


STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
INTER-DEPARTMENT COMMUNICATION

FROM: Stephen G. LaBonte
Administrator


DATE: June 22, 2023

AT(OFFICE): Bureau of Right-of-Way
Dept. of Transportation

SUBJECT: Sale of State-Owned Land in the Town of Conway

TO: Tracie Sales, Rivers & Lakes Programs Manager, tracie.j.sales@des.nh.us
Department of Environmental Services

The Department of Transportation (Department) is processing the disposal of two abutting parcels of state-owned land, located at 1049 and 0 East Main Street (NH Route 113) in the Town of Conway and described below.

Parcel 98 located at 1049 East Main Street (NH Routes 113/302) consists of 1.77 +/- acres with a 1-story residential structure acquired in 2005 due to its proximity to the Conway Bypass project.

Parcel 130 with an address of 0 East Main Street (NH Routes 113/302) consisting of 123 +/- acres of unimproved land, was also acquired in 2005 for the Conway Bypass project.

The sale will allow one access point on East Main Street (NH Routes 113/302) for the combined parcels.

The Department's Bureau of Environment (BOE) noted that this parcel being within a quarter mile of the Saco River is subject to RMAC review for the potential disposal of this parcel. The BOE has also requested that the local advisory subcommittee review it as the parcel is within 250 feet of the Saco River, a designated river.

I have attached the review of the potential sale of this parcel by this Department's BOE, for your files.

Please review this request through the Designated Rivers Management Advisory Committee to determine if this property is surplus to the needs and interests of the State for the purpose of disposal.

If you have any questions, please contact Angela Osborne, of the Department's Bureau of Right-of-Way, via email at Angela.m.osborne@dot.nh.gov or by phone at (603) 271-1635.

SGL/AMO/jl
Attachments

cc: Thomas Quarles, Chairman of Statewide Public Water Access Advisory Board, tquarles@devinemillimet.com
Michele L. Tremblay, RMAC Chair, mlt@naturesource.net
Jared Maraio, LMAC Chair, jared@cruisenh.com
Garret Graaskamp, LMAC Vice Chair, Garret.Graaskamp@wildlife.nh.gov
Nisa Marks, RMAC & LMAC staff, nisa.m.marks@des.nh.gov

REQUEST FOR SURPLUS LAND REVIEW ACTION

Name of Agency Requesting Action: Department of Transportation.

Location of Property: 1049 and 0 E Main St Conway NH

Acreage: 124 +/- acres

Tax Map/Lot #: Map 261, Lot 43 (1.77 acres), Map 261 Lot 54 (123 acres) the entire parcel can be seen on the following tax maps 260, 261, 266, 267, and 275.

Requested Action: Review disposal request.

Agency Contact Person: Angela Osborne

Please provide the following information, if known, about the property. Attach map(s) showing the location of the property.

1. What is the current use for this property? No current use.
2. What is the proposed use of this property? Housing
3. Are there any structures located on this property?
If so, how many, and what kind? 1 1-story structure, formally a house.
4. Are there any water resources related to this property?
If so, please indicate the size or extent of such resources. no
5. Please list any other significant resources known to be located on this property. N/A
6. Was this property purchased with federal highway funds? Yes X No ____
7. Is access to this property available? Yes __ No X

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
INTER-DEPARTMENT COMMUNICATION

FROM	Matt Urban Chief, Operations Management Section	DATE	August 26, 2021
		AT (OFFICE)	Department of Transportation
SUBJECT	Surplus Land –Conway SP-072921		Bureau of Environment
TO	Andre Pacuk Bureau of Right-of-Way		

Based on the attached evaluation, the Bureau of Environment does not object to the sale of this property.

This parcel is within ¼ mile of the Saco River, please coordinate with the NHDES Rivers Coordinator prior to disposal of this property.

In accordance with the Stewardship and Oversight Agreement between DOT and FHWA, FHWA oversight is not necessary.

If you have any questions or require additional information, please contact Matt Urban at x-3226.

MRU:mru

Attach.

c.c. Adam Smith, ROW via email

Stephen LaBonte via email

Sandra Newman, Via email

Lisa Weir, Via email

**Classification and/or Review of
Surplus Land**

Property Name: Conway

Date: 8/16/2021

Assoc. Project: Conway Bypass Project

Originating Bureau: Right-of-Way

Federal No.: STP-OAW-NHS-DPI-T-X-0153(001)

State No.: 11339B

BOE Database No.: SP-072921

Property Location & Description: The subject parcel consists of approximately 144 acres of vacant land, which was acquired in 2005 the Conway 11339B Bypass Project. The project was never constructed and dissolved on December 18, 2020. This parcel of State owned land is located on East Main Street in the Town of Conway

Explanation of what prompted disposal of property: The Department (DOT) received a request from Northern Human Services to acquire a parcel of State owned land located in the Town of Conway.

Bureau of Environment Reviewer: Sean Lerner

Environmental Parameters: Possess, Absent, Unknown

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<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		Building or Structures
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		Surface Waters
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<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	River Access / Adjacent (within 250 feet)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		Designated River (within 0.25 miles)
<input type="checkbox"/>			Other

Potential Impact Discussions:

Field Review: 8/17/2021

The field review was done in mid - August. The parcel opens westerly on Stark Road. This parcel follows a snowmobile/ ATV trail east to north east to connect back to East Main Street. There is an opening to a sand pit heading northeast from Stark Rd. The gravel pit is within the parcel boundaries and has two flatbed trailers in the area. There is an opening off of East Main Street, but is not as maintained or used like the one off of Stark Rd. There is another opening to some areas of clear cut unmaintained trails off of Stritch Rd that has piles of brush, metal, and a tractor tire. Stritch road goes into the parcel for a few hundred feet or so but does not follow the parcel to Stark rd. The parcel is dominated by both hardwood, softwood trees and shrubs along the grass paths throughout the parcel. The GranitView Online resource tool was used to find that the parcel's soil has farmland soil of local importance and a small area of prime farmland. Another online resource, NHDES Onestop, shows part of the parcel is within 0.25 miles of a designated river, the Saco River. No impacts to the Saco River are expected.

A cultural review of the surplus parcel was completed by the NHDOT's Cultural resource program and it was determined there were no potential to cause effect or no concerns about the property. Two rock walls were found during the site visit and it is recommended that stone wall impacts be avoided. The EMMIT Map was utilized during the cultural review. A review of the historic Cartographic dated to the 1800s- and 1900s may have indicated the parcel may have been used as backlots for farming and logging. Factors found in reviews indicate a low historic sensitivity for the parcel.

The New Hampshire Natural Heritage Bureau database was used to find records of rare species and exemplary natural communities on the parcel. There were no NHB records found on the parcel, the only records found within one mile of the parcel. The disposal of this surplus land is not expected to disturb the rare species and exemplary natural communities within one mile of the parcel.

The information for planning and consultation (IPAC) online resource was used to find a list of threatened and endangered species that may occur within the parcel area. Two threatened species were found in the resource. The Northern Long-eared Bat and the Small whorled Pogonia are listed but there are no critical habitats within the parcel are.

- This bureau does not object to the transfer of the subject property pending further environmental/archaeological review as noted above.
- The Bureau of Environment does not object to the transfer of this property.

Recommended Environmental Classification for the Federal Highway Administration is

- Class II – Categorical Exclusion (send to the Federal Highway Administration for concurrence)
- Class II – Programmatic Categorical Exclusion
- Other _____
- N/A

- The Bureau of Environment does not support the transfer of this property.

Attached:

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|---------------|-------------------------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Location Map: | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Railroad Layout or ROW Plan: | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| Aerial Photo: | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | NHNHB Letter: | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| Tax Map: | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Photographs: | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |

Exhibits:

1. Location Map
2. Topo Map
3. ROW Review
4. NHB Review
5. IPAC Review
6. Culture Review
7. Farmland Soils Map
8. Pics of Parcel
9. Land Cover Assessment
10. Designated River Buffer
11. Remediation Sites

Electronic copy to originating Bureau to be forwarded to:

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|---|--|--|
| Rivers Management Advisory Committee: | <input type="checkbox"/> Required | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Not Required |
| Lakes Management Advisory Committee: | <input type="checkbox"/> Required | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Not Required |
| DES Rivers Coordinator (Designated Rivers): | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Required | <input type="checkbox"/> Not Required |

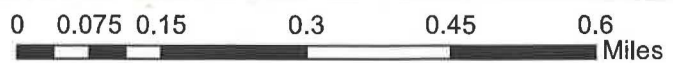
Conway - SP - 072921



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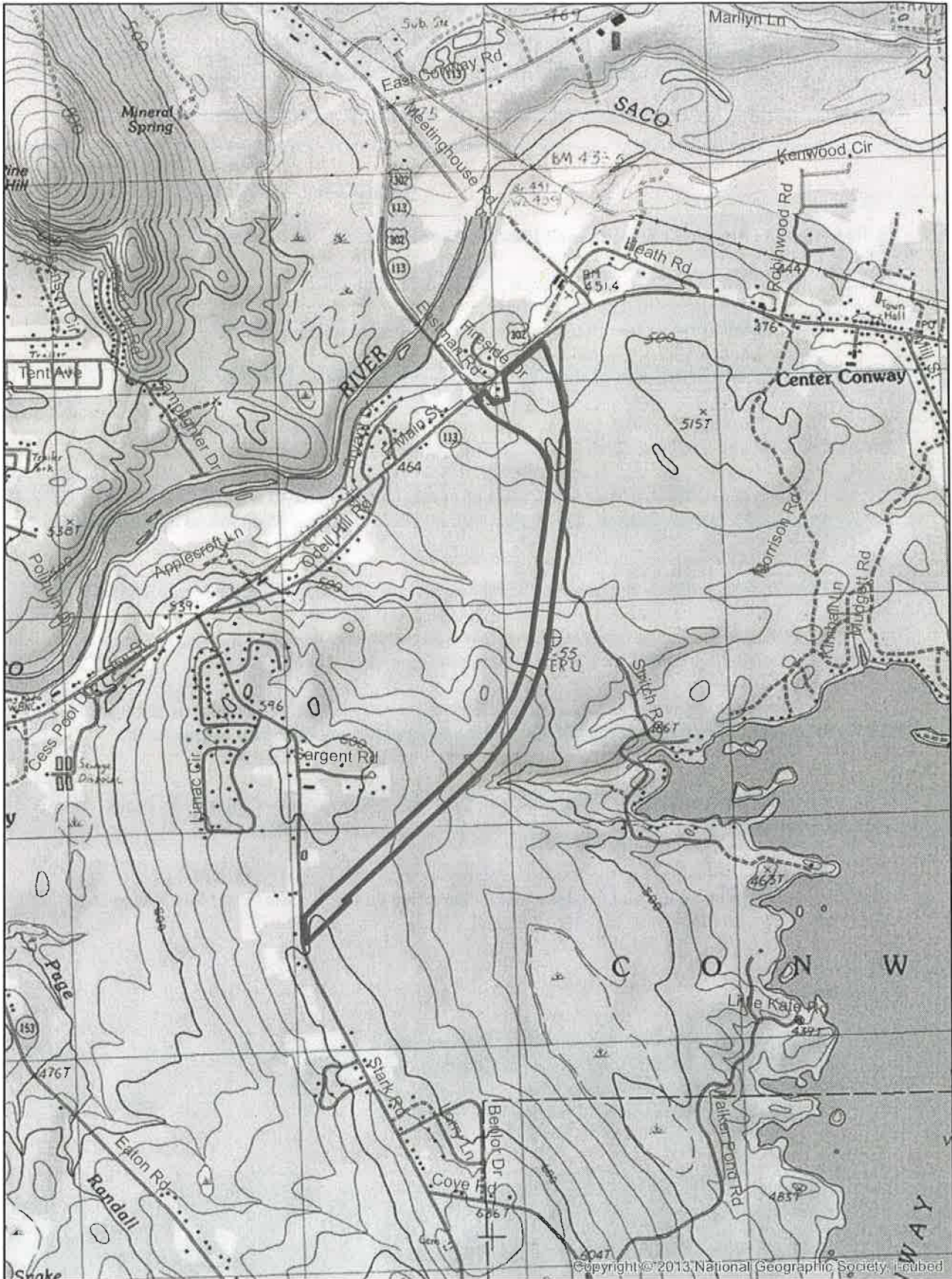
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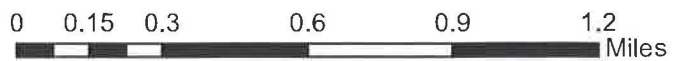
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 Project Area



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FROM: Stephen G. LaBonte
Administrator



DATE: July 29, 2021

AT (OFFICE): Department of Transportation
Bureau of Right-of-Way

SUBJECT: Disposal of State Owned Land in Conway

TO: James Marshall, Administrator, Highway Design
Alan Hanscom, District Engineer, District 3
Matt Urban, Chief of Operations Management, Environment
Shelley Winters, Administrator, Rail and Transit
Bill Watson, Administrator, Planning and Community Assistance

The Department (DOT) received a request from Northern Human Services to acquire a parcel of State owned land located on East Main Street in the Town of Conway.

The subject parcel consists of 144 ± acres of vacant land, which was acquired in 2005 for the Conway 11339B Bypass Project. The project was never constructed and dissolved on December 18, 2020.

Town records indicate this parcel as being located in the Residential/Agricultural District.

According to the Stewardship and Oversight Agreement between DOT and the Federal Highway Administration(FHWA), a FHWA review of this parcel is not necessary.

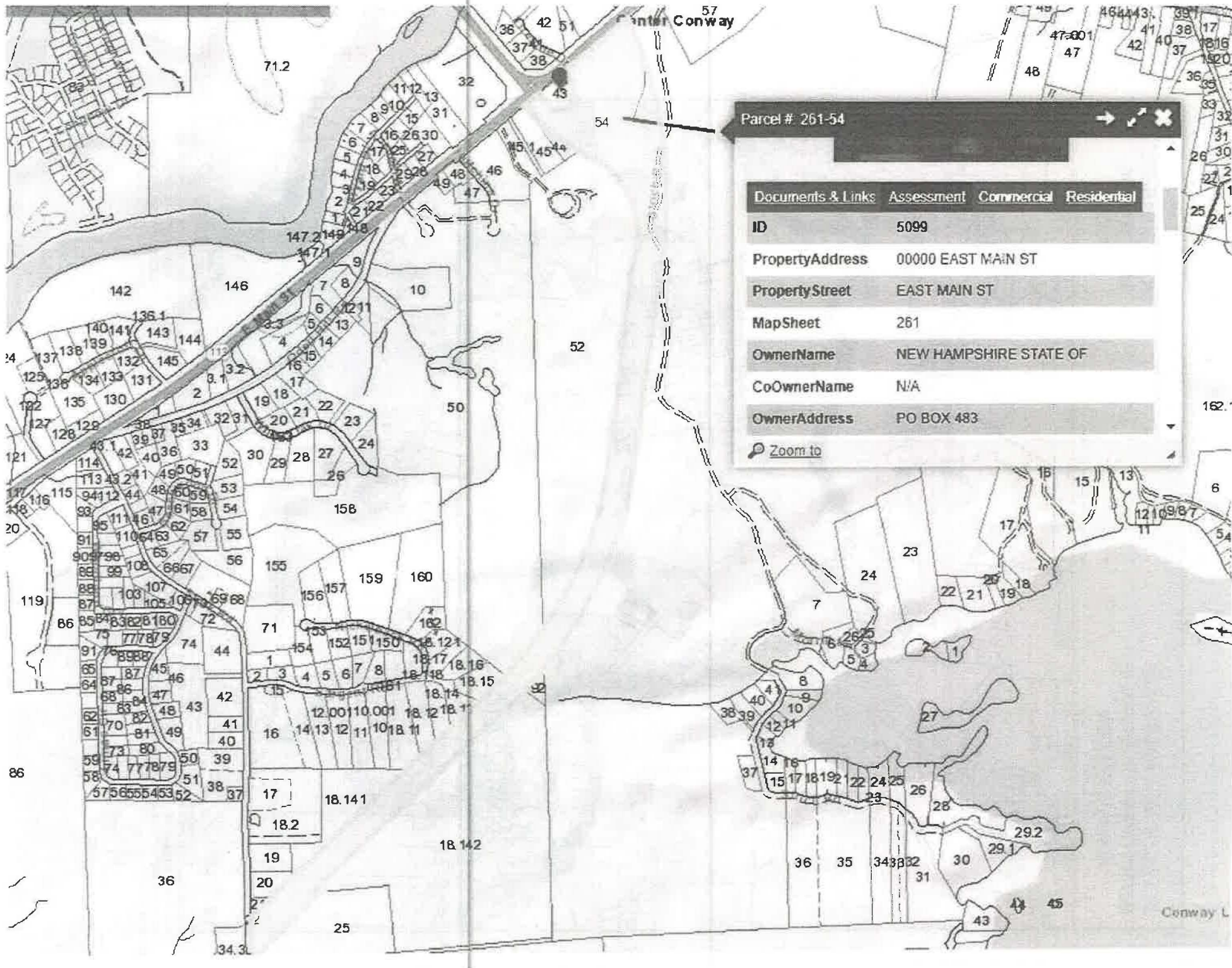
Please review this request to determine if the subject parcel could be considered surplus to your Bureau's current or future needs. If your Bureau has an interest or concern relative to the disposal of this parcel, please notify this Bureau in writing within thirty (30) days.

If you have any questions or concerns with this request please contact Andrew R. Pacuk either via email at Andrew.Pacuk@dot.nh.gov or by phone at (603) 271-3987.

Reference can be made to the following plan: Conway, STP-OAW-NHS-DPI-T-X-0153(001), 11339B, Parcel 98, and being the parcel identified on the Conway Tax Map as Map 261, Lot 54, and shown on Maps 260, 261, 266, 267, and 275.

