

**Updated 10/18/07**

# **STATE PROJECT**

## **BIDDING INSTRUCTIONS**

### **FOR ALL PROJECTS:**

1. Use pen and ink to complete all paper Bids.
2. As a minimum, the following must be received prior to the time of Bid opening:

#### For a Paper Bid:

a) a copy of the Notice to Contractors, b) the completed Acknowledgement of Bid Amendments form, c) the completed Schedule of Items, d) two copies of the completed and signed Contract Offer, Agreement & Award form, e) a Bid Guaranty, and f) any other certifications or Bid requirements listed in the Bid Documents as due by Bid opening.

#### For an Electronic Bid:

a) a completed Bid using Expedite® software and submitted via the Bid Express™ web-based service, b) a Bid Guaranty (as described below) or a faxed copy of a Bid Bond (with original to be delivered within 72 hours), and c) any other certifications or Bid requirements listed in the Bid Documents as due by Bid opening.

3. Include prices for all required items in the Schedule of Items. (“Zero is not considered a Bid price.”)
4. Include a Bid Guaranty. Acceptable forms are:
  - a. a properly completed and signed Bid Bond on the Department’s prescribed form (or on a form that does not contain any significant variations from the Department’s form as determined by the Department) for 5% of the Bid Amount or
  - b. an Official Bank Check, Cashier’s Check, Certified Check, U.S. Postal Money Order or Negotiable Certificate of Deposit in the amount stated in the Notice to Contractors.
5. If a paper Bid is to be sent, Federal Express overnight delivery is suggested as the package is delivered directly to the DOT Headquarters Building located at 16 Child Street in Augusta. Other means, such as U.S. Postal Service’s Express Mail has proven not to be reliable.

### **IN ADDITION, FOR FEDERAL AID PROJECTS:**

6. Complete the DBE Proposed Utilization form in the proper amounts, and deliver to the Civil Rights Office, or fax to (207)624-3431 by 4:30 PM on bid opening day.

If you need further information regarding Bid preparation, call the DOT Contracts Section at (207)624-3410.

For complete bidding requirements, refer to Section 102 of the Maine Department of Transportation, Standard Specifications, Revision of December 2002.

# NOTICE

**The Maine Department of Transportation is attempting to improve the way Bid Amendments/Addendums are handled, and allow for an electronic downloading of bid packages from our website, while continuing to maintain a planholders list.**

**Prospective bidders, subcontractors or suppliers who wish to download a copy of the bid package and receive a courtesy notification of project specific bid amendments, must provide an email address to Diane Barnes or Mike Babb at the MDOT Contracts mailbox at: [MDOT.contracts@maine.gov](mailto:MDOT.contracts@maine.gov). Each bid package will require a separate request.**

**Additionally, interested parties will be responsible for reviewing and retrieving the Bid Amendments from our web site, and acknowledging receipt and incorporating those Bid Amendments in their bids using the Acknowledgement of Bid Amendment Form.**

**The downloading of bid packages from the MDOT website is not the same as providing an electronic bid to the Department. Electronic bids must be submitted via <http://www.BIDX.com>. For information on electronic bidding contact Larry Childs at [Larry.Childs@maine.gov](mailto:Larry.Childs@maine.gov).**

# NOTICE

For security and other reasons, all Bid Packages which are mailed, shall be provided in double (one envelope inside the other) envelopes. The *Inner Envelope* shall have the following information provided on it:

Bid Enclosed - Do Not Open

PIN:

Town:

Date of Bid Opening:

Name of Contractor with mailing address and telephone number:

In Addition to the usual address information, the *Outer Envelope* should have written or typed on it:

Double Envelope: Bid Enclosed

PIN:

Town:

Date of Bid Opening:

Name of Contractor:

*This should not be much of a change for those of you who use Federal Express or similar services.*

Hand-carried Bids may be in one envelope as before, and should be marked with the following information:

Bid Enclosed: Do Not Open

PIN:

Town:

Name of Contractor:

**STATE OF MAINE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**  
Bid Guaranty-Bid Bond Form

**KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS THAT** \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_, of the City/Town of \_\_\_\_\_ and State of \_\_\_\_\_

as Principal, and \_\_\_\_\_ as Surety, a

Corporation duly organized under the laws of the State of \_\_\_\_\_ and having a usual place of

Business in \_\_\_\_\_ and hereby held and firmly bound unto the Treasurer of

the State of Maine in the sum of \_\_\_\_\_ for payment which Principal and Surety bind

themselves, their heirs, executors, administrators, successors and assigns, jointly and severally.

The condition of this obligation is that the Principal has submitted to the Maine Department of

Transportation, hereafter Department, a certain bid, attached hereto and incorporated as a

part herein, to enter into a written contract for the construction of \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ and if the Department shall accept said bid

and the Principal shall execute and deliver a contract in the form attached hereto (properly

completed in accordance with said bid) and shall furnish bonds for this faithful performance of

said contract, and for the payment of all persons performing labor or furnishing material in

connection therewith, and shall in all other respects perform the agreement created by the

acceptance of said bid, then this obligation shall be null and void; otherwise it shall remain in full

force, and effect.

Signed and sealed this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 20\_\_\_\_\_

WITNESS:

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

WITNESS

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

PRINCIPAL:

By \_\_\_\_\_

By: \_\_\_\_\_

By: \_\_\_\_\_

SURETY:

By \_\_\_\_\_

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Local Agency: \_\_\_\_\_

# NOTICE

## Bidders:

Please use the attached “Request for Information” form when faxing questions and comments concerning specific Contracts that have been Advertised for Bid. Include additional numbered pages as required. Questions are to be faxed to the number listed in the Notice to Contractors. This is the only allowable mechanism for answering Project specific questions. Maine DOT will not be bound to any answers to Project specific questions received during the Bidding phase through other processes.



September 14, 2007

### **Vendor Registration**

Prospective Bidders must register as a vendor with the Department of Administrative & Financial Services if the vendor is awarded a contract. Vendors will not be able to receive payment without first being registered. Vendors/Contractors will find information and register through the following link –

<http://www.maine.gov/purchases/vendorinfo/vss.htm> .

## STATE OF MAINE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

Sealed Bids addressed to the Maine Department of Transportation, Augusta, Maine 04333 and endorsed on the wrapper "Bids for Bridge Culvert Rehabilitations in the towns of Canton – Farmington - Skowhegan" will be received from contractors at the Reception Desk, Maine DOT Building, Child Street, Augusta, Maine, until 11:00 o'clock A.M. (prevailing time) on July 30, 2008, and at that time and place publicly opened and read. Bids will be accepted from contractors prequalified by the Department of Transportation for Highway or Bridge Construction projects. All other Bids may be rejected. We now accept electronic bids for those bid packages posted on the bidx.com website. Electronic bids do not have to be accompanied by paper bids. Please note: the Department will accept a facsimile of the bid bond; however, the original bid bond must then be received at the MDOT Contract Section within 72 hours of the bid opening. Until further notice, dual bids (one paper, one electronic) will be accepted, with the paper copy taking precedence.

Description: Maine State Project No. 15639.00 / 12693.00 / 12697.00

Location: In Oxford, Franklin, and Somerset Counties, project 15639.00 is located in Canton at Howe Br. on the Dixfield Rd. over Ludden Brook. Project 12693.00 is located in Farmington on High St. at Gilbert Brook Br. Over Cascade Brook. Project 12697.00 is located in Skowhegan on Route 104 at Currier Brook Br.

Outline of Work: Structural concrete culvert invert linings with collars and other incidental work.

For general information regarding Bidding and Contracting procedures, contact Scott Bickford at (207)624-3410. Our webpage at [http://www.maine.gov/mdot/contractor-consultant-information/contractor\\_cons.php](http://www.maine.gov/mdot/contractor-consultant-information/contractor_cons.php) contains a copy of the schedule of items, Plan Holders List, written portions of bid amendments (not drawings), and bid results. For Project-specific information fax all questions to Project Manager Scott Bickford at (207)624-3431. Questions received after 12:00 noon of Monday prior to bid date will not be answered. Bidders shall not contact any other Departmental staff for clarification of Contract provisions, and the Department will not be responsible for any interpretations so obtained. Hearing impaired persons may call the Telecommunication Device for the Deaf at 888-516-9364.

Plans, specifications and bid forms may be seen at the Maine DOT Building in Augusta, Maine and at the Department of Transportation's Regional Office in Dixfield. They may be purchased from the Department between the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. by cash, credit card (Visa/Mastercard) or check payable to Treasurer, State of Maine sent to Maine Department of Transportation, Attn.: Mailroom, 16 State House Station, Augusta, Maine 04333-0016. They also may be purchased by telephone at (207) 624-3536 between the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Full size plans \$18.00 (\$22.00 by mail). Half size plans 9.00 (\$12.00 by mail). Bid Book \$10 (\$13 by mail). Single Sheets \$2, payment in advance, all non-refundable.

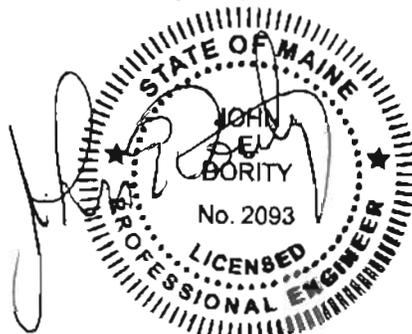
Each Bid must be made upon blank forms provided by the Department and must be accompanied by a bid bond at 5% of the bid amount or an official bank check, cashier's check, certified check, certificate of deposit, or United States postal money order in the amount of \$12,000.00 payable to Treasurer, State of Maine as a Bid guarantee. A Contract Performance Surety Bond and a Contract Payment Surety Bond, each in the amount of 100 percent of the Contract price, will be required of the successful Bidder.

This Contract is subject to all applicable Federal Laws. This contract is subject to compliance with the Disadvantaged Business Enterprise program requirements as set forth by the Maine Department of Transportation.

All work shall be governed by "State of Maine, Department of Transportation, Standard Specifications, Revision of December 2002", price \$10 [\$13 by mail], and Standard Details, Revision of December 2002, price \$20 [\$25 by mail]. Standard Detail updates found at [http://www.maine.gov/mdot/contractor-consultant-information/contractor\\_cons.php](http://www.maine.gov/mdot/contractor-consultant-information/contractor_cons.php)

The right is hereby reserved to the MDOT to reject any or all bids.

Augusta, Maine  
July 9, 2008



JOHN E. DORITY  
CHIEF ENGINEER

**SPECIAL PROVISION 102.7.3**  
**ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF BID AMENDMENTS**

With this form, the Bidder acknowledges its responsibility to check for all Amendments to the Bid Package. For each Project under Advertisement, Amendments are located at <http://www.maine.gov/mdot/comprehensive-list-projects/project-information.php> It is the responsibility of the Bidder to determine if there are Amendments to the Project, to download them, to incorporate them into their Bid Package, and to reference the Amendment number and the date on the form below. The Maine DOT will not post Bid Amendments any later than noon the day before Bid opening without individually notifying all the planholders.

Amendment Number	Date

The Contractor, for itself, its successors and assigns, hereby acknowledges that it has received all of the above referenced Amendments to the Bid Package.

**CONTRACTOR**

\_\_\_\_\_ Date

\_\_\_\_\_ Signature of authorized representative

\_\_\_\_\_ (Name and Title Printed)

SCHEDULE OF ITEMS

REVISED:

CONTRACT ID: 015639.00

PROJECT(S): 12693.00

12697.00

15639.00

CONTRACTOR : \_\_\_\_\_

LINE NO	ITEM DESCRIPTION	APPROX. QUANTITY AND UNITS	UNIT PRICE		BID AMOUNT	
			DOLLARS	CTS	DOLLARS	CTS

SECTION 0001 PROJECT ITEMS

0010	502.325 STRUCTURAL CONCRETE CULVERT INVERT LINING CANTON (WITH FISH WEIRS)	LUMP		LUMP		
0020	502.325 STRUCTURAL CONCRETE CULVERT INVERT LINING FARMINGTON (WITH COLLARS)	LUMP		LUMP		
0030	502.325 STRUCTURAL CONCRETE CULVERT INVERT LINING SKOWHEGAN (WITH FISH WEIRS )	LUMP		LUMP		
0040	503.12 REINFORCING STEEL, FABRICATED AND DELIVERED	LB	16444.000			
0050	503.13 REINFORCING STEEL, PLACING	LB	16444.000			
0060	511.07 COFFERDAM: #1 FARMINGTON	LUMP		LUMP		
0070	511.07 COFFERDAM: #2 FARMINGTON	LUMP		LUMP		
0080	511.07 COFFERDAM: CANTON	LUMP		LUMP		
0090	511.07 COFFERDAM: SKOWHEGAN	LUMP		LUMP		

SCHEDULE OF ITEMS

REVISED:

CONTRACT ID: 015639.00

PROJECT(S): 12693.00

12697.00

15639.00

CONTRACTOR : \_\_\_\_\_

LINE NO	ITEM DESCRIPTION	APPROX. QUANTITY AND UNITS	UNIT PRICE		BID AMOUNT	
			DOLLARS	CTS	DOLLARS	CTS
0100	610.09 HAND LAID RIPRAP	135.000 CY				
0110	652.33 DRUM	30.000 EA				
0120	652.34 CONE	60.000 EA				
0130	652.35 CONSTRUCTION SIGNS	462.000 SF				
0140	652.36 MAINTENANCE OF TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICES	90.000 CD				
0150	652.38 FLAGGER	480.000 HR				
0160	656.75 TEMPORARY SOIL EROSION AND WATER POLLUTION CONTROL	LUMP	LUMP			
0170	659.10 MOBILIZATION	LUMP	LUMP			
	SECTION 0001 TOTAL					
	TOTAL BID					

## **CONTRACT AGREEMENT, OFFER & AWARD**

AGREEMENT made on the date last signed below, by and between the State of Maine, acting through and by its Department of Transportation (Department), an agency of state government with its principal administrative offices located at Child Street, Augusta, Maine, with a mailing address at 16 State House Station, Augusta, Maine 04333-0016, and

\_\_\_\_\_ a corporation or other legal entity organized under the laws of the State of \_\_\_\_\_, with its principal place of business located at \_\_\_\_\_

The Department and the Contractor, in consideration of the mutual promises set forth in this Agreement (the "Contract"), hereby agree as follows:

### **A. The Work.**

The Contractor agrees to complete all Work as specified or indicated in the Contract including Extra Work in conformity with the Contract, PIN No's. **15639.00 – 12693.00 – 12697.00 for Bridge Culvert Rehabilitations** in the towns of **Canton – Farmington - Skowhegan**, Counties of **Oxford, Franklin, and Somerset**, Maine. The Work includes construction, maintenance during construction, warranty as provided in the Contract, and other incidental work.

