



The State of New Hampshire  
**DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES**



**Thomas S. Burack, Commissioner**

June 26, 2015

**COMPLETE TRAILS NOTIFICATION**

NH Bureau of Trails  
C/o Clinton Savage  
629B Main St  
Lancaster, NH 03584

RE: File #2015-01579

Dear Mr. Savage:

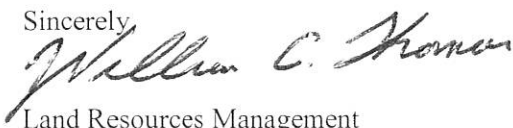
This is to acknowledge receipt of your *Wetlands Minimum Impact Trails Notification* for work in Columbia, Tax Map/Lot #: 425 / 2.

**YOUR NOTICE IS SUFFICIENT TO START WORK PROVIDED:**

1. You are NOT working in or adjacent to a municipally designated prime wetland, or in a bog, marsh, or undisturbed tidal buffer zone;
2. You are not constructing a trail for current or future development;
3. You follow the *Best Management Practices for Erosion Control During Trail Maintenance and Construction* (2004) published by the Dept. of Resources & Economic Development;
4. Each wetland crossing involves less than 3,000 square feet of impact;
5. Your proposed trail does not cross any stream 8 or more feet wide [**or as allowed by Administrative Rule Env-Wt 303.04(h)**].
6. You have avoided wetlands and stream crossings where possible; all crossings have been located to minimize impacts; and all crossings qualify as minimum impact by DES Wetlands Bureau rules; and
7. Written permission of the landowner shall be obtained prior to work at any locality. This notice does not convey property right, nor authorize any injury to the property of others, nor invasion of the rights of others.
8. The trail project must fully comply with the Permit by Rule requirements of NH Administrative Rule Env-Wq 1503.03(c) or (d) under the Alteration of Terrain Bureau.

If you have any questions, please contact us at (603) 271-2147.

Sincerely,



Land Resources Management

cc: Columbia Conservation Commission  
Columbia Office



# WETLANDS TRAILS NOTIFICATION

Water Division/ Wetlands Bureau

Land Resources Management

Check the status of your notification: <http://des.nh.gov/onestop>



RSA/Rule: RSA 482-A, Env-Wt 100-900

Refer to the *Trails Notification Instructions* document to determine if your project qualifies for this notification.

			File Number: <i>2015-01579</i>
			Check No: <i>4971</i>
			Amount: <i>\$25.00</i>
			Initials: <i>LSL</i>

## 1. PROJECT DESCRIPTION

*TAKE OUT 2 pole bridges and Replace with steel framed bridges.  
we will be going bank to bank with the 2 bridges - Kelsey Notch*

## 2. PROJECT LOCATION

ADDRESS: <input type="text"/>		TOWN/CITY: Columbia	ZIPCODE: 03576
TAX MAP(S): 425	BLOCK(S): <input type="text"/>	LOT(S): 2	UNIT(S): <input type="text"/>

## 3. PROPERTY OWNER(S) - INDICATE ADDITIONAL OWNERS ON SEPARATE PAGE

LAST NAME, FIRST NAME, M.I.: State of NH DRED			
ADDRESS: 172 Pembroke Road	TOWN/CITY: Concord	STATE: NH	ZIPCODE: 03301
PHONE: 603-271-3254	EMAIL OR FAX: <a href="mailto:clinton.savage@dred.nh.gov">clinton.savage@dred.nh.gov</a>		

## 4. ORGANIZATION OR CLUB (APPLICANT)

LAST NAME, FIRST NAME, M.I.: Clinton Savage			
ORGANIZATION OR CLUB NAME: NH Bureau of Trails			
ADDRESS: 629 B Main Street	TOWN/CITY: Lancaster	STATE: NH	ZIPCODE: 03584
PHONE: 603-788-3155	EMAIL OR FAX: <a href="mailto:clinton.savage@dred.nh.gov">clinton.savage@dred.nh.gov</a>		

[shoreland@des.nh.gov](mailto:shoreland@des.nh.gov)

NHDES Wetlands Bureau, PO Box 95, Concord, NH 03303-0095

[www.des.nh.gov](http://www.des.nh.gov)

**5. REQUIRED QUESTIONS:** Refer to the Trails Notification Instructions document to complete a - d.

a. Does your project include a bridge over a river or stream (Env-Wt 303.04(h)(1) - (4))?  Y  N

b. Does your project include a stream or river crossing of any kind (Env-Wt 303.04(y)(2) - (y)(4)) ?  Y  N

c. The Natural Heritage Bureau DataCheck Report File ID: NHB 15-1944 and date of the report: 6 / 9 / 2015

d. Prime Wetlands

Check one:

No waiver required - My proposed project does not include any crossing of wetlands located within the prime wetland or within 100 feet of a prime wetland (prime wetland buffer).