ARP/jl
Attachments:

cc: Caleb Dobbins, Administrator, Highway Maintenance
Jennifer Lane, Administrative Assistant, Commissioner's Office
Adam Smith, Assistant Administrator
Lisa Weir, Chief of Property Management

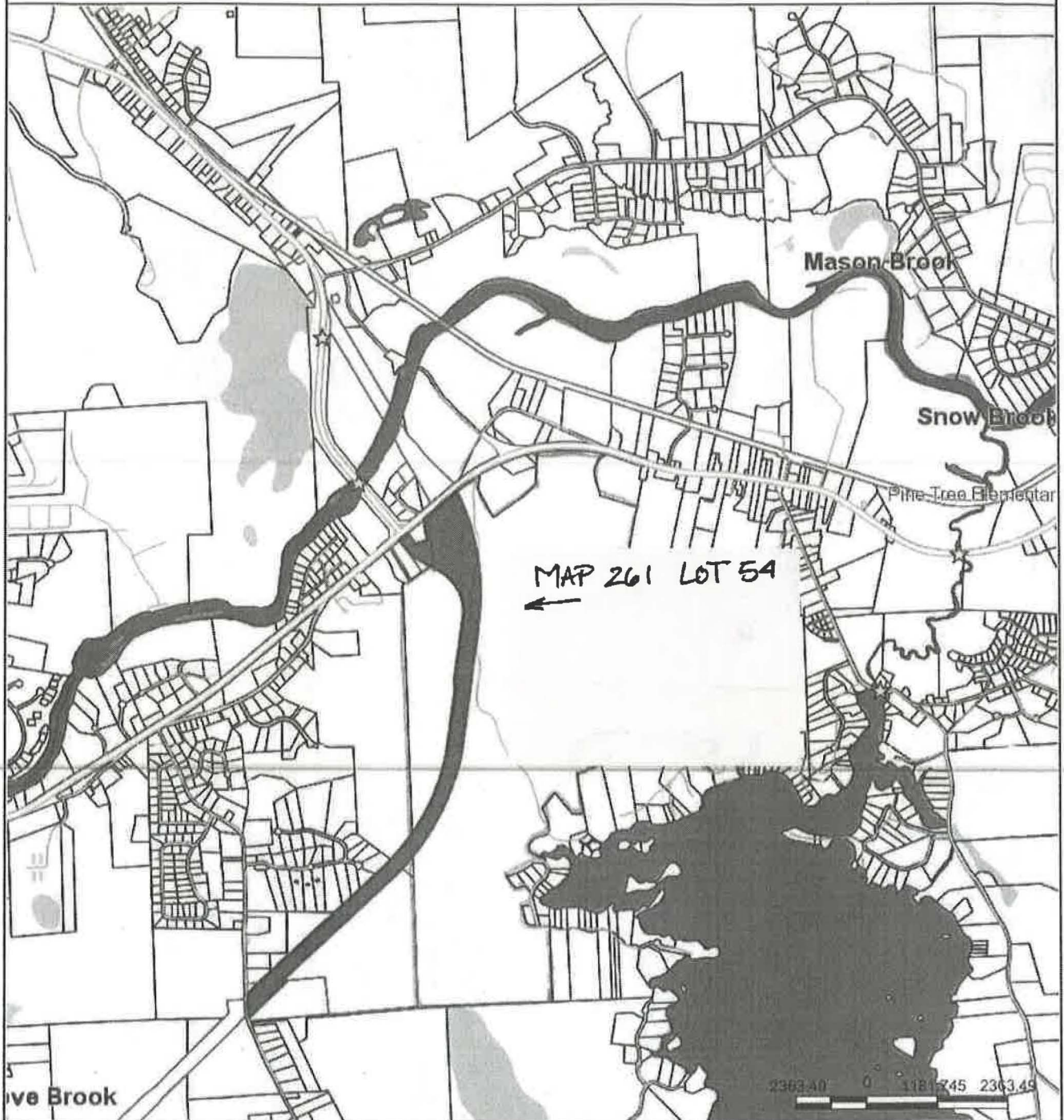


Parcel # 261-54

Documents & Links Assessment Commercial Residential

ID	5099
PropertyAddress	00000 EAST MAIN ST
PropertyStreet	EAST MAIN ST
MapSheet	261
OwnerName	NEW HAMPSHIRE STATE OF
CoOwnerName	N/A
OwnerAddress	PO BOX 483

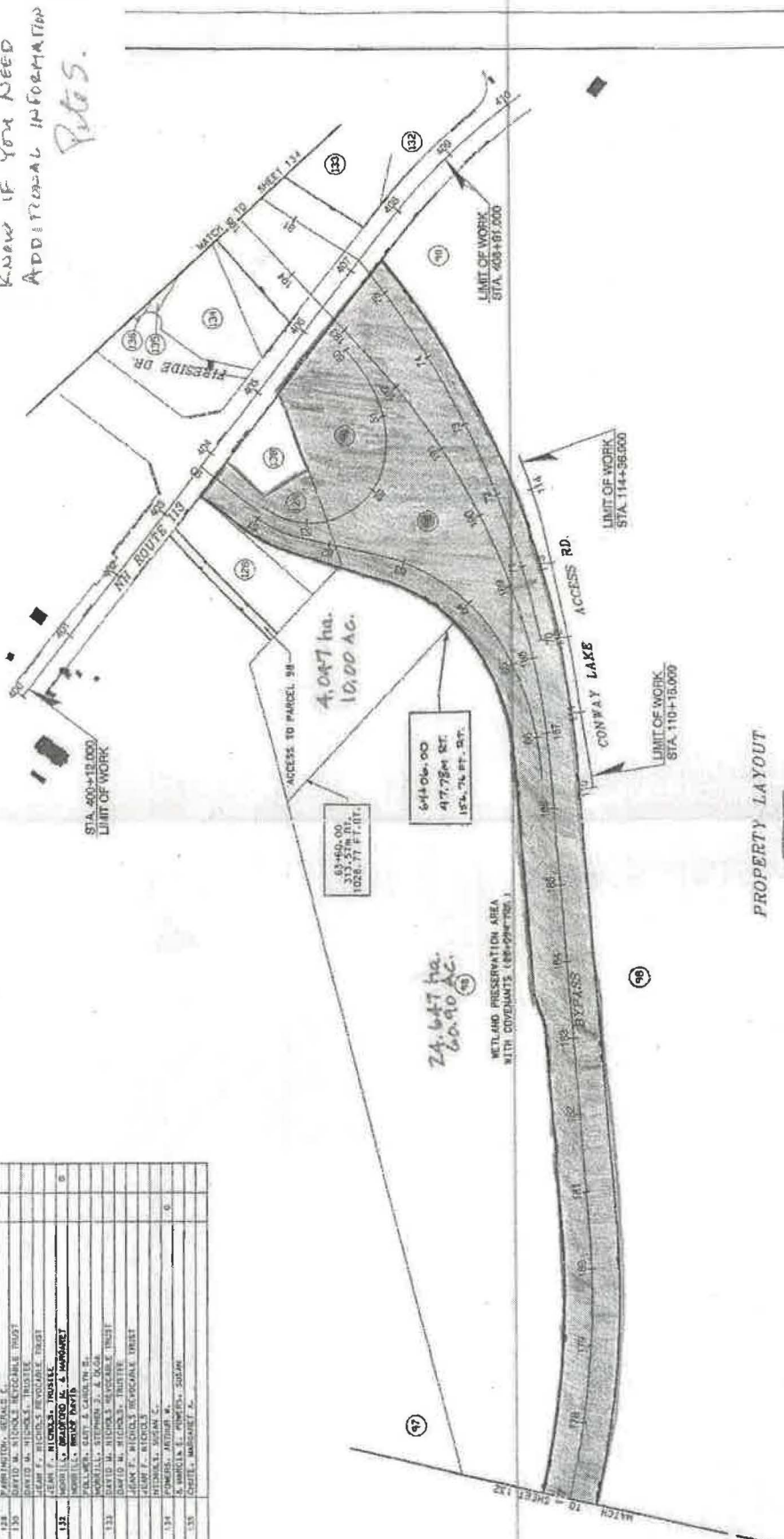
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DICK,
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 PLAN SHOWING A
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 PARCEL 98. LET ME
 KNOW IF YOU NEED
 ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
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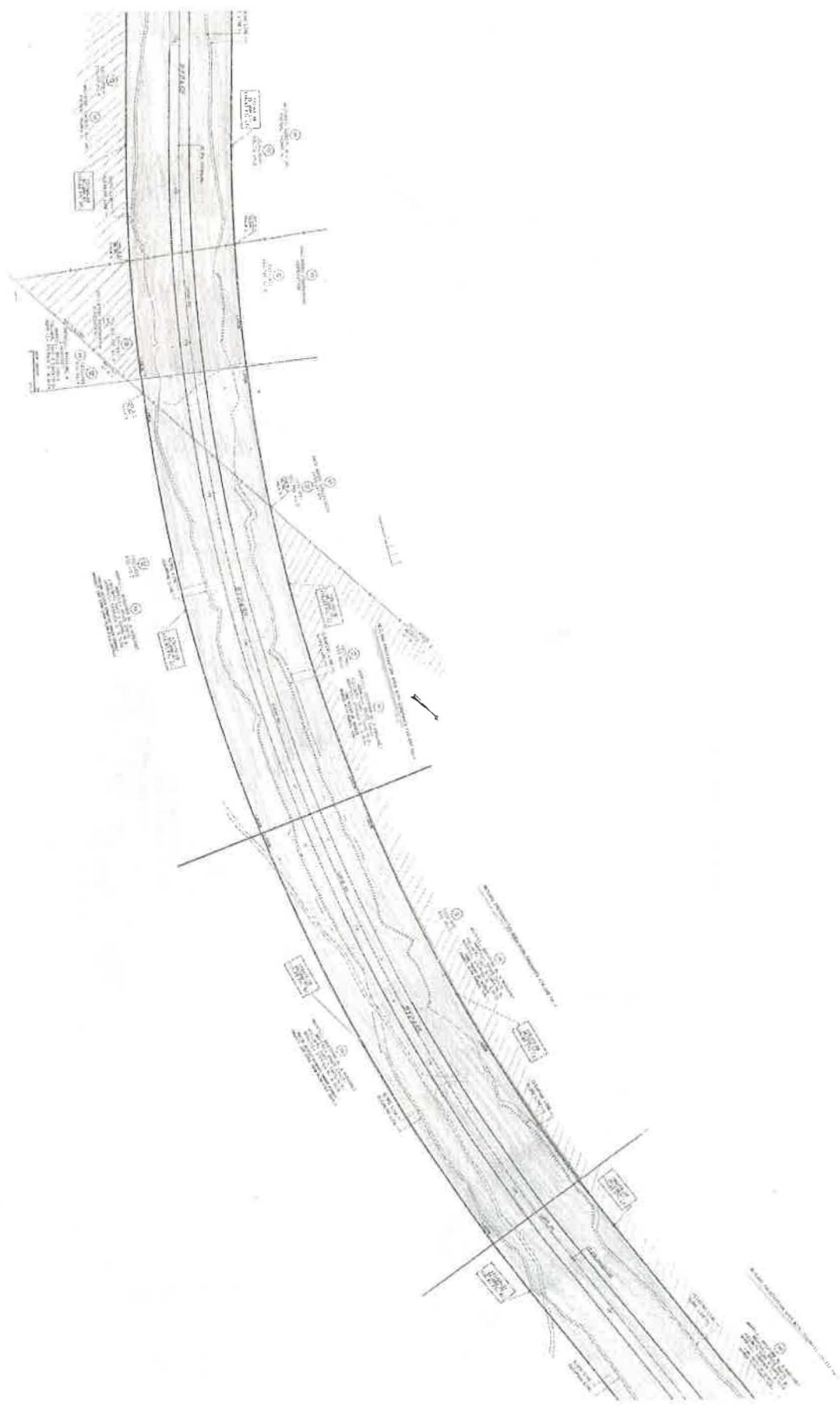
PARCEL NUMBER	OWNER	CHURCH OF CHRIST	CHURCH OF CHRIST
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129	MORRIS L. BRIST, DAVID		
130	PSYCHE, STEPHEN E. & ANNE		
131	JILLIETTE, JOHN		
132	ZARINGTON, STANLEY C.		
133	DAVID M. STONKS, NEGOTIABLE TRUST		
134	DAVID M. STONKS, TRUSTEE		
135	LEAH F. HICKS, INDIVIDUAL		
136	MORRIS L. BRADY, M. & MARGARET		
137	FRANK W. EAST & CAROLYN S.		
138	MORRIS L. STONKS, J. & DORIS		
139	DAVID M. STONKS, TRUSTEE (TRUST)		
140	JACK F. HICKS, NEGOTIABLE TRUST		
141	LEAH F. HICKS		
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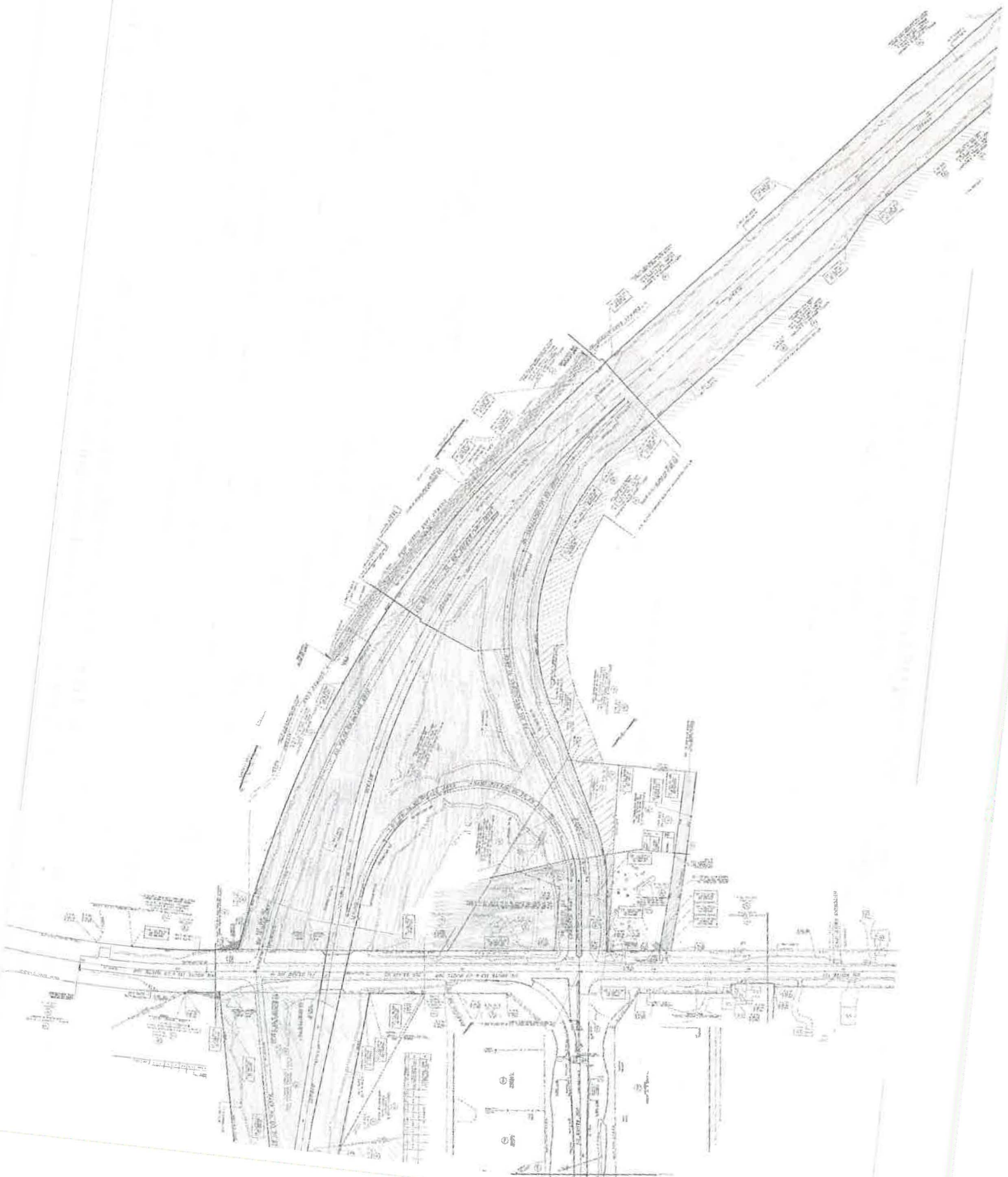


PROPERTY LAYOUT
 METRIC
 Approximate Scale 1:2400

NOTE PLAN SHALL NOT BE CONSIDERED IN A BOUNDARY SURVEY

PROJECT NO.	DATE	BY	SCALE	STATUS
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New Hampshire Natural Heritage Bureau

DNCR - Division of Forests & Lands
172 Pembroke Road, Concord, NH 03301
Phone: (603) 271-2214 Fax: (603) 271-6488

To: Sean Lamer
NHDOT Bureau of Environment
7 Hazen Drive
Concord, NH 03301

From: NH Natural Heritage Bureau

Date: 2021-08-18

Re: Review by NH Natural Heritage Bureau of request dated 2021-08-17

NHB File ID: 3714

Project type: Landowner Request

Town: Conway, NH

Location: Map 261, Lot 45, and shown on maps 260,261,266,267, and 275; NHDOT surplus land

We have searched our database for records of rare species and exemplary natural communities on the property(s) identified in your request. Our database includes known records for species officially listed as Threatened or Endangered by either the state of New Hampshire or the federal government, as well as species and natural communities judged by experts to be at risk in New Hampshire but not yet formally listed.

NHB records on the property(s): **None**

NHB records within one mile of the property(s):

	Last Reported	Listing Status		Conservation Rank	
		Federal	NH	Global	State
Invertebrate Species (For more information, contact Kim Tuttle, NH F&G at 271-6544)		Federal	NH	Global	State
Pygmy Snaketail - <i>Ophiogomphus howei</i>	2011	--	--	G3	S2
Natural Community		Federal	NH	Global	State
Emergent marsh	1997	--	--	GNR	S5
Silver maple - false nettle - sensitive fern floodplain forest	1997	--	--	GNR	S2
Hemlock - beech - oak - pine forest	1997	--	--	GNR	S5
Vertebrate Species		Federal	NH	Global	State
Common Loon - <i>Gavia immer</i>	2020	--	T	G5	S2B

Listing codes: T = Threatened, E = Endangered, SC = Special Concern

NOTE: This review *cannot* be used to satisfy a permit or other regulatory requirement to check for rare species or habitats that could be affected by a proposed project, since it provides detailed information only for records actually on the property.



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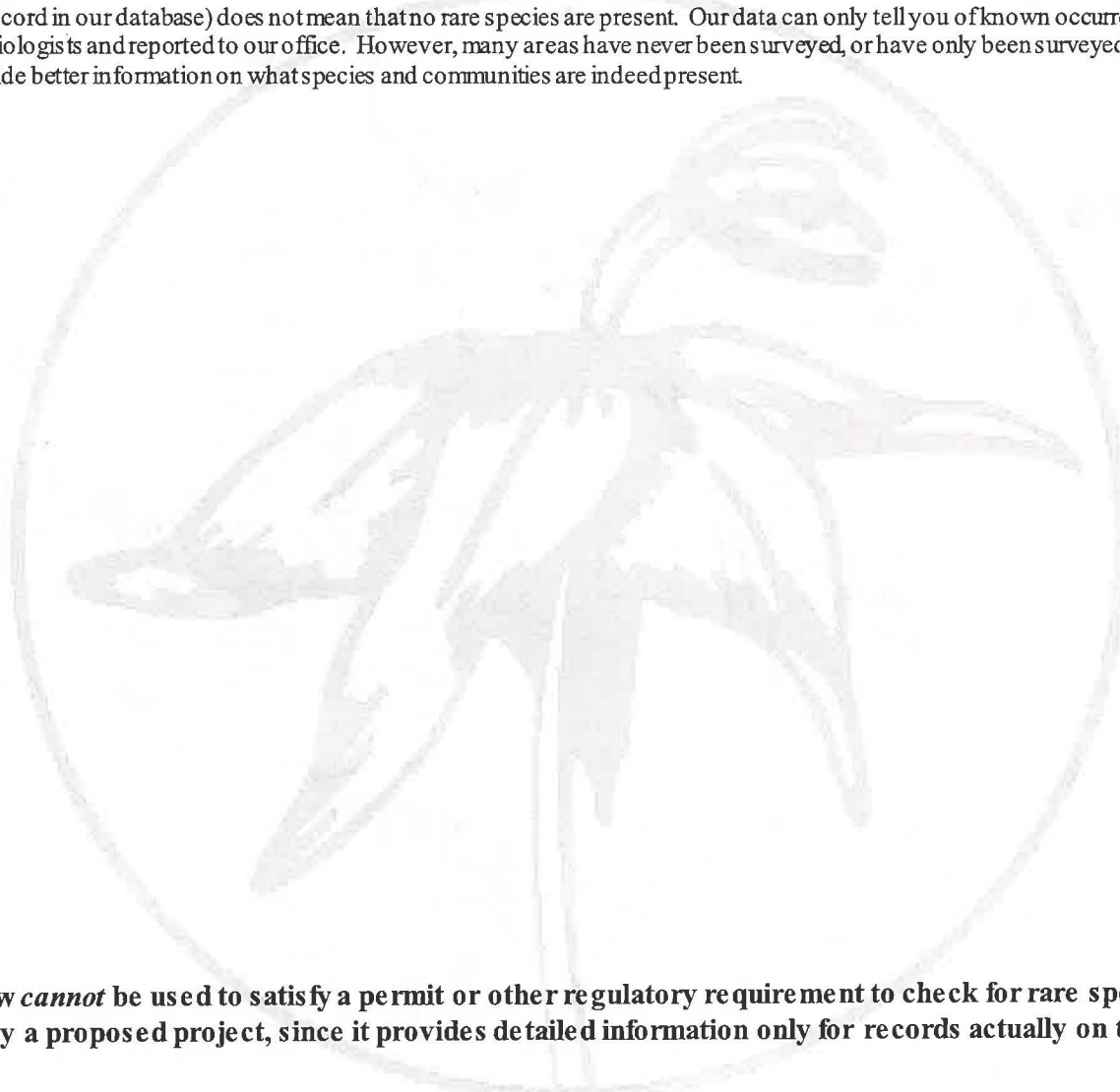
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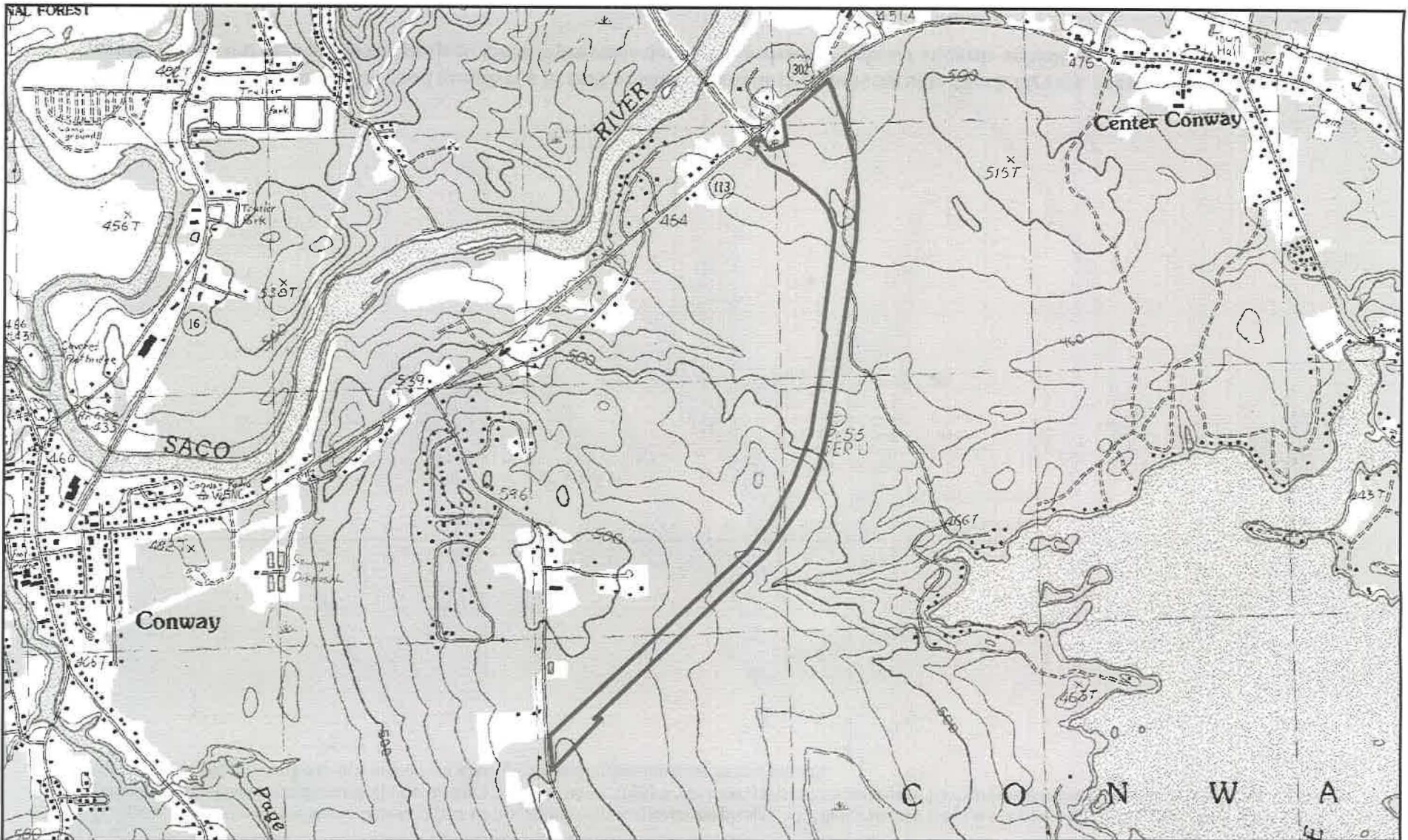
Rank prefix: G = Global, S = State, T = Global or state rank for a sub-species or variety (taxon)

