Status Conservation Status

Federal: Not listed Global: Demonstrably widespread, abundant, and secure

State: Listed Threatened State: Imperiled due to rarity or vulnerability

**Description at this Location** 

Conservation Rank: Not ranked

Comments on Rank:

killed by observer. Area 12914: 1 adult observed.

General Area: 2017: Area 14288: On stone walkway in residential yard. Observed retreating into hole in

soil next to house.<br/>
- 2011: Area 12861: Coniferous forest. Area 12914: Dense vegetation

on top of a hill in power line.

General Comments:

Management 2011: Area 12914: Hill is used frequently by ATVs.

Comments:

Location

Survey Site Name: Lamprey River, west of Raymond Road

Managed By:

County: Rockingham Town(s): Raymond

Size: 10.1 acres Elevation:

Precision: Within (but not necessarily restricted to) the area indicated on the map.

between sand pit and wetland. Area 12914: Powerline right-of-way south of Rte. 107.

**Dates documented** 

First reported: 2011-05-03 Last reported: 2017-04-29

NHB19-3021 EOCODE: ARADB0701D\*053\*NH

# New Hampshire Natural Heritage Bureau - Animal Record

#### Northern Black Racer (Coluber constrictor constrictor)

**Legal Status** Conservation Status

Federal: Not listed Global: Demonstrably widespread, abundant, and secure

State: Listed Threatened State: Imperiled due to rarity or vulnerability

**Description at this Location** 

Conservation Rank: Not ranked

Comments on Rank:

Detailed Description: 2014: Area 13691: 1 adult observed, sex unknown.<br/>
<br/>
2012: Area 13026: 1 adult

observed.

General Area: 2014: Area 13691: Residential yard. Large hay field to the west, stone wall boundary. Mixed

forest to the north and south, sand pit/power lines to the east of the sighting.<br/>
<br/>br/>2012: Area

13026: Roadside.

General Comments:

Management Comments:

Location

Survey Site Name: Candia

Managed By:

County: Rockingham Town(s): Candia

Size: 32.7 acres Elevation:

Precision: Within (but not necessarily restricted to) the area indicated on the map.

Directions: 2014: Area 13691: 418 Critchett Road, Candia. <br/>
2012: Area 13026: Old Deerfield Road,

Candia.

**Dates documented** 

First reported: 2012-08-03 Last reported: 2014-05-06

NHB19-3021 EOCODE: ARAAD02010\*136\*NH

# New Hampshire Natural Heritage Bureau - Animal Record

#### **Spotted Turtle** (*Clemmys guttata*)

Legal Status Conservation Status

Federal: Not listed Global: Demonstrably widespread, abundant, and secure

State: Listed Threatened State: Imperiled due to rarity or vulnerability

**Description at this Location** 

Conservation Rank: Not ranked

Comments on Rank:

Detailed Description: 2011: Area 12915: 1 hatchling observed, nest not searched for. General Area: 2011: Area 12915: Open sand area adjacent to power line corridor.

General Comments: Management Comments:

Location

Survey Site Name: Lamprey River, west of Raymond Road

Managed By:

County: Rockingham Town(s): Candia

Size: 1.9 acres Elevation:

Precision: Within (but not necessarily restricted to) the area indicated on the map.

Directions: 2011: Area 12915: Power line right-of-way south of Rte. 107.

**Dates documented** 

First reported: 2011-09-06 Last reported: 2011-09-06

NHB19-3021 EOCODE: ARAAD02010\*151\*NH

# New Hampshire Natural Heritage Bureau - Animal Record

#### **Spotted Turtle** (*Clemmys guttata*)

**Conservation Status Legal Status** 

Federal: Not listed Global: Demonstrably widespread, abundant, and secure

State: Listed Threatened Imperiled due to rarity or vulnerability State:

**Description at this Location** 

Not ranked Conservation Rank:

Comments on Rank:

Detailed Description: 2015: Area 14077: 1 adult male observed. <br/> <br/> />2012: Area 13200: 1 adult male observed. General Area:

2015: Area 14077: Forested hillside adjacent to marsh.<br/>
->2012: Area 13200: Crossing

road.

General Comments: Management Comments:

Location

Survey Site Name: Pawtuckaway

Managed By: Pawtuckaway State Park

County: Rockingham Town(s): Deerfield

4.3 acres Size: Elevation:

Precision: Within (but not necessarily restricted to) the area indicated on the map.

Directions: 2015: Area 14077: [Marsh near Round Pond Road in Pawtuckaway State Park].<br/><br/>->2012: Area

13200: Reservation Road, Deerfield.

**Dates documented** 

First reported: 2012-05-06 Last reported: 2019-05-24

NHB19-3021 EOCODE: ARAAD02010\*177\*NH

# New Hampshire Natural Heritage Bureau - Animal Record

#### **Spotted Turtle** (*Clemmys guttata*)

**Legal Status** Conservation Status

Federal: Not listed Global: Demonstrably widespread, abundant, and secure

State: Listed Threatened State: Imperiled due to rarity or vulnerability

**Description at this Location** 

Conservation Rank: Not ranked

Comments on Rank:

Detailed Description: 2015: 1 adult observed, sex unknown.

General Area: 2015: Residential yard.

General Comments:
Management
Comments:

Location

Survey Site Name: Adams Hill, north of

Managed By:

County: Rockingham Town(s): Deerfield

Size: .4 acres Elevation:

Precision: Within (but not necessarily restricted to) the area indicated on the map.

Directions: 2015: In yard of 111 Nottingham Road, Deerfield.

**Dates documented** 

First reported: 2015-06-11 Last reported: 2015-06-11

# **CONFIDENTIAL – NH Dept. of Environmental Services review**

#### Memo

NH NATURAL HERITAGE BUREAU NHB DATACHECK RESULTS LETTER

To: Lindsey White, GZA GeoEnvironmental

5 Commerce Park North

Suite 201

Bedford, NH 03110

From: Amy Lamb, NH Natural Heritage Bureau

Date: 9/27/2019 (valid for one year from this date)

Re: Review by NH Natural Heritage Bureau

NHB File ID: NHB19-3018 Town: Chester Location: Eversource Energy Right of Way

Description: Eversource is proposing to replace select utility poles along the existing 391/373/385 transmission lines.

cc: Kim Tuttle

As requested, I have searched our database for records of rare species and exemplary natural communities, with the following results.

Comments: A population of dragon's mouth orchid is mapped within the ROW in this project area. NHB recommends avoiding wetland impacts in the vicinity of the population. Contact NHB if wetland impacts are needed in this area. Two additional species populations are located to the south; NHB included these records in the event that the corridor is approached from the south or work is done in conjunction with southerly areas. Contact the NH Fish & Game Department to address wildlife concerns.

Plant species	State <sup>1</sup>	Federal	Notes
dragon's-mouth (Arethusa bulbosa)	Е	7	Alteration of the hydrologic regime is likely the worst threat to this species. Also damaging are over-collection of flowers, succession and overshading by woody species, invasion of wetlands by exotic plant species, and human trampling of loose moss.
hairy thoroughwort (Eupatorium pubescens)	E		A buffer of native woods would help minimize disturbance to these rare wildflowers.
large whorled pogonia (Isotria verticillata)	Е		Primary threat is habitat destruction for residential or commercial development or forestry.
Vertebrate species	State <sup>1</sup>	Federal	Notes
Blanding's Turtle (Emydoidea blandingii)	E		Contact the NH Fish & Game Dept (see below).
Northern Black Racer (Coluber constrictor constrictor)	Т		Contact the NH Fish & Game Dept (see below).
Spotted Turtle ( <i>Clemmys guttata</i> )	T		Contact the NH Fish & Game Dept (see below).

<sup>1</sup>Codes: "E" = Endangered, "T" = Threatened, "SC" = Special Concern, "--" = an exemplary natural community, or a rare species tracked by NH Natural Heritage that has not yet been added to the official state list. An asterisk (\*) indicates that the most recent report for that occurrence was more than 20 years ago.

Department of Natural and Cultural Resources Division of Forests and Lands (603) 271-2214 fax: 271-6488

# **CONFIDENTIAL – NH Dept. of Environmental Services review**

# Memo



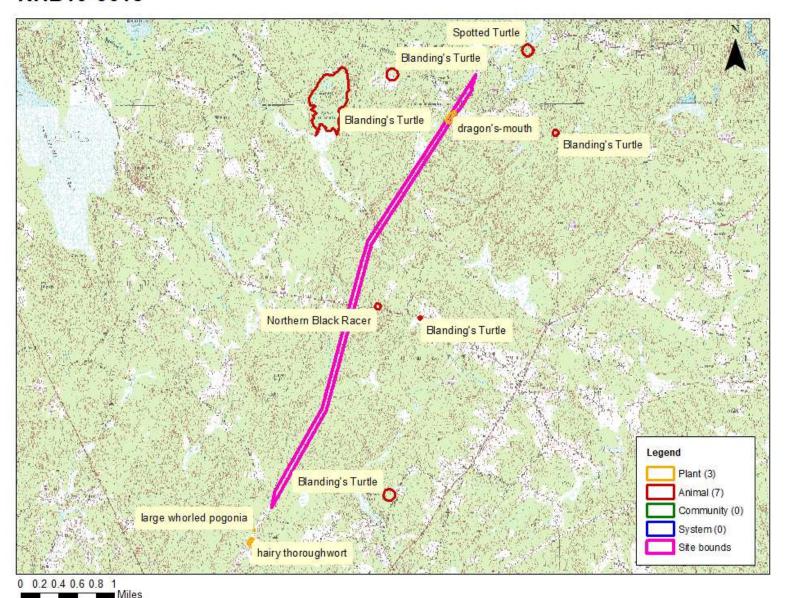
Contact for all animal reviews: Kim Tuttle, NH F&G, (603) 271-6544.

A negative result (no record in our database) does not mean that a sensitive species is not present. Our data can only tell you of known occurrences, based on information gathered by qualified biologists and reported to our office. However, many areas have never been surveyed, or have only been surveyed for certain species. An on-site survey would provide better information on what species and communities are indeed present.



# **CONFIDENTIAL – NH Dept. of Environmental Services review**

# NHB19-3018



NHB19-3018 EOCODE: PMORC04010\*026\*NH

# New Hampshire Natural Heritage Bureau - Plant Record

#### dragon's-mouth (Arethusa bulbosa)

Legal Status Conservation Status

Federal: Not listed Global: Demonstrably widespread, abundant, and secure State: Listed Endangered State: Critically imperiled due to rarity or vulnerability

**Description at this Location** 

Conservation Rank: Not ranked

Comments on Rank:

Detailed Description: 2014: 123 plants in flower.

General Area: 2014: Peatland/medium fen. Associated species include: sweet gale (*Myrica gale*), speckled

alder (Alnus incana ssp. rugosa), sphagnum, wire sedge (Carex lasiocarpa ssp. americana),

swollen-beaked sedge (Carex utriculata) green-keeled cottonsedge (Eriophorum

*viridicarinatum*), purple pitcherplant (*Sarracenia purpurea*). Purple loosestrife (*Lythrum salicaria*) is scattered throughout the wetland but currently does not appear to be shading or

otherwise posing a threat to Arethusa.<br/>

General Comments: 2014: Within maintained transmission line ROW. ATV tracks, wheel tracks observed in

wetland. One invasive plant species purple loosestrife (Lythrum salicaria) observed in

wetland.

Management Comments:

Location

Survey Site Name: North Chester

Managed By:

County: Rockingham Town(s): Chester

Size: 4.0 acres Elevation:

Precision: Within (but not necessarily restricted to) the area indicated on the map.

Directions: 2014: From intersection of transmission line ROW and Lane Road, walk southwest in ROW along

dirt access road for approximately 470 feet. At this point the access road veers south/southeast (exiting the ROW), and the wetland containing Arethusa bulbosa will be immediately ahead of you.

**Dates documented** 

First reported: 2014-06-03 Last reported: 2014-06-03

NHB19-3018 EOCODE: PDAST3P1P2\*002\*NH

# New Hampshire Natural Heritage Bureau - Plant Record

#### hairy thoroughwort (Eupatorium pubescens)

Legal Status Conservation Status

Federal: Not listed Global: Demonstrably widespread, abundant, and secure State: Listed Endangered State: Critically imperiled due to rarity or vulnerability

**Description at this Location** 

Conservation Rank: Fair quality, condition and/or landscape context ('C' on a scale of A-D).

Comments on Rank: Fair-sized population, spread out. Requires regular control of woody vegetation.

Detailed Description: 2008: 113 mature plants (no seedlings observed). 10% in flower, 30% with immature fruit,

45% mature fruit, 15% dispersing seed.1999: No details.

General Area: 2008: Open, disturbed area under a powerline. Dominant species are aster (*Aster* sp.),

goldenrod (Solidago sp.), and ferns. Associated species include hay-scented fern

(*Dennstaedtia punctilobula*), rough goldenrod (*Solidago rugosa*), flat-topped white aster (*Doellingeria umbellata*), blueberry (*Vaccinium* sp.), blackberry raspberry or dewberry (*Rubus* sp.), gray birch (*Betula populifolia*) shrubs, and red maple (*Acer rubrum*) shrubs.

Invasive species include a small clump of buckthorn (*Rhamnus* sp.).

**General Comments:** 

Management 2008: Area has been brushhogged at least once since 1999. Plants seem to thrive in the

Comments: disturbed section of the trail. Plants need control of woody shrubs and trees.

Location

Survey Site Name: Ledgewood Road

Managed By:

County: Rockingham Town(s): Derry

Size: 1.5 acres Elevation:

Precision: Within (but not necessarily restricted to) the area indicated on the map.

Directions: 2008: Take the Rte. 28 bypass in Derry to English Range Road and turn east. [After ca. 0.8 miles]

turn left onto Pingree Hill Road. Take third left (after ca. 0.5 mile) onto Ledgewood. Continue to powerlines and walk NE from right side of the road [about 500 ft.]. Plants are spread along both

sides of a ca. 300-ft. section of an ATV trail.

**Dates documented** 

First reported: 1999 Last reported: 2008-10-02

NHB19-3018 EOCODE: PMORC1F020\*002\*NH

# New Hampshire Natural Heritage Bureau - Plant Record

#### large whorled pogonia (*Isotria verticillata*)

**Conservation Status Legal Status** 

Global: Demonstrably widespread, abundant, and secure Federal: Not listed State: Listed Endangered Critically imperiled due to rarity or vulnerability

**Description at this Location** 

Conservation Rank: Good quality, condition and landscape context ('B' on a scale of A-D).

Comments on Rank:

Detailed Description: 2014: Appoximately 600 stems in bud or flower.<br/>
- 2011: About 750-1,000 vigorous

> stems in an area extending about 30 ft. from the woods edge toward the trail.<br/>
> <br/>br />2006: Estimate about 200 plants present. 50 plants counted, 2 with seed capsules, in about 20-25% of the population area, which was delineated with flags and then measured as being about 30 x 10 m. Wide variety of plant sizes, from very small to large and robust. Those in open areas with very low vegetation were starting to turn yellow, while those under the forest canopy were dark green (8/5).<br/>br />2004: 90 plants counted. 33% were in leaf, 67% were either in bud or flower. All plants were mature.<br/>
> <br/>
> -1999: More than 200 stems (167 counted at forest edge, dozens uncounted in open area) in a ca. 50 x 10 m area. Multiple flowers on 5/19

& 23. Two capsules on 6/19.<br/>
br />1909: Specimen collected.

General Area: 2014: Power line right-of-way. Associated species include Canada-mayflower

> (Maianthemum canadense), lowbush blueberry (Vaccinium angustifolium), bracken fern (Pteridium aquilinum ssp. latiusculum), eastern spicy-wintergreen (Gaultheria procumbens), black huckleberry (Gaylussacia baccata), and starflower (Lysimachia borealis). Tall woody vegetation appears to have been recently cut in the ROW. Some hay was observed dumped near (but outside of) the population polygon. A few damaged (wilted/bent) plants were observed. An apparent deer path appears to extend through the polygon. <br/> />2011:

> Powerline right-of-way. Associated species include common lowbush blueberry (Vaccinium angustifolium), eastern spicy-wintergreen (Gaultheria procumbens), and eastern white pine (Pinus strobus). Some dumping and spreading of invasives from a horse pasture that extends into the right-of-way.<br/>
> <br/>br />2006: No change noted relative to 1999 description.<br/>
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> >2004: No change to immediate habitat of population.<br/>
> <br/>
> ->1999: Edge of powerline right-of-way. Quercus sp. (oaks) and Pinus strobus (white pine) at forest edge. Open area species include

> Vaccinium angustifolium (early low blueberry), Kalmia angustifolia (sheep laurel), Gaultheria procumbens (wintergreen), and Pteridium aquilinum var. latiusculum (bracken).

2006: Population condition can probably best be assessed by checking a subset of the area. A full census would almost certainly result in trampling of some plants. The August visit

June visit for more accurate results. <br/> <br/> />1909: Collector lived on English Range Road on

Perry Farm.

Management 2004: Needs clearing work done by PSNH with the plants in mind (PSNH Martin Murray Comments:

would be a good contact). Herbicide use should also be carefully monitored in this area.<br/><br/>br

/>1999: Powerline mowed two years ago.

Location

Survey Site Name: Old Auburn Road

Managed By:

General Comments:

Rockingham County: Town(s): Derry

Size: Elevation:

Precision: Within (but not necessarily restricted to) the area indicated on the map.

Directions: 2014: From Ledgewood Drive, walk northeast in transmission line right-of-way on path for NHB19-3018 EOCODE: PMORC1F020\*002\*NH

approximately 1,100 feet. The plants are located along the northwestern edge of the right-of-way.<br/>
/>2011: Same as 2006 except distance from blinking light to sharp left on Pingree Road given as about 2 miles. Location given as 42.93424N, 71.31396W.<br/>
/>2006: GPS coordinates at the SW end of the population: N 42.933993, W 71.314123 (NAD 83).<br/>
/>1999: From Rte. 28 Bypass south, turn left at blinking light onto English Range Road. After ca. 1 mile take left on Pingree Road. Take third left on Ledgewood Drive and stop at powerline. Walk northeast 230 paces (1,150 feet) on ATV trail (halfway between second & mp; third pylons of northern power line counting from the road), then left to woods edge.

#### **Dates documented**

First reported: 1909-06 Last reported: 2014-05-30

NHB19-3018 EOCODE: ARAAD04010\*084\*NH

# New Hampshire Natural Heritage Bureau - Animal Record

#### Blanding's Turtle (Emydoidea blandingii)

Legal Status Conservation Status

Federal: Not listed Global: Apparently secure but with cause for concern State: Listed Endangered State: Critically imperiled due to rarity or vulnerability

**Description at this Location** 

Conservation Rank: Excellent quality, condition and landscape context ('A' on a scale of A-D).

Comments on Rank:

Detailed Description: 2002: Area 1002: 2 turtles. General Area: 2002: Area 1002: Cattail marsh.

General Comments: 2002: Area 1002: 8 turtles observed on a log. 2 were Blanding's identified by their yellow

throats. Other 6 not identified.

Management Comments:

Location

Survey Site Name: Spruce Lakes

Managed By: Manchester Water Works Land

County: Rockingham Town(s): Auburn

Size: 123.9 acres Elevation:

Precision: Within (but not necessarily restricted to) the area indicated on the map.

Directions:

**Dates documented** 

First reported: 2002-04-25 Last reported: 2002-04-25

NHB19-3018 EOCODE: ARAAD04010\*143\*NH

# New Hampshire Natural Heritage Bureau - Animal Record

#### Blanding's Turtle (Emydoidea blandingii)

Legal Status Conservation Status

Federal: Not listed Global: Apparently secure but with cause for concern State: Listed Endangered State: Critically imperiled due to rarity or vulnerability

**Description at this Location** 

Conservation Rank: Fair quality, condition and/or landscape context ('C' on a scale of A-D).

Comments on Rank:

Detailed Description: 2005: Area 9305: 1 adult turtle.

General Area: 2005: Area 9305: Highbush blueberry wetland.

General Comments: Management Comments:

Location

Survey Site Name: Lower Shields Pond

Managed By:

County: Rockingham Town(s): Chester

Size: 7.7 acres Elevation:

Precision: Within (but not necessarily restricted to) the area indicated on the map.

Directions: 2005: Area 9305: [Harantis Lake Road off of Rte 102. Site is ca. 0.25 miles east of Harantis Lake.]

**Dates documented** 

First reported: 2005-06-12 Last reported: 2005-06-12

NHB19-3018 EOCODE: ARAAD04010\*182\*NH

# New Hampshire Natural Heritage Bureau - Animal Record

#### Blanding's Turtle (Emydoidea blandingii)

Legal Status Conservation Status

Federal: Not listed Global: Apparently secure but with cause for concern State: Listed Endangered State: Critically imperiled due to rarity or vulnerability

**Description at this Location** 

Conservation Rank: Fair quality, condition and/or landscape context ('C' on a scale of A-D).

Comments on Rank:

Detailed Description: 2007: Area 11792: 1 adult observed.

General Area: 2007: Area 11792: Emerging from small pond just off the road.

General Comments: Management Comments:

Location

Survey Site Name: Silver Hill, east of

Managed By:

County: Rockingham Town(s): Chester

Size: .4 acres Elevation:

Precision: Within (but not necessarily restricted to) the area indicated on the map.

Directions: 2007: Area 11792: On side of road of Route 121 near house #407.

**Dates documented** 

First reported: 2007-06-01 Last reported: 2007-06-01

NHB19-3018 EOCODE: ARAAD04010\*374\*NH

# New Hampshire Natural Heritage Bureau - Animal Record

#### Blanding's Turtle (Emydoidea blandingii)

Legal Status Conservation Status

Federal: Not listed Global: Apparently secure but with cause for concern State: Listed Endangered State: Critically imperiled due to rarity or vulnerability

**Description at this Location** 

Conservation Rank: Not ranked

Comments on Rank:

Detailed Description: 2009: Area 12277: 1 observed. General Area: 2009: Area 12277: Roadside.

General Comments: Management Comments:

Location

Survey Site Name: Spruce Lakes

Managed By:

County: Rockingham Town(s): Chester

Size: 7.7 acres Elevation:

Precision: Within (but not necessarily restricted to) the area indicated on the map.

Directions: 2009: Area 12277: Near 114 Smith Road, Chester.

**Dates documented** 

First reported: 2009-06-19 Last reported: 2009-06-19

NHB19-3018 EOCODE: ARAAD04010\*835\*NH

# New Hampshire Natural Heritage Bureau - Animal Record

#### Blanding's Turtle (Emydoidea blandingii)

Legal Status Conservation Status

Federal: Not listed Global: Apparently secure but with cause for concern State: Listed Endangered State: Critically imperiled due to rarity or vulnerability

**Description at this Location** 

Conservation Rank: Not ranked

Comments on Rank:

Detailed Description: 2013: Area 13411: 1 adult female observed, laying eggs.

General Area: 2013: Area 13411: Nesting in residential yard.

General Comments: 2013: Area 13411: Observation comment: "We have seen this turtle in our yard trying to lay

eggs for the past couple of years."

Management Comments:

Location

Survey Site Name: Spruce Lakes

Managed By:

County: Rockingham Town(s): Chester

Size: 1.9 acres Elevation:

Precision: Within (but not necessarily restricted to) the area indicated on the map.

Directions: 2013: Area 13411: 133 Laurel Hill Road, Chester.

**Dates documented** 

First reported: 2013-06-03 Last reported: 2013-06-03

NHB19-3018 EOCODE: ARADB0701D\*062\*NH

# New Hampshire Natural Heritage Bureau - Animal Record

#### Northern Black Racer (Coluber constrictor constrictor)

Legal Status Conservation Status

Federal: Not listed Global: Demonstrably widespread, abundant, and secure

State: Listed Threatened State: Imperiled due to rarity or vulnerability

**Description at this Location** 

Conservation Rank: Not ranked

Comments on Rank:

Detailed Description: 2013: Area 13409: 1 adult shed skin observed, approximately 5' long.

General Area: 2013: Area 13409: Lawn near barn.

General Comments: 2013: Area 13409: Observation comment: "The shed itself was found a couple feet into the

lawn from our barn's stone foundation."

Management Comments:

Location

Survey Site Name: Rte 121, west of Candia Rd

Managed By:

County: Rockingham Town(s): Chester

Size: 1.9 acres Elevation:

Precision: Within (but not necessarily restricted to) the area indicated on the map.

Directions: 2013: Area 13409: Next to barn foundation at 374 Chester Road, Chester.