A prime wetland waiver was granted on \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ and a copy of the prime wetland waiver request letter is included with this notification.

Please note that if you submit the prime wetland waiver request with this notification, you may not begin work until the waiver is issued. DES must wait 14 days for the Municipal Conservation Commission to review the prime wetland waiver request before acting upon it.

**6. SIGNATURES**

The property owner(s) or applicant's initials and signature are required below. By signing this notification, I am certifying that:

cjs 1) I have accurately described the activity(ies) associated with my project and I certify that the proposed project meets the project criteria for Trail Notifications outlined in the Instructions document.

cjs 2) The information submitted as part of this notification is accurate and complete, including information and attachments outlined in the Information & Required Attachments document.

cjs 3) The property owner(s) have been notified of the project in writing and have granted permission for the activity(ies) to occur on their property. RSA 482:A-13(II)

cjs 4) I authorize the municipal conservation commission to inspect the site of the proposed project.

cjs 5) The mailing addresses I have provided are up to date and appropriate for receipt of des correspondence. DES will not forward returned mail.

cjs 6) If my notification is accepted, DES will send the organization or club a *Complete Trails Notification* letter to their permanent mailing address and will I post this *Notification* in a secured manner, upon receipt, in a prominent place at the site of the approved project.

cjs 7) I have provided appropriate notice to the Department of Resources and Economic Development in accordance with RSA 482:A-3, XII. A copy of a completed *Trails Notification Form* and its attachments is considered appropriate notice.

OWNER/APPLICANT: *Clath Savap Jr*

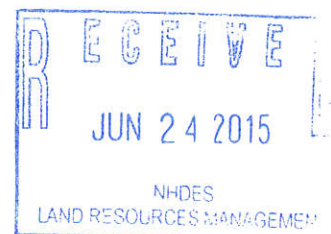
DATE: 6-11-15

OWNER/APPLICANT: \_\_\_\_\_

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

**MAILING & STARTING WORK**

- Mail the notification form and attachments to the address on the top of this form.
- DES will send the organization or club a Complete Trails Notification letter to their permanent mailing address.
- If you submit a prime wetland waiver request with this notification, you may not begin work until the waiver is issued. DES must wait 14 days for the Municipal Conservation Commission to review the prime wetland waiver request before acting upon it.





Trails Bureau  
629B Main St  
Lancaster NH 03584

**From:** NH Natural Heritage Bureau

**Date:** 6/9/2015 (valid for one year from this date)

**Re:** Review by NH Natural Heritage Bureau of request submitted 6/9/2015

VALID ONLY FOR NOTIFICATION OR MINIMUM EXPEDITED  
APPLICATIONS SUBMITTED TO THE NHDES WETLANDS BUREAU

**NHB File ID:** NHB15-1944

**Applicant:** Clinton Savage

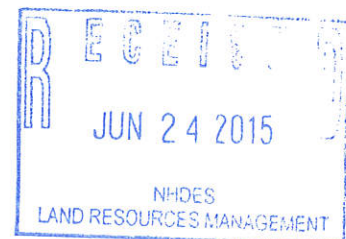
**Location:** Columbia  
Tax Maps: 425-2

**Project**

**Description:** Take out 2 pole bridges and replace with steel framed bridges. We will be going bank to bank with the 2 bridges.