Rank suffix: 1-5 = Most (1) to least (5) imperiled. "--", U, NR = Not ranked, B = Breeding population, N = Non-breeding, H = Historical, X = Extirpated.

A negative result (no record in our database) does not mean that no rare species are 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.



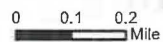
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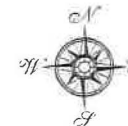
Natural Heritage Bureau
Landowner Report

Project ID Number: 3714

NOTE: Any rare species and/or exemplary natural communities in this area are not shown unless they occur, at least in part, within the property bounds.



Symbol	Category	# of Records
	Property Bounds	
	Plant Occurrence:	0
	Animal Occurrence:	0
	Natural Community:	0
	Ecological System:	0





United States Department of the Interior

FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE
New England Ecological Services Field Office
70 Commercial Street, Suite 300
Concord, NH 03301-5094
Phone: (603) 223-2541 Fax: (603) 223-0104
<http://www.fws.gov/newengland>



In Reply Refer To:

August 16, 2021

Consultation Code: 05E1NE00-2021-SLI-4410

Event Code: 05E1NE00-2021-E-13502

Project Name: Conway - SP - 072921

Subject: List of threatened and endangered species that may occur in your proposed project location or may be affected by your proposed project

To Whom It May Concern:

The enclosed species list identifies threatened, endangered, proposed and candidate species, as well as proposed and final designated critical habitat, that may occur within the boundary of your proposed project and/or may be affected by your proposed project. The species list fulfills the requirements of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service) under section 7(c) of the Endangered Species Act (Act) of 1973, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*).

New information based on updated surveys, changes in the abundance and distribution of species, changed habitat conditions, or other factors could change this list. Please feel free to contact us if you need more current information or assistance regarding the potential impacts to federally proposed, listed, and candidate species and federally designated and proposed critical habitat. Please note that under 50 CFR 402.12(e) of the regulations implementing section 7 of the Act, the accuracy of this species list should be verified after 90 days. This verification can be completed formally or informally as desired. The Service recommends that verification be completed by visiting the ECOS-IPaC website at regular intervals during project planning and implementation for updates to species lists and information. An updated list may be requested through the ECOS-IPaC system by completing the same process used to receive the enclosed list.

The purpose of the Act is to provide a means whereby threatened and endangered species and the ecosystems upon which they depend may be conserved. Under sections 7(a)(1) and 7(a)(2) of the Act and its implementing regulations (50 CFR 402 *et seq.*), Federal agencies are required to utilize their authorities to carry out programs for the conservation of threatened and endangered species and to determine whether projects may affect threatened and endangered species and/or designated critical habitat.

A Biological Assessment is required for construction projects (or other undertakings having similar physical impacts) that are major Federal actions significantly affecting the quality of the human environment as defined in the National Environmental Policy Act (42 U.S.C. 4332(2)(c)). For projects other than major construction activities, the Service suggests that a biological evaluation similar to a Biological Assessment be prepared to determine whether the project may affect listed or proposed species and/or designated or proposed critical habitat. Recommended contents of a Biological Assessment are described at 50 CFR 402.12.

If a Federal agency determines, based on the Biological Assessment or biological evaluation, that listed species and/or designated critical habitat may be affected by the proposed project, the agency is required to consult with the Service pursuant to 50 CFR 402. In addition, the Service recommends that candidate species, proposed species and proposed critical habitat be addressed within the consultation. More information on the regulations and procedures for section 7 consultation, including the role of permit or license applicants, can be found in the "Endangered Species Consultation Handbook" at:

<http://www.fws.gov/endangered/esa-library/pdf/TOC-GLOS.PDF>

Please be aware that bald and golden eagles are protected under the Bald and Golden Eagle Protection Act (16 U.S.C. 668 *et seq.*), and projects affecting these species may require development of an eagle conservation plan (http://www.fws.gov/windenergy/eagle_guidance.html). Additionally, wind energy projects should follow the wind energy guidelines (<http://www.fws.gov/windenergy/>) for minimizing impacts to migratory birds and bats.

Guidance for minimizing impacts to migratory birds for projects including communications towers (e.g., cellular, digital television, radio, and emergency broadcast) can be found at:

<http://www.fws.gov/migratorybirds/CurrentBirdIssues/Hazards/towers/towers.htm>;

<http://www.towerkill.com>; and

www.fws.gov/migratorybirds/CurrentBirdIssues/Hazards/towers/comtow.html.

<http://>

We appreciate your concern for threatened and endangered species. The Service encourages Federal agencies to include conservation of threatened and endangered species into their project planning to further the purposes of the Act. Please include the Consultation Tracking Number in the header of this letter with any request for consultation or correspondence about your project that you submit to our office.

Attachment(s):

- Official Species List

Official Species List

This list is provided pursuant to Section 7 of the Endangered Species Act, and fulfills the requirement for Federal agencies to "request of the Secretary of the Interior information whether any species which is listed or proposed to be listed may be present in the area of a proposed action".

This species list is provided by:

New England Ecological Services Field Office

70 Commercial Street, Suite 300

Concord, NH 03301-5094

(603) 223-2541

Project Summary

Consultation Code: 05E1NE00-2021-SLI-4410

Event Code: 05E1NE00-2021-E-13502

Project Name: Conway - SP - 072921

Project Type: TRANSPORTATION

Project Description: Disposal of State owned land.

Project Location:

Approximate location of the project can be viewed in Google Maps: <https://www.google.com/maps/@43.98258265,-71.07988285477137,14z>



Counties: Carroll County, New Hampshire

Endangered Species Act Species

There is a total of 2 threatened, endangered, or candidate species on this species list.

Species on this list should be considered in an effects analysis for your project and could include species that exist in another geographic area. For example, certain fish may appear on the species list because a project could affect downstream species.

IPaC does not display listed species or critical habitats under the sole jurisdiction of NOAA Fisheries¹, as USFWS does not have the authority to speak on behalf of NOAA and the Department of Commerce.

See the "Critical habitats" section below for those critical habitats that lie wholly or partially within your project area under this office's jurisdiction. Please contact the designated FWS office if you have questions.

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1. NOAA Fisheries, also known as the National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), is an office of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration within the Department of Commerce.

Mammals

NAME	STATUS
Northern Long-eared Bat <i>Myotis septentrionalis</i> No critical habitat has been designated for this species. Species profile: https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/9045	Threatened

Flowering Plants

NAME	STATUS
Small Whorled Pogonia <i>Isotria medeoloides</i> Population: No critical habitat has been designated for this species. Species profile: https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/1890	Threatened

Critical habitats

THERE ARE NO CRITICAL HABITATS WITHIN YOUR PROJECT AREA UNDER THIS OFFICE'S JURISDICTION.

NHDOT Cultural Resources Review

For the purpose of compliance with regulations of the National Historic Preservation Act, the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation's *Procedures for the Protection of Historic Properties* (36 CFR 800), the US Army Corps of Engineers' *Appendix C*, and/or state regulation RSA 227-C:9, *Directive for Cooperation in the Protection of Historic Resources*, the NHDOT Cultural Resources Program has reviewed the proposed project for potential impacts to historic properties.

PROJECT PROPOSAL: NHDOT received a request from Northern Human Services to acquire a parcel of State owned land located on East Main Street in Conway. The parcel, 144 acres of vacant land within a Residential/Agricultural District (Conway Tax Map 261, Lot 54, on Maps 260, 261, 266, 267, and 275), was acquired in 2005 for the Conway 11339B Bypass Project (STP-OAW-NHS-DPI-T-X-0153(001) Parcel 98), which was never constructed and dissolved on December 18, 2020.

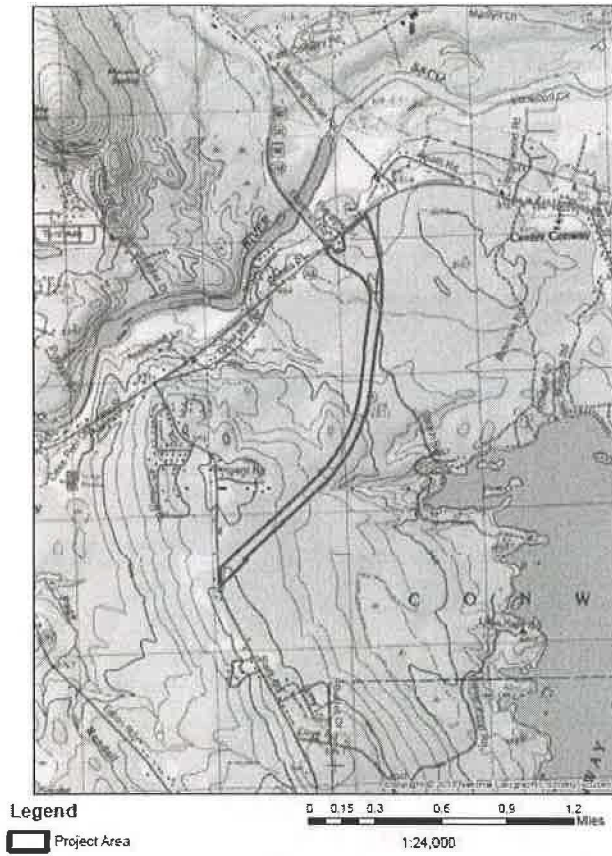
The NH Natural Heritage Bureau records (1997) within one mile of the property indicated natural settings that included Emergent marsh, Silver maple - false nettle - sensitive fern floodplain forest, and Hemlock - beech - oak - pine forest. The soils are classified as farmland of local importance.

NHDOT BOE Sean Lerner conducted field review in mid-August. The best access to the parcel is east from Stark Road at the south end of the project area, although there is a shorter drive extending southwest from East Main Street into the parcel. The parcel alignment coincides with a cleared and maintained snowmobile/ ATV trail (approximately 20-30 ft wide) extending east from Stark Road towards the north east to connect to East Main Street.

Other features noted during the field walkover included:

- A bronze property marker within the ROW north of the stone wall along the south side of East Main Street, west of the short dirt drive into the study parcel. The inscription on the bronze marker that is cemented onto a square base notes, "State of New Hampshire/Penalty for Disturbing/DPW & H.
- Stonewalls, including along the north boundary of the parcel along the south side of East Main Street; along Stark Road both north and south of the dirt drive; and extending south from East Main Street most likely defining part of the property line associated with the parcel with the standing structure (1049 East Main Street).
- Trails near the center of the project that are radiating and leading south and west towards the Adult Daycare Center on Stark Road.
- Extending northeast from Stark Road is a drive into a sand/gravel pit with 2 parked trailers. A portion of the pit extends into the west side of the central project area.
- Bisecting the east boundary of the center of the parcel is a curving portion of Stritch Road. Dumping off this rural road has resulted in piles of brush, metal, and a tractor tire.
- No stream crossings were found within the parcel.

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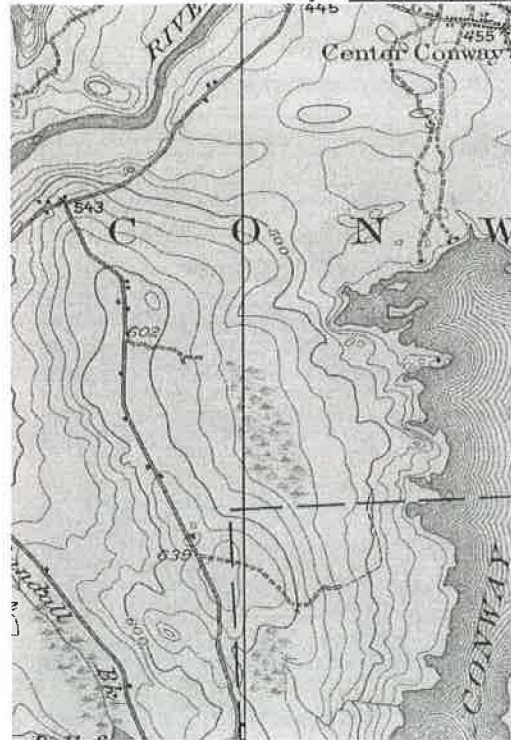
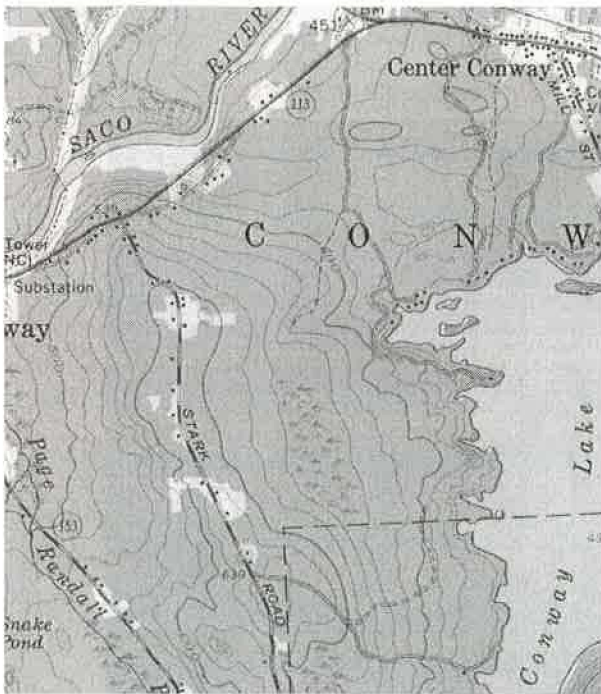


USGS 1958 Ossipee Lake, NH Topographic Quadrangle depicting structures clustered along road corridors

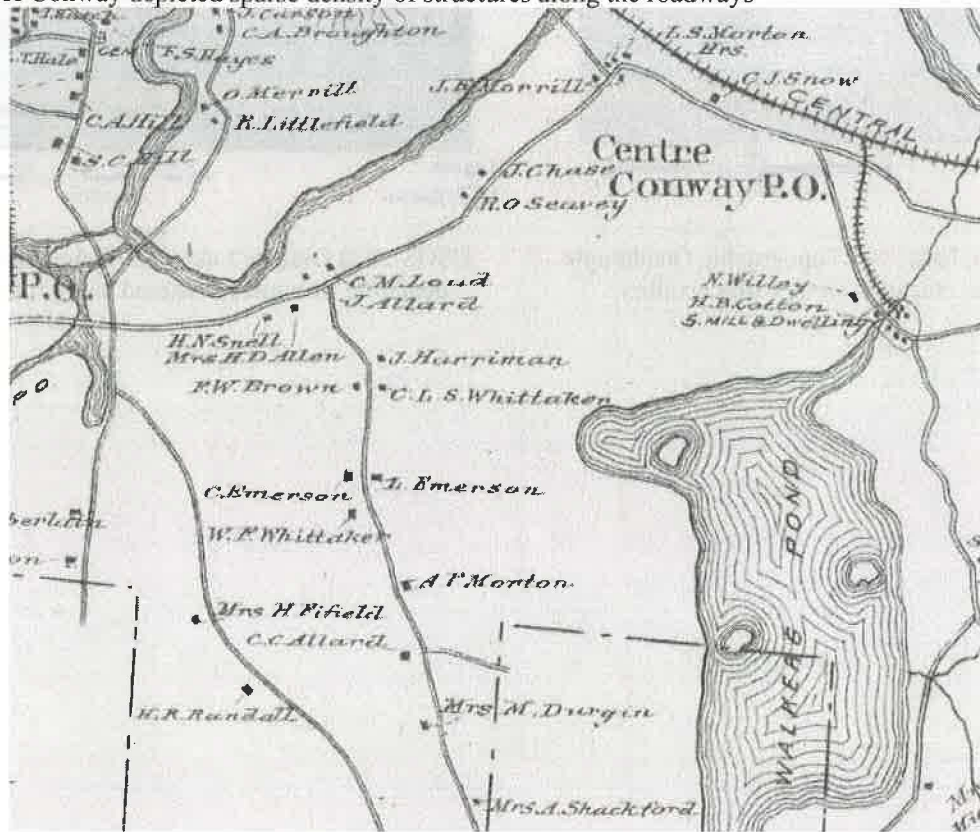
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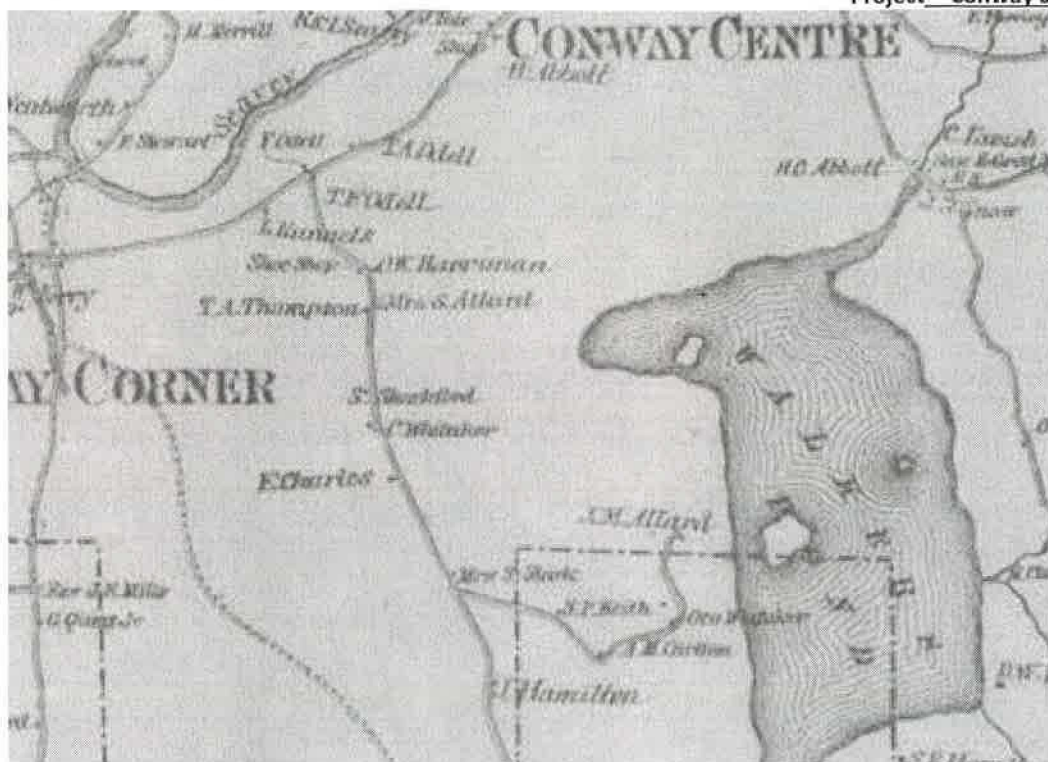
USGS 1930 Ossipee Lake, NH Topographic Quadrangle depicting structures clustered along road corridors