**Dates documented** 

First reported: 2013-07-08 Last reported: 2013-07-08

NHB19-3018 EOCODE: ARAAD02010\*128\*NH

# New Hampshire Natural Heritage Bureau - Animal Record

#### **Spotted Turtle** (*Clemmys guttata*)

Legal Status Conservation Status

Federal: Not listed Global: Demonstrably widespread, abundant, and secure

State: Listed Threatened State: Imperiled due to rarity or vulnerability

**Description at this Location** 

Conservation Rank: Not ranked

Comments on Rank:

Detailed Description: 2009: Area 12272: 1 observed. General Area: 2009: Area 12272: Residential yard.

General Comments: Management Comments:

Location

Survey Site Name: Norton Pond Managed By: Muriel Church #6

County: Rockingham Town(s): Raymond

Size: 7.7 acres Elevation:

Precision: Within (but not necessarily restricted to) the area indicated on the map.

Directions: 2009: Area 12272: 23 Shattigee Road, Raymond.

**Dates documented** 

First reported: 2009-06-04 Last reported: 2009-06-04

# **CONFIDENTIAL – NH Dept. of Environmental Services review**

#### Memo

NH NATURAL HERITAGE BUREAU NHB DATACHECK RESULTS LETTER

To: Lindsey White, GZA GeoEnvironmental

5 Commerce Park North

Suite 201

Bedford, NH 03110

From: Amy Lamb, NH Natural Heritage Bureau

Date: 9/27/2019 (valid for one year from this date)

Re: Review by NH Natural Heritage Bureau

NHB File ID: NHB19-3024 Town: Strafford Location: Eversource Energy Right of Way

Description: Eversource is proposing to replace select utility poles along the existing 391/373/385 transmission lines.

cc: Kim Tuttle

As requested, I have searched our database for records of rare species and exemplary natural communities, with the following results.

Comments: Contact the NH Fish & Game Department to address wildlife concerns.

Vertebrate species	State <sup>1</sup>	Federal	Notes
Blanding's Turtle (Emydoidea blandingii)	Е		Contact the NH Fish & Game Dept (see below).
Spotted Turtle (Clemmys guttata)	T	# 1	Contact the NH Fish & Game Dept (see below).
Wood Turtle (Glyptemys insculpta)	SC		Contact the NH Fish & Game Dept (see below).

<sup>1</sup>Codes: "E" = Endangered, "T" = Threatened, "SC" = Special Concern, "--" = an exemplary natural community, or a rare species tracked by NH Natural Heritage that has not yet been added to the official state list. An asterisk (\*) indicates that the most recent report for that occurrence was more than 20 years ago.

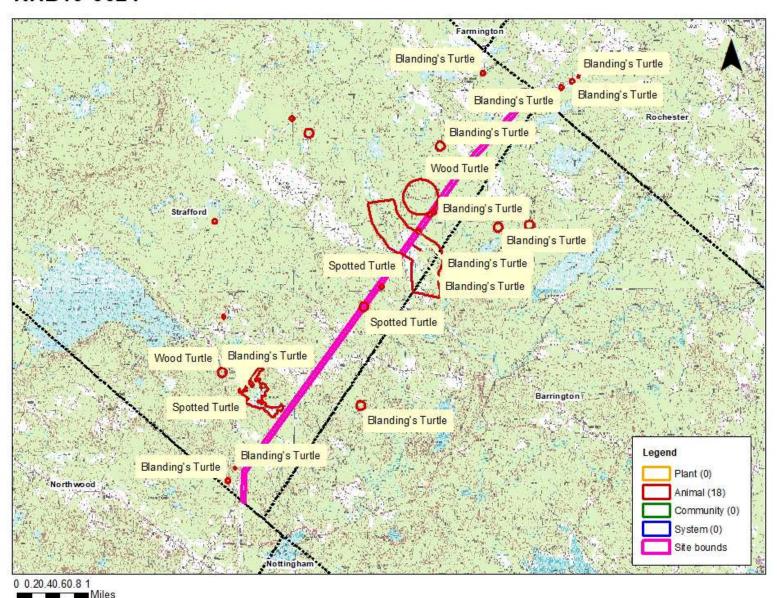
Contact for all animal reviews: Kim Tuttle, NH F&G, (603) 271-6544.

A negative result (no record in our database) does not mean that a sensitive species is not present. Our data can only tell you of known occurrences, based on information gathered by qualified biologists and reported to our office. However, many areas have never been surveyed, or have only been surveyed for certain species. An on-site survey would provide better information on what species and communities are indeed present.

Department of Natural and Cultural Resources Division of Forests and Lands (603) 271-2214 fax: 271-6488

# **CONFIDENTIAL** – **NH Dept. of Environmental Services review**

# NHB19-3024



NHB19-3024 EOCODE: ARAAD04010\*006\*NH

# New Hampshire Natural Heritage Bureau - Animal Record

# Blanding's Turtle (Emydoidea blandingii)

Legal Status Conservation Status

Federal: Not listed Global: Apparently secure but with cause for concern State: Listed Endangered State: Critically imperiled due to rarity or vulnerability

**Description at this Location** 

Conservation Rank: Good quality, condition and landscape context ('B' on a scale of A-D).

Comments on Rank:

Detailed Description: 2005: Area 12424: 1 adult turtle crossing road. General Area: 2005: Area 12424: Near Mohawk River.

General Comments: Management Comments:

Location

Survey Site Name: Round Pond

Managed By:

County: Strafford Town(s): Strafford

Size: .1 acres Elevation:

Precision: Within (but not necessarily restricted to) the area indicated on the map.

Directions: 2005: Area 12424: 173 Sloper Road.

**Dates documented** 

First reported: 1979 Last reported: 2005-05-10

NHB19-3024 EOCODE: ARAAD04010\*102\*NH

# New Hampshire Natural Heritage Bureau - Animal Record

#### Blanding's Turtle (Emydoidea blandingii)

Legal Status Conservation Status

Federal: Not listed Global: Apparently secure but with cause for concern State: Listed Endangered State: Critically imperiled due to rarity or vulnerability

**Description at this Location** 

Conservation Rank: Fair quality, condition and/or landscape context ('C' on a scale of A-D).

Comments on Rank:

Detailed Description: 2004: Area 6633: 1 adult male.

General Area:
General Comments:
Management
Comments:

Location

Survey Site Name: Acorn Ponds

Managed By:

County: Strafford Town(s): Strafford

Size: .4 acres Elevation:

Precision: Within (but not necessarily restricted to) the area indicated on the map.

Directions: 2004: Area 6633: GPS coordinates 43 12 50N, 71 8 30W. [Just north of Hall Brook on Rte. 202A.]

**Dates documented** 

First reported: 2004-05-14 Last reported: 2004-05-14

NHB19-3024 EOCODE: ARAAD04010\*144\*NH

# New Hampshire Natural Heritage Bureau - Animal Record

# Blanding's Turtle (Emydoidea blandingii)

Legal Status Conservation Status

Federal: Not listed Global: Apparently secure but with cause for concern State: Listed Endangered State: Critically imperiled due to rarity or vulnerability

**Description at this Location** 

Conservation Rank: Fair quality, condition and/or landscape context ('C' on a scale of A-D).

Comments on Rank:

Detailed Description: 2005: Area 9320: 1 adult turtle, 8 inches long, 5.5 inches wide and 3 inches deep.

General Area: General Comments: Management Comments:

Location

Survey Site Name: Stonehouse Brook

Managed By:

County: Strafford Town(s): Barrington

Size: 7.7 acres Elevation:

Precision: Within (but not necessarily restricted to) the area indicated on the map.

Directions: 2005: Area 9320: About. 0.7 miles south of the junction of Province Road and Range Road.

**Dates documented** 

First reported: 2005-06-02 Last reported: 2005-06-02

NHB19-3024 EOCODE: ARAAD04010\*208\*NH

# New Hampshire Natural Heritage Bureau - Animal Record

#### Blanding's Turtle (Emydoidea blandingii)

Legal Status Conservation Status

Federal: Not listed Global: Apparently secure but with cause for concern State: Listed Endangered State: Critically imperiled due to rarity or vulnerability

**Description at this Location** 

Conservation Rank: Not ranked

Comments on Rank:

Detailed Description: 2011: Area 992M: 1 juvenile female observed.2000: Area 992M: 1 adult.

General Area: 2000: Area 992: Turtle was about 2m from open water in heavily vegetated wetland. Other

than small areas of open and flowing water, wetland was filled with grasses, hummock sedge, spirea, highbush blueberry, rubus, red maple saplings, and older, very thick and

dense.

General Comments:

Management Comments:

Location

Survey Site Name: Round Pond

Managed By:

County: Strafford Town(s): Strafford

Size: 1.9 acres Elevation:

Precision: Within (but not necessarily restricted to) the area indicated on the map.

Directions: 2000: Area 992M: About 350m north of Sloper Road in wetland along power line right-of-way.

**Dates documented** 

First reported: 2000-05-15 Last reported: 2011-05-02

NHB19-3024 EOCODE: ARAAD04010\*375\*NH

# New Hampshire Natural Heritage Bureau - Animal Record

#### Blanding's Turtle (Emydoidea blandingii)

**Legal Status** Conservation Status

Federal: Not listed Global: Apparently secure but with cause for concern State: Listed Endangered State: Critically imperiled due to rarity or vulnerability

**Description at this Location** 

Conservation Rank: Not ranked

Comments on Rank:

Detailed Description: 2009: Area 12279: 1 female observed.

General Area:
General Comments:
Management
Comments:

Location

Survey Site Name: Stonehouse Brook Managed By: NRCS\_WRP\_Roderick

County: Strafford Town(s): Strafford

Size: 1.9 acres Elevation:

Precision: Within (but not necessarily restricted to) the area indicated on the map.

Directions: 2009: Area 12279: (N 43 13.793 / W 71 08.372).

**Dates documented** 

First reported: 2009-06-08 Last reported: 2009-06-08

NHB19-3024 EOCODE: ARAAD04010\*427\*NH

# New Hampshire Natural Heritage Bureau - Animal Record

#### Blanding's Turtle (Emydoidea blandingii)

Legal Status Conservation Status

Federal: Not listed Global: Apparently secure but with cause for concern State: Listed Endangered State: Critically imperiled due to rarity or vulnerability

**Description at this Location** 

Conservation Rank: Not ranked

Comments on Rank:

Detailed Description: 2009: Area 12415: 1 observed.

General Area: General Comments: Management Comments:

Location

Survey Site Name: Acorn Ponds

Managed By:

County: Strafford Town(s): Strafford

Size: 1.9 acres Elevation:

Precision: Within (but not necessarily restricted to) the area indicated on the map.

Directions: 2009: Area 12415: Crossing Route 202A (43 12'41.04 N / 71 8'36.17 W)

**Dates documented** 

First reported: 2009-04-26 Last reported: 2009-04-26

NHB19-3024 EOCODE: ARAAD04010\*458\*NH

# New Hampshire Natural Heritage Bureau - Animal Record

# Blanding's Turtle (Emydoidea blandingii)

**Legal Status** Conservation Status

Federal: Not listed Global: Apparently secure but with cause for concern State: Listed Endangered State: Critically imperiled due to rarity or vulnerability

**Description at this Location** 

Conservation Rank: Not ranked

Comments on Rank:

Detailed Description: 2005: Area 9309: 1 adult

General Area: General Comments: Management Comments:

Location

Survey Site Name: Strafford Corner Managed By: Rochester Water Dept.

County: Strafford Town(s): Rochester

Size: 1.9 acres Elevation:

Precision: Within (but not necessarily restricted to) the area indicated on the map.

Directions: 2005: Area 9309: Rte 202A one mile west of Meaderboro Road.

**Dates documented** 

First reported: 2005-06-13 Last reported: 2005-06-13

NHB19-3024 EOCODE: ARAAD04010\*460\*NH

# New Hampshire Natural Heritage Bureau - Animal Record

#### Blanding's Turtle (Emydoidea blandingii)

Legal Status Conservation Status

Federal: Not listed Global: Apparently secure but with cause for concern State: Listed Endangered State: Critically imperiled due to rarity or vulnerability

**Description at this Location** 

Conservation Rank: Not ranked

Comments on Rank:

Detailed Description: 2004: Area 4551: 1 adult.

General Area:

General Comments: 2004: Area 4551: Two houses built adjacent to the marsh in the last few years. One since last

year.

Management Comments:

Location

Survey Site Name: Strafford Corner

Managed By:

County: Strafford Town(s): Strafford

Size: 7.7 acres Elevation:

Precision: Within (but not necessarily restricted to) the area indicated on the map.

Directions: 2004: Area 4551: On Roberts Road 1/4 mile south of Second Crown Point Road. Beaver pond on the

east side of the road.

**Dates documented** 

First reported: 2004-05-05 Last reported: 2004-05-05

NHB19-3024 EOCODE: ARAAD04010\*461\*NH

# New Hampshire Natural Heritage Bureau - Animal Record

#### Blanding's Turtle (Emydoidea blandingii)

Legal Status Conservation Status

Federal: Not listed Global: Apparently secure but with cause for concern State: Listed Endangered State: Critically imperiled due to rarity or vulnerability

**Description at this Location** 

Conservation Rank: Not ranked

Comments on Rank:

Detailed Description: 2006: Area 11525: 1 adult female observed General Area: 2006: Area 11525: Pond and wetlands.

General Comments: Management Comments:

Location

Survey Site Name: Strafford Corner

Managed By:

County: Strafford Town(s): Strafford

Size: 1.9 acres Elevation:

Precision: Within (but not necessarily restricted to) the area indicated on the map.

Directions: 2006: Area 11525: Gravel driveway at residence (132 Crown Point Road) ca. 150 feet from small

3/4 acre pond and wetlands.

**Dates documented** 

First reported: 2006-07-15 Last reported: 2006-07-15

NHB19-3024 EOCODE: ARAAD04010\*612\*NH

# New Hampshire Natural Heritage Bureau - Animal Record

#### Blanding's Turtle (Emydoidea blandingii)

Legal Status Conservation Status

Federal: Not listed Global: Apparently secure but with cause for concern State: Listed Endangered State: Critically imperiled due to rarity or vulnerability

**Description at this Location** 

Conservation Rank: Not ranked

Comments on Rank:

Detailed Description: 2010: Area 12837: 1 adult female observed. General Area: 2010: Area 12837: Roadside in mixed forest.

General Comments: Management Comments:

Location

Survey Site Name: Strafford Corner

Managed By:

County: Strafford Town(s): Rochester

Size: 1.9 acres Elevation:

Precision: Within (but not necessarily restricted to) the area indicated on the map.

Directions: 2010: Area 12837: Rte. 202A, Rochester.

**Dates documented** 

First reported: 2010-05-27 Last reported: 2010-05-27

NHB19-3024 EOCODE: ARAAD04010\*625\*NH

# New Hampshire Natural Heritage Bureau - Animal Record

#### Blanding's Turtle (Emydoidea blandingii)

Legal Status Conservation Status

Federal: Not listed Global: Apparently secure but with cause for concern State: Listed Endangered State: Critically imperiled due to rarity or vulnerability

**Description at this Location** 

Conservation Rank: Not ranked

Comments on Rank:

Detailed Description: 2011: Area 12860: 1 adult male observed.

General Area: 2011: Area 12860: Emergent marsh adjacent to shallow open water areas.

General Comments: Management Comments:

Location

Survey Site Name: Round Pond

Managed By:

County: Strafford Town(s): Strafford

Size: 1.9 acres Elevation:

Precision: Within (but not necessarily restricted to) the area indicated on the map.

Directions: 2011: Area 12867: About 880m north of Sloper Road in wetland along power line right-of-way.

**Dates documented** 

First reported: 2011-04-27 Last reported: 2011-04-27

NHB19-3024 EOCODE: ARAAD04010\*743\*NH

# New Hampshire Natural Heritage Bureau - Animal Record

#### Blanding's Turtle (Emydoidea blandingii)

Legal Status Conservation Status

Federal: Not listed Global: Apparently secure but with cause for concern State: Listed Endangered State: Critically imperiled due to rarity or vulnerability

**Description at this Location** 

Conservation Rank: Not ranked

Comments on Rank:

Detailed Description: 2011: Area 13120: 1 adult female observed, nesting. General Area: 2011: Area 13120: Nesting in residential yard.

General Comments: Management Comments:

Location

Survey Site Name: Round Pond

Managed By:

County: Strafford Town(s): Barrington

Size: 7.7 acres Elevation:

Precision: Within (but not necessarily restricted to) the area indicated on the map.

Directions: 2011: Area 13120: 430 Long Shore Drive, Barrington.

**Dates documented** 

First reported: 2011-06-21 Last reported: 2011-06-21

NHB19-3024 EOCODE: ARAAD04010\*890\*NH

# New Hampshire Natural Heritage Bureau - Animal Record

#### Blanding's Turtle (Emydoidea blandingii)

Legal Status Conservation Status

Federal: Not listed Global: Apparently secure but with cause for concern State: Listed Endangered State: Critically imperiled due to rarity or vulnerability

**Description at this Location** 

Conservation Rank: Not ranked

Comments on Rank:

Detailed Description: 2014: Area 13593: 1 adult observed, sex unknown, dead on road. General Area: 2014: Area 13593: Roadside. Wetlands on both sides of the road.

General Comments: Management Comments:

Location

Survey Site Name: Strafford Corner Managed By: Municipal Lot

County: Strafford Town(s): Rochester

Size: .4 acres Elevation:

Precision: Within (but not necessarily restricted to) the area indicated on the map.

Directions: 2014: Area 13593: Route 202A, Rochester, near water treatment plant.

**Dates documented** 

First reported: 2014-05-07 Last reported: 2014-05-07

NHB19-3024 EOCODE: ARAAD02010\*036\*NH

# New Hampshire Natural Heritage Bureau - Animal Record

# **Spotted Turtle** (*Clemmys guttata*)

**Legal Status** Conservation Status

Federal: Not listed Global: Demonstrably widespread, abundant, and secure

State: Listed Threatened State: Imperiled due to rarity or vulnerability

**Description at this Location** 

Conservation Rank: Good quality, condition and landscape context ('B' on a scale of A-D).

Comments on Rank:

Detailed Description: 2012: Area 13675: 1 adult female observed, laying eggs. <br/> y 2011: Area 12862M: 1 adult

male observed on 4-20, 4-27, and 4-29. 2 adult males observed on 4-21. Area 12868: 1 adult female observed on 4-21.  $\frac{12868}{12046}$ : 1 observed.  $\frac{12367}{12046}$ : 1 observed.  $\frac{12367}{12046}$ : 1

General Area: 2012: Area 13675: Vernal pool. <br/>
<br/>
2011: Area 12862M: Emergent scrub-shrub habitat

with shallow standing water in areas of the wetland system. <br/> />2009: Area 12367:

Roadside.<br/><br/>br />2007: Area 12048: Heading toward "sandy, bushy area".

General Comments:

2001: Area 553: No new source point. 1997: Observed by B.W. Smith.

Management Comments:

Location

Survey Site Name: Mohawk River

Managed By:

County: Strafford Town(s): Strafford

Size: 417.3 acres Elevation:

Precision: Within (but not necessarily restricted to) the area indicated on the map.

Directions: 2012: Area 13675: 171 Scribner Road, Strafford.<br/>v2011: Area 12862M: Power line right-of-way

north of Sloper Road.<br/>
<br/>
/>2009: Area 12367: Junction of Rte. 126 and Sloper Road.<br/>
/>2006: Area 11697: Sloper Road, Strafford.<br/>
/>2003: Area 12128: NH National Guard training site, Strafford.<br/>
/>2001: Area 553: 1/2 mile North on Sloper Rd. from Rte. 126 at Bruce Smith residence, 173 Sloper Rd.<br/>
/>1997: [From Center Strafford, take Rte. 202A east for ca. 1 mile.

Turn right on Sloper Road.]

**Dates documented** 

First reported: 1997-06-15 Last reported: 2012-06-12

NHB19-3024 EOCODE: ARAAD02010\*096\*NH

# New Hampshire Natural Heritage Bureau - Animal Record

# **Spotted Turtle** (*Clemmys guttata*)

Legal Status Conservation Status

Federal: Not listed Global: Demonstrably widespread, abundant, and secure

State: Listed Threatened State: Imperiled due to rarity or vulnerability

**Description at this Location** 

Conservation Rank: Good quality, condition and landscape context ('B' on a scale of A-D).

Comments on Rank:

Detailed Description: 2010: Area 12756: 1 adult male observed.2006: Area 11654: 1 adult male seen.1993: Area

12194: 1 observed.

General Area: 2010: Area 12756: Shrub wetland, marsh.1993: Area 12194: Spruce ponds complex. Recent

beaver pond and red maple - black gum swamp. Near gravel pit.

General Comments:

Management Comments:

Location

Survey Site Name: Isinglass River, at Rte. 202A Managed By: NRCS\_WRP\_Eliasberg

County: Strafford Town(s): Strafford

Size: 87.3 acres Elevation:

Precision: Within (but not necessarily restricted to) the area indicated on the map.

Directions: 2010: Area 12756: Old logging road on west side of Huckins Road south of crossing of Huckins

Brook.1993: Spruce Ponds.

**Dates documented** 

First reported: 1993-05-05 Last reported: 2010-05-07

NHB19-3024 EOCODE: ARAAD02010\*114\*NH

# New Hampshire Natural Heritage Bureau - Animal Record

# **Spotted Turtle** (*Clemmys guttata*)

Legal Status Conservation Status

Federal: Not listed Global: Demonstrably widespread, abundant, and secure

State: Listed Threatened State: Imperiled due to rarity or vulnerability

**Description at this Location** 

Conservation Rank: Fair quality, condition and/or landscape context ('C' on a scale of A-D).

Comments on Rank:

Detailed Description: 2008: Area 11633: 1 adult seen.

General Area: 2008: Area 11633: Upslope from an alder swamp.

General Comments: Management Comments:

Location

Survey Site Name: New Road, north of

Managed By: Isinglass River Conservation Reserve I

County: Strafford Town(s): Strafford

Size: 7.7 acres Elevation:

Precision: Within (but not necessarily restricted to) the area indicated on the map.

Directions: 2008: Area 11633: Powerline north of New Road, Strafford.

**Dates documented** 

First reported: 2008-07-26 Last reported: 2008-07-26

NHB19-3024 EOCODE: ARAAD02020\*029\*NH

# New Hampshire Natural Heritage Bureau - Animal Record

#### Wood Turtle (Glyptemys insculpta)

Legal Status Conservation Status

Federal: Not listed Global: Rare or uncommon State: Special Concern State: Rare or uncommon

**Description at this Location** 

Conservation Rank: Fair quality, condition and/or landscape context ('C' on a scale of A-D).

Comments on Rank:

Detailed Description: 2010: Area 12724: 1 adult male observed.2003: 1 adult seen, sex unknown (Obs\_id

293).2002: Area 12147:

General Area: 2010: Area 12724: In river, bordered by coniferous woods with little understory, adjacent to

utility corridor.2003: Terrestrial: mixed forest (Obs\_id 293).

General Comments: 2003: Harmony Anderson, a retired science teacher, called her neighbor, F& G biologist

Bruce Smith, to help ID a turtle crossing her property. Bruce has about 40 years experience

in NH ID (Obs\_id 293).

Management Comments:

Location

Survey Site Name: Isinglass River, Strafford

Managed By: Strafford School District Easement

County: Strafford Town(s): Strafford

Size: 133.2 acres Elevation:

Precision: Within (but not necessarily restricted to) the area indicated on the map.

Directions: 2010: Area 12724: Isinglass River Conservation Reserve. In river just downstream of powerline

corridor.2003: Rte. 202A, just west of 3445kv transmission line (Obs\_id 293).2002: Area 12147:

Berry River Road.

**Dates documented** 

First reported: 2002-06-20 Last reported: 2010-09-04

NHB19-3024 EOCODE: ARAAD02020\*181\*NH

# New Hampshire Natural Heritage Bureau - Animal Record

#### Wood Turtle (Glyptemys insculpta)

Legal Status Conservation Status

Federal: Not listed Global: Rare or uncommon State: Special Concern State: Rare or uncommon

**Description at this Location** 

Conservation Rank: Not ranked

Comments on Rank:

female observed.

General Area: 2014: Area 13670: Crossing Road along river corridor, extensive shrub swamp/marsh along

both sides of road/river.<br/>br />2006: Area 12452: Moving from wetland area with open water

and slow moving stream towards upland woods and residential lawn.

General Comments:

Management Comments:

Location

Survey Site Name: Spruce Ponds

Managed By:

County: Strafford Town(s): Strafford

Size: 8.1 acres Elevation:

Precision: Within (but not necessarily restricted to) the area indicated on the map.

Directions: 2014: Area 13670: Route 202A at Isinglass River.<br/>
y-2006: Area 12452: Route 202A, 0.25 miles

west of Bernard Road.