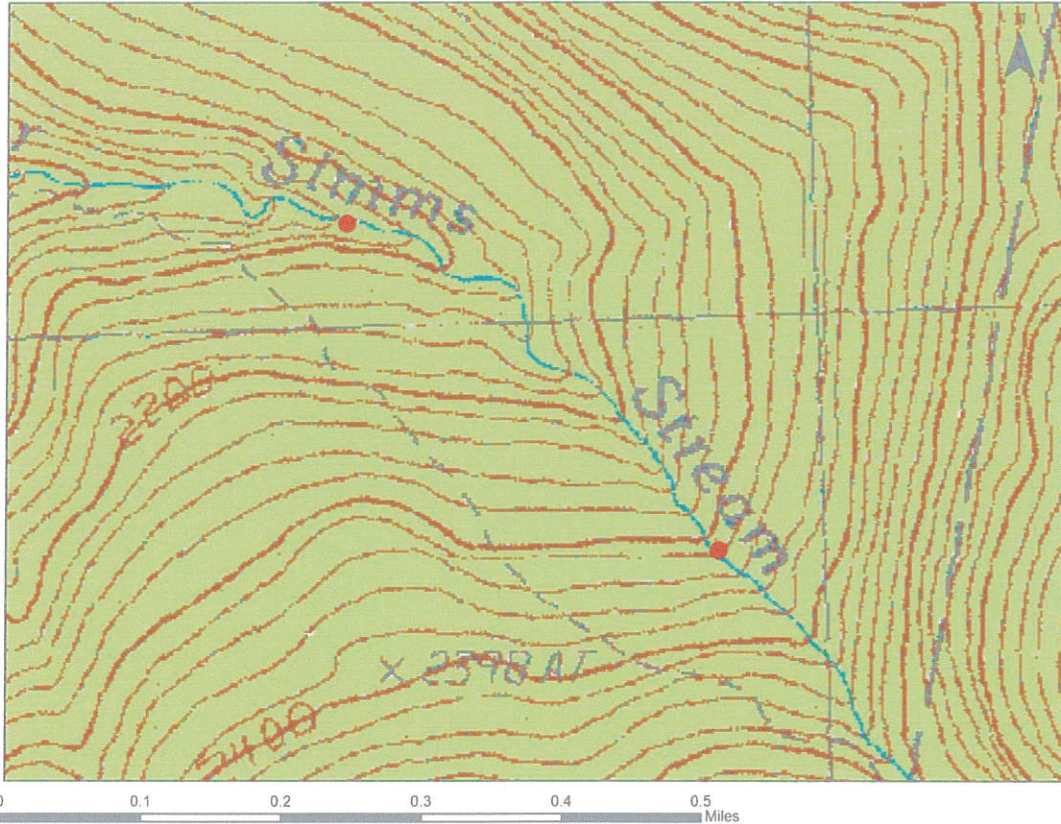
The NH Natural Heritage database has been checked by staff of the NH Natural Heritage Bureau and/or the NH Nongame and Endangered Species Program for records of rare species and exemplary natural communities near the area mapped below. The species considered include those listed as Threatened or Endangered by either the state of New Hampshire or the federal government. We currently have no recorded occurrences for sensitive species near this project area.

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.