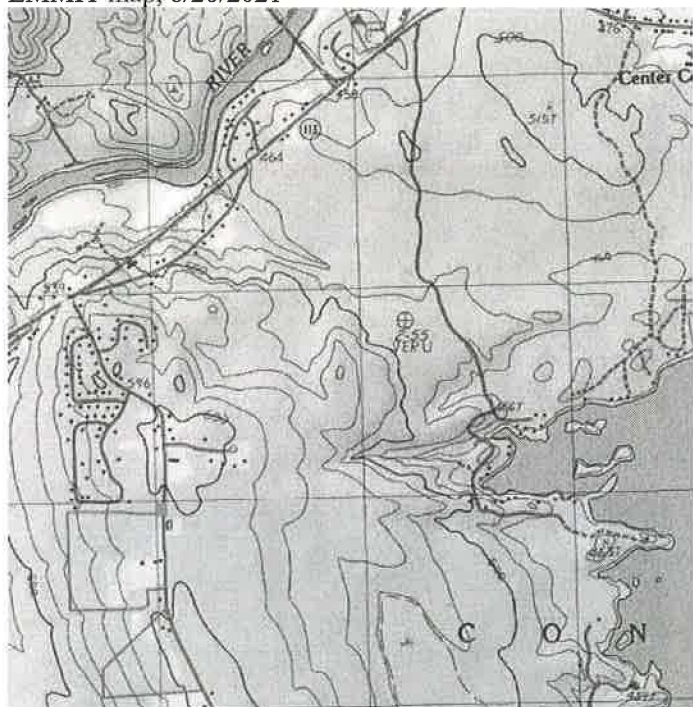
1892 Hurd Map of Conway depicted sparse density of structures along the roadways



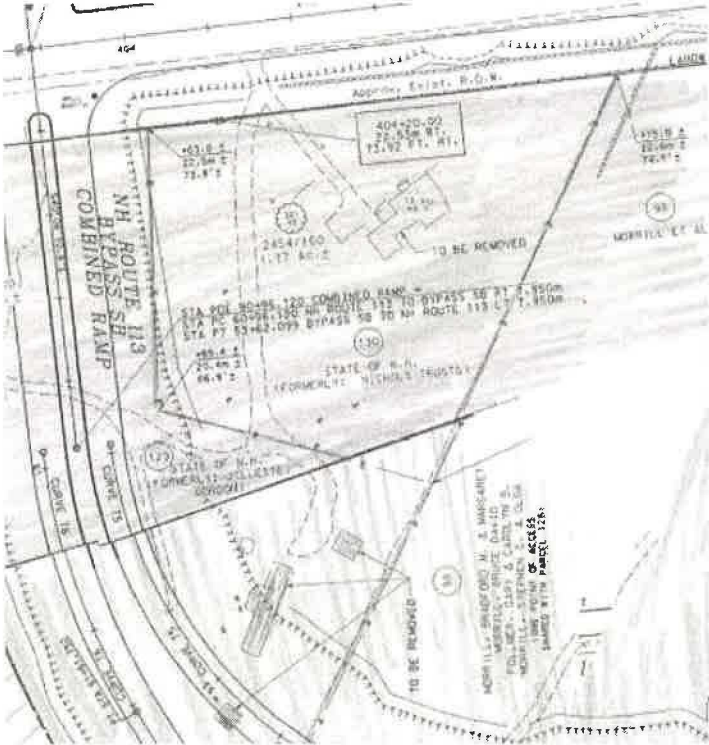
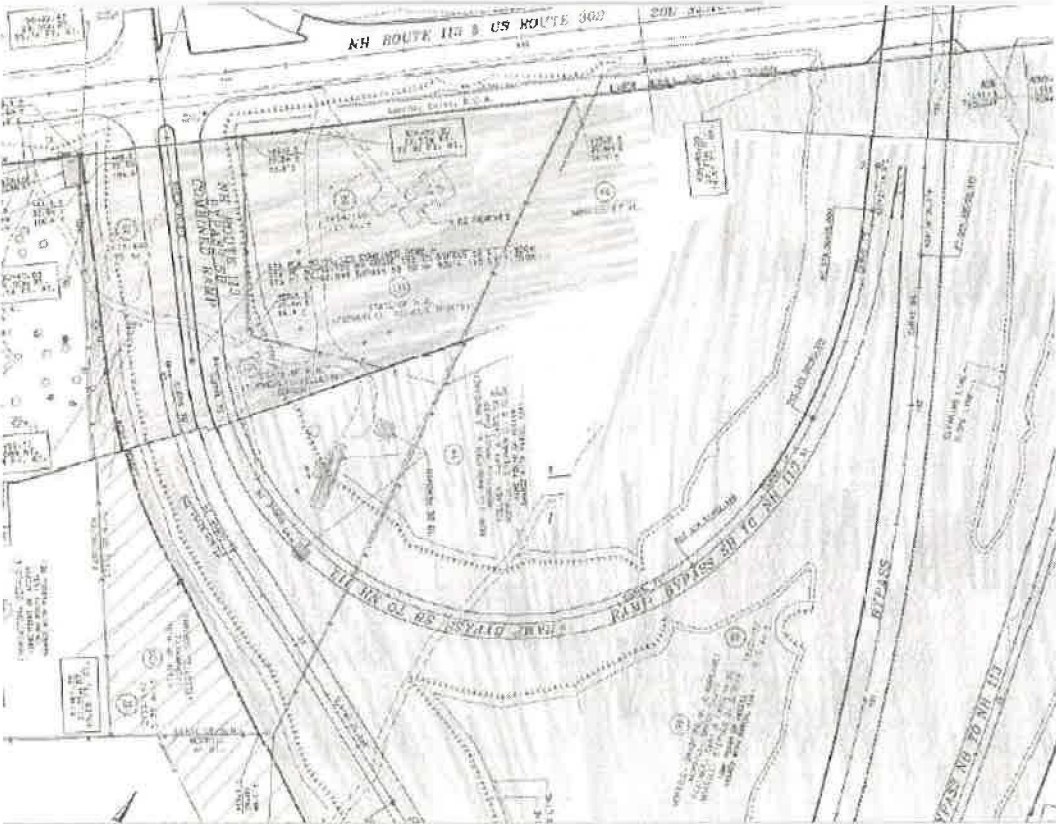
1861 H.F. Walling Map of Conway depicted sparse density of structures along the roadways



EMMIT map, 8/20/2021



The NHDOT Design Plan c.2005 indicated only a few existing structures/features in the study area, including a house on Parcel 130 (on the south side of NH RT 113/US RT 302 (between Fireside Drive and US RT 302) and two smaller buildings on Parcel 98, noting these were to be removed



PARCEL NUMBER	OWNER	CROSSING POINTS OF ACCESS	
		L1.	RT.
98	MORRILL, BRADFORD M. & MARGARET		1
	MORRILL, BRUCE DAVID		
	FOLGER, GARY E. CAROLYN B.		
	MORRILL, STEPHEN D. & OLGA		
129	JILLETTE, GORDON		
128	FARRINGTON, GERALD E.		
130	DAVID W. NICHOLS REVOCABLE TRUST		
	DAVID W. NICHOLS, TRUSTEE		
	JEAN F. NICHOLS REVOCABLE TRUST		
	JEAN F. NICHOLS, TRUSTEE		

While reviewing the study area, it was noted that a former cultural resources review was undertaken for a portion of the parcel adjacent to the northern boundary of the study area. This review has information pertinent to the review of this study area SP-072921.

Conway East Main Street SP-060821



The review for Conway SP-060821 (Tax Map 261, Lot 43, Parcel 130, 1.77 acres at 1049 East Main Street on south side of RT 302, east of the junction of Eastman Road) noted that the property was previously reviewed under Surplus Land-Conway 42869-1 and it was concluded there were no cultural concerns (6/25/2021). It was recommended however that the identified historic stone walls along the eastern boundary and along NH RT 302 be avoided. The parcel contained a 1954 1story Cape (1049 East Main St) with an attached garage. The structure was not 50 years old when the Conway 13349B project was reviewed and DOEd (1993). Review under SP-42869 noted an RPR was submitted to NHDHR and it was determined the house is likely not eligible as it is a common example of its type and does not rise to individual eligibility. Arin Mills and NHDOT Archaeologist Sheila Charles conducted a site walkover to assess the archaeological sensitivity and determined the parcel has low sensitivity due to house construction and modification of the landscape. EMMIT (NHDHR Enhanced Mapping & Management Information Tool) review was undertaken on June 25, 2021, and no historic or archaeological resources were documented for the project area.

More pertinent for determining the sensitivity of the current study area (Conway SP-072921, particularly the northern portion of the study area) is the archaeological review for Conway SP-060821/SP-42869. The Phase I Site Identification and Phase II Intensive Study Archeology Study: Conway Project HDPPE-9117(1), 11339A Conway, New Hampshire (Bunker, Gengras, Pinello and Potter 1995) included an investigation of the ROW immediately adjacent to the proposed surplus area. Sampling Location #63, at the southeast intersection of Rts 302/113, was established. The setting is a high glacial outwash terrace overlooking the Saco River, where immediate margins of the ROW are wooded and abut the residential property.

Above Ground Review

Known/approximate age of structures:
There are no standing structures located on the parcel.

EMMIT (8/20/2021) did not indicate any individually inventoried properties or historic districts are associated with the project area.

Nearby resources immediately north of the north end of the project area and on the opposite side of RT 302/Route 113) is the Cutts/Eastman Farm (CNW0421; 212 Caliso Rd). This 222.5-acre property was individually inventoried and determined to be NR eligible. It is recognized as a significant agricultural complex with well-preserved buildings (1802-1942).

Nearby resources immediately west of the southwest end of the project area and on the opposite side of Stark Road is:

- the Shackford Farm (CNW0442; 462 Stark Road). This 50-acre parcel with a structure originally dating to 1790 was determined not eligible (DOE July 1, 1992).
- House (CNW0022; 382 Stark Road). This .5 acres parcel with a residence dating to 1955/1978 was not 50 years old when the area was surveyed.

No Potential to Cause Effect/No Concerns

Concerns:

Below Ground Review

Recorded Archaeological site: Yes No

Nearest Recorded Archaeological Site Name & Number: 27-CA-0115 Cutts-Eastman Quarry Site
 Pre-Contact Post-Contact (granite boulder quarry and farmstead)
Yellow box on EMMIT map

The project area also lies in proximity to a cluster of Pre-Contact sites near the Saco River, including 27-CA-0103 Nichols Woods Site (Bunker, Gengras, Pinello, Potter 1995, Phase IA/II investigation).

Distance from Project Area: 300 ft south of project area (on north side of NH RT 113/US RT 302)

No Potential to Cause Effect/No Concerns

Concerns

EMMIT (NHDHR Enhanced Mapping & Management Information Tool) review on August 20, 2021 revealed no historic or archaeological resources.

Former archaeological investigations that are pertinent for determining the sensitivity of the current study area (Conway SP-072921, particularly the northern portion of the study area) includes the archaeological review for Conway SP-060821/SP-42869 and a Phase I Site Identification and Phase II Intensive Study Archeology Study: Conway Project HDPPE-9117(1), 11339A Conway, New Hampshire (Bunker, Gengras, Pinello and Potter 1995). The latter investigation included the ROW immediately adjacent to the proposed surplus area. Sampling Location #63, at the southeast intersection of Rts 302/113, was established. The setting is a high glacial outwash terrace overlooking the Saco River, where immediate margins of the ROW are wooded and abut the residential property.

Bunker, Gengras, Pinello and Potter 1995:64

Sampling location #63 lies on an intact remnant of terrace surface on the eastern margin of the intersection. This segment of the right-of-way includes open mowed surfaces beside the margins of a turning lane and a wooded fringe of mature conifer and hardwoods following the right-of-way fence. Bedrock is exposed on the mowed surface.

A single transect of 5 shovel tests was placed within the tree line, approximately 5m from the right-of-way fence (Figure 62). Tests were completed at 8m intervals and were excavated to a maximum depth of 60cm below surface. The soil profiles of three test units (TP#1, 2 and 3) exhibited a plow zone stratum of dark brown sandy loam over undisturbed subsoils of yellowish brown coarse sand and gravel. The profiles of remaining test pits (TP# 4 and 5) exhibited considerable soil disturbance which may be attributed to earlier highway construction. These displayed either truncated subsoils with no overlying topsoil or plow zone stratum, or an overburden of mixed sand and gravel above a buried organic duff, a plow zone stratum and subsoil stratum. No historic or prehistoric cultural materials were recovered.

Conclusions:

- Some archaeological Phase IA/IB testing at the northern end of the project area was negative, no Pre- or Post- Contact cultural resources were encountered.
- Portions of the parcel have been impacted by ATV trail vegetation clearing and maintenance.
- A portion of the central area of the study area has been impacted by gravel and sand recovery and associated storage activities.
- Some impacts are also associated with radiating trails within the parcel.
- Sean Lerner did not identify any additional cultural features (such as foundations, cemeteries, wells, etc) during his August walkover of the parcel, other than the stonewall sections that line the roads on the north and west boundaries of the study area.
- Historic Cartographic review dating between the mid-1800 to the mid-1900s depicted structures focused in a linear fashion along the roadways. This may also indicate the project area may have been used as backlots for farming and logging.

These factors provide data that contribute to the evaluation of low sensitivity for the study area.

It is recommended that stone wall impacts be avoided.

Compiled and Reviewed by:

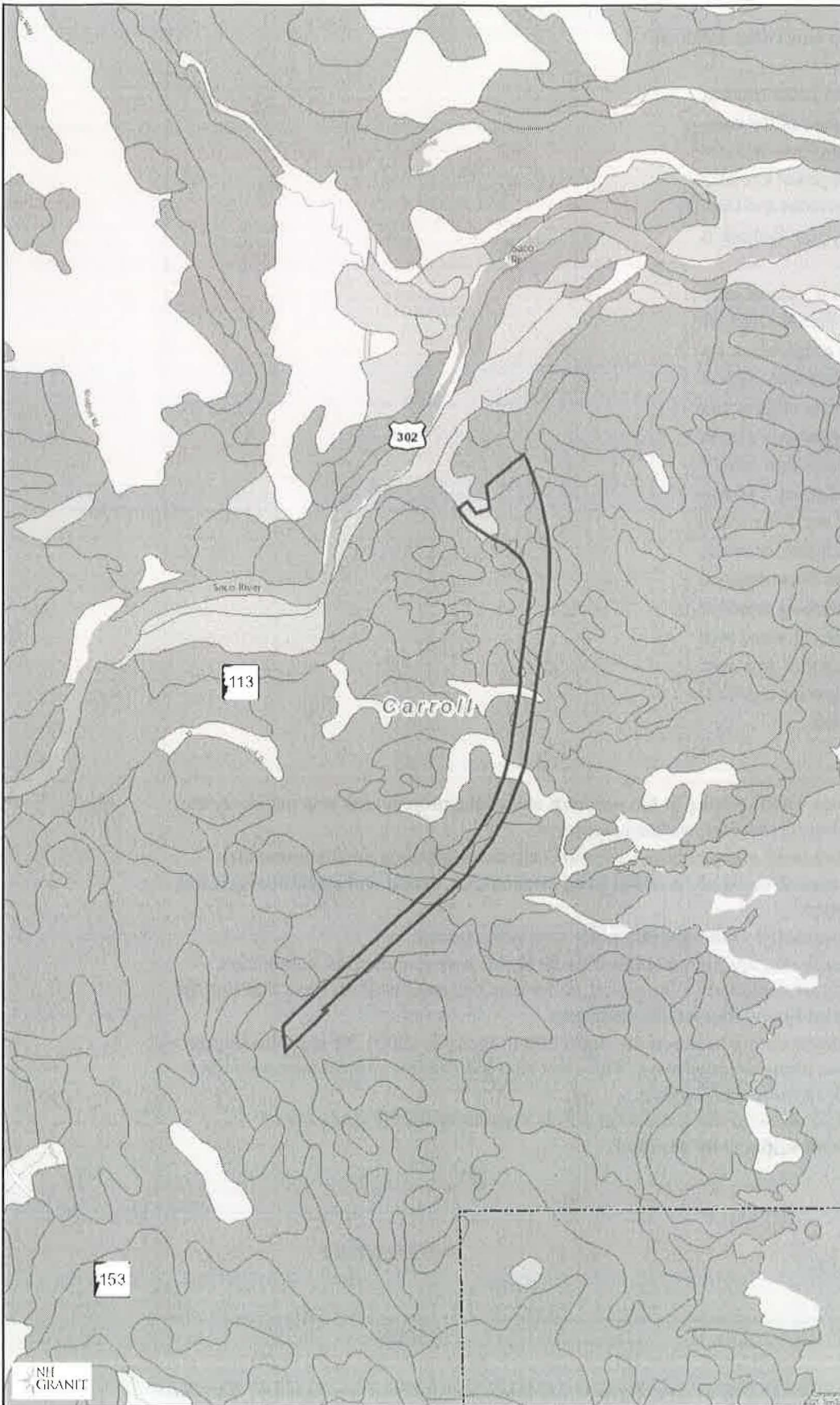
Sheila Charles

8/23/2021

NHDOT Cultural Resources Staff

Date:

Conway - SP - 072921



Legend

- State
- County
- City/Town
- Farmland Soils**
 - <all other values>
 - Conditional Prime Farmland
 - All areas are prime farmland
 - Farmland of local importance
 - Farmland of statewide importance

Map Scale

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Stark Rd opening to parcel.



More of the rock wall to the north of opening.

Rockwall is seen north of opening.



Looking North from Stark Rd opening.



Looking South from Stark Rd opening.



Opening at Stark Rd looking west, away from Parcel. Rock wall looks to have worn away. Also a fence across the street for the trail to continue.



First sign of Recreation: X-Country skiing.



Second sign: Snowmobiling speed limit sign by NH trails department.



Third sign: ATV Tracks on Trail.



Trail follows northeast towards East Main St.



Gravel pit closer to the Stark Rd (southern) side of Parcel.



Stritch Rd winds through Parcel. Looking south on Stritch Rd



Looking North on Stritch Rd.



An opening off of Stritch Rd goes east away from Parcel.



Opening on west side of Stritch Rd goes into parcel. Two paths are seen. Southwest path is cut of in picture. Second path continues west.



Pile of brush with a big piece of metal on top by opening by Stritch Rd.



Tire found on west path off of Stritch Rd.



West path continues to Mt Washington Valley Adult Day Center (building in background).



Southwest path leads to multiple clear cut paths following South.



Continuing South on path off of Stritch Rd has areas of clear cut paths.



Area of Parcel by East Main St. Looking Southwest.



Looking Northeast.



Rock Wall going south east towards
the parcel on the East Main St.



Property marker found near East Main St within
area of parcel



Opening by East Main St. Not as maintained as rest of paths and opens into a driveway.