The Contractor shall be responsible for furnishing all supervision, labor, equipment, tools supplies, permanent materials and temporary materials required to perform the Work including construction quality control including inspection, testing and documentation, all required documentation at the conclusion of the project, warranting its work and performing all other work indicated in the Contract.

The Department shall have the right to alter the nature and extent of the Work as provided in the Contract; payment to be made as provided in the same.

### **B. Time.**

The Contractor agrees to complete all Work, except warranty work, on or before **October 10, 2008**. Further, the Department may deduct from moneys otherwise due the Contractor, not as a penalty, but as Liquidated Damages in accordance with Sections 107.7 and 107.8 of the State of Maine Department of Transportation Standard Specifications, Revision of December 2002 and related Special Provisions.

**C. Price.**

The quantities given in the Schedule of Items of the Bid Package will be used as the basis for determining the original Contract amount and for determining the amounts of the required Performance Surety Bond and Payment Surety Bond, and that the amount of this offer is \_\_\_\_\_

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ Performance Bond and Payment Bond each being 100% of the amount of this Contract.

**D. Contract.**

This Contract, which may be amended, modified, or supplemented in writing only, consists of the Contract documents as defined in the Plans, Standard Specifications, Revision of December 2002, Standard Details Revision of December 2002 as updated through advertisement, Supplemental Specifications, Special Provisions, Contract Agreement; and Contract Bonds. It is agreed and understood that this Contract will be governed by the documents listed above.

**E. Certifications.**

By signing below, the Contractor hereby certifies that to the best of the Contractor's knowledge and belief:

1. All of the statements, representations, covenants, and/or certifications required or set forth in the Bid and the Bid Documents, including those in the Federal Contract Provisions Supplement, and the Contract are still complete and accurate as of the date of this Agreement.
2. The Contractor knows of no legal, contractual, or financial impediment to entering into this Contract.
3. The person signing below is legally authorized by the Contractor to sign this Contract on behalf of the Contractor and to legally bind the Contractor to the terms of the Contract.

**F. Offer.**

The undersigned, having carefully examined the site of work, the Plans, Standard Specifications Revision of December 2002, Standard Details Revision of December 2002 as updated through advertisement, Supplemental Specifications, Special Provisions, Contract Agreement; and Contract Bonds contained herein for construction of:

**PINS. 15639.00 – 12693.00 – 12697.00 - Bridge Culvert Rehabilitations - in the towns of Canton / Farmington / Skowhegan**

State of Maine, on which bids will be received until the time specified in the “Notice to Contractors” do(es) hereby bid and offer to enter into this contract to supply all the materials, tools, equipment and labor to construct the whole of the Work in strict accordance with the terms and conditions of this Contract at the unit prices in the attached “Schedule of Items”.

The Offeror agrees to perform the work required at the price specified above and in accordance with the bids provided in the attached “Schedule of Items” in strict accordance with the terms of this solicitation, and to provide the appropriate insurance and bonds if this offer is accepted by the Government in writing.

As Offeror also agrees:

First: To do any extra work, not covered by the attached “Schedule of Items”, which may be ordered by the Resident, and to accept as full compensation the amount determined upon a “Force Account” basis as provided in the Standard Specifications, Revision of December 2002, and as addressed in the contract documents.

Second: That the bid bond at 5% of the bid amount or the official bank check, cashier’s check, certificate of deposit or U. S. Postal Money Order in the amount given in the “Notice to Contractors”, payable to the Treasurer of the State of Maine and accompanying this bid, shall be forfeited, as liquidated damages, if in case this bid is accepted, and the undersigned shall fail to abide by the terms and conditions of the offer and fail to furnish satisfactory insurance and Contract bonds under the conditions stipulated in the Specifications within 15 days of notice of intent to award the contract.

Third: To begin the Work as stated in Section 107.2 of the Standard Specifications Revision of December 2002 and complete the Work within the time limits given in the Special Provisions of this Contract.

Fourth: The Contractor will be bound to the Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Requirements contained in the attached Notice (Additional Instructions to Bidders) and submit a completed Contractor’s Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Utilization Plan by 4:30pm on the day of bid opening to the Contracts Engineer.

Fifth: That this offer shall remain open for 30 calendar days after the date of opening of bids.

Sixth: The Bidder hereby certifies, to the best of its knowledge and belief that: the Bidder has not, either directly or indirectly, entered into any agreement, participated in any collusion, or otherwise taken any action in restraint of competitive bidding in connection with its bid, and its subsequent contract with the Department.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Contractor, for itself, its successors and assigns, hereby execute two duplicate originals of this Agreement and thereby binds itself to all covenants, terms, and obligations contained in the Contract Documents.

CONTRACTOR

\_\_\_\_\_

Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature of Legally Authorized Representative  
of the Contractor)

\_\_\_\_\_

Witness

\_\_\_\_\_

(Name and Title Printed)

**G. Award.**

Your offer is hereby accepted.  
documents referenced herein.

This award consummates the Contract, and the

MAINE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

\_\_\_\_\_

Date

\_\_\_\_\_

By: David A. Cole, Commissioner

\_\_\_\_\_

Witness

## **CONTRACT AGREEMENT, OFFER & AWARD**

AGREEMENT made on the date last signed below, by and between the State of Maine, acting through and by its Department of Transportation (Department), an agency of state government with its principal administrative offices located at Child Street, Augusta, Maine, with a mailing address at 16 State House Station, Augusta, Maine 04333-0016, and

\_\_\_\_\_ a corporation or other legal entity organized under the laws of the State of \_\_\_\_\_, with its principal place of business located at \_\_\_\_\_

The Department and the Contractor, in consideration of the mutual promises set forth in this Agreement (the "Contract"), hereby agree as follows:

### **A. The Work.**

The Contractor agrees to complete all Work as specified or indicated in the Contract including Extra Work in conformity with the Contract, PIN No's. **15639.00 – 12693.00 – 12697.00 for Bridge Culvert Rehabilitations** in the towns of **Canton – Farmington - Skowhegan**, Counties of **Oxford, Franklin, and Somerset**, Maine. The Work includes construction, maintenance during construction, warranty as provided in the Contract, and other incidental work.

The Contractor shall be responsible for furnishing all supervision, labor, equipment, tools supplies, permanent materials and temporary materials required to perform the Work including construction quality control including inspection, testing and documentation, all required documentation at the conclusion of the project, warranting its work and performing all other work indicated in the Contract.

The Department shall have the right to alter the nature and extent of the Work as provided in the Contract; payment to be made as provided in the same.

### **B. Time.**

The Contractor agrees to complete all Work, except warranty work, on or before **October 10, 2008**. Further, the Department may deduct from moneys otherwise due the Contractor, not as a penalty, but as Liquidated Damages in accordance with Sections 107.7 and 107.8 of the State of Maine Department of Transportation Standard Specifications, Revision of December 2002 and related Special Provisions.

**C. Price.**

The quantities given in the Schedule of Items of the Bid Package will be used as the basis for determining the original Contract amount and for determining the amounts of the required Performance Surety Bond and Payment Surety Bond, and that the amount of this offer is \_\_\_\_\_

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ Performance Bond and Payment Bond each being 100% of the amount of this Contract.

**D. Contract.**

This Contract, which may be amended, modified, or supplemented in writing only, consists of the Contract documents as defined in the Plans, Standard Specifications, Revision of December 2002, Standard Details Revision of December 2002 as updated through advertisement, Supplemental Specifications, Special Provisions, Contract Agreement; and Contract Bonds. It is agreed and understood that this Contract will be governed by the documents listed above.

**E. Certifications.**

By signing below, the Contractor hereby certifies that to the best of the Contractor's knowledge and belief:

1. All of the statements, representations, covenants, and/or certifications required or set forth in the Bid and the Bid Documents, including those in the Federal Contract Provisions Supplement, and the Contract are still complete and accurate as of the date of this Agreement.
2. The Contractor knows of no legal, contractual, or financial impediment to entering into this Contract.
3. The person signing below is legally authorized by the Contractor to sign this Contract on behalf of the Contractor and to legally bind the Contractor to the terms of the Contract.

**F. Offer.**

The undersigned, having carefully examined the site of work, the Plans, Standard Specifications Revision of December 2002, Standard Details Revision of December 2002 as updated through advertisement, Supplemental Specifications, Special Provisions, Contract Agreement; and Contract Bonds contained herein for construction of:

**PINS. 15639.00 – 12693.00 – 12697.00 - Bridge Culvert Rehabilitations - in the towns of Canton / Farmington / Skowhegan**

State of Maine, on which bids will be received until the time specified in the “Notice to Contractors” do(es) hereby bid and offer to enter into this contract to supply all the materials, tools, equipment and labor to construct the whole of the Work in strict accordance with the terms and conditions of this Contract at the unit prices in the attached “Schedule of Items”.

The Offeror agrees to perform the work required at the price specified above and in accordance with the bids provided in the attached “Schedule of Items” in strict accordance with the terms of this solicitation, and to provide the appropriate insurance and bonds if this offer is accepted by the Government in writing.

As Offeror also agrees:

First: To do any extra work, not covered by the attached “Schedule of Items”, which may be ordered by the Resident, and to accept as full compensation the amount determined upon a “Force Account” basis as provided in the Standard Specifications, Revision of December 2002, and as addressed in the contract documents.

Second: That the bid bond at 5% of the bid amount or the official bank check, cashier’s check, certificate of deposit or U. S. Postal Money Order in the amount given in the “Notice to Contractors”, payable to the Treasurer of the State of Maine and accompanying this bid, shall be forfeited, as liquidated damages, if in case this bid is accepted, and the undersigned shall fail to abide by the terms and conditions of the offer and fail to furnish satisfactory insurance and Contract bonds under the conditions stipulated in the Specifications within 15 days of notice of intent to award the contract.

Third: To begin the Work as stated in Section 107.2 of the Standard Specifications Revision of December 2002 and complete the Work within the time limits given in the Special Provisions of this Contract.

Fourth: The Contractor will be bound to the Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Requirements contained in the attached Notice (Additional Instructions to Bidders) and submit a completed Contractor’s Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Utilization Plan by 4:30pm on the day of bid opening to the Contracts Engineer.

Fifth: That this offer shall remain open for 30 calendar days after the date of opening of bids.

Sixth: The Bidder hereby certifies, to the best of its knowledge and belief that: the Bidder has not, either directly or indirectly, entered into any agreement, participated in any collusion, or otherwise taken any action in restraint of competitive bidding in connection with its bid, and its subsequent contract with the Department.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Contractor, for itself, its successors and assigns, hereby execute two duplicate originals of this Agreement and thereby binds itself to all covenants, terms, and obligations contained in the Contract Documents.

CONTRACTOR

\_\_\_\_\_

Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature of Legally Authorized Representative  
of the Contractor)

\_\_\_\_\_

Witness

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Name and Title Printed)

**G. Award.**

Your offer is hereby accepted.  
documents referenced herein.

This award consummates the Contract, and the

MAINE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

\_\_\_\_\_

Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
By: David A. Cole, Commissioner

\_\_\_\_\_

Witness

**CONTRACT AGREEMENT, OFFER & AWARD**

AGREEMENT made on the date last signed below, by and between the State of Maine, acting through and by its Department of Transportation (Department), an agency of state government with its principal administrative offices located at Child Street Augusta, Maine, with a mailing address at 16 State House Station, Augusta, Maine 04333-0016, and (Name of the firm bidding the job) a corporation or other legal entity organized under the laws of the State of Maine, with its principal place of business located at (address of the firm bidding the job)

The Department and the Contractor, in consideration of the mutual promises set forth in this Agreement (the "Contract"), hereby agree as follows:

**A. The Work.**

The Contractor agrees to complete all Work as specified or indicated in the Contract including Extra Work in conformity with the Contract, PIN No. 1224.00, for the Hot Mix Asphalt Overlay in the town/city of West Eastport, County of Washington, Maine. The Work includes construction, maintenance during construction, warranty as provided in the Contract, and other incidental work.

The Contractor shall be responsible for furnishing all supervision, labor, equipment, tools supplies, permanent materials and temporary materials required to perform the Work including construction quality control including inspection, testing and documentation, all required documentation at the conclusion of the project, warranting its work and performing all other work indicated in the Contract.

The Department shall have the right to alter the nature and extent of the Work as provided in the Contract; payment to be made as provided in the same.

