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To: [Hackley, Patrick](#); [Stewart, Sarah](#); eduval@dkt-legal.com; [Mason, Scott](#)
Subject: RE: Mount Washington Railway Company (Cog Railway) - Lizzie's Station
Date: Friday, April 15, 2022 4:36:43 PM
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Thank you Mr. Duval,

The Natural Heritage Bureau (NHB) protects New Hampshire's biodiversity by collecting and analyzing data on the status, location, and distribution of rare or declining native plant species and natural communities. NHB's database contains information on more than 7500 plant, wildlife, and natural community occurrences in New Hampshire. NHB also develops and recommends measures for the protection, conservation, enhancement and management of NH's native plants and natural communities.

We share a passion of Mt. Washington and the surrounding area. One of the most noteworthy components of NH's biodiversity is our globally rare alpine zone. NH has the most extensive alpine habitat of any northeastern state and the natural community is ranked globally as G3 "vulnerable." We have around 4,000 acres of alpine tundra in NH, which supports 62 threatened or endangered plants.

We are available to provide environmental review for the application you are aiming to file in Sept. 2022. The first step is for a Datacheck to be submitted for the entire project area (including staging areas for equipment or machinery.) The project can be submitted via our online Datacheck Tool <https://www4.des.state.nh.us/NHB-DataCheck/>. I suggest submitting this as soon as possible.

I look forward to meeting and working with you.
Thank you,
Sabrina

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Thank you for the e-introduction Sarah and hello, Mr. Duval. I have copied Sabrina Stanwood,

Administrator for the Natural Heritage Bureau, whose staff know the Mt. Washington summit very well. She will serve as your key contact and will bring in her staff experts for additional input as more details become known. I will stay connected and happy to be part of these discussions with NHB staff.

Please offer a timeline when you wish to meet either directly or collectively with NHFG Director Mason's staff as well.

Best regards,

Patrick

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Dear Patrick and Director Mason- I am using this email as a way to introduce you to Earl Duval who serves as legal counsel to the Cog Railway.

You probably know by now that the Cog is presenting plans for development on their property just below the State Park at the summit of Mount Washington.

Please know that I have been in the loop on this project for some time as I have wanted to ensure this is a project we (the State) can support. Of course this project has to go through many approvals and that is where your staff comes into play.

Per Earl's email below, he is hoping to connect with the folks at NHB and F&G to bring them to the site and request their assessment and/or whatever is necessary to ensure proper development practices and stewardship of land and nature.

Could you please help Earl connect to the experts on your staff to arrange for this process to begin?

With appreciation,
Sarah

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Hi Sarah,

I hope this email finds you doing well.

It would be very helpful if you could please make an introduction to the appropriate personnel at both the NH Heritage Bureau and NH Fish and Game so that we can commence initial discussions and schedule the necessary field work for Lizzie's Station.

For your convenience, I attached a copy of the PowerPoint presentation introducing Lizzie's Station that we shared with several interested parties including The Society for the Protection of NH Forests, AMC, TNC, Appalachian Trail Conservancy, NH Audubon, White Mountain National Forest, The Waterman Fund, Mount Washington Commission, David Govatski and others.

We have a "conceptual" meeting scheduled with the Coos County Planning Board on Wednesday, April 20th. The purpose of this meeting is to introduce the project and to discuss permitting requirements. Our hope is to have a completed application filed by mid-September 2022.

We recognize that Summer schedules fill up quickly so I thought it would be helpful to get the process started now.

Thank you very much for your assistance.

Earl

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