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Legend

- State
- County
- City/Town
- 2001 NH Landcover Assess
 - Residential/Industrial/Commercial
 - Transportation
 - ▨ Row Crops
 - Hay/Pasture
 - ▨ Fruit Orchard
 - Beech/Oak
 - ▨ Birch/Aspen
 - Other Hardwood
 - White/Red Pine
 - Spruce/Fir
 - Hemlock
 - ▨ Pitch Pine
 - ▨ Mixed
 - Alpine (Krumholz)
 - Open Water
 - ▨ Forested Wetland
 - Open Wetland
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 - Disturbed
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 - Sand Dunes
 - Other Cleared
 - ▨ Tundra

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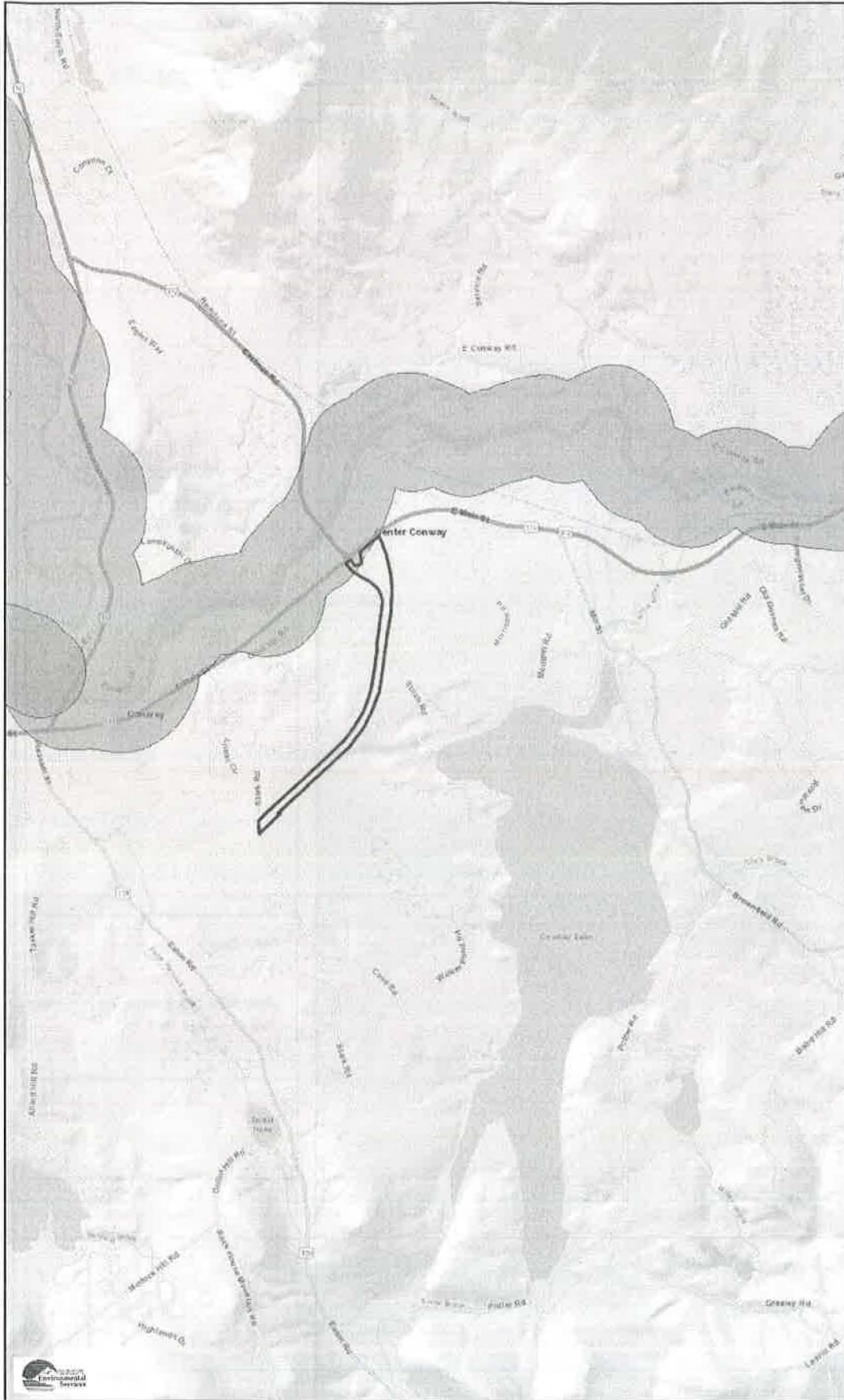
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-  Designated Rivers Quarter Buffer

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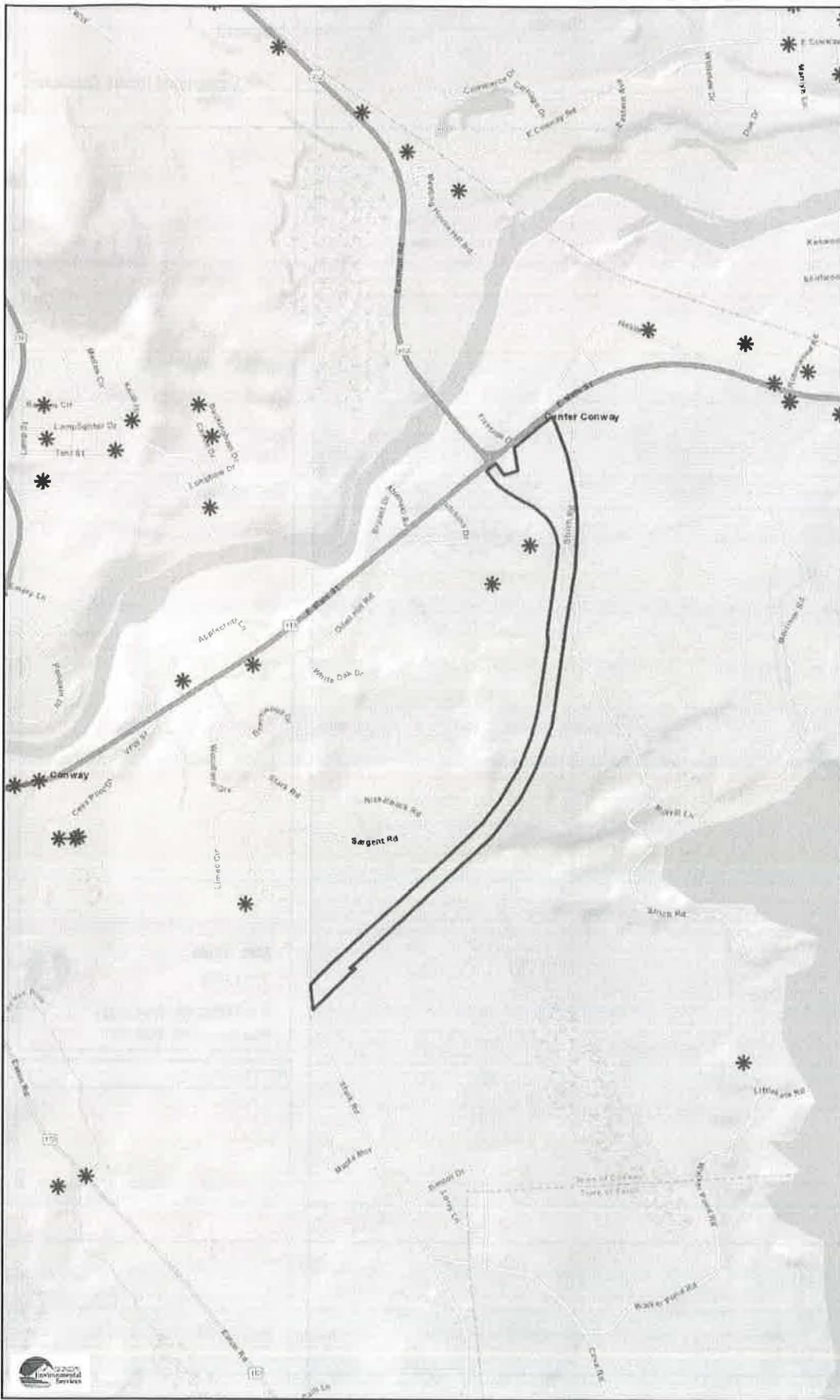
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- * Remediation Sites

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STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
INTER-DEPARTMENT COMMUNICATION

FROM	Matt Urban Chief, Operations Management Section	DATE	August 2, 2021
		AT (OFFICE)	Department of Transportation
SUBJECT	Surplus Land –Conway SP-060821		Bureau of Environment
TO	Andre Pacuk Bureau of Right-of-Way		

Based on the attached evaluation, the Bureau of Environment does not object to the sale of this property.

This parcel is within ¼ mile of the Saco River, please coordinate with the NHDES Rivers Coordinator prior to disposal of this property.

In accordance with the Stewardship and Oversight Agreement between DOT and FHWA, FHWA oversight is not necessary.

If you have any questions or require additional information, please contact Matt Urban at x-3226.

MRU:mru
Attach.
c.c. Adam Smith, ROW via email
Stephen LaBonte via email

**Classification and/or Review of
Surplus Land**

Property Name: Conway
Assoc. Project: NA
Federal No.: NA
State No.: SP-060821

Date: 7/25/2021
Originating Bureau: Right-of-Way
BOE Database No.: SP-060821

Property Location & Description:

The subject parcel is located in the Town of Conway on NH Route 302 at Eastman Road (1049 East Main Street) and consists of 1.77± acres of land. The parcel is improved with a 1-story residential structure and attached garage.

Explanation of what prompted disposal of property: The Department wishes to dispose of the parcel of State owned land located at 1049 East Main Street in the Town of Conway.

Bureau of Environment Reviewer: Heidi Stortz

Environmental Parameters: Possess, Absent, Unknown

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Potential Impact Discussions:

Field Review: 3/12/2021

Existing Site Conditions: The parcel is located on NH Route 113 at the intersection of NH Route 302. The paved driveway is accessed from NH Route 113 and leads to an old cape style house that has overgrown spruce trees blocking the front of the house. The back of the house has a small grass covered yard. There is a stonewall located on the boundary along Route 113 and another stonewall along the eastern boundary. There were five 5-gallon buckets located just within the tree line near the house off of the driveway. The 5-gallon buckets were full of an unknown substance with lids on all of them.

A review of desktop resources determined that the site is within a source water protection area, no other valued resources from above were present. A NH Natural Heritage Bureau Landowner Request database review was conducted (NHB File ID# 3570) and found no known occurrence onsite of state or federally listed species. One invertebrate Species and multiple Natural Communities were identified to occur within a mile of the site, although a field review did not reveal evidence of these species onsite.

A cultural review was completed by the NHDOT's Cultural Resource Program and they have made a determination that there will be no potential to cause effect to above ground or below ground resources with the exception of recommending avoidance of the identified historic stone walls along the eastern boundary and along NH RT 302. (See attached Cultural Review).

Contamination Review:

According to NHDES OneStop the access point is not associated with a remediation site, therefore there are no contamination concerns from a point-source perspective, however statewide analytical data collected by NHDOT, as well as nationwide information, indicates that roadside soils commonly contain metals and Polycyclic Aromatic Hydrocarbons (PAHs) at concentrations above background conditions. These "Limited Reuse Soils" (LRS) when excavated shall be addressed in accordance with applicable NHDES rules.

This bureau does not object to the transfer of the subject property pending further environmental/archaeological review as noted above.

The Bureau of Environment does not object to the transfer of this property.

Recommended Environmental Classification for the Federal Highway Administration is

Class II – Categorical Exclusion (send to the Federal Highway Administration for concurrence)

Class II – Programmatic Categorical Exclusion

Other _____

N/A

The Bureau of Environment does not support the transfer of this property.

Attached:

Location Map:

Railroad Layout or ROW Plan:

Aerial Photo:

NHNHB Letter:

Tax Map:

Photographs:

Electronic copy to originating Bureau to be forwarded to:

Rivers Management Advisory Committee: Required Not Required

Lakes Management Advisory Committee: Required Not Required

DES Rivers Coordinator (Designated Rivers): Required Not Required

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
INTER-DEPARTMENT COMMUNICATION

FROM: Stephen G. LaBonte
Administrator



DATE: June 8, 2021

AT (OFFICE): Department of Transportation
Bureau of Right-of-Way

SUBJECT: Disposal of State Owned Land in Conway

TO: James Marshall, Administrator, Highway Design
Alan Hanscom, District Engineer, District 3
Matt Urban, Chief of Operations Management, Environment
Shelley Winters, Administrator, Rail and Transit
Bill Watson, Administrator, Planning and Community Assistance

The Department (DOT) wishes to dispose of a parcel of State owned land located at 1049 East Main Street in the Town of Conway.

The subject parcel consists of 1.77 ± acres of land, which was acquired in 2005 for the Conway 11339B Bypass Project. The project was never constructed and dissolved on December 18, 2020. The 1.77 ± acre parcel is improved with a 1-story residential structure and attached garage.

Town records indicate this parcel as being located in the Residential/Agricultural District.

According to the Stewardship and Oversight Agreement between DOT and the Federal Highway Administration(FHWA), a FHWA review of this parcel is not necessary.

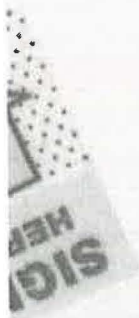
Please review this request to determine if the subject parcel could be considered surplus to your Bureau's current or future needs. If your Bureau has an interest or concern relative to the disposal of this parcel, please notify this Bureau in writing within thirty (30) days.

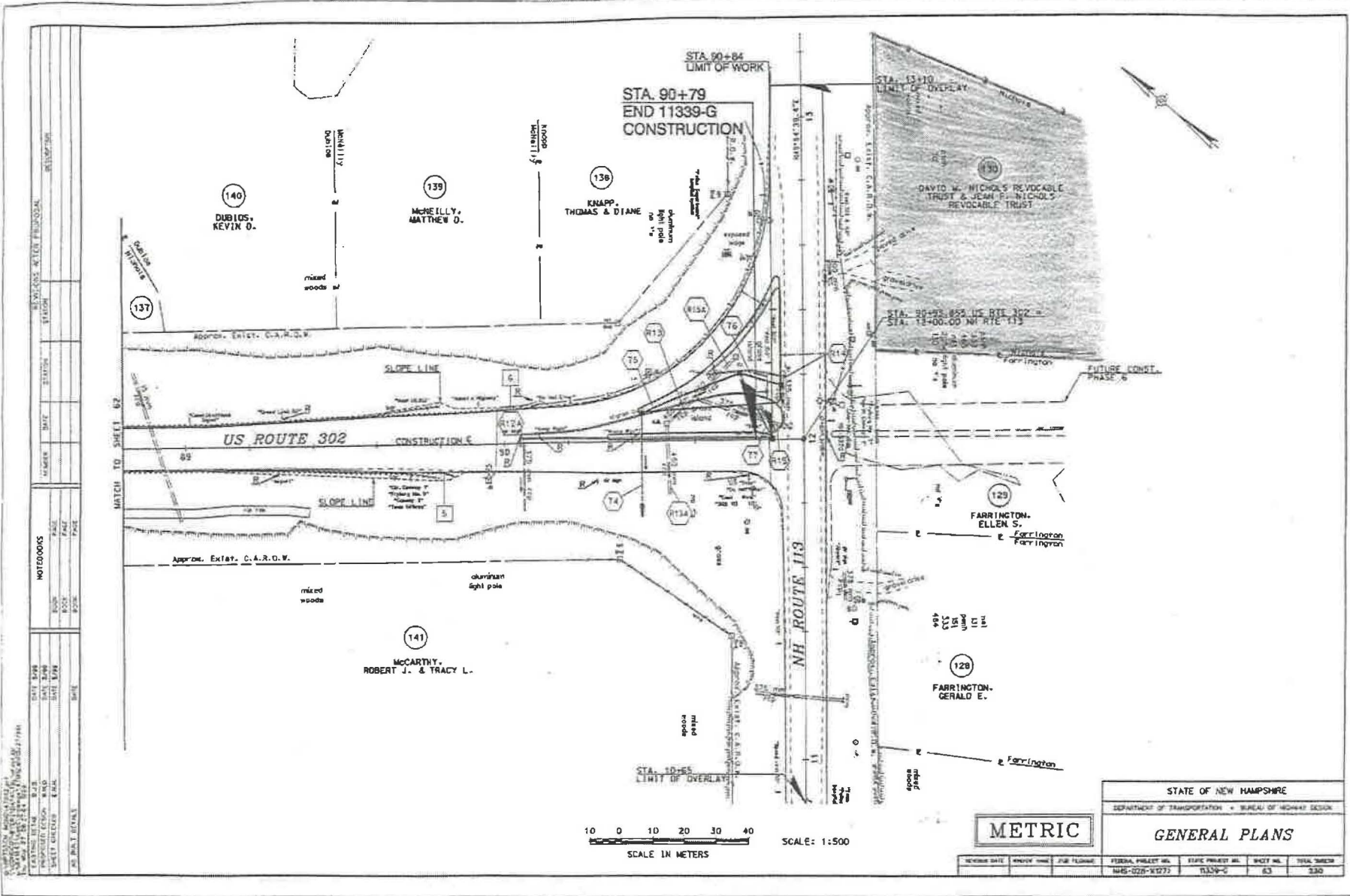
If you have any questions or concerns with this request please contact Andrew R. Pacuk either via email at Andrew.R.Pacuk@dot.nh.gov or by phone at (603) 271-3987.

Reference can be made to the following Plan: Conway, STP-OAW-NHS-DPI-T-X-0153(001), 11339B Parcel 130, and being the parcel as shown on the Conway Tax Map as Map 261, Lot 43.

ARP/jl
Attachments:

cc: Caleb Dobbins, Administrator, Highway Maintenance
Jennifer Lane, Administrative Assistant, Commissioner's Office
Adam Smith, Assistant Administrator
Lisa Weir, Chief of Property Management