**B. Time.**

The Contractor agrees to complete all Work, except warranty work, on or before November 15, 2003. Further, the Department may deduct from moneys otherwise due the Contractor, not as a penalty, but as Liquidated Damages in accordance with Sections 107.7 and 107.8 of the State of Maine Department of Transportation Standard Specifications, Revision of December 2002.

**C. Price.**

The quantities given in the Schedule of Items of the Bid Package will be used as the basis for determining the original Contract amount and for determining the amounts of the required Performance Surety Bond and Payment Surety Bond, and that the amount of this offer is (Place bid here in alphabetical form such as One Hundred and Two dollars and 10 cents) \$ (repeat bid here in numerical terms, such as \$102.10) Performance Bond and Payment Bond each being 100% of the amount of this Contract.

**D. Contract.**

This Contract, which may be amended, modified, or supplemented in writing only, consists of the Contract documents as defined in the Plans, Standard Specifications, Revision of December 2002, Standard Details Revision of December 2002, Supplemental Specifications, Special Provisions, Contract Agreement; and Contract Bonds. It is agreed and understood that this Contract will be governed by the documents listed above.

**E. Certifications.**

By signing below, the Contractor hereby certifies that to the best of the Contractor's knowledge and belief:

1. All of the statements, representations, covenants, and/or certifications required or set forth in the Bid and the Bid Documents, including those in Appendix A to Division 100 of the Standard Specifications Revision of December 2002 (Federal Contract Provisions Supplement), and the Contract are still complete and accurate as of the date of this Agreement.
2. The Contractor knows of no legal, contractual, or financial impediment to entering into this Contract.
3. The person signing below is legally authorized by the Contractor to sign this Contract on behalf of the Contractor and to legally bind the Contractor to the terms of the Contract.

**F. Offer.**

The undersigned, having carefully examined the site of work, the Plans, Standard Specifications, Revision of December 2002, Standard Details Revision of December 2002, Supplemental Specifications, Special Provisions, Contract Agreement; and Contract Bonds contained herein for construction of:

**PIN 1234.00 West Eastport, Hot Mix Asphalt Overlay**

State of Maine, on which bids will be received until the time specified in the "Notice to Contractors" do(es) hereby bid and offer to enter into this contract to supply all the materials, tools, equipment and labor to construct the whole of the Work in strict accordance with the terms and conditions of this Contract at the unit prices in the attached "Schedule of Items".

The Offeror agrees to perform the work required at the price specified above and in accordance with the bids provided in the attached "Schedule of Items" in strict accordance with the terms of this solicitation, and to provide the appropriate insurance and bonds if this offer is accepted by the Government in writing.

As Offeror also agrees:

First: To do any extra work, not covered by the attached "Schedule of Items", which may be ordered by the Resident, and to accept as full compensation the amount determined upon a "Force Account" basis as provided in the Standard Specifications, Revision of December 2002, and as addressed in the contract documents.

Second: That the bid bond at 5% of the bid amount or the official bank check, cashier's check, certificate of deposit or U. S. Postal Money Order in the amount given in the "Notice to Contractors", payable to the Treasurer of the State of Maine and accompanying this bid, shall be forfeited, as liquidated damages, if in case this bid is accepted, and the undersigned shall fail to abide by the terms and conditions of the offer and fail to furnish satisfactory insurance and Contract bonds under the conditions stipulated in the Specifications within 15 days of notice of intent to award the contract.

Third: To begin the Work on the date specified in the Engineer's "Notice to Commence Work" as stated in Section 107.2 of the Standard Specifications Revision of 2002 and complete the Work within the time limits given in the Special Provisions of this Contract.

Fourth: The Contractor will be bound to the Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Requirements contained in the attached Notice (Additional Instructions to Bidders) and submit a completed Contractor's Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Utilization Plan by 4:30pm on the day of bid opening to the Contracts Engineer.

Fifth: That this offer shall remain open for 30 calendar days after the date of opening of bids.

Sixth: The Bidder hereby certifies, to the best of its knowledge and belief that: the Bidder has not, either directly or indirectly, entered into any agreement, participated in any collusion, or otherwise taken any action in restraint of competitive bidding in connection with its bid, and its subsequent contract with the Department.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Contractor, for itself, its successors and assigns, hereby execute two duplicate originals of this Agreement and thereby binds itself to all covenants, terms, and obligations contained in the Contract Documents.

**CONTRACTOR**

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Sign Here)  
(Signature of Legally Authorized Representative of the Contractor)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Print Name Here)  
(Name and Title Printed)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Witness Sign Here)  
Witness

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

**G. Award.**

Your offer is hereby accepted. documents referenced herein.

This award consummates the Contract, and the

MAINE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
By: David A. Cole, Commissioner

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Witness)

BOND # \_\_\_\_\_

CONTRACT PERFORMANCE BOND  
(Surety Company Form)

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS: That \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ **and the State of** \_\_\_\_\_, as principal,  
and \_\_\_\_\_,  
a corporation duly organized under the laws of the State of \_\_\_\_\_ and having a  
usual place of business \_\_\_\_\_,  
as Surety, are held and firmly bound unto the Treasurer of the State of Maine in the sum  
of \_\_\_\_\_ **and 00/100 Dollars (\$** \_\_\_\_\_ **)**,  
to be paid said Treasurer of the State of Maine or his successors in office, for which  
payment well and truly to be made, Principal and Surety bind themselves, their heirs,  
executors and administrators, successors and assigns, jointly and severally by these  
presents.

The condition of this obligation is such that if the Principal designated as Contractor in  
the Contract to construct Project Number \_\_\_\_\_ in the Municipality of  
\_\_\_\_\_ promptly and faithfully performs the Contract, then this  
obligation shall be null and void; otherwise it shall remain in full force and effect.

The Surety hereby waives notice of any alteration or extension of time made by the State  
of Maine.

Signed and sealed this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20.....

WITNESSES:

SIGNATURES:

CONTRACTOR:

Signature.....

.....

Print Name Legibly .....

Print Name Legibly .....

SURETY:

Signature .....

.....

Print Name Legibly .....

Print Name Legibly .....

SURETY ADDRESS:

NAME OF LOCAL AGENCY:

ADDRESS .....

.....

.....

.....

.....

TELEPHONE.....

.....

BOND # \_\_\_\_\_

CONTRACT PAYMENT BOND  
(Surety Company Form)

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS: That \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ **and the State of** \_\_\_\_\_, as principal,  
and \_\_\_\_\_  
a corporation duly organized under the laws of the State of \_\_\_\_\_ and having a  
usual place of business in \_\_\_\_\_,  
as Surety, are held and firmly bound unto the Treasurer of the State of Maine for the use  
and benefit of claimants as herein below defined, in the sum of  
\_\_\_\_\_ **and 00/100 Dollars (\$** \_\_\_\_\_ **)**  
for the payment whereof Principal and Surety bind themselves, their heirs, executors and  
administrators, successors and assigns, jointly and severally by these presents.

The condition of this obligation is such that if the Principal designated as Contractor in  
the Contract to construct Project Number \_\_\_\_\_ in the Municipality of  
\_\_\_\_\_ promptly satisfies all claims and demands incurred for all  
labor and material, used or required by him in connection with the work contemplated by  
said Contract, and fully reimburses the obligee for all outlay and expense which the  
obligee may incur in making good any default of said Principal, then this obligation shall  
be null and void; otherwise it shall remain in full force and effect.

A claimant is defined as one having a direct contract with the Principal or with a  
Subcontractor of the Principal for labor, material or both, used or reasonably required for  
use in the performance of the contract.

Signed and sealed this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20 .. .

WITNESS:

SIGNATURES:

CONTRACTOR:

Signature.....

.....

Print Name Legibly .....

Print Name Legibly .....

SURETY:

Signature.....

.....

Print Name Legibly .....

Print Name Legibly .....

SURETY ADDRESS:

NAME OF LOCAL AGENCY:

.....

ADDRESS .....

.....

.....

TELEPHONE .....

.....

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS - PREFERRED EMPLOYEES

Sec. 1303. Public Works; minimum wage

In the employment of laborers in the construction of public works, including state highways, by the State or by persons contracting for the construction, preference must first be given to citizens of the State who are qualified to perform the work to which the employment relates and, if they can not be obtained in sufficient numbers, then to citizens of the United States. Every contract for public works construction must contain a provision for employing citizens of this State or the United States. The hourly wage and benefit rate paid to laborers employed in the construction of public works, including state highways, may not be less than the fair minimum rate as determined in accordance with section 1308. Any contractor who knowingly and willfully violates this section is subject to a fine of not less than \$250 per employee violation. Each day that any contractor employs a laborer at less than the wage and benefit minimum stipulated in this section constitutes a separate violation of this section. [1997, c. 757, §1 (amd).]

Wage Determination - In accordance with 26 MRSA §1301 et. seq., this is a determination by the Bureau of Labor Standards, of the fair minimum wage rate to be paid laborers and workers employed on the below titled project.

**Title of Project** ----- Three Bridge Culvert Rehabilitations, PIN 12693.00, 15639.00, 12697.00

**Location of Project** -- Farmington, Canton, Skowhegan, Maine in Franklin, Oxford, Somerset Counties

**2008 Fair Minimum Wage Rates  
Highway & Earthwork  
Franklin, Oxford and Somerset Counties**

Occupation Title	Minimum			Occupation Title	Minimum		
	Wage	Benefit	Total		Wage	Benefit	Total
Asphalt Raker	\$13.50	\$0.41	\$13.91	Hot Top Plant Operator	\$19.35	\$7.68	\$27.03
Backhoe Loader Operator	\$15.03	\$1.98	\$17.01	Ironworker - Reinforcing	\$17.88	\$2.97	\$20.85
Blaster	\$17.60	\$3.92	\$21.52	Ironworker - Structural	\$20.15	\$4.96	\$25.11
Boom Truck Operator	\$18.50	\$3.49	\$21.99	Laborers/Helper/Tender	\$11.50	\$1.44	\$12.94
Bulldozer Operator	\$16.00	\$2.49	\$18.49	Laborer - Skilled	\$13.50	\$1.85	\$15.35
Cable Splicer	\$20.65	\$3.88	\$24.53	Loader Op, Front-End	\$15.00	\$2.68	\$17.68
Carpenter	\$17.00	\$1.81	\$18.81	Mechanic - Maintenance	\$17.03	\$3.69	\$20.72
Carpenter - Rough	\$14.60	\$2.60	\$17.20	Millwright	\$22.00	\$6.18	\$28.18
Cement Mason/Finisher	\$12.95	\$0.61	\$13.56	Painter	\$13.50	\$0.48	\$13.98
Concrete Mixing Plant Op	\$15.85	\$6.78	\$22.63	Paver, Bituminous	\$15.60	\$1.80	\$17.40
Concrete Pump Operator	\$18.50	\$2.85	\$21.35	Pipe/Steam/Sprinkler Fitter	\$19.55	\$4.14	\$23.69
Crane Op =>15 Tons	\$20.00	\$4.68	\$24.68	Pipelayer	\$13.00	\$2.83	\$15.83
Crusher Plant Operator	\$14.75	\$1.60	\$16.35	Roller Operator, Earth	\$13.45	\$4.13	\$17.58
Driller, Rock	\$15.00	\$6.05	\$21.05	Roller Op, Pavement	\$15.83	\$5.19	\$21.02
Electrician, Licensed	\$21.00	\$5.39	\$26.39	Screed Operator	\$17.75	\$5.72	\$23.47
Electrician Hlpr (Licensed)	\$15.00	\$2.44	\$17.44	Stone Mason	\$16.00	\$2.26	\$18.26
Excavator Operator	\$17.00	\$2.46	\$19.46	Truck Driver, Light	\$13.63	\$1.77	\$15.40
Fence Setter	\$12.00	\$1.55	\$13.55	Truck Driver, Medium	\$13.36	\$4.10	\$17.46
Flagger	\$13.73	\$4.28	\$18.01	Truck Driver, Heavy	\$12.85	\$1.33	\$14.18
Grader/Scraper Operator	\$16.92	\$2.61	\$19.53	Truck Driver, Tractor Tlrl	\$13.95	\$3.04	\$16.99
Hgway Wrkr/Guardrail Inst	\$14.10	\$1.55	\$15.65	Truck Driver, Mixer, Cemnt	\$11.00	\$1.78	\$12.78

The Laborer classifications include a wide range of work duties. Therefore, if any specific occupation to be employed on this project is not listed in this determination, call the Bureau of Labor Standards at the above number for further clarification.

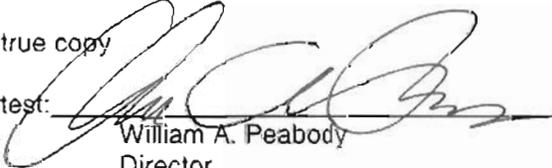
Welders are classified in the trade to which the welding is incidental.

Apprentices - The minimum wage rate for registered apprentices are those set forth in the standards and policies of the Maine State Apprenticeship and Training Council for approved apprenticeship programs.

Posting of Schedule - Posting of this schedule is required in accordance with 26 MRSA §1301 et. seq., by any contractor holding a State contract for construction valued at \$50,000 or more and any subcontractors to such a contractor.

Appeal - Any person affected by the determination of these rates may appeal to the Commissioner of Labor by filing a written notice with the Commissioner stating the specific grounds of the objection within ten (10) days from the filing of these rates with the Secretary of State.