**Dates documented** 

First reported: 2006-06-08 Last reported: 2014-06-26

## **Lindsey White**

From: Lamb, Amy <Amy.Lamb@dncr.nh.gov>
Sent: Monday, October 14, 2019 3:15 PM

To: Lindsey White

Subject: RE: NHB19-3018 and NHB19-3019 Rare Plant Species - 391/373/385 Project

#### Hi Lindsey,

Thank you for the reminder, and for sending the photos. Based on the dense, tall vegetation in the vicinity of the pole and the seemingly dry conditions in the wetland at this time, it would be ok to do the work at this location in November. I would not expect dragon's mouth orchid to occur within the dense graminoids, ferns, and shrubs depicted within the wetland impact area.

Best, Amy

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Subject: RE: NHB19-3018 and NHB19-3019 Rare Plant Species - 391/373/385 Project

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Hi Amy,

My apologies, I don't mean to be a bother. I was hoping you may have a moment to take a look at the photos I sent Friday at Structure 271. Eversource is hoping to finalize their Fall 2019 work list.

Thanks so much! Lindsey

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**Sent:** Friday, October 11, 2019 9:39 AM **To:** Lamb, Amy < Amy.Lamb@dncr.nh.gov>

Subject: RE: NHB19-3018 and NHB19-3019 Rare Plant Species - 391/373/385 Project

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#### Hi Amy!

I have attached photos of the wetland area that would be temporarily impacted for work pad placement around the structure.

Photo 1 is looking directly at the temporary wetland impact area as shown on the image I sent you yesterday, with Structure 271 in the background.

Photo 2 is looking at the wetland and the area I was standing in Photo 1 from the upland area around Structure 271. Photo 3 is turned left from the same position as Photo 1 looking at the wetland where there will be temporary impacts and at the shrub upland area in the background.

Photo 4 is looking towards Structure 273 on the 373 line. This area of the wetland does not have any proposed impacts.

Please let us know your thoughts!

Thanks so much, Lindsey

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From: Lamb, Amy < <a href="mailto:Amy.Lamb@dncr.nh.gov">Amy.Lamb@dncr.nh.gov</a> Sent: Thursday, October 10, 2019 2:28 PM

To: Lindsey White < Lindsey.White@gza.com>

Subject: Re: NHB19-3018 and NHB19-3019 Rare Plant Species - 391/373/385 Project

Hi Lindsey,

Thank you for adjusting the work pad as requested. Do you have any photos of the remaining wetland impact area? It is difficult to tell if dragon's mouth could potentially occur within this area just looking at aerial photos. If the impact area is peatland with a high water table, I would be more concerned about hydrological and direct impacts than if the impact area was dense scrub-shrub vegetation and had drier soils. If impacts would be in a peatland with very wet soils, we would prefer the work occur under frozen conditions. If you have them from the site visit, photos would be helpful for making a determination.

I apologize for omitting comments regarding the licorice goldenrod in Derry. Using the existing access road is fine unless there are earthworks proposed that would harm the documented rare plant population.

Thank you,

Amy

From: Lindsey White < <u>Lindsey.White@gza.com</u>> Sent: Thursday, October 10, 2019 12:34 PM

To: Lamb, Amy

Subject: RE: NHB19-3018 and NHB19-3019 Rare Plant Species - 391/373/385 Project

Hi Amy,

Thank you for getting back to me! We had a site walk yesterday with the contractors to look at a few locations.

In Chester, Eversource is hoping to replace a handful of structures starting in early November, including Structure 271 (391 Line). After the site walk yesterday, we have adjusted the proposed work pad to shift it more into uplands as requested (see image attached). Please let me know if this is shifted enough for the structure to still be replaced in November.

In Derry, there is no proposed work south of Derry where Nuttall's reed grass is approximately located in Londonderry.

Lastly within Derry, licorice goldenrod was mentioned in the NHB report. Proposed access is within an existing access

road. Please let us know if use of the existing access road is okay, or if additional BMPs are required.
Thanks so much!
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Hi Lindsay,
Thank you for your email and detailing the proposed work and minimization measures. I have a few additional comments/recommendations.
Chester

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The plan provided shows a work pad around structure 271 (391 line) that results in approximately 3,635 sf of wetland impact. It appears that there is additional upland area southeast of the structure; could the workpad be shifted in this direction to further minimize wetland impacts? Additionally, you noted that work will start in November; could the project be phased such that work at this specific location occur later in the season, and preferably after the ground has frozen?

frozen?
Derry
dwarf huckleberry:
No concerns based on the minimal impacts proposed at structure #334 (373 line).
Nuttall's reed grass:
Common in ROW south of project area. If significant earthwork proposed, recommend surveys in wet meadow habita If matting only proposed, no concerns.
hairy thoroughwort, large whorled pogonia:
No concerns if no work proposed in vicinity.
Thank you,
Amy
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Subject: RE: NHB19-3018 and NHB19-3019 Rare Plant Species - 391/373/385 Project

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Hi Amy,
Hope all is well! Hoping to coordinate with you on the email below. Please feel free to give me a call if it's easier!
Thanks so much,
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From: Lindsey White Sent: Monday, September 30, 2019 11:45 AM To: Lamb, Amy <a href="mailto:Amy.Lamb@dncr.nh.gov">Amy.Lamb@dncr.nh.gov</a> Subject: NHB19-3018 and NHB19-3019 Rare Plant Species - 391/373/385 Project

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Hope all is well. We received NHB19-3018 and NHB19-3019 for proposed transmission line structure replacement work in the Towns of Chester and Derry, respectively. Eversource has identified select utility structures which have been subject to environmental damage and must be replaced in order to maintain the safety and reliability of the electrical infrastructure. The proposed project includes temporary wetland impacts for access to replace select existing utility structures.

In the Town of Chester, Dragon's mouth appears to be located within the right-of-way (ROW). Eversource has identified that 391 Structure 271 must be replaced, as shown on the attached plan set page. Eversource is proposing to use the existing access route and avoid temporary wetland impacts to the greatest extent practicable. We understand that Dragon's mouth is potentially located within Wetland CHW-34. Access through the wetland is avoided, however a temporary work pad is required around 391 Structure 271 to stage equipment in order to replace this utility structure. Timber matting will be used for the temporary work pad in order to reduce compaction within the wetland system.

In the Town of Derry, licorice goldenrod appears to be located near or within the existing western access route. We understand alternative access routes may be required to access 391 Structure 319.

Also in the Town of Derry, dwarf huckleberry appears to be located in the large wetland complex east of the ROW. We do not anticipate direct impacts to this portion of the wetland. Minimal temporary wetland impacts may be required for work pad placement around 373 Structure 334 in the scrub-shrub portion of the wetland within the ROW. As previously stated, temporary wetland impacts will be restored upon completion of work.

There is no proposed structure replacement work or access near hairy thoroughwort, large whorled pogonia, or Nuttall's reed grass. Therefore, GZA does not anticipate impacts to these rare plants as a result of the proposed project.

The proposed work near licorice goldenrod and dragon's mouth is proposed to begin early November and be completed by the end of the 2019. The proposed work near dwarf huckleberry is proposed in 2020, however the specific start date for this work has not been identified yet.

Please give me a call if you'd like to discuss possible BMPs for dragon's mouth, licorice goldenrod and dwarf huckleberry.

Thanks!

Lindsey

## **Lindsey White**

From: Tuttle, Kim <Kim.Tuttle@wildlife.nh.gov>
Sent: Monday, October 14, 2019 10:36 AM

To: Lindsey White

**Subject:** RE: 391/373/385 Transmission Line Structure Replacement Projects - Fall 2019/2020

Hi Lindsey,

We just did a very similar review for Steve Ecrement for pole replacements in more or less the same area but a different line.

As you have included in your reptile BMPs below, avoid the use of welded plastic or 'biodegradable plastic' netting or thread (e.g. polypropylene) in erosion control matting. There are numerous documented cases of snakes, including northern black racer, and other wildlife being trapped and killed in erosion control matting with synthetic netting and thread. The use of erosion control berm, white Filtrexx Degradable Woven Silt Sock, or several 'wildlife friendly' options such as woven organic material (e.g. coco or jute matting such as North American Green SC150BN or equivalent) are readily available.

If the work is scheduled for this fall and winter, please follow the Eversource protocols for avoiding and minimizing impacts to Blanding's turtles and spotted turtles that may be hibernating in the bottom substrates of vernal pools, scrub- shrub and emergent wetlands and flooded forested wetlands (spotted turtle). Please report any observations of the species listed on the NHB and document with photos. Avoid impacting high quality vernal pools (3'or more in depth), even temporarily; reroute access roads around these pools.

Northern black racer are certainly possible in this area so the standard racer language below should be used. A potential winter hibernaculum may be located near the Scobie Pond substation so particular care should be taken in this area. Poles in the immediate vicinity of this record should be cut off at the base and left in place.

All observations of northern black racer snakes encountered from the end of September through the month of April must be <u>immediately</u> reported to the NHFG Department (Brendan Clifford 603-271-0463 or Melissa Doperalski 603-271-1738).

If a black racer is found in a work area from November through the month of April, work shall immediately cease and the incident shall be immediately reported to the NHFG Department (Brendan Clifford 603-271-0463 or Melissa Doperalski 603-271-1738) as their presence likely indicates a hibernaculum. Black racers den communally and have been known to hibernate at the base of power poles. Wooden poles should be cut off at the base and left in place, if possible. We recommend leaving the pole sections in piles at the edge of the ROW or in a safe sunny spot to provide additional habitat for northern black racer, if possible. If you have any questions about pole piles for snake habitat, please feel free to contact Brendan Clifford, NHFG Snake Biologist, at 271-0463.

All observations of eastern hognose snake seen at any time must be immediately reported to the NHFG Department (Melissa Doperalski 603-271-1738 or Brendan Clifford 603-271-0463). Please attempt to photograph eastern hognose snake to send to us for verification.

Thanks,

Kim Tuttle Wildlife Biologist NH Fish and Game 11 Hazen Drive Concord, NH 03301 603-271-6544

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**From:** Lindsey White [mailto:Lindsey.White@gza.com]

**Sent:** Friday, October 11, 2019 1:46 PM

To: Tuttle, Kim

Subject: RE: 391/373/385 Transmission Line Structure Replacement Projects - Fall 2019/2020

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Hi Kim,

Hope all is well. Looking to follow up with you on the rare species coordination below.

Please let me know if you have any additional questions.

Thanks! Lindsey

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**Sent:** Thursday, October 3, 2019 8:33 AM **To:** Tuttle, Kim <Kim.Tuttle@wildlife.nh.gov>

Subject: RE: 391/373/385 Transmission Line Structure Replacement Projects - Fall 2019/2020

Hi Kim,

Currently, work is proposed to start approximately 0.25 miles east of Scobie Substation, with access heading east off Scobie Pond Road away from the substation.

Thanks!

Lindsey

Lindsey E. White

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From: Tuttle, Kim < Kim.Tuttle@wildlife.nh.gov > Sent: Thursday, October 3, 2019 8:23 AM

To: Lindsey White < Lindsey.White@gza.com >

Subject: RE: 391/373/385 Transmission Line Structure Replacement Projects - Fall 2019/2020

Hi Lindsey,

How close will you be to the Scobie Substation in Londonderry?

Kim

From: Lindsey White [mailto:Lindsey.White@gza.com]

Sent: Monday, September 30, 2019 10:41 AM

To: Tuttle, Kim

Subject: 391/373/385 Transmission Line Structure Replacement Projects - Fall 2019/2020

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Hi Kim,

Attached are the NHB reports for the towns of Candia, Chester, Derry, Northwood, Deerfield, Raymond, Rochester, and Strafford, NH along the shared 391/373/385 Transmission Line right-of-way (ROW). The proposed project includes temporary wetland impacts for access to replace select existing utility structures. Blanding's turtle, spotted turtle, wood turtle, and northern black racer are known to occur in or near the ROW in the above referenced towns. The proposed project involves maintenance work within an existing and maintained utility ROW, and does not propose expansion of the ROW. In addition, there is no vegetation maintenance scheduled for this project. Eversource intends to incorporate reptile construction BMPs including the following;

- 1. Prior to daily construction activities, timber matting will be reviewed for snakes and turtles. GZA will provide an environmental addendum to the daily tailboards by the contracts to include guidance on protocols for snakes and provide identification for spotted turtle, Blandings turtle and eastern hognose snake.
- 2. Observed snakes and turtles will be moved off of construction access roads to limit and prevent mortality to snakes and turtles during construction.
- 3. Erosion control matting, if utilized, will consist of jute matting. Matting with plastic mesh will be avoided to limit unintentional mortality to snakes.
- 4. At the conclusion of the project, a summary report of any rare species observations will be provided to the NHFG Nongame Program.

Eversource will report on any rare species observations as typically requested.

The project is scheduled to begin in early November and construction is anticipated to continue through until about October 2020.

Please let me know if you have any questions or comments. GZA will be the environmental monitors on Site and we will incorporate your feedback into the project and daily tailboards with contractors.

Thanks so much! Lindsey

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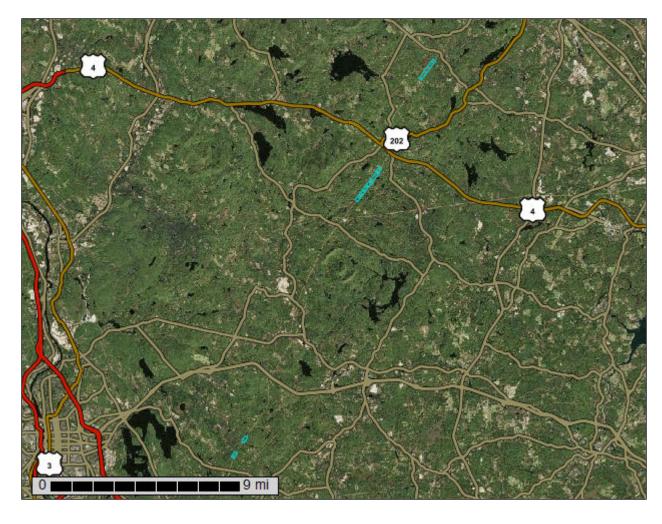


Appendix D – Natural Resources Conservation Service Web Soil Survey



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Natural Resources Conservation Service A product of the National Cooperative Soil Survey, a joint effort of the United States Department of Agriculture and other Federal agencies, State agencies including the Agricultural Experiment Stations, and local participants Custom Soil Resource Report for Rockingham County, New Hampshire, and Strafford County, New Hampshire



# **Preface**

Soil surveys contain information that affects land use planning in survey areas. They highlight soil limitations that affect various land uses and provide information about the properties of the soils in the survey areas. Soil surveys are designed for many different users, including farmers, ranchers, foresters, agronomists, urban planners, community officials, engineers, developers, builders, and home buyers. Also, conservationists, teachers, students, and specialists in recreation, waste disposal, and pollution control can use the surveys to help them understand, protect, or enhance the environment.

Various land use regulations of Federal, State, and local governments may impose special restrictions on land use or land treatment. Soil surveys identify soil properties that are used in making various land use or land treatment decisions. The information is intended to help the land users identify and reduce the effects of soil limitations on various land uses. The landowner or user is responsible for identifying and complying with existing laws and regulations.

Although soil survey information can be used for general farm, local, and wider area planning, onsite investigation is needed to supplement this information in some cases. Examples include soil quality assessments (http://www.nrcs.usda.gov/wps/portal/nrcs/main/soils/health/) and certain conservation and engineering applications. For more detailed information, contact your local USDA Service Center (https://offices.sc.egov.usda.gov/locator/app?agency=nrcs) or your NRCS State Soil Scientist (http://www.nrcs.usda.gov/wps/portal/nrcs/detail/soils/contactus/?cid=nrcs142p2 053951).

Great differences in soil properties can occur within short distances. Some soils are seasonally wet or subject to flooding. Some are too unstable to be used as a foundation for buildings or roads. Clayey or wet soils are poorly suited to use as septic tank absorption fields. A high water table makes a soil poorly suited to basements or underground installations.

The National Cooperative Soil Survey is a joint effort of the United States Department of Agriculture and other Federal agencies, State agencies including the Agricultural Experiment Stations, and local agencies. The Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) has leadership for the Federal part of the National Cooperative Soil Survey.

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# **How Soil Surveys Are Made**

Soil surveys are made to provide information about the soils and miscellaneous areas in a specific area. They include a description of the soils and miscellaneous areas and their location on the landscape and tables that show soil properties and limitations affecting various uses. Soil scientists observed the steepness, length, and shape of the slopes; the general pattern of drainage; the kinds of crops and native plants; and the kinds of bedrock. They observed and described many soil profiles. A soil profile is the sequence of natural layers, or horizons, in a soil. The profile extends from the surface down into the unconsolidated material in which the soil formed or from the surface down to bedrock. The unconsolidated material is devoid of roots and other living organisms and has not been changed by other biological activity.

Currently, soils are mapped according to the boundaries of major land resource areas (MLRAs). MLRAs are geographically associated land resource units that share common characteristics related to physiography, geology, climate, water resources, soils, biological resources, and land uses (USDA, 2006). Soil survey areas typically consist of parts of one or more MLRA.

The soils and miscellaneous areas in a survey area occur in an orderly pattern that is related to the geology, landforms, relief, climate, and natural vegetation of the area. Each kind of soil and miscellaneous area is associated with a particular kind of landform or with a segment of the landform. By observing the soils and miscellaneous areas in the survey area and relating their position to specific segments of the landform, a soil scientist develops a concept, or model, of how they were formed. Thus, during mapping, this model enables the soil scientist to predict with a considerable degree of accuracy the kind of soil or miscellaneous area at a specific location on the landscape.

Commonly, individual soils on the landscape merge into one another as their characteristics gradually change. To construct an accurate soil map, however, soil scientists must determine the boundaries between the soils. They can observe only a limited number of soil profiles. Nevertheless, these observations, supplemented by an understanding of the soil-vegetation-landscape relationship, are sufficient to verify predictions of the kinds of soil in an area and to determine the boundaries.

Soil scientists recorded the characteristics of the soil profiles that they studied. They noted soil color, texture, size and shape of soil aggregates, kind and amount of rock fragments, distribution of plant roots, reaction, and other features that enable them to identify soils. After describing the soils in the survey area and determining their properties, the soil scientists assigned the soils to taxonomic classes (units). Taxonomic classes are concepts. Each taxonomic class has a set of soil characteristics with precisely defined limits. The classes are used as a basis for comparison to classify soils systematically. Soil taxonomy, the system of taxonomic classification used in the United States, is based mainly on the kind and character of soil properties and the arrangement of horizons within the profile. After the soil

scientists classified and named the soils in the survey area, they compared the individual soils with similar soils in the same taxonomic class in other areas so that they could confirm data and assemble additional data based on experience and research.

The objective of soil mapping is not to delineate pure map unit components; the objective is to separate the landscape into landforms or landform segments that have similar use and management requirements. Each map unit is defined by a unique combination of soil components and/or miscellaneous areas in predictable proportions. Some components may be highly contrasting to the other components of the map unit. The presence of minor components in a map unit in no way diminishes the usefulness or accuracy of the data. The delineation of such landforms and landform segments on the map provides sufficient information for the development of resource plans. If intensive use of small areas is planned, onsite investigation is needed to define and locate the soils and miscellaneous areas.

Soil scientists make many field observations in the process of producing a soil map. The frequency of observation is dependent upon several factors, including scale of mapping, intensity of mapping, design of map units, complexity of the landscape, and experience of the soil scientist. Observations are made to test and refine the soil-landscape model and predictions and to verify the classification of the soils at specific locations. Once the soil-landscape model is refined, a significantly smaller number of measurements of individual soil properties are made and recorded. These measurements may include field measurements, such as those for color, depth to bedrock, and texture, and laboratory measurements, such as those for content of sand, silt, clay, salt, and other components. Properties of each soil typically vary from one point to another across the landscape.

Observations for map unit components are aggregated to develop ranges of characteristics for the components. The aggregated values are presented. Direct measurements do not exist for every property presented for every map unit component. Values for some properties are estimated from combinations of other properties.

While a soil survey is in progress, samples of some of the soils in the area generally are collected for laboratory analyses and for engineering tests. Soil scientists interpret the data from these analyses and tests as well as the field-observed characteristics and the soil properties to determine the expected behavior of the soils under different uses. Interpretations for all of the soils are field tested through observation of the soils in different uses and under different levels of management. Some interpretations are modified to fit local conditions, and some new interpretations are developed to meet local needs. Data are assembled from other sources, such as research information, production records, and field experience of specialists. For example, data on crop yields under defined levels of management are assembled from farm records and from field or plot experiments on the same kinds of soil.

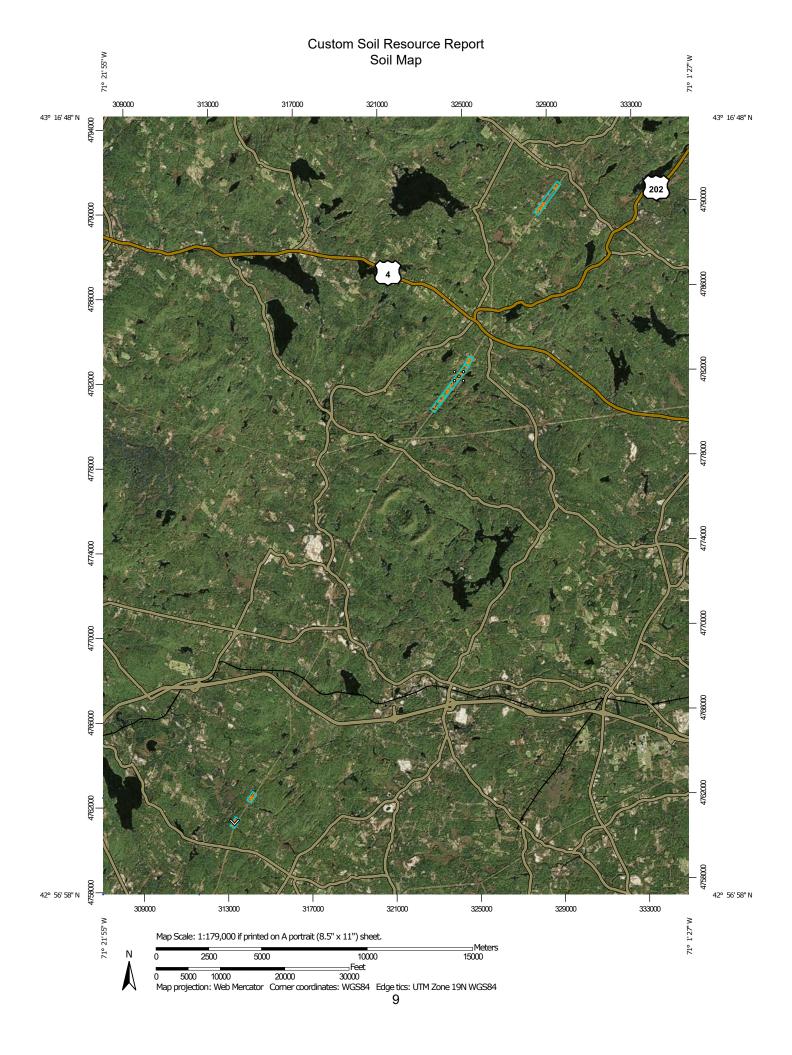
Predictions about soil behavior are based not only on soil properties but also on such variables as climate and biological activity. Soil conditions are predictable over long periods of time, but they are not predictable from year to year. For example, soil scientists can predict with a fairly high degree of accuracy that a given soil will have a high water table within certain depths in most years, but they cannot predict that a high water table will always be at a specific level in the soil on a specific date.

After soil scientists located and identified the significant natural bodies of soil in the survey area, they drew the boundaries of these bodies on aerial photographs and

identified each as a specific map unit. Aerial photographs show trees, buildings, fields, roads, and rivers, all of which help in locating boundaries accurately.

# Soil Map

The soil map section includes the soil map for the defined area of interest, a list of soil map units on the map and extent of each map unit, and cartographic symbols displayed on the map. Also presented are various metadata about data used to produce the map, and a description of each soil map unit.



#### MAP LEGEND

#### Area of Interest (AOI)

Area

Area of Interest (AOI)

#### Soils

Soil Map Unit Polygons

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Soil Map Unit Lines

Soil Map Unit Points

#### **Special Point Features**

Blowout

Borrow Pit

Clay Spot

Closed Depression

Gravel Pit

Gravelly Spot

Candfill

Lava Flow

Marsh or swamp

Mine or Quarry

Miscellaneous Water

Perennial Water

Rock Outcrop

→ Saline Spot

Sandy Spot

Severely Eroded Spot

Sinkhole

Slide or Slip

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Spoil Area Stony Spot



Very Stony Spot



Wet Spot Other



Special Line Features

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Streams and Canals

#### Transportation

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Major Roads



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#### MAP INFORMATION

The soil surveys that comprise your AOI were mapped at scales ranging from 1:20,000 to 1:24,000.