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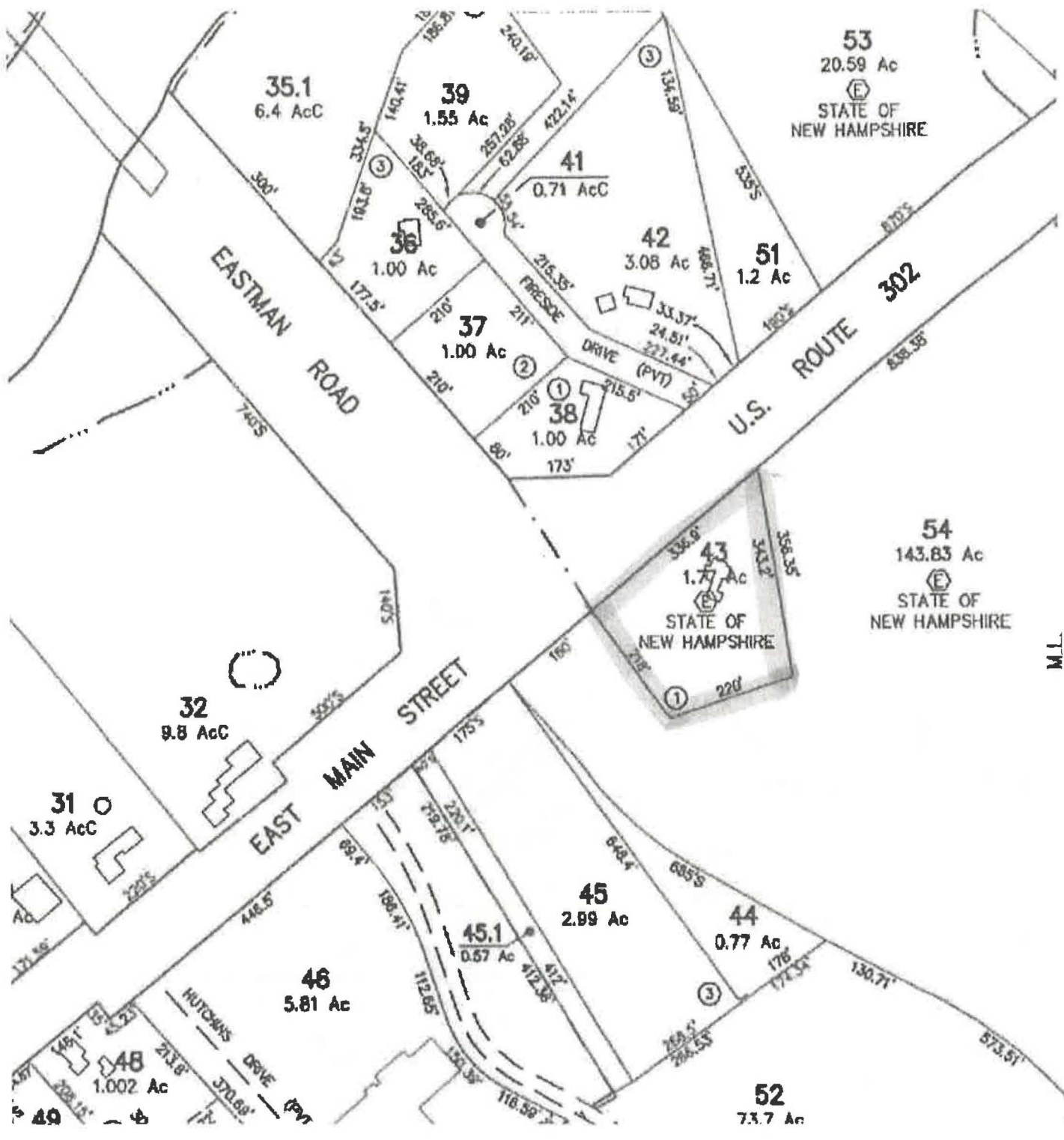
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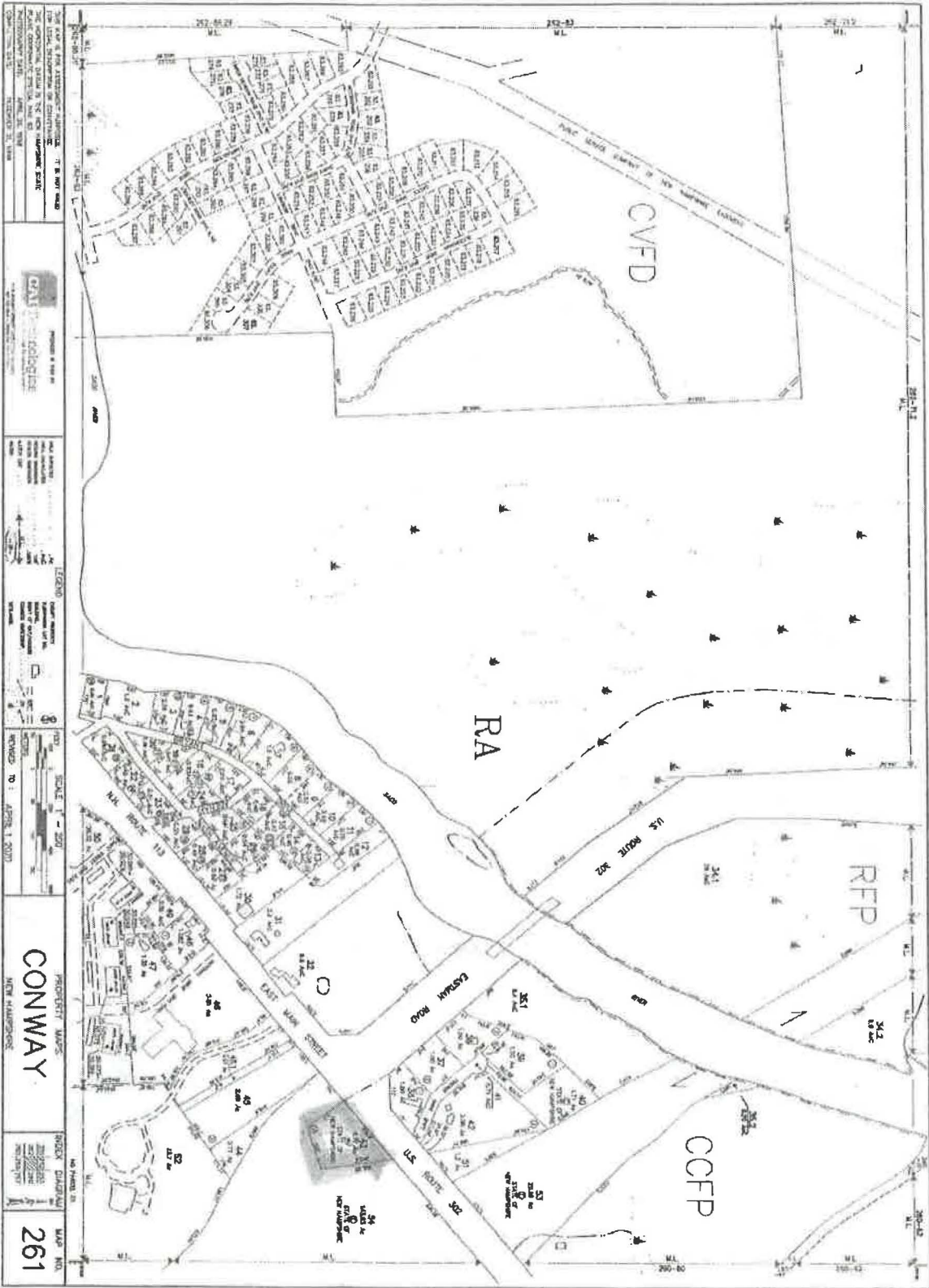
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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION - BUREAU OF HIGHWAY DESIGN			
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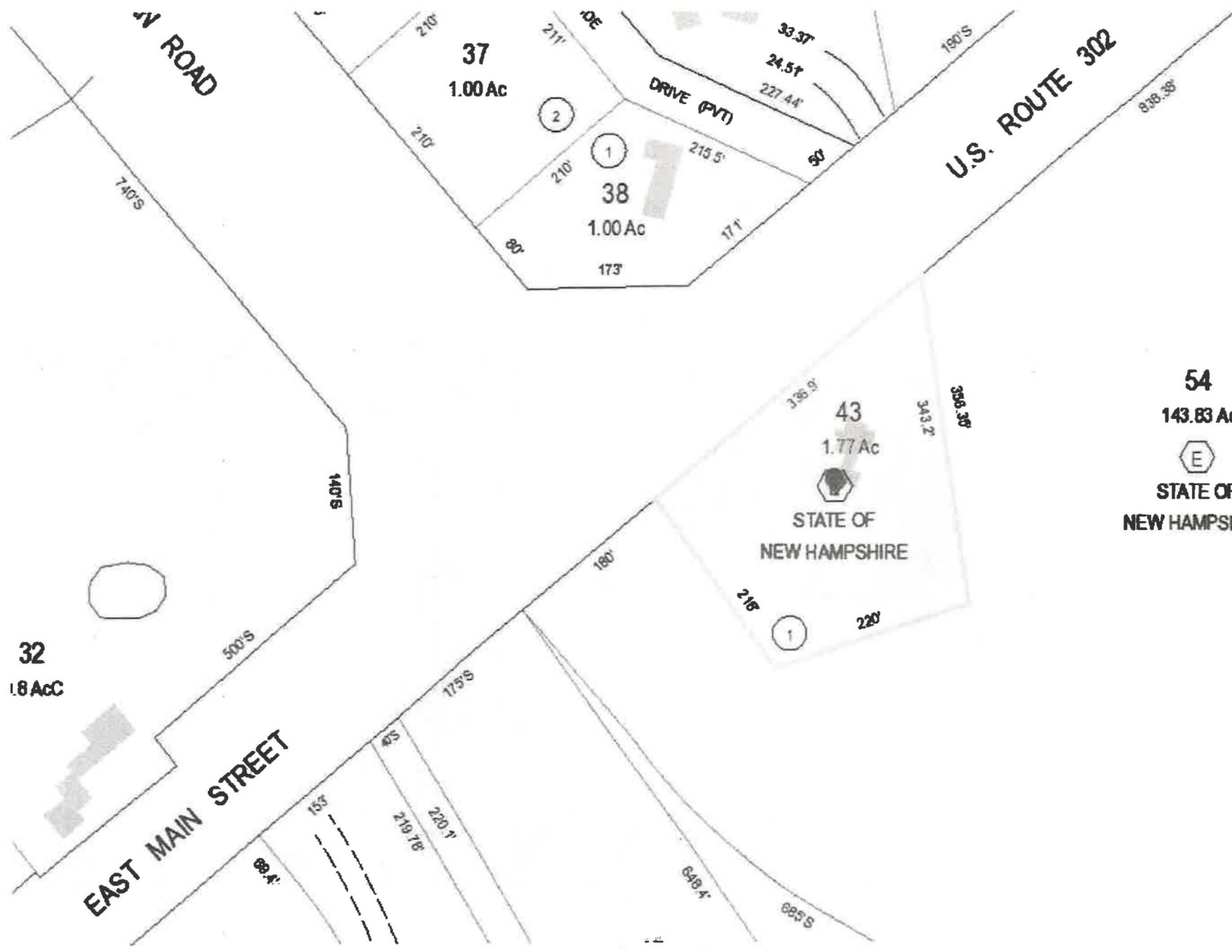
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THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
 DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE
 PLANNING & ZONING DIVISION
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 CONCORD, NH 03301



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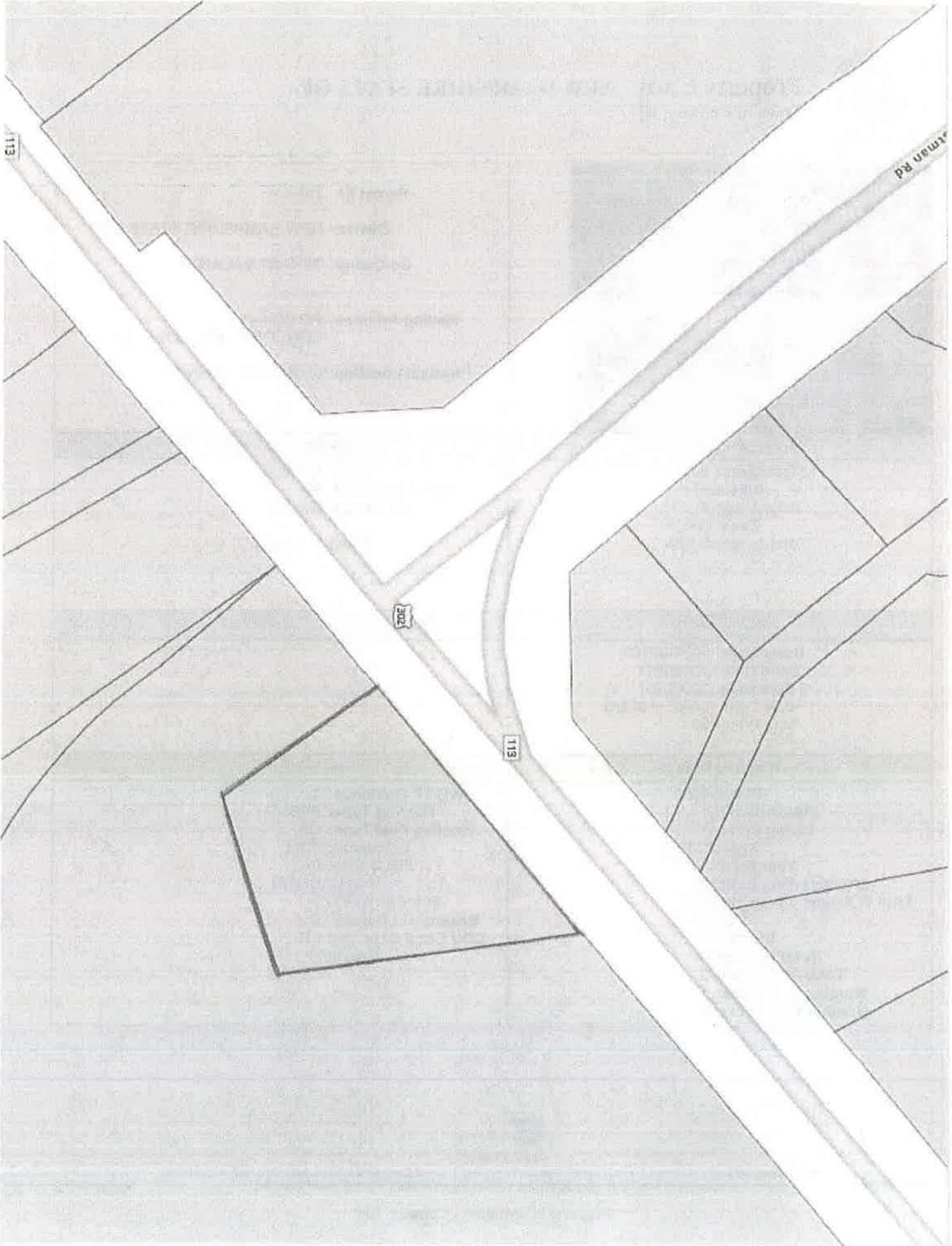
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54
143.83 Ac
STATE OF
NEW HAMPSHIRE

EAST MAIN STREET

U.S. ROUTE 302

STATE OF
NEW HAMPSHIRE





Property Card: NEW HAMPSHIRE STATE OF
Town of Conway, NH



Parcel ID: 261-43
Owner: NEW HAMPSHIRE STATE OF
Co-Owner: TENANT:VACANT
Mailing Address: PO BOX 483
CONCORD, NH 03302-0483
Physical Location: 01049 EAST MAIN ST

General Information	Assessed Value
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State Class: 901
Class: E1
District No.: 4
Zone: RA
Total Acres: 1.770

Land: \$54,800
Use Value Land: \$0
Buildings: \$88,500
Total: \$143,300

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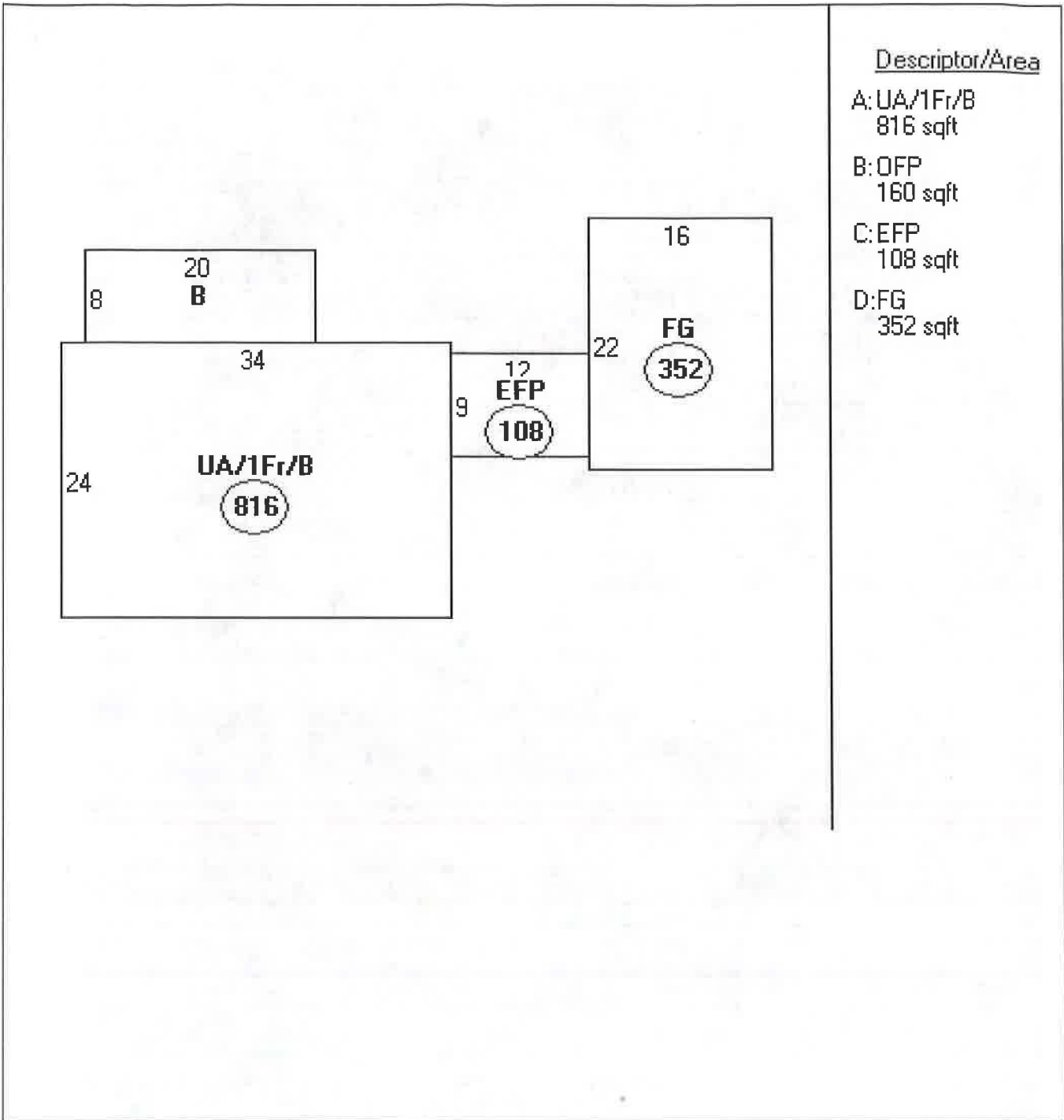
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Total Bedrooms: 2
Number Full Baths: 1
Number Half Baths: 0

WB/FP Openings: 1
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Heating Fuel Type: OIL
Basement: FULL
FBLA Size: 0
Attic: UNFIN
Exterior Walls: 1
Basement / Garage: 0
CDU Cond Depr Util: FR
Grade: C



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The property data available on this site is updated periodically. The Town of Conway makes no warranties with regard to its accuracy or completeness and assumes no liability associated with the use of this data.