Determination No: HI-082-2008  
 Filing Date: June 19, 2008  
 Expiration Date: 12-31-2008

A true copy  
 Attest:   
 William A. Peabody  
 Director  
 Bureau of Labor Standards

**SPECIAL PROVISIONS**  
**SECTION 104**  
**Utilities**

**MEETING**

A Preconstruction Utility Conference, as defined in Subsection 104.4.6 of the Standard Specifications **is not** required.

**GENERAL INFORMATION**

These Special Provisions outline the arrangements that have been made by the Department for utility work to be undertaken in conjunction with this project. The following list identifies all known utilities having facilities presently located within the limits of this project or intending to install facilities during project construction.

<b>Utility</b>	<b>Contact</b>	<b>Phone Number</b>	<b>Utility</b>
<b>Oxford Networks</b>	<b>Brent Hadley</b>	<b>462-2754</b>	<b>Under</b>
<b>CMP</b>	<b>Roy Taylor</b>	<b>564-8539</b>	<b>Aerial</b>

***Aerial Utility Specific Issues:***

- Temporary utility adjustments are **not** anticipated. No aerial utility relocation or adjustment work is planned, nor is any anticipated for this project. However, as indicated in the table above, CMP is located within the limits of the project and therefore, precautions should be taken when initiating any work.

***Underground Utility Specific Issues:***

- Temporary utility adjustments are **not** anticipated. No underground utility relocation or adjustment work is planned, nor is any anticipated for this project. However, as indicated in the table above, Oxford Networks is located within the limits of the project and therefore, precautions should be taken when initiating any work.

**DIG SAFE**

The Contractor shall be responsible for determining the presence of underground utility facilities prior to commencing any excavation work and shall notify utilities of proposed excavation in accordance with M.R.S.A. Title 23 §3360-A, Maine “Dig Safe” System. **1-888-344-7233**

**MAINTAINING UTILITY LOCATION MARKINGS**

The Contractor will be responsible for maintaining the buried utility location markings following the initial locating by the appropriate utility or their designated representative.

**THE CONTRACTOR SHALL PLAN AND CONDUCT HIS WORK ACCORDINGLY.**

**SPECIAL PROVISIONS**  
**SECTION 104**  
**Utilities**

**MEETING**

A Preconstruction Utility Conference, as defined in Subsection 104.4.6 of the Standard Specifications **is not** required.

**GENERAL INFORMATION**

These Special Provisions outline the arrangements that have been made by the Department for utility work to be undertaken in conjunction with this project. The following list identifies all known utilities having facilities presently located within the limits of this project or intending to install facilities during project construction.

<b>Utility</b>	<b>Contact</b>	<b>Phone Number</b>	<b>Utility</b>
<b>Farmington Village Corp.(Water)</b>	<b>Tom Holt</b>	<b>778-4777</b>	<b>Under</b>
<b>CMP</b>	<b>Roy Taylor</b>	<b>564-8539</b>	<b>Aerial</b>
<b>Fairpoint</b>	<b>Jerry Simpson</b>	<b>778-2077</b>	<b>Aerial</b>

*Aerial Utility Specific Issues:*

- Temporary utility adjustments are **not** anticipated. No aerial utility relocation or adjustment work is planned, nor is any anticipated for this project. However, as indicated in the table above, **CMP and Fairpoint** are located within the limits of the project and therefore, precautions should be taken when initiating any work.

*Underground Utility Specific Issues:*

- Temporary utility adjustments are **not** anticipated. No underground utility relocation or adjustment work is planned, nor is any anticipated for this project. However, as indicated in the table above, **Farmington Village Corp.** is located within the limits of the project and therefore, precautions should be taken when initiating any work.

**DIG SAFE**

The Contractor shall be responsible for determining the presence of underground utility facilities prior to commencing any excavation work and shall notify utilities of proposed excavation in accordance with M.R.S.A. Title 23 §3360-A, Maine “Dig Safe” System. **1-888-344-7233**

**MAINTAINING UTILITY LOCATION MARKINGS**

The Contractor will be responsible for maintaining the buried utility location markings following the initial locating by the appropriate utility or their designated representative.

**THE CONTRACTOR SHALL PLAN AND CONDUCT HIS WORK ACCORDINGLY.**

**SPECIAL PROVISIONS**  
**SECTION 104**  
**Utilities**

**MEETING**

A Preconstruction Utility Conference, as defined in Subsection 104.4.6 of the Standard Specifications **is not** required.

**GENERAL INFORMATION**

These Special Provisions outline the arrangements that have been made by the Department for utility work to be undertaken in conjunction with this project. The following list identifies all known utilities having facilities presently located within the limits of this project or intending to install facilities during project construction.

<b>Utility</b>	<b>Contact</b>	<b>Phone Number</b>	<b>Utility</b>
<b>Maine Com Services</b>	<b>Mark Curtis</b>	<b>629-0198</b>	<b>Aerial</b>
<b>CMP</b>	<b>Roy Taylor</b>	<b>564-8539</b>	<b>Aerial</b>
<b>Fairpoint</b>	<b>Dave Leavitt</b>	<b>990-5239</b>	<b>Aerial</b>
<b>Aqua Maine</b>	<b>Brian Mitchell</b>	<b>474-3521</b>	<b>Under</b>
<b>Town of Skowhegan</b>	<b>Greg Dore</b>	<b>474-6911</b>	<b>Under</b>

***Aerial Utility Specific Issues:***

- Temporary utility adjustments are **not** anticipated. No aerial utility relocation or adjustment work is planned, nor is any anticipated for this project. However, as indicated in the table above, **Maine Com, CMP and Fairpoint** are located within the limits of the project and therefore, precautions should be taken when initiating any work.

***Underground Utility Specific Issues:***

- Temporary utility adjustments are **not** anticipated. No underground utility relocation or adjustment work is planned, nor is any anticipated for this project. However, as indicated in the table above, **Aqua Maine and Town of Skowhegan** are located within the limits of the project and therefore, precautions should be taken when initiating any work.

**DIG SAFE**

The Contractor shall be responsible for determining the presence of underground utility facilities prior to commencing any excavation work and shall notify utilities of proposed excavation in accordance with M.R.S.A. Title 23 §3360-A, Maine "Dig Safe" System. **1-888-344-7233**

Town: **Skowhegan**  
Project: **12697.00**  
Date: **May 5, 2008**

***Note to Contractors:***

***The Town of Skowhegan and Aqua Maine are not members of Dig Safe, location of these facilities will need to be coordinated with the Utility owner Directly***

**MAINTAINING UTILITY LOCATION MARKINGS**

The Contractor will be responsible for maintaining the buried utility location markings following the initial locating by the appropriate utility or their designated representative.

**THE CONTRACTOR SHALL PLAN AND CONDUCT HIS WORK ACCORDINGLY.**

SPECIAL PROVISION  
SECTION 105  
General Scope of Work  
(Environmental Requirements)

In-Water work consists of any activity conducted below the normal high water mark of a river, stream, brook, lake, pond or “Coastal Wetland” areas that are subject to tidal action during the highest tide level for the year which an activity is proposed as identified in the tide tables published by the National Ocean Service. <http://www.oceanservice.noaa.gov/> For the full definition of “Coastal Wetlands”, please refer to 38 MRSA 480-B(2)

**I. In-Water work is allowed Anytime**

II. In-Water work window applies to the following water bodies at the following station #'s:

1. Cascade Brook

III. Special Conditions:

1. The permittee shall ensure that the placement/replacement of culverts conforms to the provisions of the current Maine DOT Fish Passage & Design Guide to insure passage of Salmonids.

IV. Approvals:

1. Temporary Soil Erosion and Water Pollution Control Plan

V. All activities are prohibited (including placement and removal of cofferdams unless otherwise permitted by Regulatory Agencies) below the normal high water mark if outside the prescribed in-water work window, except for the following:

1. Work within a cofferdam constructed according to MaineDOT’s Standard Specifications and in adherence with the contractors approved “Soil Erosion and Water Pollution Control Plan”.

VI. No work is allowed that completely blocks a river, stream, or brook without providing downstream flow.

**NOTE: Regulatory Review and Approval is required to modify the existing In-Water work window. Procedure to modify the existing in-water work window can be found on the back of this document or the next page.**

## **PROCEDURE FOR PROCESSING ANY IN-WATER WORK EXTENSION**

**MaineDOT will not incur any claims as a result of an In-Water modification being denied.**

The following procedure will assist in processing a review by the Regulatory Agencies when the in-water work restrictions of a permit need modification:

1. The Contractor shall submit to the MaineDOT Resident in writing the in-water work extension request. The written request shall be submitted **in accordance with State of MaineDOT Standard Specification section 107.4 Scheduling of Work**. This is a change in the contract, and per MaineDOT Standard Specification section 109, a contract modification is required.
2. The Contractor's written request shall have the following items identified for the MaineDOT Environmental Office to evaluate adequate justification to continue forward with the modification of existing Contract Permit Conditions:
  - A) Description of the scope of In-Water work
  - B) Total number of working days requested to complete the scope of In-Water work
  - C) The reason(s) the In-Water work cannot be done in accordance with the Permit Conditions and/or Special Provision 105 Specification.
  - D) Benefit(s) to the MaineDOT for this change of Contract requirement
  - E) Photographs of the area of work described
3. MaineDOT is held harmless from claims and liability if the request to "Modify" the Contract Permit Conditions are denied.

**Please Note: depending on the level of State and Federal Permitting required for the project, permit modification timeframes will vary depending on revised consultations and approvals. Timeframes will vary from project to project (even site to site on individual projects) and contractors will not count this review/modification "timeframe" as time lost from doing in-water work.**
4. If the request is approved by the Regulatory Agencies, then a Contract Modification will be issued by the MaineDOT Resident indicating the monetary and time commitment this change has on the MaineDOT's contract.

SPECIAL PROVISION  
SECTION 105  
General Scope of Work  
(Environmental Requirements)

In-Water work consists of any activity conducted below the normal high water mark of a river, stream, brook, lake, pond or “Coastal Wetland” areas that are subject to tidal action during the highest tide level for the year which an activity is proposed as identified in the tide tables published by the National Ocean Service. <http://www.oceanservice.noaa.gov/> For the full definition of “Coastal Wetlands”, please refer to 38 MRSA 480-B(2)

I. In-Water Work shall not be allowed between the dates of 10/2 and 7/14.  
**(In-Water work is allowed from 7/15 to 10/1.)**

II. In-Water work window applies to the following water bodies at the following station #'s:  
1. Currier Brook

III. Special Conditions:  
1.

IV. Approvals:  
1. Temporary Soil Erosion and Water Pollution Control Plan

V. All activities are prohibited (including placement and removal of cofferdams unless otherwise permitted by Regulatory Agencies) below the normal high water mark if outside the prescribed in-water work window, except for the following:  
1. Work within a cofferdam constructed according to MaineDOT’s Standard Specifications and in adherence with the contractors approved “Soil Erosion and Water Pollution Control Plan”.

VI. No work is allowed that completely blocks a river, stream, or brook without providing downstream flow.

**NOTE: Regulatory Review and Approval is required to modify the existing In-Water work window. Procedure to modify the existing in-water work window can be found on the back of this document or the next page.**

## **PROCEDURE FOR PROCESSING ANY IN-WATER WORK EXTENSION**

**MaineDOT will not incur any claims as a result of an In-Water modification being denied.**

The following procedure will assist in processing a review by the Regulatory Agencies when the in-water work restrictions of a permit need modification:

1. The Contractor shall submit to the MaineDOT Resident in writing the in-water work extension request. The written request shall be submitted **in accordance with State of MaineDOT Standard Specification section 107.4 Scheduling of Work**. This is a change in the contract, and per MaineDOT Standard Specification section 109, a contract modification is required.
2. The Contractor's written request shall have the following items identified for the MaineDOT Environmental Office to evaluate adequate justification to continue forward with the modification of existing Contract Permit Conditions:
  - A) Description of the scope of In-Water work
  - B) Total number of working days requested to complete the scope of In-Water work
  - C) The reason(s) the In-Water work cannot be done in accordance with the Permit Conditions and/or Special Provision 105 Specification.
  - D) Benefit(s) to the MaineDOT for this change of Contract requirement
  - E) Photographs of the area of work described
3. MaineDOT is held harmless from claims and liability if the request to "Modify" the Contract Permit Conditions are denied.

**Please Note: depending on the level of State and Federal Permitting required for the project, permit modification timeframes will vary depending on revised consultations and approvals. Timeframes will vary from project to project (even site to site on individual projects) and contractors will not count this review/modification "timeframe" as time lost from doing in-water work.**
4. If the request is approved by the Regulatory Agencies, then a Contract Modification will be issued by the MaineDOT Resident indicating the monetary and time commitment this change has on the MaineDOT's contract.

SPECIAL PROVISION  
SECTION 105  
General Scope of Work  
(Environmental Requirements)

In-Water work consists of any activity conducted below the normal high water mark of a river, stream, brook, lake, pond or “Coastal Wetland” areas that are subject to tidal action during the highest tide level for the year which an activity is proposed as identified in the tide tables published by the National Ocean Service. <http://www.oceanservice.noaa.gov/> For the full definition of “Coastal Wetlands”, please refer to 38 MRSA 480-B(2)

I. In-Water Work shall not be allowed between the dates of 10/2 and 7/14.  
**(In-Water work is allowed from 7/15 to 10/1.)**

II. In-Water work window applies to the following water bodies at the following station #'s:  
1. Ludden Brook

III. Special Conditions:  
1.

IV. Approvals:  
1. Temporary Soil Erosion and Water Pollution Control Plan

V. All activities are prohibited (including placement and removal of cofferdams unless otherwise permitted by Regulatory Agencies) below the normal high water mark if outside the prescribed in-water work window, except for the following:  
1. Work within a cofferdam constructed according to MaineDOT’s Standard Specifications and in adherence with the contractors approved “Soil Erosion and Water Pollution Control Plan”.