Please rely on the bar scale on each map sheet for map measurements.

Source of Map: Natural Resources Conservation Service Web Soil Survey URL:

Coordinate System: Web Mercator (EPSG:3857)

Maps from the Web Soil Survey are based on the Web Mercator projection, which preserves direction and shape but distorts distance and area. A projection that preserves area, such as the Albers equal-area conic projection, should be used if more accurate calculations of distance or area are required.

This product is generated from the USDA-NRCS certified data as of the version date(s) listed below.

Soil Survey Area: Rockingham County, New Hampshire

Survey Area Data: Version 21, Sep 16, 2019

Soil Survey Area: Strafford County, New Hampshire Survey Area Data: Version 19, Sep 16, 2019

Your area of interest (AOI) includes more than one soil survey area. These survey areas may have been mapped at different scales, with a different land use in mind, at different times, or at different levels of detail. This may result in map unit symbols, soil properties, and interpretations that do not completely agree across soil survey area boundaries.

Soil map units are labeled (as space allows) for map scales 1:50,000 or larger.

Date(s) aerial images were photographed: Jan 1, 1999—Dec 31, 2003

The orthophoto or other base map on which the soil lines were compiled and digitized probably differs from the background

# **MAP LEGEND**

# **MAP INFORMATION**

imagery displayed on these maps. As a result, some minor shifting of map unit boundaries may be evident.

# **Map Unit Legend**

Map Unit Symbol	Map Unit Name	Acres in AOI	Percent of AOI
12E	Hinckley loamy sand, 15 to 60 percent slopes	3.3	1.0%
29B	Woodbridge fine sandy loam, 3 to 8 percent slopes	5.8	1.7%
45C	Montauk fine sandy loam, 8 to 15 percent slopes, very stony	1.3	0.4%
45D	Montauk fine sandy loam, 15 to 25 percent slopes, very stony	8.7	2.5%
97	Freetown and Natchaug mucky peats, ponded, 0 to 2 percent slopes	24.5	7.1%
129C	Woodbridge fine sandy loam, 8 to 15 percent slopes, very stony	2.3	0.7%
140B	Chatfield-Hollis-Canton complex, 0 to 8 percent slopes, rocky	2.9	0.8%
140C	Chatfield-Hollis-Canton complex, 8 to 15 percent slopes, rocky	101.7	29.4%
140D	Chatfield-Hollis-Canton complex, 15 to 35 percent slopes, rocky	57.0	16.5%
295	Freetown mucky peat, 0 to 2 percent slopes	16.1	4.6%
495	Natchaug mucky peat, 0 to 2 percent slopes	3.5	1.0%
547B	Walpole very fine sandy loam, 3 to 8 percent slopes, very stony	8.5	2.5%
657B	Ridgebury fine sandy loam, 3 to 8 percent slopes, very stony	4.7	1.3%
Subtotals for Soil Survey Area		240.2	69.4%
Totals for Area of Interest		346.0	100.0%

Map Unit Symbol	Map Unit Name	Acres in AOI	Percent of AOI
GsC	Gloucester very stony fine sandy loam, 8 to 15 percent slopes	7.1	2.1%
GtD	Gloucester extremely stony fine sandy loam, 8 to 25 percent slopes	57.6	16.6%
НаВ	Hinckley loamy sand, 3 to 8 percent slopes	2.5	0.7%

Map Unit Symbol	Map Unit Name	Acres in AOI	Percent of AOI	
LrB	Leicester-Ridgebury fine sandy loams, 3 to 8 percent slopes, very stony	6.0	1.7%	
PbB	Paxton fine sandy loam, 3 to 8 percent slopes	0.3	0.1%	
PbC	Paxton fine sandy loam, 8 to 15 percent slopes	0.0	0.0%	
PdB	Paxton fine sandy loam, 0 to 8 percent slopes, very stony	5.9	1.7%	
PdC	Paxton fine sandy loam, 8 to 15 percent slopes, very stony	4.0	1.2%	
RIB	Ridgebury fine sandy loam, 3 to 8 percent slopes, very stony	0.9	0.3%	
Sb	Saugatuck loamy sand	0.7	0.2%	
Wa	Whitman very stony fine sandy loam	4.7	1.4%	
WgB	Woodbridge fine sandy loam, 3 to 8 percent slopes	3.0	0.9%	
WsB	Woodbridge fine sandy loam, 0 to 8 percent slopes, very stony	4.3	1.2%	
WsC	Woodbridge fine sandy loam, 8 to 15 percent slopes, very stony	8.7	2.5%	
Subtotals for Soil Survey Area		105.8	30.6%	
Totals for Area of Interest		346.0	100.0%	

# **Map Unit Descriptions**

The map units delineated on the detailed soil maps in a soil survey represent the soils or miscellaneous areas in the survey area. The map unit descriptions, along with the maps, can be used to determine the composition and properties of a unit.

A map unit delineation on a soil map represents an area dominated by one or more major kinds of soil or miscellaneous areas. A map unit is identified and named according to the taxonomic classification of the dominant soils. Within a taxonomic class there are precisely defined limits for the properties of the soils. On the landscape, however, the soils are natural phenomena, and they have the characteristic variability of all natural phenomena. Thus, the range of some observed properties may extend beyond the limits defined for a taxonomic class. Areas of soils of a single taxonomic class rarely, if ever, can be mapped without including areas of other taxonomic classes. Consequently, every map unit is made up of the soils or miscellaneous areas for which it is named and some minor components that belong to taxonomic classes other than those of the major soils.

Most minor soils have properties similar to those of the dominant soil or soils in the map unit, and thus they do not affect use and management. These are called noncontrasting, or similar, components. They may or may not be mentioned in a particular map unit description. Other minor components, however, have properties

and behavioral characteristics divergent enough to affect use or to require different management. These are called contrasting, or dissimilar, components. They generally are in small areas and could not be mapped separately because of the scale used. Some small areas of strongly contrasting soils or miscellaneous areas are identified by a special symbol on the maps. If included in the database for a given area, the contrasting minor components are identified in the map unit descriptions along with some characteristics of each. A few areas of minor components may not have been observed, and consequently they are not mentioned in the descriptions, especially where the pattern was so complex that it was impractical to make enough observations to identify all the soils and miscellaneous areas on the landscape.

The presence of minor components in a map unit in no way diminishes the usefulness or accuracy of the data. The objective of mapping is not to delineate pure taxonomic classes but rather to separate the landscape into landforms or landform segments that have similar use and management requirements. The delineation of such segments on the map provides sufficient information for the development of resource plans. If intensive use of small areas is planned, however, onsite investigation is needed to define and locate the soils and miscellaneous areas.

An identifying symbol precedes the map unit name in the map unit descriptions. Each description includes general facts about the unit and gives important soil properties and qualities.

Soils that have profiles that are almost alike make up a *soil series*. Except for differences in texture of the surface layer, all the soils of a series have major horizons that are similar in composition, thickness, and arrangement.

Soils of one series can differ in texture of the surface layer, slope, stoniness, salinity, degree of erosion, and other characteristics that affect their use. On the basis of such differences, a soil series is divided into *soil phases*. Most of the areas shown on the detailed soil maps are phases of soil series. The name of a soil phase commonly indicates a feature that affects use or management. For example, Alpha silt loam, 0 to 2 percent slopes, is a phase of the Alpha series.

Some map units are made up of two or more major soils or miscellaneous areas. These map units are complexes, associations, or undifferentiated groups.

A *complex* consists of two or more soils or miscellaneous areas in such an intricate pattern or in such small areas that they cannot be shown separately on the maps. The pattern and proportion of the soils or miscellaneous areas are somewhat similar in all areas. Alpha-Beta complex, 0 to 6 percent slopes, is an example.

An *association* is made up of two or more geographically associated soils or miscellaneous areas that are shown as one unit on the maps. Because of present or anticipated uses of the map units in the survey area, it was not considered practical or necessary to map the soils or miscellaneous areas separately. The pattern and relative proportion of the soils or miscellaneous areas are somewhat similar. Alpha-Beta association, 0 to 2 percent slopes, is an example.

An *undifferentiated group* is made up of two or more soils or miscellaneous areas that could be mapped individually but are mapped as one unit because similar interpretations can be made for use and management. The pattern and proportion of the soils or miscellaneous areas in a mapped area are not uniform. An area can be made up of only one of the major soils or miscellaneous areas, or it can be made up of all of them. Alpha and Beta soils, 0 to 2 percent slopes, is an example.

Some surveys include *miscellaneous areas*. Such areas have little or no soil material and support little or no vegetation. Rock outcrop is an example.

# **Rockingham County, New Hampshire**

# 12E—Hinckley loamy sand, 15 to 60 percent slopes

# **Map Unit Setting**

National map unit symbol: 2svmh

Elevation: 0 to 890 feet

Mean annual precipitation: 36 to 71 inches
Mean annual air temperature: 39 to 55 degrees F

Frost-free period: 145 to 240 days

Farmland classification: Not prime farmland

# **Map Unit Composition**

Hinckley and similar soils: 85 percent Minor components: 15 percent

Estimates are based on observations, descriptions, and transects of the mapunit.

# **Description of Hinckley**

# Setting

Landform: Outwash deltas, kame terraces, outwash plains, kames, eskers,

moraines, outwash terraces

Landform position (two-dimensional): Backslope

Landform position (three-dimensional): Nose slope, side slope, crest, head slope,

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Down-slope shape: Linear, convex, concave Across-slope shape: Convex, linear, concave

Parent material: Sandy and gravelly glaciofluvial deposits derived from gneiss

and/or granite and/or schist

# Typical profile

Oe - 0 to 1 inches: moderately decomposed plant material

A - 1 to 8 inches: loamy sand

Bw1 - 8 to 11 inches: gravelly loamy sand Bw2 - 11 to 16 inches: gravelly loamy sand BC - 16 to 19 inches: very gravelly loamy sand

C - 19 to 65 inches: very gravelly sand

# Properties and qualities

Slope: 15 to 60 percent

Depth to restrictive feature: More than 80 inches Natural drainage class: Excessively drained

Runoff class: Low

Capacity of the most limiting layer to transmit water (Ksat): Moderately high to

very high (1.42 to 99.90 in/hr)

Depth to water table: More than 80 inches

Frequency of flooding: None Frequency of ponding: None

Salinity, maximum in profile: Nonsaline (0.0 to 1.9 mmhos/cm) Available water storage in profile: Low (about 3.1 inches)

## Interpretive groups

Land capability classification (irrigated): None specified

Land capability classification (nonirrigated): 7e

Hydrologic Soil Group: A

Hydric soil rating: No

# **Minor Components**

#### Windsor

Percent of map unit: 10 percent

Landform: Outwash terraces, outwash plains, outwash deltas, kame terraces,

kames, eskers, moraines

Landform position (two-dimensional): Backslope

Landform position (three-dimensional): Side slope, crest, nose slope, head slope,

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Down-slope shape: Linear, concave, convex Across-slope shape: Convex, linear, concave

Hydric soil rating: No

#### Merrimac

Percent of map unit: 5 percent

Landform: Kames, eskers, moraines, outwash terraces, outwash plains

Landform position (two-dimensional): Backslope

Landform position (three-dimensional): Side slope, crest, nose slope, head slope,

riser

Down-slope shape: Linear, convex, concave Across-slope shape: Convex, linear, concave

Hydric soil rating: No

# 29B—Woodbridge fine sandy loam, 3 to 8 percent slopes

## Map Unit Setting

National map unit symbol: 2t2ql

Elevation: 0 to 1,470 feet

Mean annual precipitation: 36 to 71 inches
Mean annual air temperature: 39 to 55 degrees F

Frost-free period: 140 to 240 days

Farmland classification: All areas are prime farmland

#### **Map Unit Composition**

Woodbridge, fine sandy loam, and similar soils: 82 percent

Minor components: 18 percent

Estimates are based on observations, descriptions, and transects of the mapunit.

# Description of Woodbridge, Fine Sandy Loam

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Landform: Ground moraines, hills, drumlins

Landform position (two-dimensional): Backslope, footslope, summit

Landform position (three-dimensional): Side slope

Down-slope shape: Concave Across-slope shape: Linear

Parent material: Coarse-loamy lodgment till derived from gneiss, granite, and/or

schist

# Typical profile

Ap - 0 to 7 inches: fine sandy loam
Bw1 - 7 to 18 inches: fine sandy loam
Bw2 - 18 to 30 inches: fine sandy loam
Cd - 30 to 65 inches: gravelly fine sandy loam

# Properties and qualities

Slope: 3 to 8 percent

Depth to restrictive feature: 20 to 39 inches to densic material

Natural drainage class: Moderately well drained

Runoff class: Medium

Capacity of the most limiting layer to transmit water (Ksat): Very low to moderately

low (0.00 to 0.14 in/hr)

Depth to water table: About 18 to 30 inches

Frequency of flooding: None Frequency of ponding: None

Salinity, maximum in profile: Nonsaline (0.0 to 1.9 mmhos/cm) Available water storage in profile: Low (about 3.6 inches)

# Interpretive groups

Land capability classification (irrigated): None specified

Land capability classification (nonirrigated): 2w

Hydrologic Soil Group: C/D Hydric soil rating: No

# **Minor Components**

# **Paxton**

Percent of map unit: 10 percent

Landform: Hills, ground moraines, drumlins

Landform position (two-dimensional): Summit, shoulder, backslope Landform position (three-dimensional): Side slope, crest, nose slope

Down-slope shape: Convex, linear Across-slope shape: Convex

Hydric soil rating: No

# Ridgebury

Percent of map unit: 8 percent

Landform: Depressions, drainageways, hills, ground moraines
Landform position (two-dimensional): Toeslope, backslope, footslope
Landform position (three-dimensional): Base slope, head slope, dip

Down-slope shape: Concave Across-slope shape: Concave

Hydric soil rating: Yes

# 45C—Montauk fine sandy loam, 8 to 15 percent slopes, very stony

# **Map Unit Setting**

National map unit symbol: 2w80w

Elevation: 0 to 1,120 feet

Mean annual precipitation: 36 to 71 inches
Mean annual air temperature: 39 to 55 degrees F

Frost-free period: 140 to 240 days

Farmland classification: Not prime farmland

# **Map Unit Composition**

Montauk, very stony, and similar soils: 85 percent

Minor components: 15 percent

Estimates are based on observations, descriptions, and transects of the mapunit.

# **Description of Montauk, Very Stony**

# Setting

Landform: Drumlins, ground moraines, recessionial moraines, hills

Landform position (two-dimensional): Backslope Landform position (three-dimensional): Side slope

Down-slope shape: Linear, convex Across-slope shape: Convex

Parent material: Coarse-loamy over sandy lodgment till derived from gneiss,

granite, and/or schist

# **Typical profile**

Oe - 0 to 2 inches: moderately decomposed plant material

A - 2 to 6 inches: fine sandy loam
Bw1 - 6 to 28 inches: fine sandy loam
Bw2 - 28 to 36 inches: sandy loam

2Cd - 36 to 74 inches: gravelly loamy sand

# **Properties and qualities**

Slope: 8 to 15 percent

Percent of area covered with surface fragments: 1.6 percent Depth to restrictive feature: 20 to 43 inches to densic material

Natural drainage class: Well drained

Runoff class: Medium

Capacity of the most limiting layer to transmit water (Ksat): Very low to moderately

high (0.00 to 1.42 in/hr)

Depth to water table: About 18 to 37 inches

Frequency of flooding: None Frequency of ponding: None

Salinity, maximum in profile: Nonsaline (0.0 to 1.9 mmhos/cm) Available water storage in profile: Low (about 5.6 inches)

# Interpretive groups

Land capability classification (irrigated): None specified

Land capability classification (nonirrigated): 6s

Hydrologic Soil Group: C Hydric soil rating: No

# **Minor Components**

# Scituate, very stony

Percent of map unit: 6 percent

Landform: Drumlins, hills, ground moraines

Landform position (two-dimensional): Footslope, backslope

Landform position (three-dimensional): Side slope

Down-slope shape: Linear, convex Across-slope shape: Convex

Hydric soil rating: No

# Canton, very stony

Percent of map unit: 5 percent

Landform: Hills

Landform position (two-dimensional): Backslope Landform position (three-dimensional): Side slope

Down-slope shape: Convex, linear Across-slope shape: Convex

Hydric soil rating: No

# Ridgebury, very stony

Percent of map unit: 4 percent

Landform: Ground moraines, depressions, drainageways, hills Landform position (two-dimensional): Footslope, toeslope Landform position (three-dimensional): Head slope, base slope

Down-slope shape: Concave Across-slope shape: Concave

Hydric soil rating: Yes

# 45D—Montauk fine sandy loam, 15 to 25 percent slopes, very stony

# **Map Unit Setting**

National map unit symbol: 2w810

Elevation: 80 to 1,120 feet

Mean annual precipitation: 36 to 71 inches
Mean annual air temperature: 39 to 55 degrees F

Frost-free period: 145 to 240 days

Farmland classification: Not prime farmland

# **Map Unit Composition**

Montauk, very stony, and similar soils: 85 percent

Minor components: 15 percent

Estimates are based on observations, descriptions, and transects of the mapunit.

# **Description of Montauk, Very Stony**

# Setting

Landform: Drumlins, hills, ground moraines, recessionial moraines

Landform position (two-dimensional): Backslope Landform position (three-dimensional): Side slope

Down-slope shape: Linear, convex Across-slope shape: Convex

Parent material: Coarse-loamy over sandy lodgment till derived from gneiss,

granite, and/or schist

#### Typical profile

Oe - 0 to 2 inches: moderately decomposed plant material

A - 2 to 6 inches: fine sandy loam
Bw1 - 6 to 28 inches: fine sandy loam
Bw2 - 28 to 36 inches: sandy loam

2Cd - 36 to 74 inches: gravelly loamy sand

# **Properties and qualities**

Slope: 15 to 25 percent

Percent of area covered with surface fragments: 1.6 percent Depth to restrictive feature: 20 to 43 inches to densic material

Natural drainage class: Well drained

Runoff class: Low

Capacity of the most limiting layer to transmit water (Ksat): Very low to moderately

high (0.00 to 1.42 in/hr)

Depth to water table: About 18 to 37 inches

Frequency of flooding: None Frequency of ponding: None

Salinity, maximum in profile: Nonsaline (0.0 to 1.9 mmhos/cm) Available water storage in profile: Low (about 5.6 inches)

# Interpretive groups

Land capability classification (irrigated): None specified

Land capability classification (nonirrigated): 6s

Hydrologic Soil Group: C Hydric soil rating: No

# **Minor Components**

# Scituate, very stony

Percent of map unit: 6 percent

Landform: Ground moraines, drumlins, hills Landform position (two-dimensional): Backslope Landform position (three-dimensional): Side slope

Down-slope shape: Linear, convex Across-slope shape: Convex

Hydric soil rating: No

# Canton, very stony

Percent of map unit: 5 percent

Landform: Hills

Landform position (two-dimensional): Backslope Landform position (three-dimensional): Side slope

Down-slope shape: Convex, linear Across-slope shape: Convex

Hydric soil rating: No

#### Chatfield, very stony

Percent of map unit: 4 percent

Landform: Hills, ridges

Landform position (two-dimensional): Backslope Landform position (three-dimensional): Side slope

Down-slope shape: Convex Across-slope shape: Convex

Hydric soil rating: No

# 97—Freetown and Natchaug mucky peats, ponded, 0 to 2 percent slopes

# **Map Unit Setting**

National map unit symbol: 2w690

Elevation: 10 to 930 feet

Mean annual precipitation: 36 to 71 inches
Mean annual air temperature: 39 to 55 degrees F

Frost-free period: 145 to 240 days

Farmland classification: Not prime farmland

# **Map Unit Composition**

Freetown, ponded, and similar soils: 38 percent Natchaug, ponded, and similar soils: 37 percent

Minor components: 25 percent

Estimates are based on observations, descriptions, and transects of the mapunit.

# **Description of Freetown, Ponded**

# Setting

Landform: Swamps, bogs, marshes, kettles, depressions

Down-slope shape: Concave Across-slope shape: Concave

Parent material: Moderately decomposed organic material

## Typical profile

Oe1 - 0 to 2 inches: mucky peat Oe2 - 2 to 79 inches: mucky peat

# **Properties and qualities**

Slope: 0 to 2 percent

Percent of area covered with surface fragments: 0.0 percent

Depth to restrictive feature: More than 80 inches Natural drainage class: Very poorly drained

Runoff class: Negligible

Capacity of the most limiting layer to transmit water (Ksat): Moderately low to high

(0.14 to 14.17 in/hr)

Depth to water table: About 0 inches

Frequency of flooding: None Frequency of ponding: Frequent

Available water storage in profile: Very high (about 20.3 inches)

#### Interpretive groups

Land capability classification (irrigated): None specified

Land capability classification (nonirrigated): 8w

Hydrologic Soil Group: B/D Hydric soil rating: Yes

# **Description of Natchaug, Ponded**

# Setting

Landform: Depressions, depressions, depressions

Down-slope shape: Concave Across-slope shape: Concave

Parent material: Moderately decomposed organic material over loamy glaciofluvial

deposits and/or loamy glaciolacustrine deposits and/or loamy till

# Typical profile

Oe1 - 0 to 12 inches: mucky peat Oe2 - 12 to 31 inches: mucky peat 2Cg1 - 31 to 39 inches: silt loam 2Cg2 - 39 to 79 inches: fine sandy loam

# **Properties and qualities**

Slope: 0 to 2 percent

Depth to restrictive feature: More than 80 inches Natural drainage class: Very poorly drained

Runoff class: Negligible

Capacity of the most limiting layer to transmit water (Ksat): Moderately low to high

(0.01 to 14.17 in/hr)

Depth to water table: About 0 inches

Frequency of flooding: None Frequency of ponding: Frequent

Calcium carbonate, maximum in profile: 25 percent

Salinity, maximum in profile: Nonsaline (0.0 to 1.9 mmhos/cm)

Available water storage in profile: Very high (about 14.4 inches)

# Interpretive groups

Land capability classification (irrigated): None specified

Land capability classification (nonirrigated): 8w

Hydrologic Soil Group: B/D Hydric soil rating: Yes

# **Minor Components**

## Scarboro, ponded

Percent of map unit: 9 percent

Landform: Outwash deltas, drainageways, outwash terraces, depressions

Landform position (three-dimensional): Tread

Down-slope shape: Concave Across-slope shape: Concave

Hydric soil rating: Yes

# Maybid, ponded

Percent of map unit: 8 percent Landform: Depressions, depressions

Down-slope shape: Concave Across-slope shape: Concave

Hydric soil rating: Yes

# Ridgebury, very stony

Percent of map unit: 4 percent

Landform: Drumlins, drainageways, hills, ground moraines, depressions

Landform position (two-dimensional): Toeslope, footslope Landform position (three-dimensional): Base slope, head slope

Down-slope shape: Concave Across-slope shape: Concave

Hydric soil rating: Yes

#### **Scitico**

Percent of map unit: 4 percent Landform: Depressions, depressions

Down-slope shape: Concave Across-slope shape: Concave

Hydric soil rating: Yes

# 129C—Woodbridge fine sandy loam, 8 to 15 percent slopes, very stony

# **Map Unit Setting**

National map unit symbol: 2w687

Elevation: 0 to 1,420 feet

Mean annual precipitation: 36 to 71 inches
Mean annual air temperature: 39 to 55 degrees F

Frost-free period: 140 to 240 days

Farmland classification: Not prime farmland

## **Map Unit Composition**

Woodbridge, very stony, and similar soils: 85 percent

Minor components: 15 percent

Estimates are based on observations, descriptions, and transects of the mapunit.