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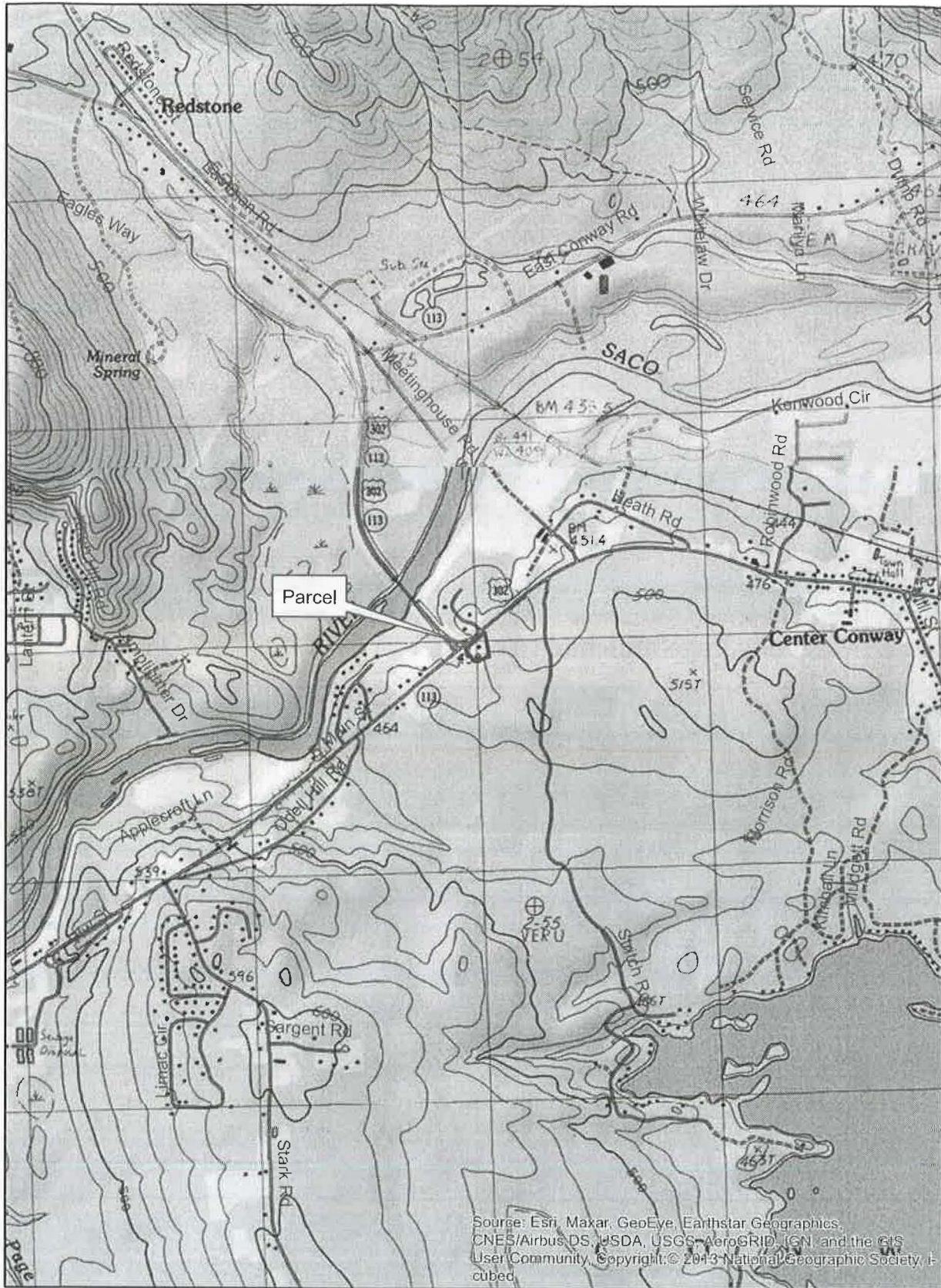
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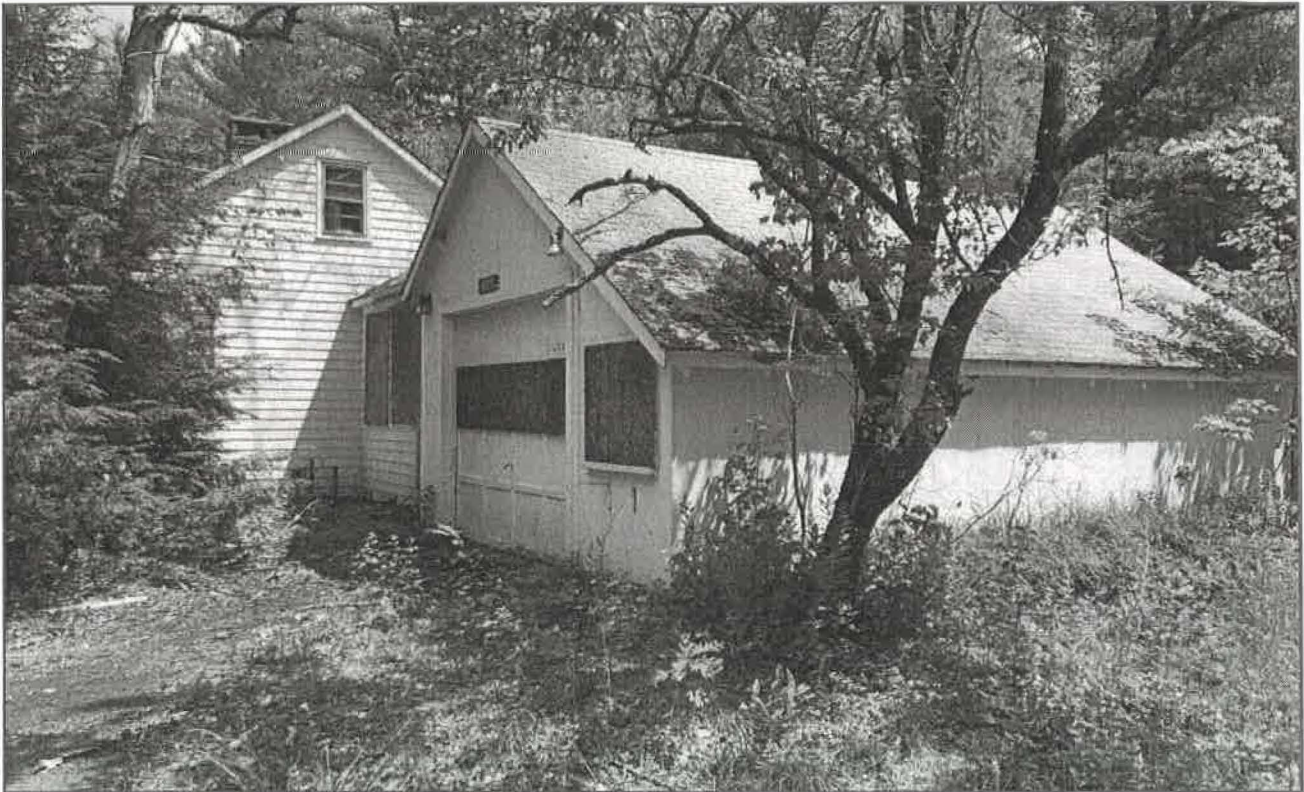


Photo 1: View of garage attached to house



Photo 2: View of the front of house covered with spruce trees

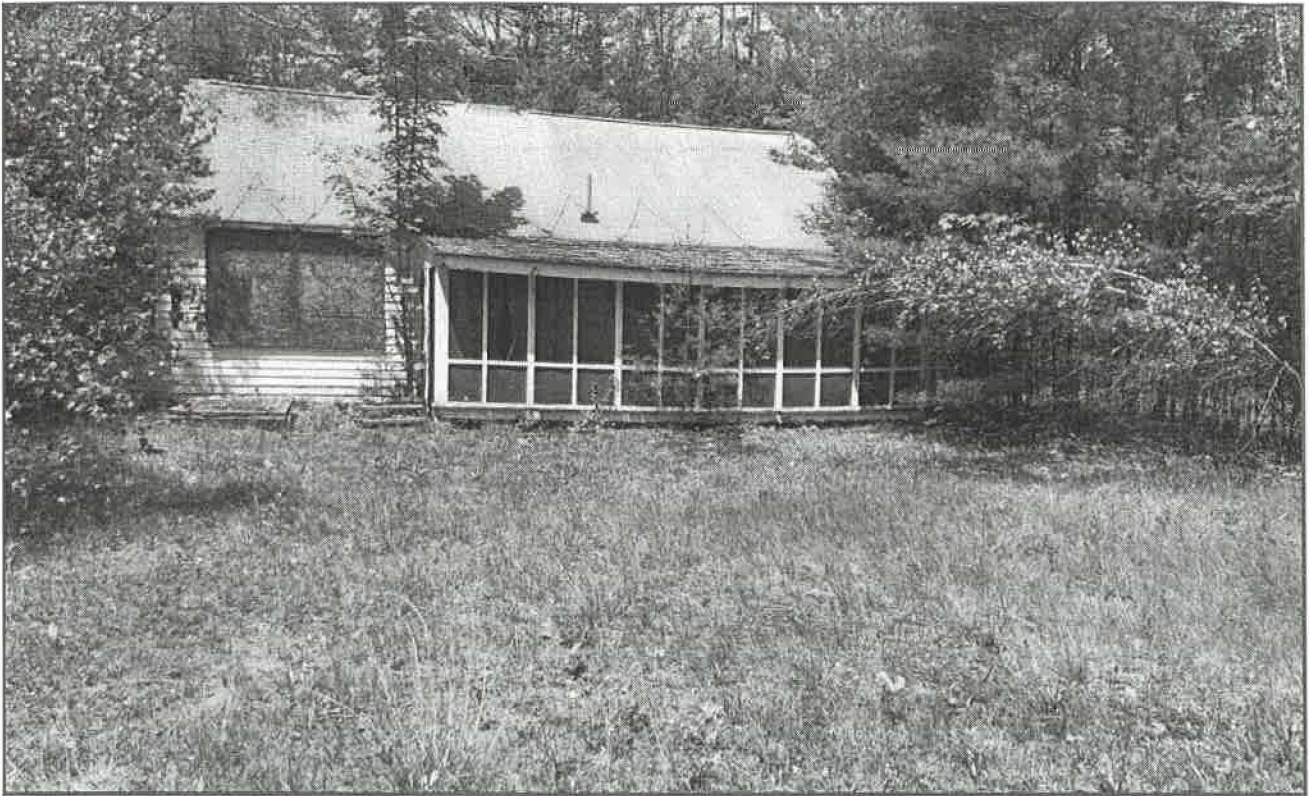


Photo 1: View of back of house



Photo 2: View of backyard behind the house



Photo 1: View of stone wall behind the house along the eastern boundary

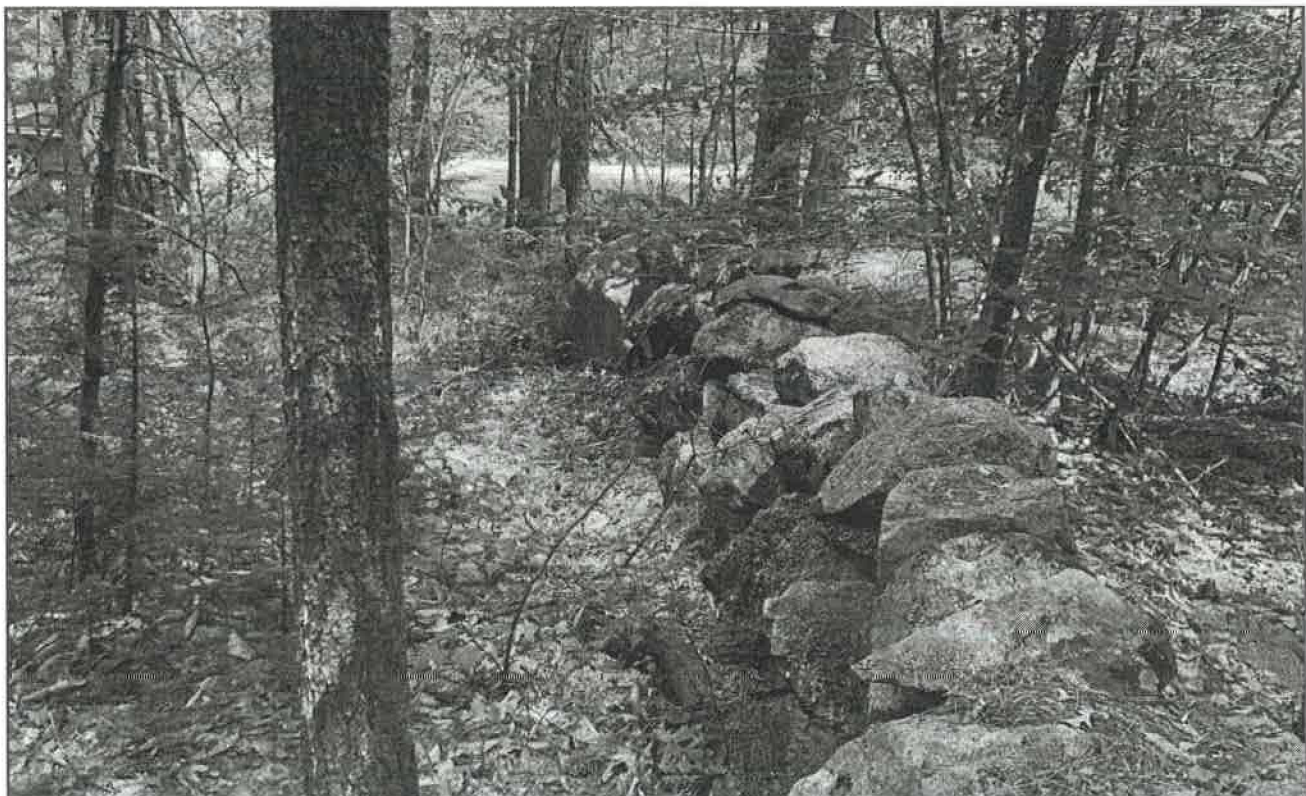


Photo 2: View of stone wall behind the house along the eastern boundary



Photo 1: View of stone wall along NH Route 302



Photo 2: View of driveway from NH Route 302



Photo 1: View of wooded area behind the house



Photo 2: View of 5 gallon buckets of unknown material located southeast of house



New Hampshire Natural Heritage Bureau

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To: Heidi Stortz
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7 Hazen Drive
Concord, NH 03301

From: NH Natural Heritage Bureau

Date: 2021-06-28

Re: Review by NH Natural Heritage Bureau of request dated 2021-06-23

NHB File ID: 3570

Town: Conway, NH

Project type: Landowner Request

Location: N/A

We have searched our database for records of rare species and exemplary natural communities on the property(s) identified in your request. Our database includes known records for species officially listed as Threatened or Endangered by either the state of New Hampshire or the federal government, as well as species and natural communities judged by experts to be at risk in New Hampshire but not yet formally listed.

NHB records on the property(s): **None**

NHB records within one mile of the property(s):

	Last Reported	Listing Status		Conservation Rank	
		Federal	NH	Global	State
Invertebrate Species (For more information, contact Kim Tuttle, NH F&G at 271-6544)					
Pygmy Snaketail (<i>Ophiogomphus howei</i>)	2011	--	--	G3	S2
Natural Community					
Emergent marsh	1997	--	--	GNR	S5
Silver maple - false nettle - sensitive fern floodplain forest	1997	--	--	GNR	S2
Hemlock - beech - oak - pine forest	1997	--	--	GNR	S5

Listing codes: T = Threatened, E = Endangered SC = Special Concern

Rank prefix: G = Global, S = State, T = Global or state rank for a sub-species or variety (taxon)

Rank suffix: 1-5 = Most (1) to least (5) imperiled. "--", U, NR = Not ranked, B = Breeding population, N = Non-breeding, H = Historical, X = Extirpated.

A negative result (no record in our database) does not mean that no rare species are present. Our data can only tell you of known occurrences, based on information

NOTE: This review *cannot* be used to satisfy a permit or other regulatory requirement to check for rare species or habitats that could be affected by a proposed project, since it provides detailed information only for records actually on the property.



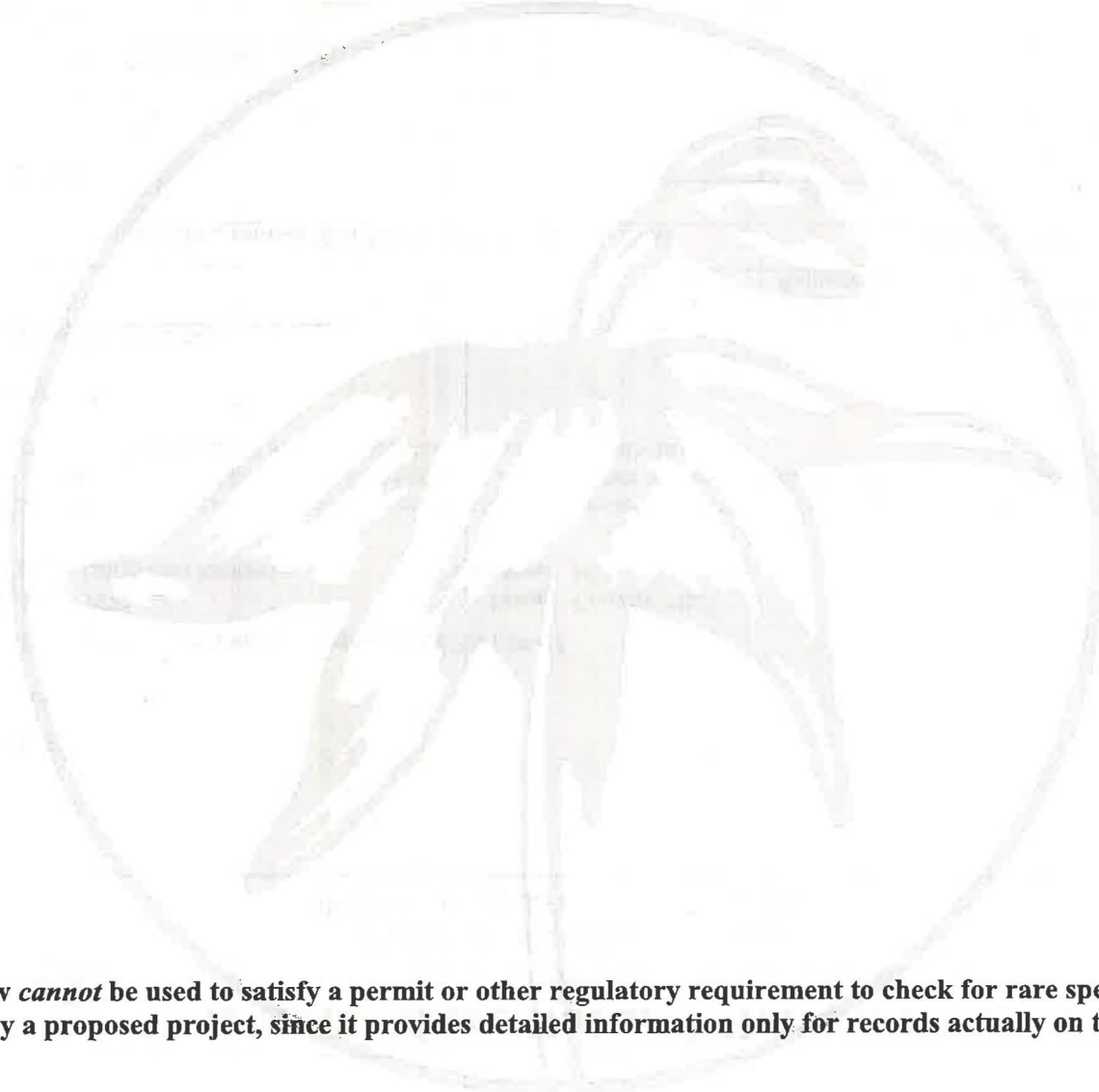
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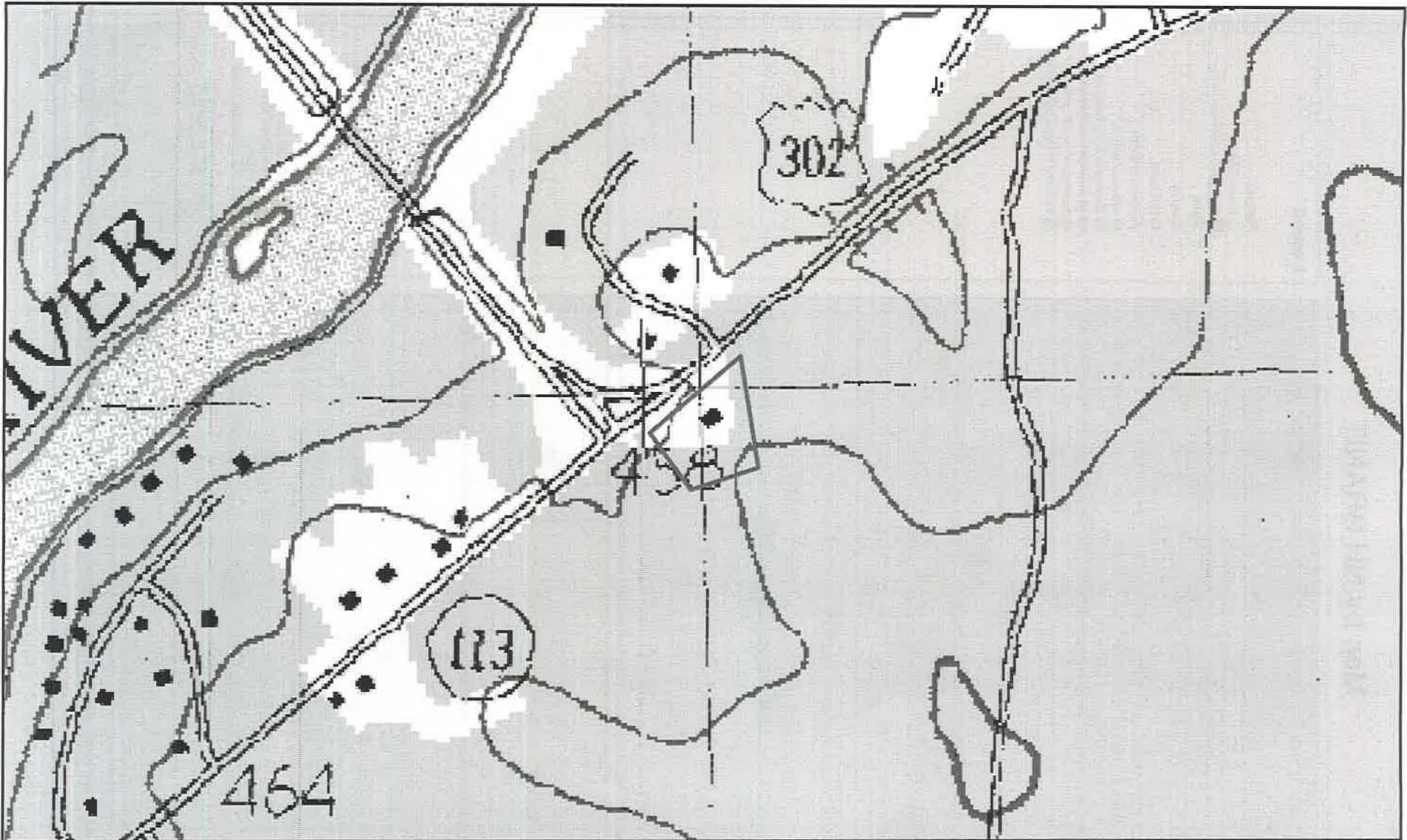
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gathered by qualified biologists and reported to our office. However, many areas have never been surveyed, or have only been surveyed for certain species. An on-site survey would provide better information on what species and communities are indeed present.