VI. No work is allowed that completely blocks a river, stream, or brook without providing downstream flow.

**NOTE: Regulatory Review and Approval is required to modify the existing In-Water work window. Procedure to modify the existing in-water work window can be found on the back of this document or the next page.**

## **PROCEDURE FOR PROCESSING ANY IN-WATER WORK EXTENSION**

**MaineDOT will not incur any claims as a result of an In-Water modification being denied.**

The following procedure will assist in processing a review by the Regulatory Agencies when the in-water work restrictions of a permit need modification:

1. The Contractor shall submit to the MaineDOT Resident in writing the in-water work extension request. The written request shall be submitted **in accordance with State of MaineDOT Standard Specification section 107.4 Scheduling of Work**. This is a change in the contract, and per MaineDOT Standard Specification section 109, a contract modification is required.
2. The Contractor's written request shall have the following items identified for the MaineDOT Environmental Office to evaluate adequate justification to continue forward with the modification of existing Contract Permit Conditions:
  - A) Description of the scope of In-Water work
  - B) Total number of working days requested to complete the scope of In-Water work
  - C) The reason(s) the In-Water work cannot be done in accordance with the Permit Conditions and/or Special Provision 105 Specification.
  - D) Benefit(s) to the MaineDOT for this change of Contract requirement
  - E) Photographs of the area of work described
3. MaineDOT is held harmless from claims and liability if the request to "Modify" the Contract Permit Conditions are denied.

**Please Note: depending on the level of State and Federal Permitting required for the project, permit modification timeframes will vary depending on revised consultations and approvals. Timeframes will vary from project to project (even site to site on individual projects) and contractors will not count this review/modification "timeframe" as time lost from doing in-water work.**
4. If the request is approved by the Regulatory Agencies, then a Contract Modification will be issued by the MaineDOT Resident indicating the monetary and time commitment this change has on the MaineDOT's contract.

**SPECIAL PROVISION**  
**SECTION 105**  
**General Scope of Work**  
**(Limitations of Operations)**

The Contractor will be allowed to commence work and end work daily according to the Department of Marine Resources Sunrise/Sunset Table at the following Web address ([http://www.maine.gov/dmr/sunrise\\_table.htm](http://www.maine.gov/dmr/sunrise_table.htm)). Contractor will be allowed to enter roadway at Sunrise and must be off the roadway before Sunset. Any work outside these times will require nighttime lighting and safety attire.

SPECIAL PROVISION  
SECTION 106  
QUALITY  
(Quality Level Analysis- Structural Concrete)

106.7.1 Standard Deviation Method Under H. Replace the Method A payfactor with the following;

“Method A:  $PF = [32.5 + (\text{Quality Level} * 0.75)] * 0.01$ ”

SPECIAL PROVISION

SECTION 107

TIME

(Scheduling of Work – Projected Payment Schedule)

Description The Contractor shall also provide the Department with a Quarterly Projected Payment Schedule that estimates the value of the Work as scheduled, including requests for payment of Delivered Materials. The Projected Payment Schedule must be in accordance with the Contractor's Schedule of Work and prices submitted by the Contractor's Bid. The Contractor shall submit the Projected Payment Schedule as a condition of Award.

**SPECIAL PROVISION**  
**SECTION 107**  
**SCHEDULING OF WORK**

Replace Section 107.4.2 with the following:

”107.4.2 Schedule of Work Required Within 21 Days of Contract Execution and before beginning any on-site activities, the Contractor shall provide the Department with its Schedule of Work. The Contractor shall plan the Work, including the activity of Subcontractors, vendors, and suppliers, such that all Work will be performed in Substantial Conformity with its Schedule of Work. The Schedule must include sufficient time for the Department to perform its functions as indicated in this Contract, including QA inspection and testing, approval of the Contractor's TCP, SEWPCP and QCP, and review of Working Drawings.

At a minimum, the Schedule of Work shall include a bar chart which shows the major Work activities, milestones, durations, and a timeline. Milestones to be included in the schedule include: (A) start of Work, (B) beginning and ending of planned Work suspensions, (C) Completion of Physical Work, and (D) Completion. If the Contractor Plans to Complete the Work before the specified Completion date, the Schedule shall so indicate.

Any restrictions that affect the Schedule of Work such as paving restrictions or In-Stream Work windows must be charted with the related activities to demonstrate that the Schedule of Work complies with the Contract.

The Department will review the Schedule of Work and provide comments to the Contractor within 20 days of receipt of the schedule. The Contractor will make the requested changes to the schedule and issue the finalized version to the Department.”

**Special Provision**  
**Section 107**  
**Prosecution and Progress**  
**(Contract Time)**

- 1) **The contractor will be allowed to commence work on this project as long as all applicable plans as required under this contract have been submitted and approved.**
- 2) **The completion date for this contract is October 10, 2008.**
- 3) **For every weekday not worked after operations begin, the Contractor will be charged liquidated damages per calendar day (excluding inclement weather days) at the rate stated in Section 107.7.2.**
- 4) **The contractor shall cease all operations and have all travel lanes open to traffic and the roadway in safe operating condition as directed on the following dates :**
- 5) **August 29, 2008 by noon, and shall not commence work again until September 2, 2008 (Labor Day).**

**SPECIAL PROVISION**  
**SECTION 502**  
**STRUCTURAL CONCRETE CULVERT INVERT LINING**

Description The work shall include preparation of existing surfaces, installation of machine bolts or studs, spot painting of corroded areas, placement of concrete, and the application of emulsified asphalt.

The Contractor has the option of using a shotcrete method for this culvert repair. If the Contractor chooses this method, the shotcrete special provision must be followed.

Materials Concrete for the culvert repair shall be modified Class LP Concrete. The concrete mix shall include a chemical accelerator and shall be submitted to the Resident for prior approval.

Construction Requirements All work shall be in conformity with applicable requirements of Section 502.

Stud welded shear connectors or machine bolts shall be installed in accordance with Section 505 of the Standard Specifications, except that Section 505.04 shall be ignored.

All reinforcement shall be secured in place to prevent displacement during the concrete placement.

The upstream and downstream ends of the invert slab shall taper down from 125 mm [5 in] to 50 mm [2 in] minimum (measured from the top of the corrugations inside the pipe) at each end of the culvert. The taper will be approximately 200 mm [8 in] long.

Finish the entire length of the invert with a rough broom surface, 900 mm [3 ft] wide.

All horizontal edges of exposed concrete shall be sealed with an asphalt emulsion which extends onto the culvert at least 25 mm [1 in].

All areas of section loss above the concrete shall be sandblasted and painted with an MC Zinc Primer with MC Urethane with a Mox Tar Topcoat.

The Contractor shall sandblast all areas from 25 mm [1 in] below the top of concrete lining to 150 mm [6 in] below lowest row of shear connectors. The Contractor shall remove all loose materials, rust, scale, oil and deleterious material from all remaining

receiving surfaces to receive concrete by methods acceptable to the Resident. In areas where the metal is non-existent, a preliminary concrete placement shall be made utilizing forms where required, to fill voids and establish the former extremity lines of the metal. The final placement is to be made over this preliminary placement. No concrete shall be placed on frozen surfaces.

An approved curing cover (or compound) shall be applied within 18 hours after finishing. Finished concrete shall be cured for a minimum of 48 hours before flushed with water, unless otherwise directed by the Resident, and flush water must be collected as per Section 656.

Method of Measurement The structural concrete for the culvert invert lining, satisfactorily placed and accepted in accordance with the dimensions shown on the plans, will be measured as one lump sum unit.

Basis of Payment The accepted structural concrete for the culvert invert lining will be paid for at the contract lump sum price for Structural Concrete Culvert Invert Lining. The contract lump sum price shall be full compensation for preparing surfaces, installing machine bolts or studs, spot painting of corroded areas with an MC Zinc Primer with MC Urethane with a Mox Tar Topcoat, placing concrete, applying of asphalt emulsion and furnishing all materials, equipment, labor and incidentals necessary to complete the work.

Concrete admixtures including silica fume will not be paid for directly, but shall be incidental to the related contract item.

The containment and disposal of pollutants during surface preparation will not be paid for directly, but shall be incidental to the related contract item and included in the Contractor's SEWPCP.

Payment will be made under:

<u>Pay Item</u>	<u>Pay Unit</u>
502.325      Structural Concrete Culvert Invert Lining	Lump Sum

SPECIAL PROVISION  
SECTION 502  
 STRUCTURAL CONCRETE  
 (QC/QA Acceptance Methods)

CLASS OF CONCRETE	ITEM NUMBER	DESCRIPTION	P	METHOD
LP	502.325	Structural Concrete Culvert Invert Lining	\$450	A

P values listed above reflect the price per cubic meter (yd<sup>3</sup>) for all pay adjustment purposes.

SPECIAL PROVISION  
SECTION 502  
STRUCTURAL CONCRETE  
(Quality Level Analysis)

502.01 Description In second sentence, replace "...METHOD B Small Quantity Product Verification..." with "...METHOD B Statistical Acceptance..."

502.05 Composition and Proportioning Delete Table 1 and replace with the following;

TABLE 1- Methods A and B

Concrete CLASS	Compressive Strength (PSI)		Permeability (COULOMBS)		Entrained Air (%)		Notes
	LSL	USL	LSL	USL	LSL	USL	
S	2,900	N/A	N/A	N/A	6.0	8.5	1, 5
A	4,350	-----	-----	2,400	6.0	8.5	1,2,5,6
P	-----	-----	-----	-----	5 ½	7 ½	1,2,3,4,5
LP	5,075	-----	-----	2,000	6.0	8.5	1,2,5,6
Fill	2,900	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	6

502.503 Delete and replace with the following;

“502.0503 Quality Assurance METHOD B The Department will determine the acceptability of the concrete through a quality assurance program.

The Department will take Quality Assurance samples a minimum of once per subplot on a statistically random basis. Quality Assurance tests will include compressive strength, air content and permeability.

Concrete sampling for quality assurance tests will be taken at the discharge point, with pumped concrete sampling taken at the discharge end of the pump line.

Lot Size A lot size shall consist of the total quantity represented by each class of concrete in the Contract, except in the case when the same class of concrete is paid for under both lump sum items and unit price items in the Contract; in this case, the lump sum item quantities shall comprise 1 lot and the unit price item quantities shall comprise a separate lot. A lot shall consist of a minimum of 3 and a maximum of 10 sublots. If a lot is comprised of more than 10 sublots, sized in accordance with Table #3, then this quantity shall be divided equally into 2, or more, lots such that there is a minimum of 3 and a maximum of 10 sublots per lot. If there is insufficient quantity in a lot to meet the recommended minimum subplot size, then the lot shall be divided into 3 equal sublots.

Sublot Size, General The size of each subplot shall be determined in accordance with Table #3. The Resident may vary subplot sizes based on placement sizes and sequence.

Sublot Size, Unit Price Items Sublot sizes will initially be determined from estimated quantities. When the actual final quantity of concrete is determined: If there is less than one-half the estimated subplot quantity in the remaining quantity, then this quantity shall be combined with the previous subplot, and no further Acceptance testing will be performed; if there is more than one-half the estimated subplot quantity in the remaining quantity, then this quantity shall constitute the last subplot and shall be represented by Acceptance test results. If it becomes apparent part way through a lot that, due to an underrun in quantity, there will be an insufficient quantity of concrete to comprise three sublots, then the Resident may adjust the sizes of the remaining sublots and select new sample locations based on the revised estimated quantity of concrete remaining in the lot.

Sublot Size, Lump Sum Items Each lot shall be divided into sublots of equal size, based on the estimated quantity of concrete.

TABLE 3

Quantity m <sup>3</sup> [cy]	Recommended Sublot Size m <sup>3</sup> [cy]
0-400 [0-500]	40 [50]
401-800 [501-1000]	60 [75]
801-1600 [1001-2000]	80 [100]
1601 [2001] or greater	200 [250]

Determination of the concrete cover over reinforcing steel for structural concrete shall be made prior to concrete being placed in the forms. Bar supports, chairs, slab bolsters, and side form spacers shall meet the requirements of Concrete Reinforcing Steel Institute (CRSI) Manual of Standard Practice, Chapter 3 Section 2.5 Class 1, Section 2.6 Class 1A, or Section 4. All supports shall meet the requirements for type and spacing as stated in the CRSI Manual of Standard Practice, Chapter 3. Concrete will not be placed until the placing of the reinforcing steel and supports have been approved by the Resident. If the Contractor fails to secure Department approval prior to placement, the Contractor's failure shall be cause for removal and replacement at the Contractor's expense. The Contractor shall notify the Resident, at least 48 hours prior to the placement, when the reinforcing steel will be ready for checking. Sufficient time must be allowed for the checking process and any needed repairs.

Evaluation of materials will be made using the specification limits in Table 1.

Compressive strength tests will be completed by the Department in accordance with AASHTO-T22 at  $\geq 28$  days, except that no slump will be taken. The average of two concrete cylinders per subplot will constitute a test result and this average will be used to determine the compressive strength for pay adjustment computations.

Testing for Entrained Air in concrete, at the rate of one test per subplot, shall be in accordance with AASHTO T152.

Rapid Chloride Permeability test specimens will be completed by the Resident in accordance with AASHTO T-277 at an age  $\geq$  56 days. Two 100 mm x 200 mm [4 in x 8 in] cylinders will be taken per subplot placed.