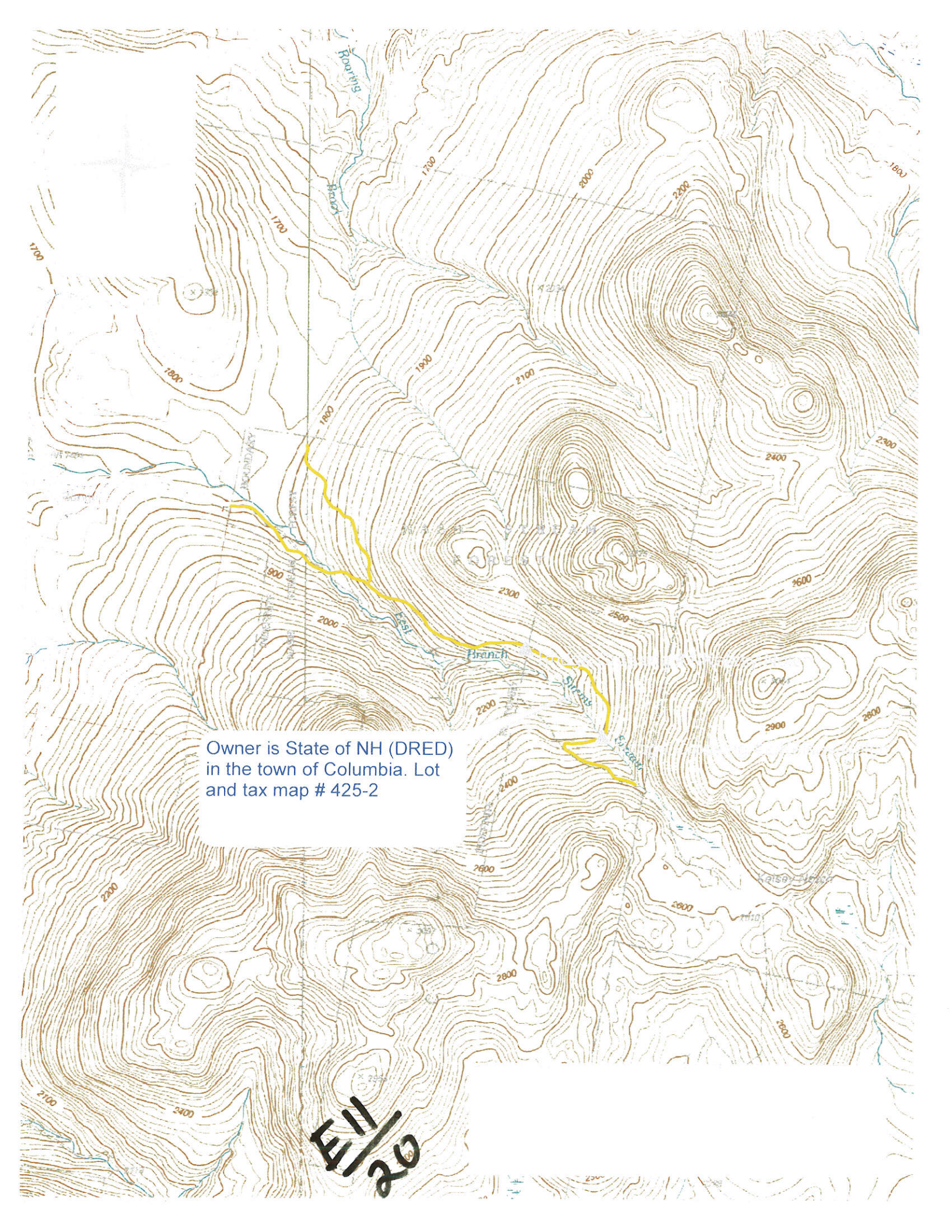




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Owner is State of NH (DRED)  
in the town of Columbia. Lot  
and tax map # 425-2

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THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE  
 DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES  
 LAND RESOURCES MANAGEMENT  
**WETLANDS BUREAU**



29 Hazen Drive, PO Box 95, Concord, NH 03302-0095  
 Phone: (603) 271-2147 Fax: (603) 271-6588  
 Website: <http://des.nh.gov/organization/divisions/water/wetlands/>  
 Notification Status: <http://des.nh.gov/onestop/>

## TRAILS NOTIFICATION INSTRUCTIONS

### 1. PROJECT CRITERIA

If the below criteria do not describe the type of construction you are proposing, you must use a Wetlands Permit Application form for your project. Agree to the following statements that apply to your project by signing no. 6 on the Trails Notification form.

PROJECT TYPES	CRITERIA
<p><b>ALL PROJECTS</b> Env-Wt 303.04(y)(1)</p>	<p>All work is done in accordance with the with The NH Department of Resources and Economic Development's <i>Best Management Practices for Erosion Control During Trail Maintenance and Construction</i> (2004) <a href="http://www.nhstateparks.org/uploads/BMPmanual2010.pdf">http://www.nhstateparks.org/uploads/BMPmanual2010.pdf</a></p>
<p><b>BRIDGES</b> Env-Wt 303.04(h)(1) through (4)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ The proposed project includes installation of a new bridge or replacement of an existing bridge;</li> <li>▪ No work will be performed in the water or in a wetland;</li> <li>▪ No fill will be placed in the water or in a wetland;</li> <li>▪ Impacts to the banks of the watercourse, including bridge structural supports, will not exceed 3,000 square feet per crossing;</li> <li>▪ Bridges are not in a prime wetland, prime wetland buffer (see: <a href="http://des.nh.gov/organization/divisions/water/wetlands/prime_wetlands.htm">http://des.nh.gov/organization/divisions/water/wetlands/prime_wetlands.htm</a>),</li> <li>▪ Bridges are not in a bog, marsh, sand dune, or undisturbed tidal buffer zone; and</li> <li>▪ The proposed bridge footprint has not been identified by Natural Heritage Bureau (NHB) as an exemplary natural community, and/or does not have documented occurrences of state or federally listed endangered or threatened species. See xx below.</li> </ul>
<p><b>ALL WATERBODY AND WETLAND CROSSINGS</b> Env-Wt 303.04(y)(2) through (y)(4)</p>	<p>The proposed project includes installation of new waterbody or wetlands crossing(s) and:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ the project alters less than 3,000 square feet per crossing;</li> <li>▪ the trail width at the crossing(s) does not exceed 20 feet;</li> <li>▪ the fill width of the crossing, measured at the toe of trail side slopes, is minimized and does not exceed 50 feet;</li> <li>▪ fill for any single wetland crossing does not exceed 60 feet in length, measured along the centerline of the proposed access way;</li> <li>▪ no impacts have been made to bogs, marshes, sand dunes, tidal wetlands, cedar swamps or undisturbed tidal buffer zone;</li> <li>▪ the crossing(s) is (are) not located in or within 100 feet of prime wetlands in accordance with RSA 482-A:11, IV(a); (see: <a href="http://des.nh.gov/organization/divisions/water/wetlands/prime_wetlands.htm">http://des.nh.gov/organization/divisions/water/wetlands/prime_wetlands.htm</a>)</li> <li>▪ the proposed crossing has not been identified by Natural Heritage Bureau (NHB) as an exemplary natural community, and/or does not have documented occurrences of state or federally listed endangered or threatened species (See xx below); and</li> <li>▪ the crossing of wetlands, swamps or wet meadows will be limited to those that have no standing water for 10 months of the year;</li> <li>▪ If the proposed project has stream crossings that impact jurisdictional areas, they cross a perennial stream or intermittent stream having a scoured channel of 8 feet or less; or meet the <b>Bridges</b> criteria above.</li> </ul>



## 2. INFORMATION REQUIRED FOR NOTIFICATION ACCEPTANCE

If your notification package does not include the following information and attachments required for acceptance, it will be returned to you.

### A. **Trails Notification Form** RSA 482-A:3, XII(b)(1) - (3) & Env-Wt 501.01

With name(s) and address(es) of property owner(s), name and address of organization or club (applicant), town, tax map number and lot number of proposed project site and signed by property owner or applicant in Section D on page 1 of 4.

### B. **USGS Map** RSA 482-A:3, XII (b)(4)

A copy of the US Geological Survey map (specifically a map at 1:24,000 or 1:25,000 scale).

Clearly indicate:

- The type and location of all wetland and waterbody crossings;
- Roads, bridges, stepping stones, water bars, culverts;
- Property boundaries/lines, etc...
- If necessary, include a legend for all symbols used.

See Appendix A for an example of the required USGS Map and Information.

See the NH Department of Resources and Economic Development's *Best Management Practices for Erosion Control on During Trail Maintenance and Construction* (2004) for examples and explanations of approvable crossing types.

Topographic Map Links: <http://des.nh.gov/organization/divisions/water/wetlands/categories/technical.htm>

### C. **Natural Heritage Bureau** RSA 212-A:9 and RSA 217:A-7

A copy of the *NHB DataCheck Results Letter and Map* from the Natural Heritage Bureau (NHB) confirming that NHB and NH Fish & Game have reviewed the proposed project. This letter can be requested online at Link [www.nhnaturalheritage.org](http://www.nhnaturalheritage.org) or by phone: (603) 271-2215 x 323. Allow up to 3-5 business days to receive the letter after submitting a request.

Indicate the file number and date of NHB DataCheck Report on 5.c. of the Trails Notification Form.

### D. **Notification fee** RSA 482-A:3, XII(c)

Check or money order for \$25 payable to: **Treasurer – State of NH**

### E. **Prime Wetlands** RSA 482-A:11, IV(b) & RSA 482-A:11, IV (b)(3)

Refer to the link below to determine if your proposed project includes any crossing of wetlands located within a prime wetland or within 100 feet of a prime wetland (prime wetland buffer).

Original Prime wetland maps can be found at the municipal office. Electronic versions can be found at the following link: [http://des.nh.gov/organization/divisions/water/wetlands/prime\\_wetlands.htm](http://des.nh.gov/organization/divisions/water/wetlands/prime_wetlands.htm)

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- The status of the notification can be checked online: [http://www2.des.state.nh.us/OneStop/Wetland\\_Permits\\_Query.aspx](http://www2.des.state.nh.us/OneStop/Wetland_Permits_Query.aspx)