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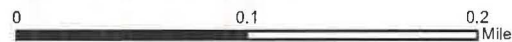
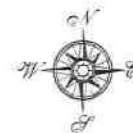


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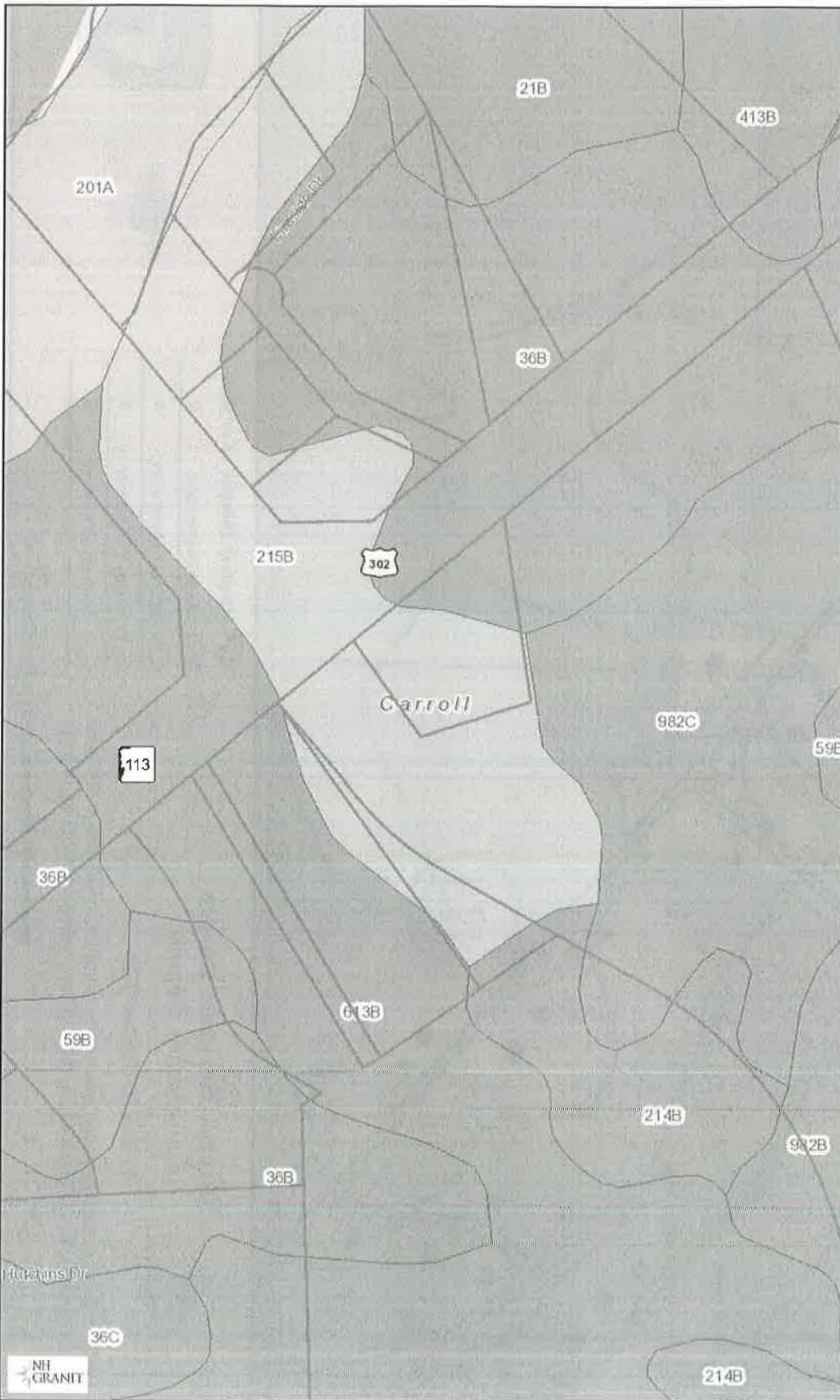
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NOTE: Any rare species and/or exemplary natural communities in this area are not shown unless they occur, at least in part, within the property bounds.

Symbol	Property Bounds	# of Records
	Plant Occurrence:	0
	Animal Occurrence:	0
	Natural Community:	0
	Ecological System:	0



Map by NH GRANIT



Legend

- Parcels**
 - Parcel Polygons
 - Attributes for Additional Lines
- State**
- County**
- City/Town**
- Farmland Soils**
 - <all other values>
 - Conditional Prime Farmland
 - All areas are prime farmland
 - Farmland of local importance
 - Farmland of statewide importance

Map Scale

1: 3,247



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Notes

Farmland Soils
 Soil Code: 215B
 Soil Unit: Nicholville silt loam, sandy substratum, 0 to 8 percent slopes
 Representative Slope: 6
 Farmland Class: All areas are prime farmland
 NH Forest Soils Group: Group IA
 Drainage Class: Moderately well drained
 Hydrologic Group: B/D
 Area (acres): 13.4



NHDOT Cultural Resources Review

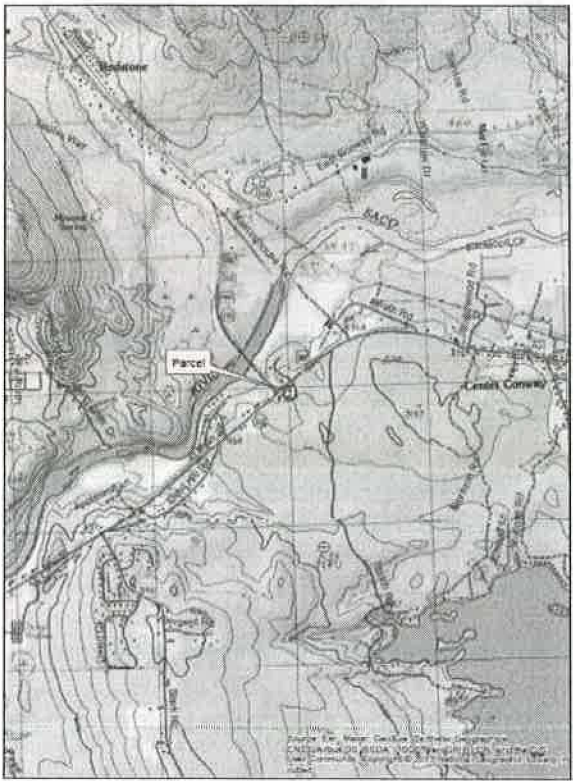
For the purpose of compliance with regulations of the National Historic Preservation Act, the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation's *Procedures for the Protection of Historic Properties* (36 CFR 800), the US Army Corps of Engineers' *Appendix C*, and/or state regulation RSA 227-C:9, *Directive for Cooperation in the Protection of Historic Resources*, the NHDOT Cultural Resources Program has reviewed the proposed project for potential impacts to historic properties.

PROJECT PROPOSAL: Proposed surplus of State owned land (Tax Map 261, Lot 43; Parcel 130; 1.77 acres) at 1049 East Main Street in Conway, on the south side of Rt 302/East Main Street, east of the junction of Eastman Road. The parcel was acquired in 2005 for the Conway 11339B Bypass project (STP-OAW-NHS-DPI-T-X-0153(001), which was not constructed and was dissolved 12/18/2020. The parcel is improved with a 1-story residential structure (1954 Cape) with a full basement, unfinished attic, and an attached garage. It is vacant.

This property was previously reviewed under Surplus Land-Conway 42869-1 and it was concluded there were no cultural concerns. See attached review form. It is recommended however that the identified historic stone walls along the eastern boundary and along NH RT 302 be avoided.

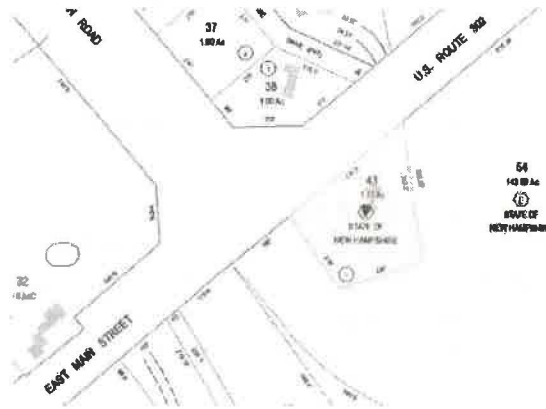
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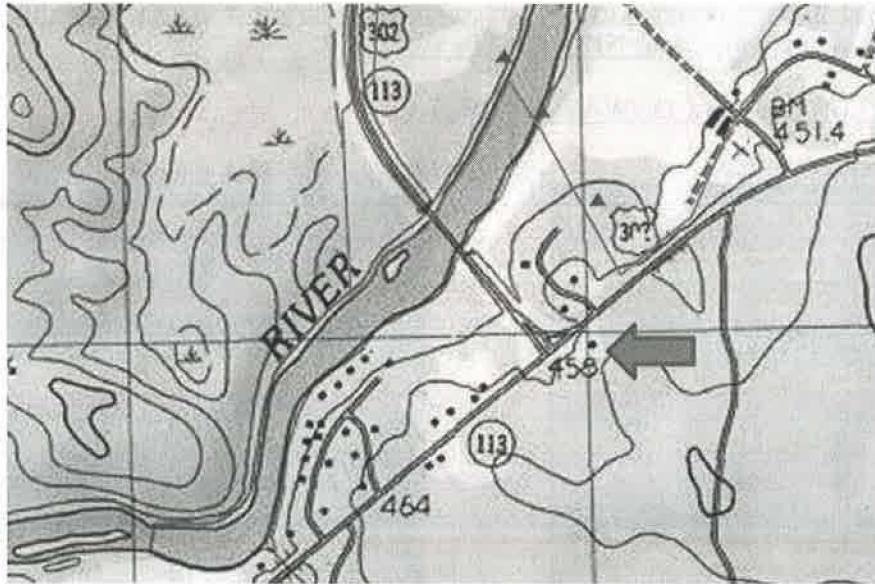


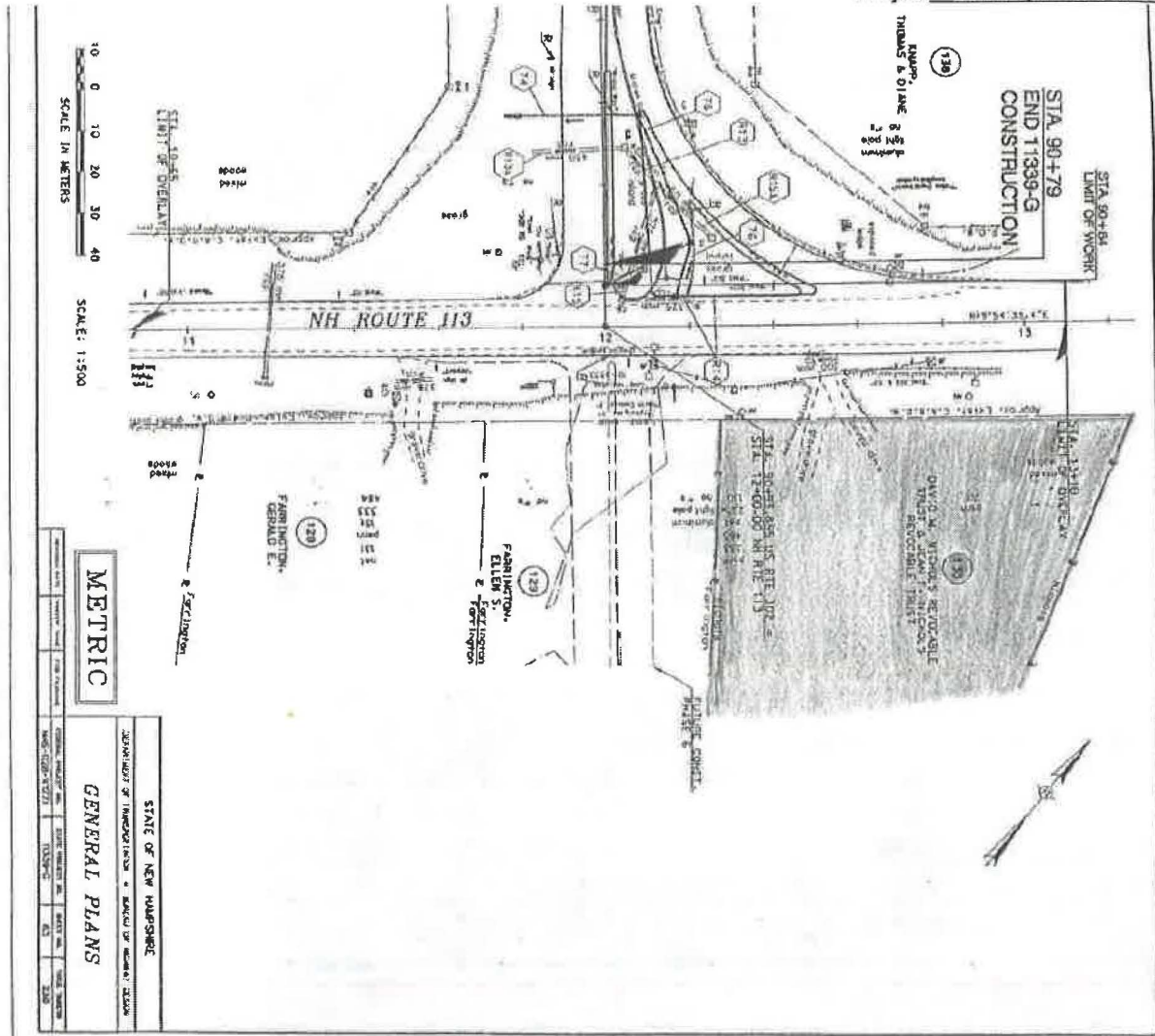
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EMMIT map, 6/25/2021





Above Ground Review

Known/approximate age of structures:

Currently vacant, the property includes a 1954 1-story Cape (1049 East Main Street) with an attached garage, identified largely within an area of prime farmland.

A site walkover was completed by Heidi Stortz and photographs taken. Heidi noted (Email to Sheila Charles 7/20/2021), "The house is not in good shape and trees are growing up against the front of the house. "The view of the front of the house is obscured by dense tree growth.

See photographs by Heidi Stortz, July 7, 2021



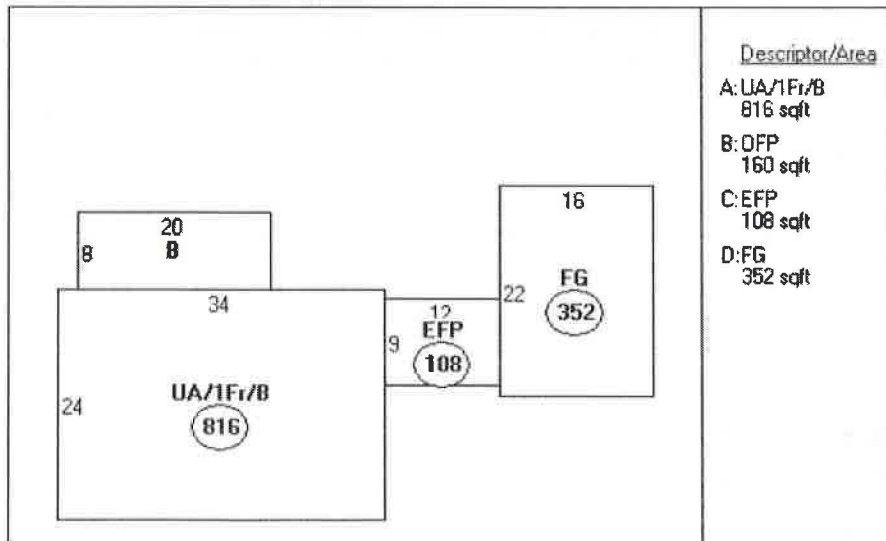
Photo 1: View of garage attached to house



Photo 1: View of back of house

EMMIT (NHDHR Enhanced Mapping & Management Information Tool) review was undertaken on June 25, 2021, and no individually inventoried properties or historic districts are associated with the project area. As this property dates to 1954, it would not have been 50 years old when the structures in the project area for the Conway **13349B** project were reviewed and DOEd (1993).

Photo and building sketch in Conway Property Card:



No Potential to Cause Effect/No Concerns – See review under SP-42869 noting an RPR was submitted to NHDHR and it was determined the house is likely not eligible as it is a common example of its type and does not rise to individual eligibility.

Concerns:

Below Ground ReviewRecorded Archaeological site: Yes NoNearest Recorded Archaeological Site Name & Number: 27-CA-0115 Cutts-Eastman Quarry Site
Pre-Contact Post-Contact (granite boulder quarry and farmstead)

Distance from Project Area: 1025 ft NE of project area

 No Potential for impacting archaeological resources/Concerns for historic stone walls

While due to the negative results of the archaeological testing for the Conway 13349B project area along the ROW for this surplus area and that this parcel has been impacted by the 1954 Cape and garage construction and utility establishment, there are no archaeological concerns except for recommended avoidance of the identified historic stone walls along the eastern boundary and along NH RT 302. (See photographs by Heidi Storz, July 7, 2021)

See former review noting Arin Mills and NHDOT Archaeologist Sheila Charles conducted a site walkover to assess the archaeological sensitivity and determined the parcel has low sensitivity due to house construction and modification of the landscape.

EMMIT (NHDHR Enhanced Mapping & Management Information Tool) review was undertaken on June 25, 2021, and no historic or archaeological resources are documented for the project area.

The Phase I Site Identification and Phase II Intensive Study Archeology Study: Conway Project HDPPE-9117(1), 11339A Conway, New Hampshire (Bunker, Gengras, Pinello and Potter 1995) included the ROW immediately adjacent to the proposed surplus area. Sampling Location #63, at the southeast intersection of Rts 302/113, was established. The setting is a high glacial outwash terrace overlooking the Saco River, where immediate margins of the ROW are wooded and abut the residential property.

Bunker, Gengras, Pinello and Potter 1995:64

Sampling location #63 lies on an intact remnant of terrace surface on the eastern margin of the intersection. This segment of the right-of-way includes open mowed surfaces beside the margins of a turning lane and a wooded fringe of mature conifer and hardwoods following the right-of-way fence. Bedrock is exposed on the mowed surface.

A single transect of 5 shovel tests was placed within the tree line, approximately 5m from the right-of-way fence (Figure 62). Tests were completed at 8m intervals and were excavated to a maximum depth of 60cm below surface. The soil profiles of three test units (TP#1, 2 and 3) exhibited a plow zone stratum of dark brown sandy loam over undisturbed subsoils of yellowish brown coarse sand and gravel. The profiles of remaining test pits (TP# 4 and 5) exhibited considerable soil disturbance which may be attributed to earlier highway construction. These displayed either truncated subsoils with no overlying topsoil or plow zone stratum, or an overburden of mixed sand and gravel above a buried organic duff, a plow zone stratum and subsoil stratum. No historic or prehistoric cultural materials were recovered.



Photo 1: View of stone wall behind the house along the eastern boundary



Photo 2: View of stone wall behind the house along the eastern boundary

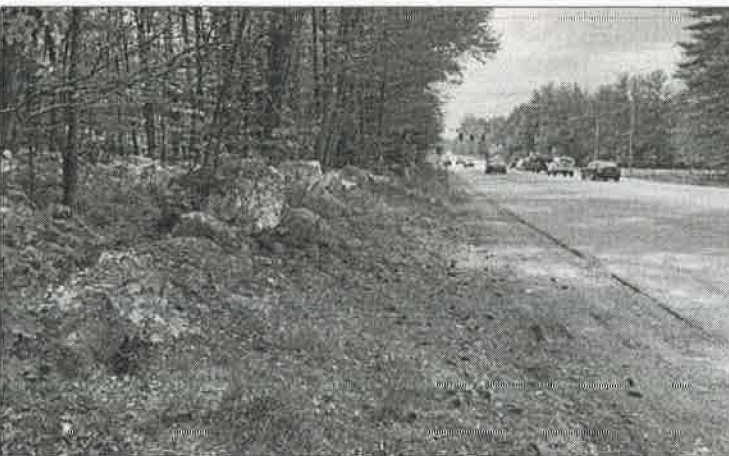


Photo 1: View of stone wall along NH Route 302

Compiled and Reviewed by:

Sheila Charles

6/25/2021

NHDOT Cultural Resources Staff

Date:

