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UNH Card attached – note backside of card – your State Park branding project...

Hi Ellen,

As discussed, we would like the opportunity to meet with the appropriate experts at UNH's College of Life Sciences and Agriculture (or other colleges/departments as appropriate) to discuss our recently announced project. Below is a brief overview of the proposed project that you can share.

At the March 4th Mount Washington Commission ("MWC") meeting the Mount Washington Railway Company ("Cog Railway") unveiled its plans to develop Lizzie's Station just below the Summit of Mount Washington.

Lizzie's Station will include the addition of a new transfer switch and 2 new 500' tracks that will run parallel to the existing track. Attached is a PowerPoint presentation that provides a complete overview of Lizzie's Station including the many benefits it will bring to the Mount Washington community (environmental, economic & cultural).

Without diving into the legal wrangling and years of discussions, the Cog has agreed to give up rights to further development on the summit of Mount Washington in exchange for favorable support of Lizzie's Station. This support has been memorialized in a Memorandum of Understanding ("MOU") and in an Amendment to the existing Easement Deed ("Amendment"). The MOU and Amendment will be approved by the Department of Natural & Cultural Resources, the NH AG's Office and the Governor and Council.

Part of the approval process will include the necessity to map the high alpine Flora. I have attached a Study Report titled "The Flora of Mount Washington

Summit and Its Protection” that was conducted by the University of New Hampshire College of Life Sciences and Agriculture in 1970 for the Mount Washington Commission. We want to discuss having a similar Study & Report conducted on behalf of the Cog.

As part of our proposal to develop Lizzie’s Station we would create kiosk signage that displays and highlights the Flora of Mount Washington. We would include a QR Code that links directly to an interactive app that educates visitors on the Flora and the importance of its protection. The QR Code would be displayed in numerous locations from the base to the summit, and on our website and other promotional materials.

We think it would be both exciting and beneficial to prominently display and credit the University of New Hampshire College of Life Sciences and Agriculture (or other colleges/departments as appropriate) on our kiosk signage and in our app. The goal of the app is to truly educate our visitors on New Hampshire’s precious alpine zones and the importance of protecting them. We see an opportunity for an annual sponsored student summer internship program where the Study & Report would remain ongoing providing significant data to all summit stakeholders including the Mount Washington Commission, Mount Washington State Park, Natural Heritage Bureau and others. This data would most certainly include pictures and videos and interviews (faculty and students) that would be uploaded to our app.

As you know, the collaborative possibilities and the resulting benefits to New Hampshire’s most iconic destination are many!

If you have any questions or think it would be helpful for me to provide additional information, please let me know.

Thank you!

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