# **Description of Woodbridge, Very Stony**

#### Settina

Landform: Ground moraines, drumlins, hills

Landform position (two-dimensional): Backslope, footslope

Landform position (three-dimensional): Side slope

Down-slope shape: Convex Across-slope shape: Linear

Parent material: Coarse-loamy lodgment till derived from gneiss, granite, and/or

schist

# **Typical profile**

Oe - 0 to 2 inches: moderately decomposed plant material

A - 2 to 9 inches: fine sandy loam
Bw1 - 9 to 20 inches: fine sandy loam
Bw2 - 20 to 32 inches: fine sandy loam
Cd - 32 to 67 inches: gravelly fine sandy loam

# **Properties and qualities**

Slope: 8 to 15 percent

Percent of area covered with surface fragments: 1.6 percent Depth to restrictive feature: 20 to 43 inches to densic material

Natural drainage class: Moderately well drained

Runoff class: Medium

Capacity of the most limiting layer to transmit water (Ksat): Very low to moderately

low (0.00 to 0.14 in/hr)

Depth to water table: About 19 to 27 inches

Frequency of flooding: None Frequency of ponding: None

Salinity, maximum in profile: Nonsaline (0.0 to 1.9 mmhos/cm) Available water storage in profile: Low (about 5.3 inches)

# Interpretive groups

Land capability classification (irrigated): None specified

Land capability classification (nonirrigated): 6s

Hydrologic Soil Group: C/D Hydric soil rating: No

# **Minor Components**

# Paxton, very stony

Percent of map unit: 9 percent

Landform: Hills, ground moraines, drumlins Landform position (two-dimensional): Backslope Landform position (three-dimensional): Side slope

Down-slope shape: Linear, convex Across-slope shape: Convex, linear

Hydric soil rating: No

# Ridgebury, very stony

Percent of map unit: 4 percent

Landform: Ground moraines, drainageways, hills, depressions, drumlins

Landform position (two-dimensional): Toeslope, footslope Landform position (three-dimensional): Head slope, base slope

Down-slope shape: Concave Across-slope shape: Concave

Hydric soil rating: Yes

## Sutton, very stony

Percent of map unit: 1 percent Landform: Hills. ground moraines

Landform position (two-dimensional): Footslope Landform position (three-dimensional): Base slope

Down-slope shape: Concave Across-slope shape: Linear Hydric soil rating: No

## Whitman, very stony

Percent of map unit: 1 percent

Landform: Depressions, drainageways

Down-slope shape: Concave Across-slope shape: Concave

Hydric soil rating: Yes

# 140B—Chatfield-Hollis-Canton complex, 0 to 8 percent slopes, rocky

# **Map Unit Setting**

National map unit symbol: 2w82m Elevation: 380 to 1,070 feet

Mean annual precipitation: 36 to 71 inches Mean annual air temperature: 39 to 55 degrees F

Frost-free period: 145 to 240 days

Farmland classification: Not prime farmland

# **Map Unit Composition**

Chatfield, very stony, and similar soils: 35 percent Hollis, very stony, and similar soils: 25 percent Canton, very stony, and similar soils: 25 percent

Minor components: 15 percent

Estimates are based on observations, descriptions, and transects of the mapunit.

# **Description of Chatfield, Very Stony**

# Setting

Landform: Hills, ridges

Landform position (two-dimensional): Backslope, shoulder, summit Landform position (three-dimensional): Crest, side slope, nose slope

Down-slope shape: Convex

Across-slope shape: Linear, convex

Parent material: Coarse-loamy melt-out till derived from granite, gneiss, and/or

schist

# Typical profile

Oi - 0 to 1 inches: slightly decomposed plant material

A - 1 to 2 inches: fine sandy loam

Bw - 2 to 30 inches: gravelly fine sandy loam

2R - 30 to 40 inches: bedrock

# Properties and qualities

Slope: 0 to 8 percent

Percent of area covered with surface fragments: 1.6 percent Depth to restrictive feature: 20 to 41 inches to lithic bedrock

Natural drainage class: Well drained

Runoff class: High

Capacity of the most limiting layer to transmit water (Ksat): Very low (0.00 to 0.00

in/hr

Depth to water table: More than 80 inches

Frequency of flooding: None Frequency of ponding: None

Salinity, maximum in profile: Nonsaline (0.0 to 1.9 mmhos/cm) Available water storage in profile: Low (about 4.3 inches)

# Interpretive groups

Land capability classification (irrigated): None specified

Land capability classification (nonirrigated): 6s

Hydrologic Soil Group: B Hydric soil rating: No

# **Description of Canton, Very Stony**

# Setting

Landform: Ridges, hills, moraines

Landform position (two-dimensional): Summit, shoulder, backslope Landform position (three-dimensional): Side slope, crest, nose slope

Down-slope shape: Convex, linear Across-slope shape: Convex

Parent material: Coarse-loamy over sandy melt-out till derived from gneiss,

granite, and/or schist

# Typical profile

Oi - 0 to 2 inches: slightly decomposed plant material

A - 2 to 5 inches: fine sandy loam Bw1 - 5 to 16 inches: fine sandy loam

Bw2 - 16 to 22 inches: gravelly fine sandy loam 2C - 22 to 67 inches: gravelly loamy sand

# **Properties and qualities**

Slope: 0 to 8 percent

Percent of area covered with surface fragments: 1.6 percent

Depth to restrictive feature: 19 to 39 inches to strongly contrasting textural

stratification

Natural drainage class: Well drained

Runoff class: Low

Capacity of the most limiting layer to transmit water (Ksat): Moderately low to high

(0.14 to 14.17 in/hr)

Depth to water table: More than 80 inches

Frequency of flooding: None Frequency of ponding: None

Salinity, maximum in profile: Nonsaline (0.0 to 1.9 mmhos/cm)

Available water storage in profile: Low (about 3.4 inches)

# Interpretive groups

Land capability classification (irrigated): None specified

Land capability classification (nonirrigated): 6s

Hydrologic Soil Group: B Hydric soil rating: No

#### **Description of Hollis, Very Stony**

#### Setting

Landform: Ridges, hills

Landform position (two-dimensional): Backslope, shoulder, summit Landform position (three-dimensional): Crest, side slope, nose slope

Down-slope shape: Convex

Across-slope shape: Linear, convex

Parent material: Coarse-loamy melt-out till derived from granite, gneiss, and/or

schist

# **Typical profile**

Oi - 0 to 2 inches: slightly decomposed plant material

A - 2 to 7 inches: gravelly fine sandy loam

Bw - 7 to 16 inches: gravelly fine sandy loam

2R - 16 to 26 inches: bedrock

# **Properties and qualities**

Slope: 0 to 8 percent

Percent of area covered with surface fragments: 1.6 percent Depth to restrictive feature: 8 to 23 inches to lithic bedrock Natural drainage class: Somewhat excessively drained

Runoff class: Very high

Capacity of the most limiting layer to transmit water (Ksat): Very low (0.00 to 0.00

in/hr)

Depth to water table: More than 80 inches

Frequency of flooding: None Frequency of ponding: None

Salinity, maximum in profile: Nonsaline (0.0 to 1.9 mmhos/cm) Available water storage in profile: Very low (about 2.7 inches)

## Interpretive groups

Land capability classification (irrigated): None specified

Land capability classification (nonirrigated): 6s

Hydrologic Soil Group: D Hydric soil rating: No

# **Minor Components**

#### Freetown

Percent of map unit: 5 percent

Landform: Bogs, depressions, marshes, swamps, kettles

Down-slope shape: Concave Across-slope shape: Concave

Hydric soil rating: Yes

# Newfields, very stony

Percent of map unit: 5 percent

Landform: Moraines, hills, ground moraines Landform position (two-dimensional): Footslope Landform position (three-dimensional): Base slope

Down-slope shape: Linear Across-slope shape: Concave

Hydric soil rating: No

# Walpole, very stony

Percent of map unit: 3 percent

Landform: Depressions, deltas, outwash terraces, depressions, outwash plains

Landform position (three-dimensional): Tread

Down-slope shape: Concave Across-slope shape: Concave

Hydric soil rating: Yes

#### Rock outcrop

Percent of map unit: 2 percent

Landform: Hills, ridges
Hydric soil rating: Unranked

# 140C—Chatfield-Hollis-Canton complex, 8 to 15 percent slopes, rocky

# Map Unit Setting

National map unit symbol: 2w82s

Elevation: 0 to 980 feet

Mean annual precipitation: 36 to 71 inches
Mean annual air temperature: 39 to 55 degrees F

Frost-free period: 145 to 240 days

Farmland classification: Not prime farmland

## **Map Unit Composition**

Chatfield, very stony, and similar soils: 35 percent Canton, very stony, and similar soils: 25 percent Hollis, very stony, and similar soils: 25 percent

Minor components: 15 percent

Estimates are based on observations, descriptions, and transects of the mapunit.

# **Description of Chatfield, Very Stony**

## Setting

Landform: Hills, ridges

Landform position (two-dimensional): Backslope, shoulder, summit Landform position (three-dimensional): Crest, side slope, nose slope

Down-slope shape: Convex

Across-slope shape: Linear, convex

Parent material: Coarse-loamy melt-out till derived from granite, gneiss, and/or

schist

## Typical profile

Oi - 0 to 1 inches: slightly decomposed plant material

A - 1 to 2 inches: fine sandy loam

Bw - 2 to 30 inches: gravelly fine sandy loam

2R - 30 to 40 inches: bedrock

# **Properties and qualities**

Slope: 8 to 15 percent

Percent of area covered with surface fragments: 1.6 percent Depth to restrictive feature: 20 to 41 inches to lithic bedrock

Natural drainage class: Well drained

Runoff class: High

Capacity of the most limiting layer to transmit water (Ksat): Very low (0.00 to 0.00

in/hr)

Depth to water table: More than 80 inches

Frequency of flooding: None Frequency of ponding: None

Salinity, maximum in profile: Nonsaline (0.0 to 1.9 mmhos/cm) Available water storage in profile: Low (about 4.3 inches)

#### Interpretive groups

Land capability classification (irrigated): None specified

Land capability classification (nonirrigated): 6s

Hydrologic Soil Group: B Hydric soil rating: No

# **Description of Hollis, Very Stony**

# Setting

Landform: Hills, ridges

Landform position (two-dimensional): Backslope, shoulder, summit Landform position (three-dimensional): Crest, side slope, nose slope

Down-slope shape: Convex

Across-slope shape: Linear, convex

Parent material: Coarse-loamy melt-out till derived from granite, gneiss, and/or

schist

# **Typical profile**

Oi - 0 to 2 inches: slightly decomposed plant material

A - 2 to 7 inches: gravelly fine sandy loam Bw - 7 to 16 inches: gravelly fine sandy loam

2R - 16 to 26 inches: bedrock

# Properties and qualities

Slope: 8 to 15 percent

Percent of area covered with surface fragments: 1.6 percent Depth to restrictive feature: 8 to 23 inches to lithic bedrock Natural drainage class: Somewhat excessively drained

Runoff class: Very high

Capacity of the most limiting layer to transmit water (Ksat): Very low (0.00 to 0.00

in/hr)

Depth to water table: More than 80 inches

Frequency of flooding: None Frequency of ponding: None

Salinity, maximum in profile: Nonsaline (0.0 to 1.9 mmhos/cm) Available water storage in profile: Very low (about 2.7 inches)

## Interpretive groups

Land capability classification (irrigated): None specified

Land capability classification (nonirrigated): 6s

Hydrologic Soil Group: D Hydric soil rating: No

## **Description of Canton, Very Stony**

#### Setting

Landform: Hills, moraines, ridges

Landform position (two-dimensional): Backslope, summit, shoulder Landform position (three-dimensional): Side slope, crest, nose slope

Down-slope shape: Linear, convex Across-slope shape: Convex

Parent material: Coarse-loamy over sandy melt-out till derived from gneiss, granite, and/or schist

# Typical profile

Oi - 0 to 2 inches: slightly decomposed plant material

A - 2 to 5 inches: fine sandy loam

Bw1 - 5 to 16 inches: fine sandy loam

Bw2 - 16 to 22 inches: gravelly fine sandy loam 2C - 22 to 67 inches: gravelly loamy sand

# **Properties and qualities**

Slope: 8 to 15 percent

Percent of area covered with surface fragments: 1.6 percent

Depth to restrictive feature: 19 to 39 inches to strongly contrasting textural

stratification

Natural drainage class: Well drained

Runoff class: Low

Capacity of the most limiting layer to transmit water (Ksat): Moderately low to high

(0.14 to 14.17 in/hr)

Depth to water table: More than 80 inches

Frequency of flooding: None Frequency of ponding: None

Salinity, maximum in profile: Nonsaline (0.0 to 1.9 mmhos/cm) Available water storage in profile: Low (about 3.4 inches)

# Interpretive groups

Land capability classification (irrigated): None specified

Land capability classification (nonirrigated): 6s

Hydrologic Soil Group: B Hydric soil rating: No

# **Minor Components**

#### Freetown

Percent of map unit: 5 percent

Landform: Kettles, bogs, depressions, marshes, swamps

Down-slope shape: Concave Across-slope shape: Concave

Hydric soil rating: Yes

## Newfields, very stony

Percent of map unit: 5 percent

Landform: Hills, ground moraines, moraines Landform position (two-dimensional): Footslope Landform position (three-dimensional): Base slope

Down-slope shape: Linear Across-slope shape: Concave

Hydric soil rating: No

## Scarboro, very stony

Percent of map unit: 3 percent

Landform: Outwash terraces, depressions, outwash deltas, drainageways

Landform position (three-dimensional): Tread

Down-slope shape: Concave Across-slope shape: Concave, linear

Hydric soil rating: Yes

## **Rock outcrop**

Percent of map unit: 2 percent

Landform: Hills, ridges
Hydric soil rating: Unranked

# 140D—Chatfield-Hollis-Canton complex, 15 to 35 percent slopes, rocky

# Map Unit Setting

National map unit symbol: 2w82p

Elevation: 0 to 1,340 feet

Mean annual precipitation: 36 to 71 inches
Mean annual air temperature: 39 to 55 degrees F

Frost-free period: 145 to 240 days

Farmland classification: Not prime farmland

# **Map Unit Composition**

Chatfield, very stony, and similar soils: 35 percent Canton, very stony, and similar soils: 25 percent Hollis, very stony, and similar soils: 25 percent

Minor components: 15 percent

Estimates are based on observations, descriptions, and transects of the mapunit.

# **Description of Chatfield, Very Stony**

## Setting

Landform: Hills, ridges

Landform position (two-dimensional): Summit, backslope, shoulder Landform position (three-dimensional): Crest, side slope, nose slope

Down-slope shape: Convex

Across-slope shape: Linear, convex

Parent material: Coarse-loamy melt-out till derived from granite, gneiss, and/or

schist

## Typical profile

Oi - 0 to 1 inches: slightly decomposed plant material

A - 1 to 2 inches: fine sandy loam

Bw - 2 to 30 inches: gravelly fine sandy loam

2R - 30 to 40 inches: bedrock

# **Properties and qualities**

Slope: 15 to 35 percent

Percent of area covered with surface fragments: 1.6 percent Depth to restrictive feature: 20 to 41 inches to lithic bedrock

Natural drainage class: Well drained

Runoff class: High

Capacity of the most limiting layer to transmit water (Ksat): Very low (0.00 to 0.00

in/hr)

Depth to water table: More than 80 inches

Frequency of flooding: None Frequency of ponding: None

Salinity, maximum in profile: Nonsaline (0.0 to 1.9 mmhos/cm) Available water storage in profile: Low (about 4.3 inches)

# Interpretive groups

Land capability classification (irrigated): None specified

Land capability classification (nonirrigated): 7s

Hydrologic Soil Group: B Hydric soil rating: No

# **Description of Canton, Very Stony**

# Setting

Landform: Ridges, hills, moraines

Landform position (two-dimensional): Backslope, summit, shoulder Landform position (three-dimensional): Side slope, nose slope, crest

Down-slope shape: Convex, linear Across-slope shape: Convex

Parent material: Coarse-loamy over sandy melt-out till derived from gneiss,

granite, and/or schist

# **Typical profile**

Oi - 0 to 2 inches: slightly decomposed plant material

A - 2 to 5 inches: fine sandy loam Bw1 - 5 to 16 inches: fine sandy loam

Bw2 - 16 to 22 inches: gravelly fine sandy loam 2C - 22 to 67 inches: gravelly loamy sand

# **Properties and qualities**

Slope: 15 to 35 percent

Percent of area covered with surface fragments: 1.6 percent

Depth to restrictive feature: 19 to 39 inches to strongly contrasting textural

stratification

Natural drainage class: Well drained

Runoff class: Medium

Capacity of the most limiting layer to transmit water (Ksat): Moderately low to high

(0.14 to 14.17 in/hr)

Depth to water table: More than 80 inches

Frequency of flooding: None Frequency of ponding: None

Salinity, maximum in profile: Nonsaline (0.0 to 1.9 mmhos/cm) Available water storage in profile: Low (about 3.4 inches)

# Interpretive groups

Land capability classification (irrigated): None specified

Land capability classification (nonirrigated): 7s

Hydrologic Soil Group: B Hydric soil rating: No

# **Description of Hollis, Very Stony**

#### Settina

Landform: Hills, ridges

Landform position (two-dimensional): Shoulder, backslope, summit Landform position (three-dimensional): Crest, side slope, nose slope

Down-slope shape: Convex

Across-slope shape: Linear, convex

Parent material: Coarse-loamy melt-out till derived from granite, gneiss, and/or

schist

# **Typical profile**

Oi - 0 to 2 inches: slightly decomposed plant material

A - 2 to 7 inches: gravelly fine sandy loam Bw - 7 to 16 inches: gravelly fine sandy loam

2R - 16 to 26 inches: bedrock

# Properties and qualities

Slope: 15 to 35 percent

Percent of area covered with surface fragments: 1.6 percent Depth to restrictive feature: 8 to 23 inches to lithic bedrock Natural drainage class: Somewhat excessively drained

Runoff class: Very high

Capacity of the most limiting layer to transmit water (Ksat): Very low (0.00 to 0.00

in/hr)

Depth to water table: More than 80 inches

Frequency of flooding: None Frequency of ponding: None

Salinity, maximum in profile: Nonsaline (0.0 to 1.9 mmhos/cm) Available water storage in profile: Very low (about 2.7 inches)

# Interpretive groups

Land capability classification (irrigated): None specified

Land capability classification (nonirrigated): 7s

Hydrologic Soil Group: D Hydric soil rating: No

# **Minor Components**

# Montauk, very stony

Percent of map unit: 7 percent

Landform: Drumlins, hills, ground moraines, recessionial moraines

Landform position (two-dimensional): Backslope Landform position (three-dimensional): Side slope

Down-slope shape: Linear, convex Across-slope shape: Convex

Hydric soil rating: No

## Scarboro, very stony

Percent of map unit: 6 percent

Landform: Drainageways, outwash terraces, depressions, outwash deltas

Landform position (three-dimensional): Tread

Down-slope shape: Concave

Across-slope shape: Linear, concave

Hydric soil rating: Yes

# **Rock outcrop**

Percent of map unit: 2 percent Landform: Ridges, hills

Hydric soil rating: Unranked

# 295—Freetown mucky peat, 0 to 2 percent slopes

# Map Unit Setting

National map unit symbol: 2w68v

Elevation: 0 to 860 feet

Mean annual precipitation: 36 to 71 inches
Mean annual air temperature: 39 to 55 degrees F

Frost-free period: 145 to 240 days

Farmland classification: Not prime farmland

# **Map Unit Composition**

Freetown and similar soils: 82 percent

Minor components: 18 percent

Estimates are based on observations, descriptions, and transects of the mapunit.

# **Description of Freetown**

# Setting

Landform: Swamps, bogs, marshes, kettles, depressions

Down-slope shape: Concave Across-slope shape: Concave

Parent material: Moderately decomposed organic material

# **Typical profile**

Oe1 - 0 to 2 inches: mucky peat Oe2 - 2 to 79 inches: mucky peat

## **Properties and qualities**

Slope: 0 to 1 percent

Percent of area covered with surface fragments: 0.0 percent

Depth to restrictive feature: More than 80 inches Natural drainage class: Very poorly drained

Runoff class: Negligible

Capacity of the most limiting layer to transmit water (Ksat): Moderately low to high

(0.14 to 14.17 in/hr)

Depth to water table: About 0 to 6 inches

Frequency of flooding: None Frequency of ponding: Frequent

Available water storage in profile: Very high (about 20.3 inches)

# Interpretive groups

Land capability classification (irrigated): None specified

Land capability classification (nonirrigated): 8

Hydrologic Soil Group: B/D Hydric soil rating: Yes

## **Minor Components**

#### Swansea

Percent of map unit: 8 percent

Landform: Swamps, bogs, depressions, marshes, kettles

Down-slope shape: Concave Across-slope shape: Concave

Hydric soil rating: Yes

# **Natchaug**

Percent of map unit: 6 percent

Landform: Depressions, depressions, depressions

Down-slope shape: Concave Across-slope shape: Concave

Hydric soil rating: Yes

#### **Scarboro**

Percent of map unit: 3 percent

Landform: Drainageways, depressions, outwash deltas, outwash terraces

Landform position (three-dimensional): Tread

Down-slope shape: Concave Across-slope shape: Concave

Hydric soil rating: Yes

#### Whitman

Percent of map unit: 1 percent Landform: Hills, depressions

Landform position (two-dimensional): Toeslope Landform position (three-dimensional): Base slope

Down-slope shape: Concave Across-slope shape: Concave

Hydric soil rating: Yes

# 495—Natchaug mucky peat, 0 to 2 percent slopes

#### Map Unit Setting

National map unit symbol: 2w691

Elevation: 0 to 910 feet

Mean annual precipitation: 36 to 71 inches Mean annual air temperature: 39 to 55 degrees F

Frost-free period: 145 to 240 days

Farmland classification: Not prime farmland

## **Map Unit Composition**

Natchaug and similar soils: 90 percent

Minor components: 10 percent

Estimates are based on observations, descriptions, and transects of the mapunit.

# **Description of Natchaug**

# Setting

Landform: Depressions, depressions, depressions

Down-slope shape: Concave Across-slope shape: Concave

Parent material: Moderately decomposed organic material over loamy glaciofluvial

deposits and/or loamy glaciolacustrine deposits and/or loamy till

# Typical profile

Oe1 - 0 to 12 inches: mucky peat Oe2 - 12 to 31 inches: mucky peat 2Cg1 - 31 to 39 inches: silt loam 2Cg2 - 39 to 79 inches: fine sandy loam

# **Properties and qualities**

Slope: 0 to 2 percent

Depth to restrictive feature: More than 80 inches Natural drainage class: Very poorly drained

Runoff class: Negligible

Capacity of the most limiting layer to transmit water (Ksat): Moderately low to high

(0.01 to 14.17 in/hr)

Depth to water table: About 0 inches

Frequency of flooding: None Frequency of ponding: Frequent

Calcium carbonate, maximum in profile: 25 percent

Salinity, maximum in profile: Nonsaline (0.0 to 1.9 mmhos/cm)

Available water storage in profile: Very high (about 14.4 inches)

# Interpretive groups

Land capability classification (irrigated): None specified

Land capability classification (nonirrigated): 8w

Hydrologic Soil Group: B/D Hydric soil rating: Yes

# **Minor Components**

# Scarboro

Percent of map unit: 4 percent

Landform: Outwash deltas, drainageways, outwash terraces, depressions

Landform position (three-dimensional): Tread

Down-slope shape: Concave Across-slope shape: Concave

Hydric soil rating: Yes

# Walpole

Percent of map unit: 4 percent

Landform: Outwash plains, depressions, deltas, outwash terraces, depressions

Landform position (three-dimensional): Tread

Down-slope shape: Concave Across-slope shape: Concave

Hydric soil rating: Yes

# Maybid

Percent of map unit: 2 percent Landform: Depressions, depressions

Down-slope shape: Concave

Across-slope shape: Concave

Hydric soil rating: Yes

# 547B—Walpole very fine sandy loam, 3 to 8 percent slopes, very stony

# **Map Unit Setting**

National map unit symbol: 9cpd Elevation: 0 to 2,100 feet

Mean annual precipitation: 28 to 45 inches
Mean annual air temperature: 46 to 52 degrees F

Frost-free period: 100 to 195 days

Farmland classification: Not prime farmland

# **Map Unit Composition**

Walpole and similar soils: 80 percent Minor components: 20 percent

Estimates are based on observations, descriptions, and transects of the mapunit.

# **Description of Walpole**

# Setting

Landform: Depressions

# Typical profile

H1 - 0 to 7 inches: very fine sandy loam H2 - 7 to 16 inches: sandy loam

H3 - 16 to 60 inches: gravelly loamy sand

# Properties and qualities

Slope: 3 to 8 percent

Percent of area covered with surface fragments: 0.1 percent

Depth to restrictive feature: More than 80 inches

Natural drainage class: Poorly drained

Runoff class: Low

Capacity of the most limiting layer to transmit water (Ksat): High (2.00 to 6.00

in/hr)

Depth to water table: About 0 to 12 inches

Frequency of flooding: None Frequency of ponding: None

Available water storage in profile: Low (about 4.6 inches)

# Interpretive groups

Land capability classification (irrigated): None specified

Land capability classification (nonirrigated): 6s

Hydrologic Soil Group: A/D Hydric soil rating: Yes

# **Minor Components**

#### Scarboro

Percent of map unit: 10 percent

Landform: Depressions Hydric soil rating: Yes

#### Squamscott

Percent of map unit: 5 percent Landform: Marine terraces Hydric soil rating: Yes

#### **Newfields**

Percent of map unit: 5 percent

Hydric soil rating: No

# 657B—Ridgebury fine sandy loam, 3 to 8 percent slopes, very stony

# **Map Unit Setting**

National map unit symbol: 2xffx Elevation: 40 to 1,320 feet

Mean annual precipitation: 36 to 71 inches
Mean annual air temperature: 39 to 55 degrees F

Frost-free period: 140 to 240 days

Farmland classification: Not prime farmland

# **Map Unit Composition**

Ridgebury, very stony, and similar soils: 85 percent

Minor components: 15 percent

Estimates are based on observations, descriptions, and transects of the mapunit.

## Description of Ridgebury, Very Stony

#### Setting

Landform: Hills, ground moraines, depressions, drumlins, drainageways

Landform position (two-dimensional): Toeslope, footslope Landform position (three-dimensional): Base slope, head slope

Down-slope shape: Concave Across-slope shape: Concave

Parent material: Coarse-loamy lodgment till derived from gneiss, granite, and/or

schist

# **Typical profile**

Oe - 0 to 1 inches: moderately decomposed plant material

A - 1 to 6 inches: fine sandy loam Bw - 6 to 10 inches: sandy loam

Bg - 10 to 19 inches: gravelly sandy loam Cd - 19 to 66 inches: gravelly sandy loam

## **Properties and qualities**

Slope: 3 to 8 percent

Percent of area covered with surface fragments: 1.6 percent Depth to restrictive feature: 15 to 35 inches to densic material

Natural drainage class: Poorly drained

Runoff class: Very high

Capacity of the most limiting layer to transmit water (Ksat): Very low to moderately

low (0.00 to 0.14 in/hr)

Depth to water table: About 0 to 6 inches

Frequency of flooding: None Frequency of ponding: None

Salinity, maximum in profile: Nonsaline (0.0 to 1.9 mmhos/cm) Available water storage in profile: Low (about 3.0 inches)

# Interpretive groups

Land capability classification (irrigated): None specified

Land capability classification (nonirrigated): 4w

Hydrologic Soil Group: D Hydric soil rating: Yes

# **Minor Components**

# Woodbridge, very stony

Percent of map unit: 7 percent

Landform: Drumlins, hills, ground moraines

Landform position (two-dimensional): Footslope, summit, backslope

Landform position (three-dimensional): Crest, side slope

Down-slope shape: Convex Across-slope shape: Linear Hydric soil rating: No

# Whitman, very stony

Percent of map unit: 4 percent

Landform: Hills, ground moraines, drumlins, depressions, drainageways

Landform position (two-dimensional): Toeslope Landform position (three-dimensional): Base slope

Down-slope shape: Concave Across-slope shape: Concave

Hydric soil rating: Yes

## Scituate, very stony

Percent of map unit: 2 percent

Landform: Drumlins, hills, ground moraines

Landform position (two-dimensional): Summit, footslope, backslope

Landform position (three-dimensional): Crest, side slope

Down-slope shape: Convex, linear Across-slope shape: Convex

Hydric soil rating: No

#### Walpole

Percent of map unit: 2 percent

Landform: Drainageways, depressions, outwash terraces

Landform position (three-dimensional): Tread

Down-slope shape: Concave Across-slope shape: Concave

Hydric soil rating: Yes

# **Strafford County, New Hampshire**

# GsC—Gloucester very stony fine sandy loam, 8 to 15 percent slopes

## **Map Unit Setting**

National map unit symbol: 9d76

Mean annual precipitation: 36 to 71 inches
Mean annual air temperature: 39 to 55 degrees F

Frost-free period: 140 to 240 days

Farmland classification: Not prime farmland

# **Map Unit Composition**

Gloucester and similar soils: 85 percent

Minor components: 15 percent

Estimates are based on observations, descriptions, and transects of the mapunit.

#### **Description of Gloucester**

#### Setting

Parent material: Till

#### Typical profile

H1 - 0 to 14 inches: very stony fine sandy loam H2 - 14 to 28 inches: very gravelly loamy sand H3 - 28 to 40 inches: very gravelly coarse sand

#### **Properties and qualities**

Slope: 8 to 15 percent

Percent of area covered with surface fragments: 1.6 percent

Depth to restrictive feature: More than 80 inches Natural drainage class: Somewhat excessively drained

Runoff class: Very low

Capacity of the most limiting layer to transmit water (Ksat): High to very high (6.00

to 20.00 in/hr)

Depth to water table: More than 80 inches

Frequency of flooding: None Frequency of ponding: None

Available water storage in profile: Low (about 3.5 inches)

## Interpretive groups

Land capability classification (irrigated): None specified

Land capability classification (nonirrigated): 6s

Hydrologic Soil Group: A Hydric soil rating: No

#### **Minor Components**

# Not named

Percent of map unit: 5 percent

Hydric soil rating: No

#### Acton

Percent of map unit: 5 percent

Hydric soil rating: No

#### Hollis

Percent of map unit: 5 percent

Hydric soil rating: No

# GtD—Gloucester extremely stony fine sandy loam, 8 to 25 percent slopes

# **Map Unit Setting**

National map unit symbol: 9d79

Mean annual precipitation: 36 to 71 inches
Mean annual air temperature: 39 to 55 degrees F

Frost-free period: 140 to 240 days

Farmland classification: Not prime farmland

# **Map Unit Composition**

Gloucester and similar soils: 85 percent

Minor components: 15 percent

Estimates are based on observations, descriptions, and transects of the mapunit.

# **Description of Gloucester**

#### Setting

Parent material: Till

#### Typical profile

H1 - 0 to 14 inches: extremely stony fine sandy loam H2 - 14 to 28 inches: very gravelly loamy sand H3 - 28 to 40 inches: very gravelly coarse sand

#### **Properties and qualities**

Slope: 8 to 25 percent

Percent of area covered with surface fragments: 9.0 percent

Depth to restrictive feature: More than 80 inches Natural drainage class: Somewhat excessively drained

Runoff class: Very low

Capacity of the most limiting layer to transmit water (Ksat): High to very high (6.00

to 20.00 in/hr)

Depth to water table: More than 80 inches

Frequency of flooding: None Frequency of ponding: None

Available water storage in profile: Low (about 3.5 inches)

# Interpretive groups

Land capability classification (irrigated): None specified

Land capability classification (nonirrigated): 7s

Hydrologic Soil Group: A Hydric soil rating: No

# **Minor Components**

#### Hollis

Percent of map unit: 5 percent

Hydric soil rating: No

#### Acton

Percent of map unit: 5 percent

Hydric soil rating: No

#### Not named

Percent of map unit: 3 percent

Hydric soil rating: No

#### **Rock outcrop**

Percent of map unit: 2 percent

Hydric soil rating: No

# HaB—Hinckley loamy sand, 3 to 8 percent slopes

### **Map Unit Setting**

National map unit symbol: 2svm8

Elevation: 0 to 1,430 feet

Mean annual precipitation: 36 to 53 inches Mean annual air temperature: 39 to 55 degrees F

Frost-free period: 140 to 250 days

Farmland classification: Not prime farmland

# Map Unit Composition

Hinckley and similar soils: 85 percent Minor components: 15 percent

Estimates are based on observations, descriptions, and transects of the mapunit.

#### **Description of Hinckley**

### Settina

Landform: Kame terraces, outwash deltas, eskers, outwash terraces, kames,

outwash plains, moraines

Landform position (two-dimensional): Summit, shoulder, backslope, footslope Landform position (three-dimensional): Nose slope, side slope, base slope, crest, tread, riser

Down-slope shape: Linear, convex, concave Across-slope shape: Convex, linear, concave

Parent material: Sandy and gravelly glaciofluvial deposits derived from gneiss

and/or granite and/or schist

### Typical profile

Oe - 0 to 1 inches: moderately decomposed plant material

A - 1 to 8 inches: loamy sand

Bw1 - 8 to 11 inches: gravelly loamy sand Bw2 - 11 to 16 inches: gravelly loamy sand BC - 16 to 19 inches: very gravelly loamy sand

C - 19 to 65 inches: very gravelly sand

# **Properties and qualities**

Slope: 3 to 8 percent

Depth to restrictive feature: More than 80 inches

Natural drainage class: Excessively drained

Runoff class: Very low

Capacity of the most limiting layer to transmit water (Ksat): Moderately high to

very high (1.42 to 99.90 in/hr)

Depth to water table: More than 80 inches

Frequency of flooding: None Frequency of ponding: None

Salinity, maximum in profile: Nonsaline (0.0 to 1.9 mmhos/cm) Available water storage in profile: Very low (about 3.0 inches)

# Interpretive groups

Land capability classification (irrigated): None specified

Land capability classification (nonirrigated): 3s

Hydrologic Soil Group: A Hydric soil rating: No

#### **Minor Components**

#### Windsor

Percent of map unit: 8 percent

Landform: Eskers, outwash terraces, kame terraces, outwash plains, moraines,

outwash deltas, kames

Landform position (two-dimensional): Summit, shoulder, backslope, footslope Landform position (three-dimensional): Nose slope, side slope, base slope, crest,

riser, tread

Down-slope shape: Linear, convex, concave Across-slope shape: Convex, linear, concave

Hydric soil rating: No

## Sudbury

Percent of map unit: 5 percent

Landform: Moraines, outwash deltas, outwash terraces, kame terraces, outwash

plains

Landform position (two-dimensional): Backslope, footslope

Landform position (three-dimensional): Side slope, base slope, head slope, tread

Down-slope shape: Concave, linear Across-slope shape: Concave, linear

Hydric soil rating: No

#### **Agawam**

Percent of map unit: 2 percent

Landform: Kame terraces, outwash plains, moraines, outwash deltas, kames,

eskers, outwash terraces

Landform position (two-dimensional): Summit, shoulder, backslope, footslope Landform position (three-dimensional): Nose slope, side slope, base slope, crest,

tread, riser

Down-slope shape: Linear, concave, convex Across-slope shape: Concave, convex, linear

Hydric soil rating: No

# LrB—Leicester-Ridgebury fine sandy loams, 3 to 8 percent slopes, very stony

# Map Unit Setting

National map unit symbol: 2xffs Elevation: 100 to 1,160 feet

Mean annual precipitation: 36 to 71 inches Mean annual air temperature: 39 to 55 degrees F

Frost-free period: 145 to 240 days

Farmland classification: Not prime farmland

# **Map Unit Composition**

Leicester, very stony, and similar soils: 60 percent Ridgebury, very stony, and similar soils: 30 percent

Minor components: 10 percent

Estimates are based on observations, descriptions, and transects of the mapunit.

#### **Description of Leicester, Very Stony**

#### Settina

Landform: Ground moraines, depressions, hills, drainageways Landform position (two-dimensional): Toeslope, footslope Landform position (three-dimensional): Base slope

Down-slope shape: Concave, linear Across-slope shape: Concave

Parent material: Coarse-loamy melt-out till derived from gneiss, granite, and/or

schist

# Typical profile

Oe - 0 to 1 inches: moderately decomposed plant material

A - 1 to 7 inches: fine sandy loam Bg - 7 to 18 inches: fine sandy loam BC - 18 to 24 inches: fine sandy loam

C1 - 24 to 39 inches: gravelly fine sandy loam C2 - 39 to 65 inches: gravelly fine sandy loam

# **Properties and qualities**

Slope: 3 to 8 percent

Percent of area covered with surface fragments: 1.6 percent

Depth to restrictive feature: More than 80 inches

Natural drainage class: Poorly drained

Runoff class: Very high

Capacity of the most limiting layer to transmit water (Ksat): Moderately low to high

(0.14 to 14.17 in/hr)

Depth to water table: About 0 to 6 inches

Frequency of flooding: None Frequency of ponding: None

Salinity, maximum in profile: Nonsaline to very slightly saline (0.0 to 2.0

mmhos/cm)

Available water storage in profile: High (about 9.0 inches)

### Interpretive groups

Land capability classification (irrigated): None specified

Land capability classification (nonirrigated): 6s

Hydrologic Soil Group: B/D Hydric soil rating: Yes

#### Description of Ridgebury, Very Stony

#### Setting

Landform: Depressions, hills, drainageways, drumlins, ground moraines

Landform position (two-dimensional): Footslope, toeslope Landform position (three-dimensional): Base slope, head slope

Down-slope shape: Concave Across-slope shape: Concave

Parent material: Coarse-loamy lodgment till derived from gneiss, granite, and/or

schist

# Typical profile

Oe - 0 to 1 inches: moderately decomposed plant material

A - 1 to 6 inches: fine sandy loam Bw - 6 to 10 inches: sandy loam

Bg - 10 to 19 inches: gravelly sandy loam Cd - 19 to 66 inches: gravelly sandy loam

#### **Properties and qualities**

Slope: 3 to 8 percent

Percent of area covered with surface fragments: 1.6 percent Depth to restrictive feature: 15 to 35 inches to densic material

Natural drainage class: Poorly drained

Runoff class: Very high

Capacity of the most limiting layer to transmit water (Ksat): Very low to moderately

low (0.00 to 0.14 in/hr)

Depth to water table: About 0 to 6 inches

Frequency of flooding: None Frequency of ponding: None

Salinity, maximum in profile: Nonsaline (0.0 to 1.9 mmhos/cm) Available water storage in profile: Low (about 3.0 inches)

### Interpretive groups

Land capability classification (irrigated): None specified

Land capability classification (nonirrigated): 6s

Hydrologic Soil Group: D Hydric soil rating: Yes

### **Minor Components**

#### Woodbridge, very stony

Percent of map unit: 5 percent

Landform: Hills, drumlins, ground moraines

Landform position (two-dimensional): Footslope, summit, backslope

Landform position (three-dimensional): Crest, side slope

Down-slope shape: Convex Across-slope shape: Linear Hydric soil rating: No

#### Walpole

Percent of map unit: 3 percent

Landform: Outwash terraces, depressions, drainageways

Landform position (three-dimensional): Tread

Down-slope shape: Concave Across-slope shape: Concave

Hydric soil rating: Yes

#### Whitman, very stony

Percent of map unit: 2 percent

Landform: Drainageways, ground moraines, drumlins, depressions, hills

Landform position (two-dimensional): Toeslope Landform position (three-dimensional): Base slope

Down-slope shape: Concave Across-slope shape: Concave

Hydric soil rating: Yes

# PbB—Paxton fine sandy loam, 3 to 8 percent slopes

# Map Unit Setting

National map unit symbol: 2t2qp Elevation: 0 to 1,570 feet

Mean annual precipitation: 36 to 71 inches
Mean annual air temperature: 39 to 55 degrees F

Frost-free period: 140 to 240 days

Farmland classification: All areas are prime farmland

#### Map Unit Composition

Paxton and similar soils: 80 percent Minor components: 20 percent

Estimates are based on observations, descriptions, and transects of the mapunit.

#### **Description of Paxton**

#### Setting

Landform: Drumlins, ground moraines, hills

Landform position (two-dimensional): Backslope, summit, shoulder Landform position (three-dimensional): Side slope, crest, nose slope

Down-slope shape: Linear, convex Across-slope shape: Convex

Parent material: Coarse-loamy lodgment till derived from gneiss, granite, and/or

schist

# **Typical profile**

Ap - 0 to 8 inches: fine sandy loam
Bw1 - 8 to 15 inches: fine sandy loam
Bw2 - 15 to 26 inches: fine sandy loam
Cd - 26 to 65 inches: gravelly fine sandy loam

#### **Properties and qualities**

Slope: 3 to 8 percent

Depth to restrictive feature: 18 to 39 inches to densic material

Natural drainage class: Well drained

Runoff class: Medium

Capacity of the most limiting layer to transmit water (Ksat): Very low to moderately

low (0.00 to 0.14 in/hr)

Depth to water table: About 18 to 37 inches

Frequency of flooding: None Frequency of ponding: None

Salinity, maximum in profile: Nonsaline (0.0 to 1.9 mmhos/cm) Available water storage in profile: Low (about 3.1 inches)

### Interpretive groups

Land capability classification (irrigated): None specified

Land capability classification (nonirrigated): 2s

Hydrologic Soil Group: C Hydric soil rating: No

# **Minor Components**

#### Woodbridge

Percent of map unit: 9 percent

Landform: Ground moraines, hills, drumlins

Landform position (two-dimensional): Backslope, footslope, summit

Landform position (three-dimensional): Side slope

Down-slope shape: Concave Across-slope shape: Linear Hydric soil rating: No

#### Ridgebury

Percent of map unit: 6 percent

Landform: Ground moraines, hills, drainageways, depressions
Landform position (two-dimensional): Toeslope, backslope, footslope
Landform position (three-dimensional): Base slope, head slope, dip

Down-slope shape: Concave Across-slope shape: Concave

Hydric soil rating: Yes

#### Charlton

Percent of map unit: 5 percent

Landform: Hills

Down-slope shape: Linear Across-slope shape: Linear Hydric soil rating: No

### PbC—Paxton fine sandy loam, 8 to 15 percent slopes

# **Map Unit Setting**

National map unit symbol: 2w66y

Elevation: 0 to 1,320 feet

Mean annual precipitation: 36 to 71 inches Mean annual air temperature: 39 to 55 degrees F

Frost-free period: 140 to 240 days

Farmland classification: Farmland of statewide importance

#### **Map Unit Composition**

Paxton and similar soils: 85 percent Minor components: 15 percent

Estimates are based on observations, descriptions, and transects of the mapunit.

# **Description of Paxton**

#### Setting

Landform: Hills, drumlins, ground moraines
Landform position (two-dimensional): Backslope
Landform position (three-dimensional): Side slope

Down-slope shape: Linear, convex Across-slope shape: Convex

Parent material: Coarse-loamy lodgment till derived from gneiss, granite, and/or

schist

# **Typical profile**

Ap - 0 to 8 inches: fine sandy loam
Bw1 - 8 to 15 inches: fine sandy loam
Bw2 - 15 to 26 inches: fine sandy loam
Cd - 26 to 65 inches: gravelly fine sandy loam

#### **Properties and qualities**

Slope: 8 to 15 percent

Depth to restrictive feature: 20 to 39 inches to densic material

Natural drainage class: Well drained

Runoff class: Medium

Capacity of the most limiting layer to transmit water (Ksat): Very low to moderately

low (0.00 to 0.14 in/hr)

Depth to water table: About 18 to 37 inches

Frequency of flooding: None Frequency of ponding: None

Salinity, maximum in profile: Nonsaline (0.0 to 1.9 mmhos/cm) Available water storage in profile: Low (about 4.1 inches)

#### Interpretive groups

Land capability classification (irrigated): None specified

Land capability classification (nonirrigated): 3e

Hydrologic Soil Group: C Hydric soil rating: No

# **Minor Components**

#### Charlton

Percent of map unit: 7 percent

Landform: Hills

Landform position (two-dimensional): Backslope Landform position (three-dimensional): Side slope

Down-slope shape: Convex Across-slope shape: Convex

Hydric soil rating: No

#### Woodbridge

Percent of map unit: 6 percent

Landform: Ground moraines, drumlins, hills

Landform position (two-dimensional): Backslope, footslope, summit

Landform position (three-dimensional): Side slope

Down-slope shape: Concave Across-slope shape: Linear Hydric soil rating: No

#### Ridgebury

Percent of map unit: 2 percent

Landform: Depressions, hills, drainageways, ground moraines, drumlins

Landform position (two-dimensional): Toeslope, footslope Landform position (three-dimensional): Base slope, head slope

Down-slope shape: Concave, linear Across-slope shape: Concave, linear

Hydric soil rating: Yes

# PdB—Paxton fine sandy loam, 0 to 8 percent slopes, very stony

# **Map Unit Setting**

National map unit symbol: 2w673

Elevation: 0 to 1,340 feet

Mean annual precipitation: 36 to 71 inches
Mean annual air temperature: 39 to 55 degrees F

Frost-free period: 140 to 240 days

Farmland classification: Farmland of local importance

### **Map Unit Composition**

Paxton, very stony, and similar soils: 85 percent

Minor components: 15 percent

Estimates are based on observations, descriptions, and transects of the mapunit.

#### **Description of Paxton, Very Stony**

#### Setting

Landform: Drumlins, ground moraines, hills

Landform position (two-dimensional): Summit, shoulder, backslope

Landform position (three-dimensional): Crest, side slope

Down-slope shape: Linear, convex Across-slope shape: Convex, linear

Parent material: Coarse-loamy lodgment till derived from gneiss, granite, and/or

schist

#### Typical profile

Oe - 0 to 2 inches: moderately decomposed plant material

A - 2 to 10 inches: fine sandy loam

Bw1 - 10 to 17 inches: fine sandy loam

Bw2 - 17 to 28 inches: fine sandy loam

Cd - 28 to 67 inches: gravelly fine sandy loam

#### **Properties and qualities**

Slope: 0 to 8 percent

Percent of area covered with surface fragments: 1.6 percent Depth to restrictive feature: 20 to 43 inches to densic material

Natural drainage class: Well drained

Runoff class: Medium

Capacity of the most limiting layer to transmit water (Ksat): Very low to moderately

low (0.00 to 0.14 in/hr)

Depth to water table: About 18 to 37 inches

Frequency of flooding: None Frequency of ponding: None

Salinity, maximum in profile: Nonsaline (0.0 to 1.9 mmhos/cm) Available water storage in profile: Low (about 4.7 inches)

#### Interpretive groups

Land capability classification (irrigated): None specified

Land capability classification (nonirrigated): 6s

Hydrologic Soil Group: C Hydric soil rating: No

# **Minor Components**

# Woodbridge, very stony

Percent of map unit: 8 percent

Landform: Ground moraines, hills, drumlins

Landform position (two-dimensional): Backslope, footslope, summit

Landform position (three-dimensional): Side slope, crest

Down-slope shape: Concave Across-slope shape: Linear Hydric soil rating: No

#### Ridgebury, very stony

Percent of map unit: 4 percent

Landform: Hills, drainageways, depressions, ground moraines, drumlins

Landform position (two-dimensional): Toeslope, footslope Landform position (three-dimensional): Base slope, head slope

Down-slope shape: Concave Across-slope shape: Concave

Hydric soil rating: Yes

# Charlton, very stony

Percent of map unit: 3 percent

Landform: Hills

Landform position (two-dimensional): Shoulder, summit, backslope

Landform position (three-dimensional): Crest, side slope

Down-slope shape: Convex Across-slope shape: Convex

Hydric soil rating: No

# PdC—Paxton fine sandy loam, 8 to 15 percent slopes, very stony

### **Map Unit Setting**

National map unit symbol: 2w677

Elevation: 0 to 1,330 feet

Mean annual precipitation: 36 to 71 inches Mean annual air temperature: 39 to 55 degrees F

Frost-free period: 140 to 240 days

Farmland classification: Not prime farmland

#### **Map Unit Composition**

Paxton, very stony, and similar soils: 85 percent

Minor components: 15 percent

Estimates are based on observations, descriptions, and transects of the mapunit.

#### **Description of Paxton, Very Stony**

#### Setting

Landform: Ground moraines, hills, drumlins Landform position (two-dimensional): Backslope Landform position (three-dimensional): Side slope

Down-slope shape: Linear, convex Across-slope shape: Convex, linear

Parent material: Coarse-loamy lodgment till derived from gneiss, granite, and/or

schist

#### Typical profile

Oe - 0 to 2 inches: moderately decomposed plant material

A - 2 to 10 inches: fine sandy loam
Bw1 - 10 to 17 inches: fine sandy loam
Bw2 - 17 to 28 inches: fine sandy loam
Cd - 28 to 67 inches: gravelly fine sandy loam

#### **Properties and qualities**

Slope: 8 to 15 percent

Percent of area covered with surface fragments: 1.6 percent Depth to restrictive feature: 20 to 43 inches to densic material

Natural drainage class: Well drained

Runoff class: Medium

Capacity of the most limiting layer to transmit water (Ksat): Very low to moderately

low (0.00 to 0.14 in/hr)

Depth to water table: About 18 to 37 inches

Frequency of flooding: None Frequency of ponding: None

Salinity, maximum in profile: Nonsaline (0.0 to 1.9 mmhos/cm) Available water storage in profile: Low (about 4.7 inches)

# Interpretive groups

Land capability classification (irrigated): None specified

Land capability classification (nonirrigated): 6s

Hydrologic Soil Group: C Hydric soil rating: No

#### **Minor Components**

### Woodbridge, very stony

Percent of map unit: 8 percent

Landform: Ground moraines, drumlins, hills

Landform position (two-dimensional): Backslope, footslope

Landform position (three-dimensional): Side slope

Down-slope shape: Concave Across-slope shape: Linear Hydric soil rating: No

#### Charlton, very stony

Percent of map unit: 5 percent

Landform: Hills

Landform position (two-dimensional): Backslope Landform position (three-dimensional): Side slope

Down-slope shape: Convex Across-slope shape: Convex

Hydric soil rating: No

# Ridgebury, very stony

Percent of map unit: 2 percent

Landform: Ground moraines, drumlins, hills, drainageways, depressions

Landform position (two-dimensional): Toeslope, footslope Landform position (three-dimensional): Head slope, base slope

Down-slope shape: Concave Across-slope shape: Concave

Hydric soil rating: Yes

# RIB—Ridgebury fine sandy loam, 3 to 8 percent slopes, very stony

#### **Map Unit Setting**

National map unit symbol: 2xffx Elevation: 40 to 1,320 feet

Mean annual precipitation: 36 to 71 inches Mean annual air temperature: 39 to 55 degrees F

Frost-free period: 140 to 240 days

Farmland classification: Not prime farmland

# **Map Unit Composition**

Ridgebury, very stony, and similar soils: 85 percent

Minor components: 15 percent

Estimates are based on observations, descriptions, and transects of the mapunit.

#### **Description of Ridgebury, Very Stony**

# Setting

Landform: Drainageways, depressions, ground moraines, drumlins, hills

Landform position (two-dimensional): Toeslope, footslope Landform position (three-dimensional): Head slope, base slope

Down-slope shape: Concave Across-slope shape: Concave

Parent material: Coarse-loamy lodgment till derived from gneiss, granite, and/or

schist

# **Typical profile**

Oe - 0 to 1 inches: moderately decomposed plant material

A - 1 to 6 inches: fine sandy loam Bw - 6 to 10 inches: sandy loam

Bg - 10 to 19 inches: gravelly sandy loam Cd - 19 to 66 inches: gravelly sandy loam

### **Properties and qualities**

Slope: 3 to 8 percent

Percent of area covered with surface fragments: 1.6 percent Depth to restrictive feature: 15 to 35 inches to densic material

Natural drainage class: Poorly drained

Runoff class: Very high

Capacity of the most limiting layer to transmit water (Ksat): Very low to moderately

low (0.00 to 0.14 in/hr)

Depth to water table: About 0 to 6 inches

Frequency of flooding: None Frequency of ponding: None

Salinity, maximum in profile: Nonsaline (0.0 to 1.9 mmhos/cm) Available water storage in profile: Low (about 3.0 inches)

#### Interpretive groups

Land capability classification (irrigated): None specified

Land capability classification (nonirrigated): 4w

Hydrologic Soil Group: D Hydric soil rating: Yes

#### **Minor Components**

#### Woodbridge, very stony

Percent of map unit: 7 percent

Landform: Ground moraines, hills, drumlins

Landform position (two-dimensional): Footslope, summit, backslope

Landform position (three-dimensional): Crest, side slope

Down-slope shape: Convex Across-slope shape: Linear Hydric soil rating: No

#### Whitman, very stony

Percent of map unit: 4 percent

Landform: Hills, drainageways, ground moraines, drumlins, depressions

Landform position (two-dimensional): Toeslope Landform position (three-dimensional): Base slope

Down-slope shape: Concave Across-slope shape: Concave

Hydric soil rating: Yes

#### Scituate, very stony

Percent of map unit: 2 percent

Landform: Ground moraines, hills, drumlins

Landform position (two-dimensional): Summit, footslope, backslope

Landform position (three-dimensional): Crest, side slope

Down-slope shape: Linear, convex Across-slope shape: Convex

Hydric soil rating: No

# Walpole

Percent of map unit: 2 percent

Landform: Depressions, outwash terraces, drainageways

Landform position (three-dimensional): Tread

Down-slope shape: Concave Across-slope shape: Concave

Hydric soil rating: Yes

# Sb—Saugatuck loamy sand

# **Map Unit Setting**

National map unit symbol: 9d8r Elevation: 300 to 1,000 feet

Mean annual precipitation: 27 to 71 inches Mean annual air temperature: 39 to 55 degrees F

Frost-free period: 125 to 240 days

Farmland classification: Not prime farmland

#### **Map Unit Composition**

Saugatuck and similar soils: 85 percent

Minor components: 15 percent

Estimates are based on observations, descriptions, and transects of the mapunit.

## **Description of Saugatuck**

#### Setting

Landform: Outwash terraces Parent material: Outwash

#### Typical profile

H1 - 0 to 4 inches: loamy sand H2 - 4 to 7 inches: sand

H3 - 7 to 26 inches: loamy sand H4 - 26 to 42 inches: sand

#### **Properties and qualities**

Slope: 0 to 3 percent

Depth to restrictive feature: 10 to 16 inches to undefined

Natural drainage class: Poorly drained

Runoff class: High

Capacity of the most limiting layer to transmit water (Ksat): Moderately high to

high (0.60 to 2.00 in/hr)

Depth to water table: About 0 to 12 inches

Frequency of flooding: None Frequency of ponding: None

Available water storage in profile: Very low (about 1.1 inches)

### Interpretive groups

Land capability classification (irrigated): None specified

Land capability classification (nonirrigated): 4w

Hydrologic Soil Group: B/D Hydric soil rating: Yes

# **Minor Components**

#### Not named wet

Percent of map unit: 15 percent Landform: Outwash terraces Hydric soil rating: Yes

# Wa—Whitman very stony fine sandy loam

#### **Map Unit Setting**

National map unit symbol: 9d95

Elevation: 0 to 2,100 feet

Mean annual precipitation: 28 to 71 inches
Mean annual air temperature: 39 to 55 degrees F

Frost-free period: 100 to 240 days

Farmland classification: Not prime farmland

#### **Map Unit Composition**

Whitman and similar soils: 85 percent

Minor components: 15 percent

Estimates are based on observations, descriptions, and transects of the mapunit.

#### **Description of Whitman**

# Setting

Landform: Depressions

#### Typical profile

H1 - 0 to 7 inches: very stony fine sandy loam H2 - 7 to 17 inches: gravelly sandy loam H3 - 17 to 41 inches: gravelly sandy loam

# Properties and qualities

Slope: 0 to 3 percent

Percent of area covered with surface fragments: 1.6 percent

Depth to restrictive feature: More than 80 inches Natural drainage class: Very poorly drained

Runoff class: High

Capacity of the most limiting layer to transmit water (Ksat): Very low to moderately

high (0.00 to 0.20 in/hr)

Depth to water table: About 0 inches

Frequency of flooding: None Frequency of ponding: Frequent

Available water storage in profile: Very low (about 2.5 inches)

### Interpretive groups

Land capability classification (irrigated): None specified

Land capability classification (nonirrigated): 7s

Hydrologic Soil Group: C/D Hydric soil rating: Yes

# **Minor Components**

#### Not named wet

Percent of map unit: 15 percent Landform: Ground moraines Hvdric soil rating: Yes

# WgB—Woodbridge fine sandy loam, 3 to 8 percent slopes

#### **Map Unit Setting**

National map unit symbol: 2t2ql Elevation: 0 to 1,470 feet

Mean annual precipitation: 36 to 71 inches Mean annual air temperature: 39 to 55 degrees F

Frost-free period: 140 to 240 days

Farmland classification: All areas are prime farmland

#### **Map Unit Composition**

Woodbridge, fine sandy loam, and similar soils: 82 percent

Minor components: 18 percent

Estimates are based on observations, descriptions, and transects of the mapunit.

#### **Description of Woodbridge, Fine Sandy Loam**

# **Setting**

Landform: Drumlins, ground moraines, hills

Landform position (two-dimensional): Backslope, footslope, summit

Landform position (three-dimensional): Side slope

Down-slope shape: Concave Across-slope shape: Linear

Parent material: Coarse-loamy lodgment till derived from gneiss, granite, and/or

schist

# Typical profile

Ap - 0 to 7 inches: fine sandy loam Bw1 - 7 to 18 inches: fine sandy loam Bw2 - 18 to 30 inches: fine sandy loam Cd - 30 to 65 inches: gravelly fine sandy loam

### **Properties and qualities**

Slope: 3 to 8 percent

Depth to restrictive feature: 20 to 39 inches to densic material

Natural drainage class: Moderately well drained

Runoff class: Medium

Capacity of the most limiting layer to transmit water (Ksat): Very low to moderately

low (0.00 to 0.14 in/hr)

Depth to water table: About 18 to 30 inches

Frequency of flooding: None Frequency of ponding: None

Salinity, maximum in profile: Nonsaline (0.0 to 1.9 mmhos/cm) Available water storage in profile: Low (about 3.6 inches)

#### Interpretive groups

Land capability classification (irrigated): None specified

Land capability classification (nonirrigated): 2w

Hydrologic Soil Group: C/D Hydric soil rating: No

# **Minor Components**

#### **Paxton**

Percent of map unit: 10 percent

Landform: Drumlins, hills, ground moraines

Landform position (two-dimensional): Backslope, summit, shoulder Landform position (three-dimensional): Side slope, crest, nose slope

Down-slope shape: Linear, convex Across-slope shape: Convex

Hydric soil rating: No

#### Ridgebury

Percent of map unit: 8 percent

Landform: Depressions, ground moraines, hills, drainageways
Landform position (two-dimensional): Toeslope, backslope, footslope
Landform position (three-dimensional): Base slope, head slope, dip

Down-slope shape: Concave Across-slope shape: Concave

Hydric soil rating: Yes

# WsB—Woodbridge fine sandy loam, 0 to 8 percent slopes, very stony

#### **Map Unit Setting**

National map unit symbol: 2t2qr

Elevation: 0 to 1,440 feet

Mean annual precipitation: 36 to 71 inches Mean annual air temperature: 39 to 55 degrees F

Frost-free period: 140 to 240 days

Farmland classification: Not prime farmland

#### **Map Unit Composition**

Woodbridge, very stony, and similar soils: 82 percent

Minor components: 18 percent

Estimates are based on observations, descriptions, and transects of the mapunit.

#### Description of Woodbridge, Very Stony

#### Setting

Landform: Hills, drumlins, ground moraines

Landform position (two-dimensional): Backslope, footslope, summit

Landform position (three-dimensional): Side slope

Down-slope shape: Concave Across-slope shape: Linear

Parent material: Coarse-loamy lodgment till derived from gneiss, granite, and/or

schist

#### Typical profile

Oe - 0 to 2 inches: moderately decomposed plant material

A - 2 to 9 inches: fine sandy loam
Bw1 - 9 to 20 inches: fine sandy loam
Bw2 - 20 to 32 inches: fine sandy loam
Cd - 32 to 67 inches: gravelly fine sandy loam

# **Properties and qualities**

Slope: 0 to 8 percent

Percent of area covered with surface fragments: 1.6 percent Depth to restrictive feature: 20 to 43 inches to densic material

Natural drainage class: Moderately well drained

Runoff class: Medium

Capacity of the most limiting layer to transmit water (Ksat): Very low to moderately

low (0.00 to 0.14 in/hr)

Depth to water table: About 19 to 27 inches

Frequency of flooding: None Frequency of ponding: None

Salinity, maximum in profile: Nonsaline (0.0 to 1.9 mmhos/cm)

Available water storage in profile: Low (about 4.0 inches)

### Interpretive groups

Land capability classification (irrigated): None specified

Land capability classification (nonirrigated): 6s

Hydrologic Soil Group: C/D Hydric soil rating: No

# **Minor Components**

# Paxton, very stony

Percent of map unit: 10 percent

Landform: Drumlins, ground moraines, hills

Landform position (two-dimensional): Shoulder, backslope, summit

Landform position (three-dimensional): Crest, side slope

Down-slope shape: Linear, convex Across-slope shape: Convex, linear

Hydric soil rating: No

# Ridgebury, very stony

Percent of map unit: 8 percent

Landform: Drumlins, hills, drainageways, depressions, ground moraines

Landform position (two-dimensional): Toeslope

Landform position (three-dimensional): Base slope, head slope

Down-slope shape: Concave Across-slope shape: Concave

Hydric soil rating: Yes

# WsC—Woodbridge fine sandy loam, 8 to 15 percent slopes, very stony

#### Map Unit Setting

National map unit symbol: 2w687

Elevation: 0 to 1,420 feet

Mean annual precipitation: 36 to 71 inches
Mean annual air temperature: 39 to 55 degrees F

Frost-free period: 140 to 240 days

Farmland classification: Not prime farmland

# **Map Unit Composition**

Woodbridge, very stony, and similar soils: 85 percent

Minor components: 15 percent

Estimates are based on observations, descriptions, and transects of the mapunit.

### **Description of Woodbridge, Very Stony**

# Setting

Landform: Drumlins, ground moraines, hills

Landform position (two-dimensional): Backslope, footslope

Landform position (three-dimensional): Side slope

Down-slope shape: Convex Across-slope shape: Linear

Parent material: Coarse-loamy lodgment till derived from gneiss, granite, and/or

schist

#### Typical profile

Oe - 0 to 2 inches: moderately decomposed plant material

A - 2 to 9 inches: fine sandy loam

Bw1 - 9 to 20 inches: fine sandy loam

Bw2 - 20 to 32 inches: fine sandy loam

Cd - 32 to 67 inches: gravelly fine sandy loam

### **Properties and qualities**

Slope: 8 to 15 percent

Percent of area covered with surface fragments: 1.6 percent Depth to restrictive feature: 20 to 43 inches to densic material

Natural drainage class: Moderately well drained

Runoff class: Medium

Capacity of the most limiting layer to transmit water (Ksat): Very low to moderately

low (0.00 to 0.14 in/hr)

Depth to water table: About 19 to 27 inches

Frequency of flooding: None Frequency of ponding: None

Salinity, maximum in profile: Nonsaline (0.0 to 1.9 mmhos/cm) Available water storage in profile: Low (about 5.3 inches)

# Interpretive groups

Land capability classification (irrigated): None specified

Land capability classification (nonirrigated): 6s

Hydrologic Soil Group: C/D Hydric soil rating: No

# **Minor Components**

# Paxton, very stony

Percent of map unit: 9 percent

Landform: Drumlins, ground moraines, hills Landform position (two-dimensional): Backslope Landform position (three-dimensional): Side slope

Down-slope shape: Linear, convex Across-slope shape: Convex, linear

Hydric soil rating: No

# Ridgebury, very stony

Percent of map unit: 4 percent

Landform: Drumlins, hills, drainageways, depressions, ground moraines

Landform position (two-dimensional): Toeslope, footslope Landform position (three-dimensional): Base slope, head slope

Down-slope shape: Concave Across-slope shape: Concave

Hydric soil rating: Yes

# Sutton, very stony

Percent of map unit: 1 percent Landform: Ground moraines, hills

Landform position (two-dimensional): Footslope Landform position (three-dimensional): Base slope

Down-slope shape: Concave Across-slope shape: Linear Hydric soil rating: No

### Whitman, very stony

Percent of map unit: 1 percent

Landform: Depressions, drainageways

Down-slope shape: Concave Across-slope shape: Concave

Hydric soil rating: Yes

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Appendix E – Photo Log



391, 385, and 373 Transmission Line Structure Replacement Project Chester, Deerfield, and Strafford, New Hampshire



Photograph No. 1: Looking northeasterly at proposed access route toward 373 Structure 286 in Chester.



Photograph No. 2: Looking northwesterly at proposed structure replacement 391 Structure 286 in Chester.



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Photograph No. 3: Looking northerly at proposed access route toward 391 Structure 278 in Chester.



Photograph No. 4: Looking easterly at proposed work area at 391 Structure 278 in Chester.



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Photograph No. 5: Looking southwesterly at proposed structure replacement 385 Structure 158 in Deerfield.



Photograph No. 6: Looking northeasterly at proposed work area at 385 structure 158 in Deerfield.



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Photograph No. 7: Looking northwesterly at proposed structure replacement 385 structure 157 with proposed access route in Deerfield.



Photograph No. 8: Looking southwesterly at proposed structure replacement 385 structure 157 on right in Deerfield.



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Photograph No. 9: Looking southwesterly at proposed structure replacement 391 structure 162 and proposed access in Deerfield.



Photograph No. 10: Looking northeasterly at proposed access route between 385 structures 157 & 156 in Deerfield.



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Photograph No. 11: Looking northeasterly at proposed structure replacement 385 structure 156 in Deerfield.



Photograph No. 12: Looking easterly at proposed access and proposed structure replacement 391 structure 161 in Deerfield.



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Photograph No. 13: Looking northerly at proposed access route between structures 156 and 155 in Deerfield.



Photograph No. 14: Looking northeasterly at proposed structure replacement 385 structure 160 (right) with proposed access (left) in Deerfield.



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Photograph No. 15: Looking northerly at proposed structure replacement 385 structure 155 in Deerfield.



Photograph No. 16: Looking northerly at proposed structure replacement 391 structure 159 (right) with proposed access (left) in Deerfield.



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Photograph No. 17: Looking northerly at proposed structure replacement 391 structure 158 (right) with proposed access (left) in Deerfield.



Photograph No. 18: Looking northwesterly at proposed structure replacement 385 structure 154 (left) and 391 structure 158 (right) with proposed access in-between the two structures in Deerfield.



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Photograph No. 19: Looking northwesterly at proposed structure replacement 385 structure 154 work pad in Deerfield.



Photograph No. 20: Looking northeasterly at proposed access route between structures 158 & 157 on the 391 line in Deerfield.



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Photograph No. 21: Looking northeasterly at proposed access route (left) and proposed structure replacement 391 structure 157 (right) in Deerfield.



Photograph No. 22: Looking northeasterly at proposed access route and proposed structure replacement 385 structure 153 in Deerfield.



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Photograph No. 23: Looking northeasterly at proposed access route Between 385 structure 153 & 152 in Deerfield.



Photograph No. 24: Looking northeasterly at proposed access route (right) and proposed structure replacement 391 structure 156 (left) in Deerfield.



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Photograph No. 25: Looking westerly at proposed structure replacement 391 structure 156 (left) and 385 structure 152 (right) in Deerfield.



Photograph No. 26: Looking northerly at proposed access route between structures 156 & 155 on the 391 line in Deerfield.



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Photograph No. 27: Looking northeasterly at proposed structure replacement 385 structure 151 (left) and 391 structure 155 (right) with proposed access route between structures in Deerfield.



Photograph No. 28: Looking northeasterly at proposed access route between structures 151 & 150 on the 385 line in Deerfield.



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Photograph No. 29: Looking northeasterly at proposed existing access route between structures 154 & 153 on the 391 line in Northwood.



Photograph No. 30: Looking southwesterly at proposed existing access route (left) between structures 154 & 153 on the 391 line in Northwood.



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Photograph No. 31: Looking northeasterly at proposed existing access route between structures 151 & 152 on the 391 line in Northwood.



Photograph No. 32: Looking northwesterly at proposed existing access route in Northwood.



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Photograph No. 33: Looking northeasterly at proposed existing access route (left) between structures 150 & 151 on the 391 line in Northwood.



Photograph No. 34: Looking northeasterly at proposed existing access route towards 391 structure 150 in Northwood.



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Photograph No. 35: Looking southwesterly at proposed existing access route between 391 structure 150 (right) and 385 structure 147 (Left) in Northwood.



Photograph No. 36: Looking northeasterly at proposed existing access route between structures 146 & 147 on the 385 line in Northwood.



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Photograph No. 37: Looking north/northeasterly at proposed access off Range Road to 391 Structure 99 in Strafford.



Photograph No. 38: Looking easterly at proposed structure replacement 391 structure 99 in Strafford.



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Photograph No. 39: Looking northeasterly at proposed access route between 391 Structures 99 and 385 Structure 94 in Strafford.



Photograph No. 40: Looking northeasterly at proposed access route and work pad location adjacent to 385 Line Structure 94 Strafford.



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Photograph No. 41: Looking northeasterly at proposed work pad location adjacent to 385 Line Structure 94 Strafford.



Photograph No. 42: Looking northeasterly at proposed access route lead to 391 Structures 98 and 385 Structure 93 in Strafford.



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Photograph No. 43: Looking northeasterly at proposed work pad location adjacent to 391 Line Structure 98 Strafford.



Photograph No. 44: Looking northeasterly at proposed work pad location adjacent to 385 Line Structure 93 Strafford.



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Photograph No. 45: Looking northeasterly at proposed access route lead to 391 Structures 97 and 385 Structure 92 in Strafford.



Photograph No. 46: Looking easterly at proposed work pad location adjacent to 391 Line Structure 97 Strafford.



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Photograph No. 47: Looking northeasterly at proposed work pad location adjacent to 385 Line Structure 92 Strafford.



Photograph No. 48: Looking northerly at proposed work pad location adjacent to 391 Line Structure 95 Strafford.



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Photograph No. 49: Looking westerly at proposed work pad location adjacent to 385 Line Structure 91 Strafford.



Photograph No. 50: Looking northerly at proposed work pad location adjacent to 391 Line Structure 94 Strafford.



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Photograph No. 51: Looking northeasterly at proposed work pad location adjacent to 385 Line Structure 90 Strafford.



Photograph No. 52: Looking northeasterly at proposed access leading to 385 Structure 89 and 391 Structure 93.



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Photograph No. 53: Looking southerly at proposed work pad location adjacent to 391 Line Structure 93 Strafford.



Photograph No. 54: Looking northeasterly at proposed work pad location adjacent to 385 Line Structure 89 Strafford.



Appendix F – Waiver Request

# Alteration of Terrain Waiver Request RSA/Rule: RSA 485-A:17, Env – WQ 1500

Water Division / Alteration of Terrain Bureau / Land resources Management 29 Hazen Drive, PO Box 95 Concord, New Hampshire 03302-0095

A. PROJECT INFORMATION	
391, 385, 373 Transmission Line Structure Replacement Project Project Name	
Existing 391, 385, and 373 Right-of-Way Street Address	
Chester, Deerfield, and Strafford	Multiple
City/Town	Zip Code
Multiple – see attached	·
Tax Map/Lot Number	

B. APPLICANT/OWNER INFORMATION			
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C. APPLICANT/OWNER AGENT INFORMATION			
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D. WAIVER REQUESTS	
Env-Wq 1504.09	Stormwater Drainage Report; Drainage Area Plans;
Rule Section Waiver Request	Hydrologic Soil Group Plans  Name of Rule

# **Reason for Waiver Request**

Eversource is requesting a waiver for preparing a Stormwater Drainage Report, Drainage Area Plans and Hydrologic Soil Group Plans for proposed access improvements and work pad grading associated with maintenance of the existing 391, 385, and 373 Transmission Line structures. The proposed access -and work pad improvements for continued transmission line maintenance work will not result in new impervious surfaces. As a result, stormwater treatment practices are not proposed.

# **Waiver Timeline**

Permanent

# **Proposed Alternative**

The proposed access and work pad improvements will not result in new impervious surface. Therefore, there is no proposed alternative to substitute the requirements of Env-Wq 1504.09.

# Compliance with Env- WQ 1509.04

The project proposes to improve access routes and work pads around utility structures for the purpose of maintaining existing utility infrastructure. This project is necessary in order to maintain the safety and reliability of the electrical infrastructure. Access and work pad improvements will be completed using stone and gravel, and therefore stormwater drainage should not be affected by the proposed project. In addition, it is not anticipated that stormwater drainage area plans would show significant differences between existing and proposed conditions. An NRCS Web Soil Survey report was generated to show general soil information within the project area. Since there is no new impervious surface area proposed and stormwater drainage is not anticipated to be affected by the proposed project, it is not anticipated that soils will be significantly impacted by the project.

Best Management Practices will be utilized to protect wetlands from erosion, sedimentation, or other environmental degradation. In addition, gravel work pads will be coated with seed and mulch to allow vegetation growth on the surface, further minimizing and preventing erosion and sedimentation. As a result, Eversource respectfully requests that a Stormwater Drainage Report, Drainage Area Plans, and Hydrologic Soil Group Plans be waived for the purposes of the proposed utility line maintenance project.

Env-Wq 1503.09	Information Required for Projects Within the 100-
·	year Floodplain
Rule Section Waiver Request	Name of Rule

# **Reason for Waiver Request**

Eversource is requesting a waiver for preparing a supplementary report for proposed work within the 100-year floodplain for proposed access improvements and work pad grading associated with maintenance of the existing 391, 385, and 373 Transmission Line structures. The proposed access and work pad improvements for continued transmission line maintenance work will not result in new impervious surfaces and is not anticipated to change existing grading by more than 2 feet. As a result,

existing drainage and grading will not be significantly impacted within the existing 100-year
floodplain.
Waiver Timeline
Permanent Permanent

# **Proposed Alternative**

The proposed access and work pad improvements will not result in new impervious surface. Therefore, there is no proposed alternative to substitute the requirements of Env-Wq 1503.09.

# Compliance with Env- WQ 1509.04

The project proposes to improve access routes and work pads around utility structures for the purpose of maintaining existing utility infrastructure. This project is necessary in order to maintain the safety and reliability of the electrical infrastructure. Access and work pad improvements will be completed using stone and gravel, and therefore no new impervious surface is proposed as part of this project. In addition, grading changes are not anticipated to exceed 2-feet. Therefore, it is not anticipated that the 100-year floodplain will be significantly impacted by the proposed project.

Best Management Practices will be utilized to protect wetlands from erosion, sedimentation, or other environmental degradation. In addition, gravel work pads will be coated with seed and mulch to allow vegetation growth on the surface, further minimizing and preventing erosion and sedimentation. As a result, Eversource respectfully requests that a supplementary report for proposed work within the 100-year floodplain be waived for the purposes of the proposed utility line maintenance project.

E. SIGNATURES	
Jeni Menendez	1/17/2020
Applicant/Owner, Jeni Menendez, Eversource Energy	Date
Lindsey White	1/20/2020
Applicant/Owner Agent, Lindsey White, GZA	Date



Appendix G – Certified Mail Receipts [Reserved for DES certified mailing receipts]



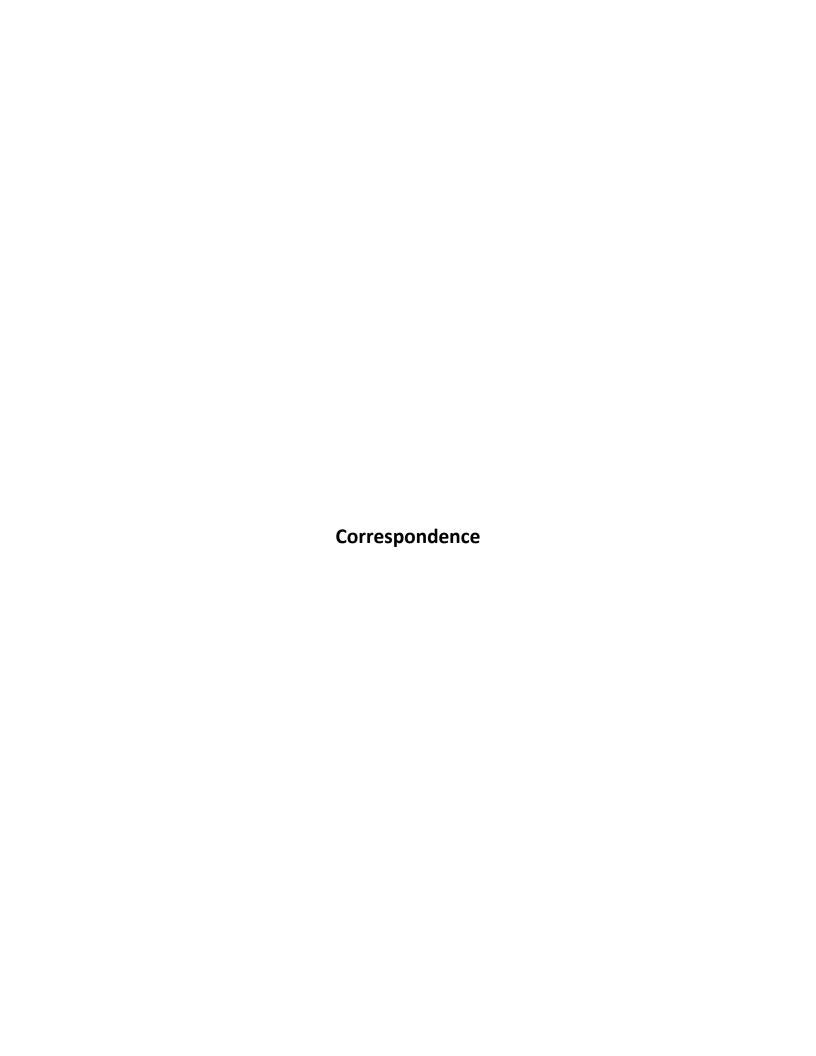








GZA GeoEnvironmental, Inc.



# **Lindsey White**

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**Sent:** Monday, March 23, 2020 12:41 PM

To: Lindsey White Cc: Doperalski, Melissa

**Subject:** RE: Eversource 391, 385, 373 Transmission Line

Lindsey,

Thank you for providing this clarification.

-Ridge

From: Lindsey White <Lindsey.White@gza.com>

Sent: Monday, March 23, 2020 12:33 PM

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**Cc:** Doperalski, Melissa <Melissa.Doperalski@wildlife.nh.gov> **Subject:** RE: Eversource 391, 385, 373 Transmission Line

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Hi Ridge,

My apologies, I had thought you were referring to the M127 Transmission Line AoT permit. I had missed the subject line of this email.

In regards to the 391, 385, and 373 Transmission Line Structure Replacement Project, potential vernal pools were identified along the transmission line and they are located in other work areas along the transmission lines that did not meet AoT thresholds. There were no PVPs identified within the areas subject to AoT permitting and that's why none are shown on the AoT figures.

We have added point #3 below to our AoT construction notesheet and have attached it for your records.

Please let me know if you have any additional questions!

Thanks!

Lindsey

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Hi Lindsey,

I don't see where Potential Vernal Pools are identified on the plans. You also reference page 17 of the Alteration of Terrain Permitting Plans. Said plans only include 13 sheets/drawings. Please clarify.

Thanks,

-Ridge

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Hi Ridge,

We are happy to add point #3 to our Notesheet, see attached (General Note #8).

Figures 3 and 4 of the AoT Permit Application include Potential Vernal Pools. On the Figure "Alteration of Terrain Permitting Plans," a Potential Vernal Pool is shown by green hatching on Page 17.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to ask!

Thanks! Lindsey

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# Hi Lindsey,

One issue that needs to be addressed prior to issuance of an AoT permit for the subject application. The narrative within the AoT permit application states "Therefore, no temporary or permanent impacts are proposed to any potential vernal pools as a result of this project" (last paragraph, page 2 of application). After discussions with NHFG personnel, the following items need to be completed:

- 1. The potential or suspect vernal pools need to be delineated in the field.
- 2. The field identified potential or suspect vernal pools need to be identified on the project plans.
- 3. The project plans need to include a note that temporary or permanent impacts to identified potential or suspect vernal pools are prohibited, and any observation of any additional suspect vernal pools are to be reported to NHFG personnel.

Regards,

-Ridge

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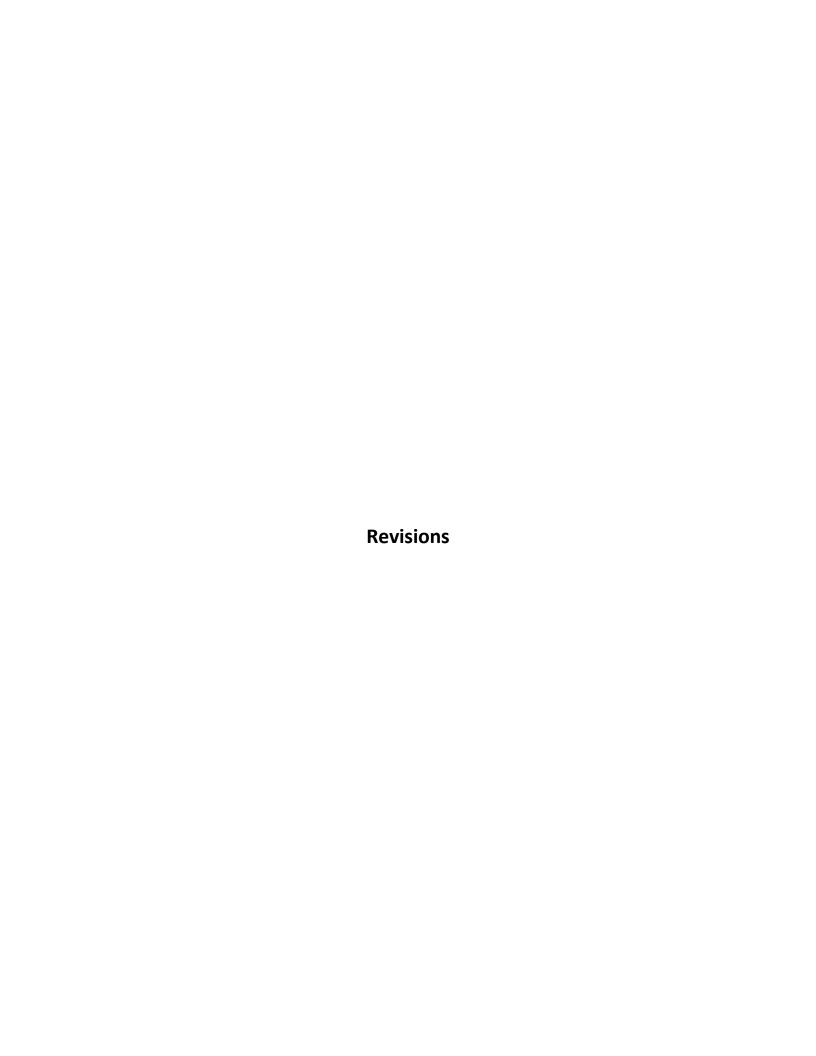


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#### CONSTRUCTION SEQUENCE:

- 1. WETLAND BOUNDARIES TO BE CLEARLY MARKED PRIOR TO THE START OF CONSTRUCTION.
- 2. SEDIMENT AND EROSION CONTROL MEASURES SHALL BE INSTALLED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE DETAIL PROVIDED, AS NECESSARY.
- 3. WETLAND IMPACTS ASSOCIATED WITH WETLAND CROSSINGS ARE REQUIRED FOR ACCESS BETWEEN STRUCTURES WITHIN THE RIGHT OF WAY.
- 4. ADEQUATE PRECAUTION SHALL BE EXERCISED TO AVOID SPILLAGE OF FUEL OILS, CHEMICALS, OR SIMILAR SUBSTANCES; NO FUELS, LUBRICANTS, CHEMICALS OR SIMILAR SUBSTANCES SHALL BE STORED BENEATH TREES OR IN THE VICINITY OF ANY WETLANDS, RIVER, STREAM OR OTHER BODY OF WATER; OR IN THE VICINITY OF NATURAL OR MAN-MADE CHANNELS LEADING THERETO. NO POWER EQUIPMENT SHALL BE STORED, MAINTAINED, OR FUELED IN ANY AREA ADJACENT TO A WETLAND, RIVER, STREAM OR OTHER BODY OF WATER.
- 5. REMOVE COMPLETELY ALL CONTAMINATION FROM ANY SPILLAGE OF CHEMICALS OR PETROLEUM PRODUCT WITH COMPLETE REHABILITATION OF THE AFFECTED AREA.
- 6. ACCESS ROUTES HAVE BEEN SELECTED TO PREVENT DEGRADATION OF THE RIGHT-OF-WAY AND MINIMIZE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT. OPERATIONS SHALL BE CONFINED TO THE SPECIFIED ACCESS ROUTES WITHIN THE PROPOSED WETLAND IMPACT AREA. ACCESS ROUTES SHALL NOT EXCEED A 16 FOOT-WIDTH.
- 7. IMPACT TO VEGETATION WITHIN WETLANDS WILL BE LIMITED TO THE EXTENT NECESSARY TO PLACE THE TIMBER MATS
- 8. LOW GROWING VARIETIES OF VEGETATION ADJACENT TO WETLANDS SHALL BE PRESERVED TO THE EXTENT POSSIBLE. STUMPS AND ROCKS SHALL NOT BE REMOVED, AND THERE SHALL BE NO EXCAVATIONS, FILLS OR GRADING DONE ADJACENT TO WETLANDS, UNLESS MINOR EXCAVATIONS IS NEEDED FOR ACCESS.
- 9. TIMBER MATS WILL BE USED ALONG ACCESS ROUTES WITHIN WETLAND AREAS. THESE MATS ARE CONSTRUCTED OF HEAVY TIMBERS OR COMPOSITE MATERIAL, BOLTED TOGETHER, AND ARE PLACED END-TO-END IN THE WETLAND TO SUPPORT HEAVY EQUIPMENT. ALL SWAMP MATS SHALL BE PLACED AND REMOVED SO AS NOT TO CAUSE ANY RUTS, CHANNELS OR DEPRESSIONS, OR OTHERWISE CAUSE ANY UNDUE DISTURBANCE TO WETLANDS.
- 10. IF TIMBER MAT BMP IS NOT SUFFICIENT DUE TO HIGH WATER, ADDITIONAL BMP'S MAY INCLUDE THE PLACEMENT OF GEOTEXTILE FABRIC, 3"-4" STONE, AND GRAVEL TO PROVIDE A SUITABLE ROAD BED. A TEMPORARY CULVERT MAY BE REQUIRED IN AREAS OF HIGH FLOW TO MAINTAIN HYDROLOGIC CONNECTIVITY. ALL MATERIAL WILL BE REMOVED FROM JURISDICTIONAL AREAS AFTER CONSTRUCTION COMPLETION.
- 11. NO MATERIAL SHALL BE PLACED IN ANY LOCATION OR IN ANY MANNER SO AS TO IMPAIR SURFACE WATER FLOW INTO, THROUGH OR OUT OF ANY WETLAND AREA. NO INSTALLATION SHALL CREATE AN IMPOUNDMENT THAT WILL IMPEDE THE FLOW OF WATER OR CAUSE FLOODING.
- 12. NO MATERIAL SHALL BE TAKEN FROM THE WETLANDS AREA EXCEPT THAT WHICH MUST NECESSARILY BE REMOVED FOR THE STRUCTURE OR FOUNDATION PLACEMENT OR STABILIZATION. ALL EXCESS MATERIAL TAKEN FROM THE WETLAND WILL BE REMOVED FROM THE SITE.
- 13. ANY PROPOSED SUPPORT FILLS SHALL BE CLEAN GRAVEL AND STONE, FREE OF WASTE METAL PRODUCTS, ORGANIC MATERIALS AND SIMILAR DEBRIS AND SHALL NOT EXCEED THE AMOUNT PERMITTED. THIS ALLOWABLE FILL IS THE ONLY FILL THAT MAY REMAIN IN THE WETLAND AFTER CONSTRUCTION. ALL CUT AND FILLS SLOPES SHALL BE SEEDED/LOAMED WITHIN 72 HOURS OF ACHIEVING FINISHED GRADE.
- 14. INSTALL NEW POLES IN THE LOCATIONS DESIGNATED ON THE PERMITTING PLANS.
- 15. CABLE INSTALLATION WILL BE PERFORMED IN A MANNER SO AS TO AVOID, OR LIMIT TO THE MAXIMUM EXTENT POSSIBLE TRAVERSING WETLANDS WITH HEAVY EQUIPMENT. IN SOME CASES, A HELICOPTER MAY BE USED DURING THE INSTALLATION TO MINIMIZE IMPACTS.
- 16. ALL SWAMP MATS, MATERIAL, AND DEBRIS WILL BE REMOVED FROM THE WORK AREA UPON THE COMPLETION OF CONSTRUCTION.
- 17. UPLAND DISTURBED AREAS SHALL BE RESTORED AND STABILIZED UPON COMPLETION OF CONSTRUCTION. WORK PAD RESTORATION SHOULD INCLUDE REDUCING THE WORK PAD TO A 30 BY 60 FOOT AREA, AND REDUCING SLOPES TO A MAXIMUM OF 25%. STOCKPILED MATERIAL SHOULD BE SPREAD TO REDUCE ANY UNNECESSARY SLOPES. GRAVEL WORK PADS AND SLOPES SHOULD BE SCARIFIED TO A MINIMUM OF 3" BEFORE SPREADING TOPSOIL/LOAM.
- 18. ALL TEMPORARY WETLAND IMPACTS WILL BE RE-GRADED TO ORIGINAL CONTOURS FOLLOWING CONSTRUCTION. NEW ENGLAND EROSION CONTROL/RESTORATION MIX, AVAILABLE THROUGH NEW ENGLAND WETLAND PLANTS, INC., 820 WEST STREET, AMHERST, MA 01002, 413-548-8000, OR EQUIVALENT SEED MIX SHALL BE APPLIED IN WETLAND AREAS THAT
- 19. SEDIMENT AND EROSION CONTROL MEASURES WILL BE EVALUATED AND REMOVED IF NECESSARY UPON THE COMPLETION OF CONSTRUCTION.
- 20. COMMERCIAL LOAM WILL NOT BE USED AS PART OF RESTORATION. ONLY IN-SITU TOPSOIL WILL BE USED TO RESTORE DISTURBED AREAS.
- 21. WHERE OPTIMAL TURTLE BREEDING AREAS OVERLAP WITH DISTURBANCE (AS DETERMINED BY AN ENVIRONMENTAL MONITOR), MINERAL SOILS WILL BE SCARIFIED TO ALLEVIATE COMPACTION AND BECOME MORE SUITED FOR TURTLE BREEDING.

#### WINTER CONSTRUCTION NOTES

- 1. PROPOSED VEGETATED AREAS WHICH DO NOT EXHIBIT A MINIMUM OF 85% VEGETATIVE GROWTH BY OCTOBER 15TH, OR WHICH ARE DISTURBED AFTER OCTOBER 15TH, SHALL BE STABILIZED. STABILIZATION METHODS SHALL INCLUDE SEEDING AND MULCH, AND INSTALLATION OF EROSION CONTROL BLANKETS ON SLOPES GREATER THAN 3:1, AND SEEDING AND PLACING 3 TO 4 TONS OF MULCH PER ACRE, SECURED WITH ANCHORED NETTING, ELSEWHERE. THE INSTALLATION OF EROSION CONTROL BLANKETS OR MULCH AND NETTING SHALL NOT OCCUR OVER ACCUMULATED SNOW OR FROZEN GROUND AND SHALL BE COMPLETED IN ADVANCE OF THAW OR SPRING MELT
- 2. DITCHES OR SWALES WHICH DO NOT EXHIBIT A MINIMUM OF 85% VEGETATIVE GROWTH BY OCTOBER 15TH, OR WHICH ARE DISTURBED AFTER OCTOBER 15TH, SHALL BE TEMPORARILY STABILIZED WITH STONE OR EROSION CONTROL BLANKETS APPROPRIATE FOR THE DESIGN FLOW CONDITIONS.

3. AFTER NOVEMBER 15TH, INCOMPLETE ROAD OR PARKING SURFACES, WHERE WORK HAS STOPPED FOR THE WINTER SEASON, SHALL BE PROTECTED WITH A MINIMUM OF 3 INCHES OF CRUSHED GRAVEL (NHDOT 304.3).

#### GENERAL NOTES

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- 1. BASE PLAN PROVIDED BY EVERSOURCE ENERGY. EVERSOURCE ENERGY PROVIDED THE WETLAND DATA. EVERSOURCE ENERGY PROVIDED THE UTILITY DESIGN.
- 2. JURISDICTIONAL WETLANDS WERE DELINEATED BY TIGHE AND BOND IN 2018, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE 1987 U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS' "WETLANDS DELINEATION MANUAL, TECHNICAL REPORT Y-87-1," AND REGIONAL SUPPLEMENT TO THE CORPS OF ENGINEERS WETLAND DELINEATION MANUAL: NORTH CENTRAL AND NORTHEAST REGION," JANUARY 2012. WETLANDS WERE REVIEWED BY GZA GEOENVIRONMENTAL, INC. IN JANUARY
- 3. GZA PERFORMED A WETLANDS FUNCTION AND VALUES ASSESSMENT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE ACOE'S "HIGHWAY METHODOLOGY WORKBOOK SUPPLEMENT," SEPTEMBER 1999, IN THE TOWN OF STRAFFORD.
- 4. SITE PLAN IS FOR PERMITTING PURPOSES ONLY AND DOES NOT REPRESENT A PROPERTY BOUNDARY SURVEY.
- 5. THE PROJECT WILL BE MANAGED IN A MANNER THAT MEETS THE REQUIREMENTS AND INTENT OF RSA 430:53 AND CHAPTER AGR 3800 RELATIVE TO INVASIVE SPECIES.
- 6. IN ACCORANCE WITH ENV-WQ 1505.02, THE SMALLEST PRACTICAL AREA SHALL BE DISTURBED DURING CONSTRUCTION, BUT IN NO CASE SHALL EXCEED 5 ACRES AT ANY ONE TIME BEFORE DISTURBED AREAS ARE STABILIZED. AN AREA SHALL BE CONSIDERED STABLE IF ONE OF THE FOLLOWING HAS OCCURRED:
  - A MINIMUM 85 PERCENT VEGETATED GROWTH HAS BEEN ESTABLISHED A MINIMUM OF 3 INCHES OF NON-EROSIVE MATERIAL HAS BEEN INSTALLED OR, EROSION CONTROL BLANKETS HAVE BEEN PROPERLY INSTALLED.
- 7. IN THE EVENT THAT A RARE OR THREATENED SPECIES IS OBSERVED, THE NEW HAMPSHIRE FISH AND GAME AND NEW HAMPSHIRE NATURAL HERITAGE BUREAU WILL BE NOTIFIED. TURTLE NESTING SEASON EXTENDS FROM LATE MAY THROUGH THE BEGINNING OF JULY. IF WOOD, BLANDING'S OR SPOTTED TURTLES ARE FOUND LAYING EGGS IN THE WORK AREA, CONTACT MELISSA DOPERALSKI AT 603-271-1738 OR JOSH MEGYESY AT 603-271-1725 FOR FURTHER INSTRUCTIONS. OBSERVATIONS OF NORTHERN BLACK RACER SNAKES SEEN IN ANY AREA FROM THE END OF SEPTEMBER THROUGH THE MONTH OF APRIL MANDEL BY A MANDEL STANDARD OF THE NUMBER OF THE MANDEL STANDARD OF THE NUMBER O MUST BE IMMEDIATELY REPORTED TO THE NHFG DEPARTMENT (BRENDAN CLIFFORD AT 603-271-0463 OR MELISSA DOPERALSKI AT 603-271-1738). IF NORTHERN BLACK RACER IS FOUND IN A WORK AREA FROM NOVEMBER THROUGH THE MONTH OF APRIL, WORK SHALL IMMEDIATELY CEASE AND THE OBSERVATION MUST BE REPORTED TO THE NHFG (BRENDAN CLIFFORD OR MELISSA DOPERALSKI).
- 8. TEMPORARY OR PERMANENT IMPACTS TO IDENTIFIED POTENTIAL OR SUSPECT VERNAL POOLS ARE PROHIBITED. ANY OBSERVATION OF ANY ADDITIONAL SUSPECT VERNAL POOLS ARE TO BE REPORTED TO NHFG PERSONNEL.

- 1. INSTALLATION OF EROSION CONTROL GRINDINGS AND/OR SILT FENCES SHALL BE COMPLETE PRIOR TO THE START OF WORK IN ANY GIVEN AREA. EROSION CONTROLS SHALL BE USED DURING CONSTRUCTION AND REMOVED WHEN ALL SLOPES HAVE A HEALTHY STAND OF VEGETATION COVER. EROSION CONTROL MEASURES SHALL BE INSPECTED ON A WEEKLY BASIS AND AFTER .25" OR GREATER RAINFALL EVENTS.
- 2. AS REQUIRED, CONSTRUCT TEMPORARY BERMS, SILTATION FENCES, SEDIMENT TRAPS, ETC. TO PREVENT EROSION & SEDIMENTATION OF WETLANDS.
- 3. THE WORK AREA SHALL BE GRADED AND OTHERWISE SHAPED IN SUCH A MANNER AS TO MINIMIZE SOIL EROSION, SILTATION OF DRAINAGE CHANNELS, DAMAGE TO EXISTING VEGETATION, AND DAMAGE TO PROPERTY OUTSIDE LIMITS OF THE WORK AREA. EROSION CONTROL GRINDINGS WILL BE NECESSARY TO
- 4. ANY STRIPPED TOPSOIL SHALL BE STOCKPILED, WITHOUT COMPACTION, AND STABILIZED AGAINST EROSION, AS
- 5. PERMANENT OR TEMPORARY COVER MUST BE IN PLACE BEFORE THE GROWING SEASON ENDS. WHEN SEEDED AREAS ARE NOT MULCHED, PLANTINGS SHOULD BE MADE FROM EARLY SPRING TO MAY 20 OR FROM AUGUST 15 TO SEPTEMBER 15. NO DISTURBED AREA SHALL BE LEFT EXPOSED DURING WINTER MONTHS, PLANT ANNUAL RYEGRASS PRIOR TO OCTOBER 15TH
- 6. EROSION CONTROLS SHALL BE INSPECTED WEEKLY AND AFTER EVERY HALF-INCH OF RAINFALL.
- 7. EROSION CONTROL MATTING, IF REQUIRED, WILL CONSIST OF JUTE MATTING. MATTING WITH WELDED PLASTIC OR 'BIODEGRADABLE PLASTIC' NETTING OR THREAD WILL BE AVOIDED TO LIMIT UNINTENTIONAL MORTALITY TO SNAKES.

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