Surface Tolerance, Alignment and Trueness, Plumb and Batter, and Finish will be measured as described in Section 502.0502.

Rejection by Resident For an individual subplot with a calculated pay factor of less than 0.80, the Department will, at its sole discretion:

A. Require the Contractor to remove and replace the entire affected placement with concrete meeting the Contract requirements at no additional expense to the Department, or

B. Accept the material, at a reduced payment as determined by the Department. (See also Section 502.191)

For a lot in progress, the Contractor shall discontinue operations whenever one or more of the following occurs:

A. The pay factor for any property drops below 1.00 and the Contractor is taking no corrective action

B. The pay factor for any property is less than 0.90

C. The Contractor fails to follow the QC Plan”

502.18 Method of Measurement Under Section E. make the following change from “...Method A, and under Section 502.19...” to “...Method A, Section 502.0503- Quality Assurance Method B, and under Section 502.19...”

502.19 Basis of Payment Modify the first sentence of the seventh paragraph from “...accepted under Method A.” to “...accepted under Method A and Method B.”

502.191 Pay Adjustment for Compressive Strength Add the following as the second sentence to the first paragraph; “Pay factors (PF) for pay adjustments for compressive strength will be determined using the Quality Level Analysis as specified in Section 106.”

502.192 Pay Adjustment for Chloride Permeability Delete and replace with the following;

“Pay factors (PF) for pay adjustments for Chloride Permeability will be determined using the Quality Level Analysis as specified in Section 106.

Values greater than 4000 coulombs shall be subject to rejection and replacement at no additional cost to the Department.”

502.193 Pay Adjustment for Air Content Delete and replace with the following;

“Pay factors (PF) for pay adjustments for air content will be determined using the Quality Level Analysis as specified in Section 106.”

Add the following Section;

“502.195 Pay Adjustments for Compressive Strength, Chloride Permeability and Air Content The Composite Pay Factor (CPF) for each lot of concrete shall be computed as follows:

$$\text{CPF} = [(\text{Compressive Strength PF}-1)(0.20)] + [(\text{Air Content PF}-1)(0.40)] \\ + [(\text{Chloride Permeability PF}-1)(0.40)]$$

The pay adjustment for each lot of concrete shall be computed as follows:

$$\text{Lot Pay Adjustment} = P \times \text{CPF} \times \text{Lot Size}$$

There will be no positive pay adjustments for Method B Concrete.”

SPECIAL PROVISION  
SECTION 652  
MAINTENANCE OF TRAFFIC

Approaches Approach signing shall include the following signs as a minimum. Field conditions may warrant the use of additional signs as determined by the Resident.

Road Work Next x Miles  
Road Work 500 Feet  
End Road Work

Work Area At each work site, signs and channelizing devices shall be used as directed by the Resident. Signs include:

Road Work xxxx<sup>1</sup>  
One Lane Road Ahead  
Flagger Sign

Other typical signs include:

Be Prepared to Stop  
Low Shoulder  
Bump  
Pavement Ends

The above lists of Approach signs and Work Area signs are representative of the contract requirements. Other sign legends may be required.

The Contractor shall conduct their operations in such a manner that the roadway will not be restricted to one lane for more than 800 m [2,500 ft] at each work area. Where more than one work area restricts traffic to one lane operation, these work areas shall be separated by at least 1.6 km [1 mile] of two way operation.

Temporary Centerline A temporary centerline shall be placed each day on all new pavement to be used by traffic. The temporary centerline, when specified of reflectorized traffic paint, shall conform to the standard marking patterns used for permanent markings.

Failure to apply a temporary centerline daily will result in suspension of paving until temporary markers are applied to all previously placed pavement.

<sup>1</sup> “Road Work Ahead” to be used in mobile operations and “Road Work xx ft” to be used in stationary operations as directed by the Resident.

**SPECIAL PROVISION**  
**SECTION 652**  
**MAINTENANCE OF TRAFFIC**  
 (Traffic Control)

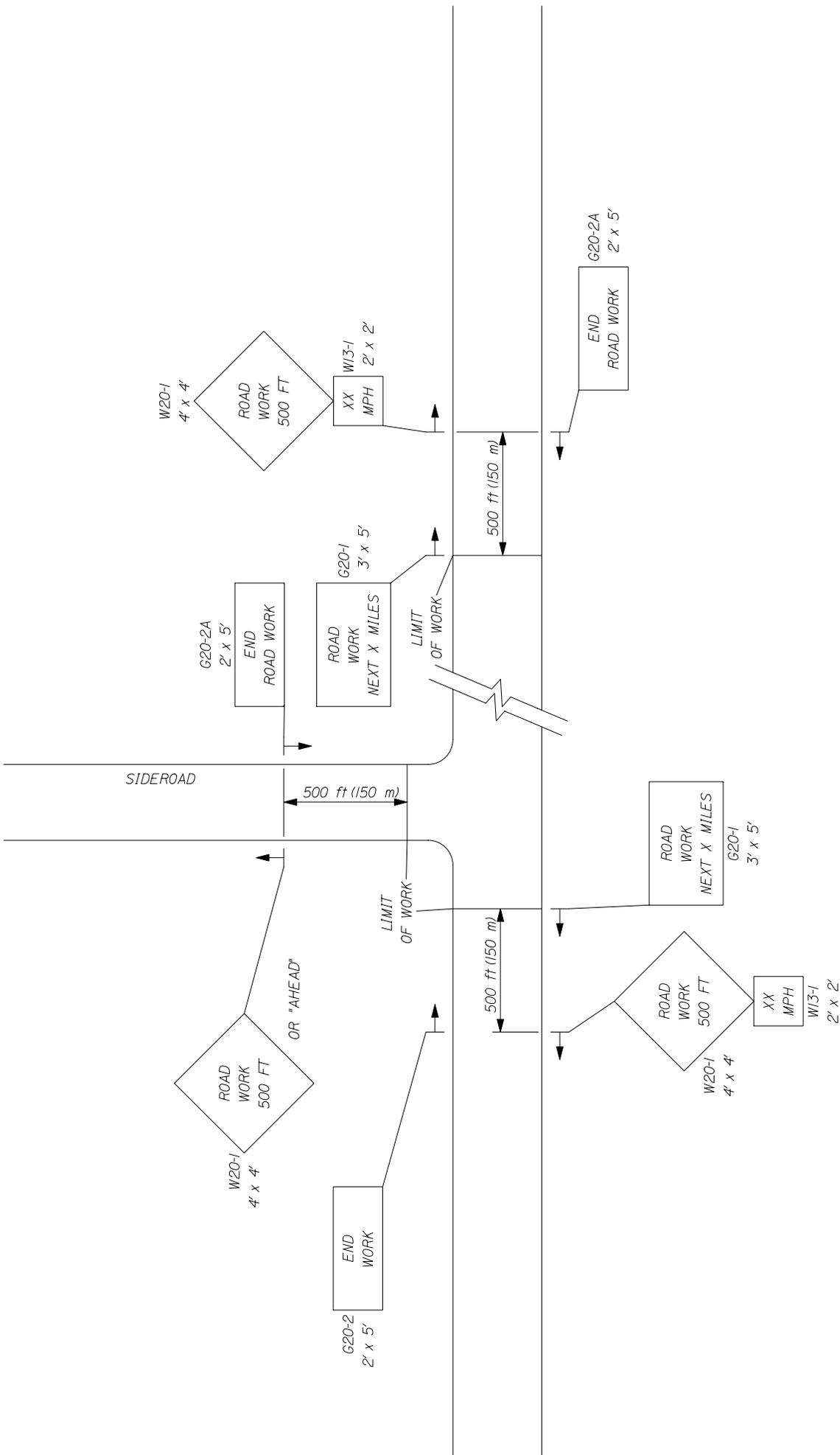
Failure by the contractor to follow the Contracts 652 Special Provisions and Standard Specification and/or The Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD) and/or The Contractors own Traffic Control Plan will result in a violation letter and result in a reduction in payment as shown in the schedule below. The Departments Resident or any other representative of The Department reserves the right to suspend the work at any time and request a meeting to discuss violations and remedies. The Department shall not be held responsible for any delay in the work due to any suspension under this item. Any reduction in payment under this Special Provision will be in addition to forfeiting payment of maintenance of traffic control devices for that day.

**ORIGINAL CONTRACT AMOUNT**

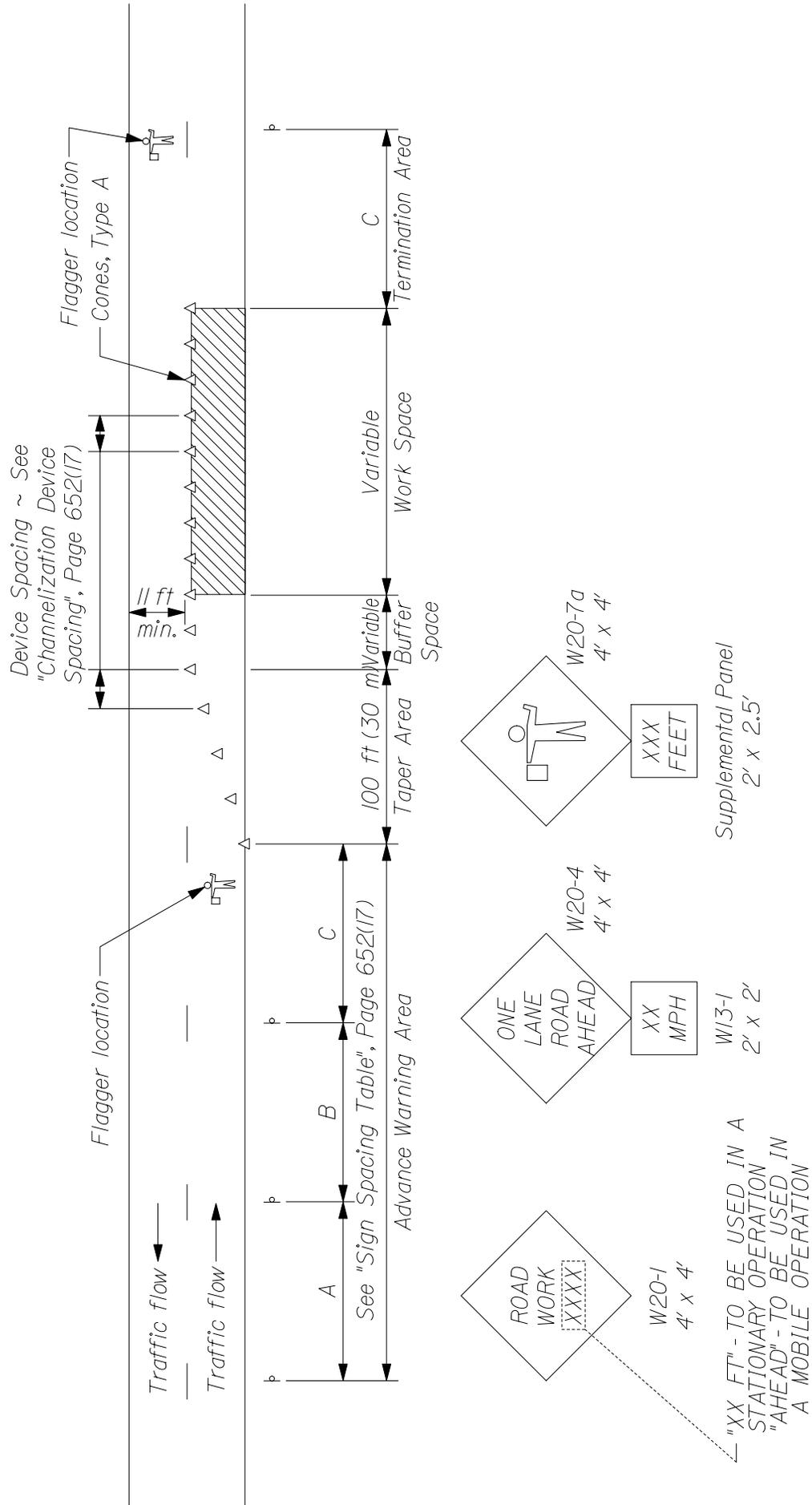
from	Up to and	Amount of Penalty
<b><u>More Than</u></b>	<b><u>Including</u></b>	<b><u>Damages per Violation</u></b>
\$0	\$100,000	\$250
\$100,000	\$300,000	\$500
\$300,000	\$500,000	\$750
\$500,000	\$1,000,000	\$1,500
\$1,000,000	\$2,000,000	\$2,500
\$2,000,000	\$4,000,000	\$5,000
\$4,000,000	and more	\$10,000

**SPECIAL PROVISION**  
**SECTION 652**  
**MAINTENANCE OF TRAFFIC**  
**Construction Sign Sheeting Material**

Super high intensity fluorescent retroreflective sheeting, ASTM D 4956 - Type VII, Type VIII, or Type IX (prismatic), is required for all construction signs.



-- PROJECT APPROACH SIGNING --  
TWO WAY TRAFFIC



TYPICAL APPLICATION: TWO - WAY, TWO LANE ROADWAY, CLOSING ONE LANE USING FLAGGERS

\* Formulas for L are as follows:

For speed limits of 40 mph (60 km/h) or less:

$$L = \frac{WS^2}{60} \quad (L = \frac{WS^2}{155})$$

For speed limits of 45 mph (70 km/h) or greater:

$$L = WS \quad (L = \frac{WS}{1.6})$$

\* Formulas for L are as follows:

A minimum of 5 channelization devices shall be used in the taper.

TYPE OF TAPER	TAPER LENGTH (L)*
Merging Taper	at least L
Shifting Taper	at least 0.5L
Shoulder Taper	at least 0.33L
One-Lane, Two-Way Traffic Taper	100 ft (30 m) maximum
Downstream Taper	100 ft (30 m) per lane

#### CHANNELIZATION DEVICE SPACING

The spacing of channelization devices shall not exceed a distance equal to 1.0 times the speed limit in mph when used for taper channelization, and a distance in feet of 2.0 times the speed limit in mph when used for tangent channelization.

#### GENERAL NOTES;

1. Final placement of signs and devices may be changed to fit field conditions as approved by the Resident.

Road Type	Distance Between Signs**		
	A	B	C
Urban 30 mph (50 km/h) or less	100 (30)	100 (30)	100 (30)
Urban 35 mph (55 km/h) and greater	350 (100)	350 (100)	350 (100)
Rural	500 (150)	500 (150)	500 (150)
Expressway / Urban Parkway	2,640 (800)	1,500 (450)	1000 (300)

\*\*Distances are shown in feet (meters).

#### SUGGESTED BUFFER ZONE LENGTHS

Speed (mph)	Length (feet)	Speed (mph)	Length (feet)
20	115	40	325
25	155	45	360
30	200	50	425
35	250	55	495

**SPECIAL PROVISION**  
**SECTION 656**

Temporary Soil Erosion and Water Pollution Control

The following is added to Section 656 regarding Project Specific Information and Requirements. All references to the Maine Department of Transportation Best Management Practices for Erosion and Sedimentation Control (a.k.a. Best Management Practices manual or BMP Manual) are a reference to the latest revision of said manual. The latest version is dated "February 2008" and is available at;

<http://www.maine.gov/mdot/environmental-office-homepage/surface-water-resources.php>

**Procedures specified shall be according to the BMP Manual unless stated otherwise.**

**Project Specific Information and Requirements**

The following information and requirements apply specifically to this Project. The temporary soil erosion and water pollution control measures associated with this work shall be addressed in the Soil Erosion and Water Pollution Control Plan (SEWPCP.)

Newly disturbed earth shall be mulched or otherwise stabilized by the end of each workday. Mulch shall be maintained on a daily basis.

Permanent slope stabilization measures shall be applied within one week of the last soil disturbance.

All disturbed ditches shall be stabilized by the end of each workday. Stabilization shall be maintained on a daily basis.

Erosion control blanket shall be installed in the bottoms of all ditches except where a stone lining is planned. Seed shall be applied prior to the placement of the blanket.

Dust control items other than those under Standard Specification, Section 637 – Dust Control, if applicable, shall be included in the plan.

Stream flow shall be maintained at all times.

The stream shall not directly contact concrete placed during construction until the concrete has been flushed of excess lime and the following has occurred.

- a) With the cofferdams still in place, water shall be flushed over the concrete to remove excess lime. The flush water may be drawn from the stream provided there is adequate flow.
- b) The flush water shall be collected in a downstream cofferdam or a sedimentation basin.
- c) Monitor the pH of the impounded water within the cofferdam or sedimentation basin until the pH factor is between 6.0 and 8.5 and is within one pH unit of background pH levels in the stream (away from where work is taking place).

**SPECIAL PROVISION**  
**SECTION 656**

Temporary Soil Erosion and Water Pollution Control

- d) The impounded water may be bled back into the stream as long as its turbidity is no greater than the receiving resource and resulting stream pH downstream of the release is between 6.0 and 8.5 and within one pH unit of background stream pH.
- e) This requirement is applicable to concrete that is placed or spilled (including leakage from forms) as well as indirect contact via tools or equipment. Water not meeting release criteria shall be addressed in the SEWPCP. Discharging impounded water to the stream must take place in a manner that does not disturb the stream bottom or cause erosion.

This monitoring and release to the stream protocol also pertains to all water within the cofferdams.

A cofferdam sedimentation basin is required if cofferdams are used. The basin shall be located in an upland area where the water can settle and sink into the ground or be released slowly to the resource in a manner that will not cause erosion. The location of such a cofferdam sedimentation basin shall be addressed in the SEWPCP.

The Contractor shall be responsible for monitoring pH with a calibrated meter accurate to 0.1 units. A record of pH measurements shall be kept in the Environmental Coordinator's log (*Supplemental Specification, Section 656.4.4.*)

## STANDARD DETAIL UPDATES

Standard Details and Standard Detail updates are available at:

[http://www.maine.gov/mdot/contractor-consultant-information/ss\\_standard\\_details\\_updates.php](http://www.maine.gov/mdot/contractor-consultant-information/ss_standard_details_updates.php)

<b><u>Detail #</u></b>	<b><u>Description</u></b>	<b><u>Revision Date</u></b>
504(15)	Diaphragms	12/30/02
507(04)	Steel Bridge Railing	2/05/03
526(33)	Concrete Transition Barrier	8/18/03
645(06)	H-Beam Posts – Highway Signing	7/21/04
645(09)	Installation of Type II Signs	7/21/04
626(09)	Electrical Junction Box for Traffic Signals and Lighting	2/25/05
604(01)	Catch Basins	11/16/05
604(05)	Type “A” & “B” Catch Basin Tops	11/16/05
604(06)	Type “C” Catch Basin Tops	11/16/05
604(07)	Manhole Top “D”	11/16/05
604(09)	Catch Basin Type “E”	11/16/05
606(02)	Multiple Mailbox Support	11/16/05
606(07)	Reflectorized Beam Guardrail Delineator Details	11/16/05
609(06)	Vertical Bridge Curb	11/16/05
504(23)	Hand-Hold Details	12/08/05
609(03)	Curb Type 3	6/27/06
609(07)	Curb Type 1	6/27/06
535(01)	Precast Superstructure - Shear Key	10/12/06
535(02)	Precast Superstructure - Curb Key & Drip Notch	10/12/06
535(03)	Precast Superstructure - Shear Key	10/12/06
535(04)	Precast Superstructure - Shear Key	10/12/06

535(05)	Precast Superstructure - Post Tensioning	10/12/06
535(06)	Precast Superstructure - Sections	10/12/06
535(07)	Precast Superstructure - Precast Slab & Box	10/12/06
535(08)	Precast Superstructure - Sections	10/12/06
535(09)	Precast Superstructure - Sections	10/12/06
535(10)	Precast Superstructure - Sections	10/12/06
535(11)	Precast Superstructure - Sections	10/12/06
535(12)	Precast Superstructure - Sections	10/12/06
535(13)	Precast Superstructure - Sections	10/12/06
535(14)	Precast Superstructure - Stirrups	10/12/06
535(15)	Precast Superstructure - Plan	10/12/06
535(16)	Precast Superstructure - Reinforcing	10/12/06
535(17)	Precast Superstructure - Notes	10/12/06
801(01)	Drives on Sidewalk Sections	2/06/07
801(02)	Drives on Non-Sidewalk Sections	2/06/07
535(03)	Precast Superstructure - Shear Key	12/5/07
535(04)	Precast Superstructure - Shear Key	12/5/07
535(05)	Precast Superstructure - Post Tensioning	12/5/07
535(17)	Precast Superstructure - Notes	12/5/07
801(01)	Drives on Sidewalk Sections	1/04/08
801(02)	Drives on Non-Sidewalk Sections	1/04/08
203(03)	Backslope Rounding	1/29/08
535(02)	Precast Superstructure - Curb Key & Drip Notch	5/20/08
535(05)	Precast Superstructure - Post Tensioning	5/20/08

## SUPPLEMENTAL SPECIFICATION

(Corrections, Additions, & Revisions to Standard Specifications - Revision of December 2002)

### SECTION 101

#### CONTRACT INTERPRETATION

##### 101.2 Definitions

Closeout Documentation Replace the sentence “A letter stating the amount.... DBE goals.” with “DBE Goal Attainment Verification Form”

Add “Environmental Information Hazardous waste assessments, dredge material test results, boring logs, geophysical studies, and other records and reports of the environmental conditions. For a related provision, see Section 104.3.14 - Interpretation and Interpolation.”

Add “Fabrication Engineer The Department’s representative responsible for Quality Assurance of pre-fabricated products that are produced off-site.”

Geotechnical Information Replace with the following: “Boring logs, soil reports, geotechnical design reports, ground penetrating radar evaluations, seismic refraction studies, and other records of subsurface conditions. For a related provision, see Section 104.3.14 - Interpretation and Interpolation.”

### SECTION 102

#### DELIVERY OF BIDS

102.7.1 Location and Time Add the following sentence “As a minimum, the Bidder will submit a Bid Package consisting of the Notice to Contractors, the completed Acknowledgement of Bid Amendments form, the completed Schedule of Items, 2 copies of the completed Agreement, Offer, & Award form, a Bid Bond or Bid Guarantee, and any other Certifications or Bid Requirements listed in the Bid Book.”

102.11.1 Non-curable Bid Defects Replace E. with “E. The unit price and bid amount is not provided or a lump sum price is not provided or is illegible as determined by the Department.”

### SECTION 103

#### AWARD AND CONTRACTING

103.3.1 Notice and Information Gathering Change the first paragraph to read as follows: “After Bid Opening and as a condition for Award of a Contract, the Department may require an Apparent Successful Bidder to demonstrate to the Department’s satisfaction that the Bidder is responsible and qualified to perform the Work.”

### SECTION 104

#### GENERAL RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES

104.3.14 Interpretation and Interpolation In the first sentence, change “...and Geotechnical Information.” to “...Environmental Information, and Geotechnical Information.”

Delete the entire Section 104.5.9 and replace with the following:

“104.5.9 Landscape Subcontractors The Contractor shall retain only Landscape Subcontractors that are certified by the Department’s Environmental Office Landscape Unit.”

## SECTION 105 GENERAL SCOPE OF WORK

Delete the entire Section 105.6 and replace with the following:

105.6.1 Department Provided Services The Department will provide the Contractor with the description and coordinates of vertical and horizontal control points, set by the Department, within the Project Limits, for full construction Projects and other Projects where survey control is necessary. For Projects of 1,500 feet in length, or less: The Department will provide three points. For Projects between 1,500 and 5,000 feet in length: The Department will provide one set of two points at each end of the Project. For Projects in excess of 5,000 feet in length, the Department will provide one set of two points at each end of the Project, plus one additional set of two points for each mile of Project length. For non-full construction Projects and other Projects where survey control is not necessary, the Department will not set any control points and, therefore, will not provide description and coordinates of any control points. Upon request of the Contractor, the Department will provide the Department’s survey data management software and Survey Manual to the Contractor, or its survey Subcontractor, for the exclusive use on the Department’s Projects.

105.6.2 Contractor Provided Services Utilizing the survey information and points provided by the Department, described in Subsection 105.6.1, Department Provided Services, the Contractor shall provide all additional survey layout necessary to complete the Work. This may include, but not be limited to, reestablishing all points provided by the Department, establishing additional control points, running axis lines, providing layout and maintenance of all other lines, grades, or points, and survey quality control to ensure conformance with the Contract. The Contractor is also responsible for providing construction centerline, or close reference points, for all Utility Facilities relocations and adjustments as necessary to complete the Work. When the Work is to connect with existing Structures, the Contractor shall verify all dimensions before proceeding with the Work. The Contractor shall employ or retain competent engineering and/or surveying personnel to fulfill these responsibilities.

The Contractor must notify the Department of any errors or inconsistencies regarding the data and layout provided by the Department as provided by Section 104.3.3 - Duty to Notify Department If Ambiguities Discovered.

105.6.2.1 Survey Quality Control The Contractor is responsible for all construction survey quality control. Construction survey quality control is generally defined as, first, performing initial field survey layout of the Work and, second, performing an independent check of the initial layout using independent survey data to assure the accuracy of the initial layout; additional iterations of checks may be required if significant discrepancies are discovered in this process. Construction survey layout quality control also requires written documentation of the layout process such that the process can be followed and repeated, if necessary, by an independent survey crew.

105.6.3 Survey Quality Assurance It is the Department's prerogative to perform construction survey quality assurance. Construction survey quality assurance may, or may not, be performed by the Department. Construction survey quality assurance is generally defined as an independent check of the construction survey quality control. The construction survey quality assurance process may involve physically checking the Contractor's construction survey layout using independent survey data, or may simply involve reviewing the construction survey quality control written documentation. If the Department elects to physically check the Contractor's survey layout, the Contractor's designated surveyor may be required to be present. The Department will provide a minimum notice of 48 hours to the Contractor, whenever possible, if the Contractor's designated surveyor's presence is required. Any errors discovered through the quality assurance process shall be corrected by the Contractor, at no additional cost to the Department.

105.6.4 Boundary Markers The Contractor shall preserve and protect from damage all monuments or other points that mark the boundaries of the Right-of-Way or abutting parcels that are outside the area that must be disturbed to perform the Work. The Contractor indemnifies and holds harmless the Department from all claims to reestablish the former location of all such monuments or points including claims arising from 14 MRSA § 7554-A. For a related provision, see Section 104.3.11 - Responsibility for Property of Others.

## SECTION 106 QUALITY

106.4.3 Testing Change the first sentence in paragraph three from "...maintain records of all inspections and tests." to "...maintain original documentation of all inspections, tests, and calculations used to generate reports."

106.6 Acceptance Add the following to paragraph 1 of A: "This includes Sections 401 - Hot Mix Asphalt, 402 - Pavement Smoothness, and 502 - Structural Concrete - Method A - Air Content."

Add the following to the beginning of paragraph 3 of A: "For pay factors based on Quality Level Analysis, and"

106.7.1 Standard Deviation Method Add the following to F: "Note: In cases where the mean of the values is equal to either the USL or the LSL, then the PWL will be 50 regardless of the computed value of s."

Add the following to H: "Method C Hot Mix Asphalt:  $PF = [55 + (\text{Quality Level} * 0.5)] * 0.01$ "

## SECTION 107 TIME

107.3.1 General Add the following: "If a Holiday occurs on a Sunday, the following Monday shall be considered a Holiday. Sunday or Holiday work must be approved by the Department, except that the Contractor may work on Martin Luther King Day, President's Day, Patriot's Day, the Friday after Thanksgiving, and Columbus Day without the Department's approval."

107.7.2 Schedule of Liquidated Damages Replace the table of Liquidated Damages as follows:

<u>From More Than</u>	<u>Up to and Including</u>	<u>Amount of Liquidated Damages per Calendar Day</u>
\$0	\$100,000	\$100
\$100,000	\$300,000	\$200
\$300,000	\$500,000	\$400
\$500,000	\$1,000,000	\$575
\$1,000,000	\$2,000,000	\$750
\$2,000,000	\$4,000,000	\$900
\$4,000,000	and more	\$1,875

## SECTION 108 PAYMENT

108.4 Payment for Materials Obtained and Stored First paragraph, second sentence, delete the words "...Delivered on or near the Work site at acceptable storage places."

## SECTION 109 CHANGES

109.1.1 Changes Permitted Add the following to the end of the paragraph: "There will be no adjustment to Contract Time due to an increase or decrease in quantities, compared to those estimated, except as addressed through Contract Modification(s)."

109.1.2 Substantial Changes to Major Items Add the following to the end of the paragraph: "Contract Time adjustments may be made for substantial changes to Major Items when the change affects the Critical Path, as determined by the Department"

109.4.4 Investigation / Adjustment Third sentence, delete the words "subsections (A) - (E)"

109.5.1 Definitions - Types of Delays

B. Compensable Delay Replace (1) with the following; "a weather related Uncontrollable Event of such an unusually severe nature that a Federal Emergency Disaster is declared. The Contractor will only be entitled to an Equitable Adjustment if the Project falls within the geographic boundaries prescribed under the disaster declaration."

109.7.2 Basis of Payment Replace with the following: "Equitable Adjustments will be established by mutual Agreement for compensable items listed in Section 109.7.3- Compensable Items, based upon Unit or Lump Sum Prices. If Agreement cannot be reached, the Contractor shall accept payment on a Force Account basis as provided in Section 109.7.5 - Force Account Work, as full and complete compensation for all Work relating to the Equitable Adjustment."

109.7.3 Compensable Items Replace with the following: "The Contractor is entitled to compensation for the following items, with respect to agreed upon Unit or Lump Sum Prices:

1. Labor expenses for non-salaried Workers and salaried foremen.
2. Costs for Materials.
3. A 15 % markup on the totals of Items 1 and 2 of this subsection 109.7.3 for home office overhead and profit of the Contractor, its Subcontractors and suppliers, and any lower tier Subcontractors or suppliers, with no mark-ups on mark-ups.
4. Cost for Equipment, based on Blue Book Rates or leased rates, as set forth in Section 109.7.5(C), or the Contractor's Actual Costs if determined by the Department to be lower.
5. Time.
6. Subcontractor quoted Work, as set forth below in Section 109.7.5 (F)."

#### 109.7.5 Force Account Work

##### C. Equipment

Paragraph 2, delete sentence 1 which starts; "Equipment leased...."

Paragraph 6, change sentence 2 from "The Contractor may furnish..." to read "If requested by the Department, the Contractor will produce cost data to assist the Department in the establishment of such rental rate, including all records that are relevant to the Actual Costs including rental Receipts, acquisition costs, financing documents, lease Agreements, and maintenance and operational cost records."

Add the following paragraph; "Equipment leased by the Contractor for Force Account Work and actually used on the Project will be paid for at the actual invoice amount plus 10% markup for administrative costs."

Add the following section;

"F. Subcontractor Work When accomplishing Force Account Work that utilizes Subcontractors, the Contractor will be allowed a maximum markup of 5% for profit and overhead on the Subcontractor's portion of the Force Account Work."

## SECTION 110 INDEMNIFICATION, BONDING, AND INSURANCE

Delete the entire Section 110.2.3 and replace with the following:

110.2.3 Bonding for Landscape Establishment Period The Contractor shall provide a signed, valid, and enforceable Performance, Warranty, or Maintenance Bond complying with the Contract, to the Department at Final Acceptance.

The bond shall be in the full amount for all Pay Items for work pursuant to Sec 621, Landscape, payable to the “Treasurer - State of Maine,” and on the Department’s forms, on exact copies thereof, or on forms that do not contain any significant variations from the Department’s forms as solely determined by the Department.

The Contractor shall pay all premiums and take all other actions necessary to keep said bond in effect for the duration of the Landscape Establishment Period described in Special Provision 621.0036 - Establishment Period. If the Surety becomes financially insolvent, ceases to be licensed or approved to do business in the State of Maine, or stops operating in the United States, the Contractor shall file new bonds complying with this Section within 10 Days of the date the Contractor is notified or becomes aware of such change.

All Bonds shall be procured from a company organized and operating in the United States, licensed or approved to do business in the State of Maine by the State of Maine Department of Business Regulation, Bureau of Insurance, and listed on the latest Federal Department of the Treasury listing for “Companies Holding Certificates of Authority as Acceptable Sureties on Federal Bonds and as Acceptable Reinsuring Companies.”

By issuing a bond, the Surety agrees to be bound by all terms of the Contract, including those related to payment, time for performance, quality, warranties, and the Department’s self-help remedy provided in Section 112.1 - Default to the same extent as if all terms of the Contract are contained in the bond(s).

Regarding claims related to any obligations covered by the bond, the Surety shall provide, within 60 Days of Receipt of written notice thereof, full payment of the entire claim or written notice of all bases upon which it is denying or contesting payment. Failure of the Surety to provide such notice within the 60-day period constitutes the Surety’s waiver of any right to deny or contest payment and the Surety’s acknowledgment that the claim is valid and undisputed.

## SECTION 202 REMOVING STRUCTURES AND OBSTRUCTIONS

202.02 Removing Buildings Make the following change to the last sentence in the final paragraph, change “...Code of Maine Regulations 401.” to “...Department of Environmental Protection Maine Solid Waste Management Rules, 06-096 CMR Ch. 401, Landfill Siting, Design and Operation.”

## SECTION 203 EXCAVATION AND EMBANKMENT

203.01 Description Under b. Rock Excavation; add the following sentence: “The use of perchlorate is not allowed in blasting operations.”

SECTION 502  
STRUCTURAL CONCRETE

502.05 Composition and Proportioning; TABLE #1; NOTE #2; third sentence; Change "...alcohol based saline sealer..." to "alcohol based silane sealer...". Add NOTE #6 to Class S Concrete.

502.0502 Quality Assurance Method A - Rejection by Resident Change the first sentence to read: "For an individual subplot with test results failing to meet the criteria in Table #1, or if the calculated pay factor for Air Content is less than 0.80....."

502.0503 Quality Assurance Method B - Rejection by Resident Change the first sentence to read: "For material represented by a verification test with test results failing to meet the criteria in Table #1, the Department will....."

502.0505 Resolution of Disputed Acceptance Test Results Combine the second and third sentence to read: "Circumstances may arise, however, where the Department may ....."

502.10 Forms and False work

D. Removal of Forms and False work 1., First paragraph; first, second, and third sentence; replace "forms" with "forms and false work"

502.11 Placing Concrete

G. Concrete Wearing Surface and Structural Slabs on Precast Superstructures Last paragraph; third sentence; replace "The temperature of the concrete shall not exceed 24° C [75° F] at the time of placement." with "The temperature of the concrete shall not exceed 24° C [75° F] at the time the concrete is placed in its final position."

502.15 Curing Concrete First paragraph; replace the first sentence with the following; "All concrete surfaces shall be kept wet with clean, fresh water for a curing period of at least 7 days after concrete placing, with the exception of vertical surfaces as provided for in Section 502.10 (D) - Removal of Forms and False work."

Second paragraph; delete the first two sentences.

Third paragraph; delete the entire paragraph which starts "When the ambient temperature...."

Fourth paragraph; delete "approved" to now read "...continuously wet for the entire curing period..."

Fifth paragraph; second sentence; change "...as soon as it is possible to do so without damaging the concrete surface." to "...as soon as possible."

Seventh paragraph; first sentence; change "...until the end of the curing period." to "...until the end of the curing period, except as provided for in Section 502.10(D) - Removal of Forms and False work."

502.19 Basis of Payment First paragraph, second sentence; add "pier nose armor" to the list of items included in the contract price for concrete.

### SECTION 503 REINFORCING STEEL

503.06 Placing and Fastening Change the second paragraph, first sentence from: "All tack welding shall be done in accordance with Section 504, Structural Steel." to "All tack welding shall be done in accordance with AWS D1.4 Structural Welding Code - Reinforcing Steel."

### SECTION 504 STRUCTURAL STEEL

504.09 Facilities for Inspection Add the follow as the last paragraph: "Failure to comply with the above requirements will be consider to be a denial to allow access to work by the Contractor. The Department will reject any work done when access for inspection is denied."

504.18 Plates for Fabricated Members Change the second paragraph, first sentence from: "...ASTM A 898/A 898 M..." to "...ASTM A 898/A 898 M or ASTM A 435/A 435 M as applicable and..."

504.31 Shop Assembly Add the following as the last sentence: "The minimum assembly length shall include bearing centerlines of at least two substructure units."

504.64 Non Destructive Testing-Ancillary Bridge Products and Support Structures Change the third paragraph, first sentence from "One hundred percent..." to "Twenty five percent..."

### SECTION 535 PRECAST, PRESTRESSED CONCRETE SUPERSTRUCTURE

535.02 Materials Change "Steel Strand for Concrete Reinforcement" to "Steel Strand." Add the following to the beginning of the third paragraph; "Concrete shall be Class P conforming to the requirements in this section. 28 day compressive strength shall be as stated on the plans. Coarse aggregate...."

535.05 Inspection Facilities Add the follow as the last paragraph: "If the above requirements are not met, the Contractor shall be considered to be in violation of Standard Specification 104.2.5 – Right to Inspect Work. All work occurring during a violation of this specification will be rejected."

535.26 Lateral Post-Tensioning Replace the first paragraph; "A final tension..." with "Overstressing strands for setting losses cannot be accomplished for chuck to chuck lengths of 7.6 m [25 ft] and less. In such instances, refer to the Plans for all materials and methods. Otherwise, post-tensioning shall be in accordance with PCI standards and shall provide the anchorage force noted in the Plans. The applied jacking force shall be no less than 100% of the design jacking force."

SECTION 603  
**PIPE CULVERTS AND STORM DRAINS**

603.0311 Corrugated Polyethylene Pipe for Option III Replace the Minimum Mandrel Diameter Table with the following:

Nominal Size US Customary (in)	Minimum Mandrel Diameter (in)	Nominal Size Metric (mm)	Minimum Mandrel Diameter (mm)
12	11.23	300	280.73
15	14.04	375	350.91
18	16.84	450	421.09
24	22.46	600	561.45
30	28.07	750	701.81
36	33.69	900	842.18
42	39.30	1050	982.54
48	44.92	1200	1122.90

SECTION 604  
**MANHOLES, INLETS, AND CATCH BASINS**

604.02 Materials Add the following:

“Tops and Traps	712.07
Corrugated Metal Units	712.08
Catch Basin and Manhole Steps	712.09”

SECTION 605  
**UNDERDRAINS**

605.05 Underdrain Outlets Make the following change:

In the first paragraph, second sentence, delete the words “metal pipe”.

SECTION 606  
**GUARDRAIL**

606.02 Materials Delete the entire paragraph which reads “The sole patented supplier of multiple mailbox...” and replace with “Acceptable multiple mailbox assemblies shall be listed on the Department’s Approved Products List and shall be NCHRP 350 tested and approved.” Delete the entire paragraph which reads “Retroreflective beam guardrail delineators...” and replace with “Reflectorized sheeting for Guardrail Delineators shall meet the requirements of Section 719.01 - Reflective Sheeting. Delineators shall be fabricated from high-impact, ultraviolet and weather resistant thermoplastic.

606.09 Basis of Payment First paragraph; delete the second and third sentence in their entirety and replace with “Butterfly-type guardrail reflectorized delineators shall be mounted on all W-beam guardrail at an interval of every 10 posts [62.5 ft] on tangents sections and every 5 posts [31.25 ft] on curved sections as directed by the Resident. On divided highways, the delineators shall be yellow on the left hand side and silver/white on the right hand side. On two-way

roadways, the delineators shall be silver/white on the right hand side. All delineators shall have retroreflective sheeting applied to only the traffic facing side. Reflectorized guardrail delineators will not be paid for directly, but will be considered incidental to the guardrail items.”

## SECTION 609 CURB

609.04 Bituminous Curb f., Delete the requirement “Color Natural (White)”

## SECTION 615 LOAM

615.02 Materials Make the following change:

<u>Organic Content</u>	<u>Percent by Volume</u>
Humus	“5% - 10%”, as determined by Ignition Test

## SECTION 618 SEEDING

618.01 Description Change the first sentence to read as follows: “This work shall consist of furnishing and applying seed .....” Also remove “,and cellulose fiber mulch” from 618.01(a).

618.03 Rates of Application In 618.03(a), remove the last sentence and replace with the following: “These rates shall apply to Seeding Method 2, 3, and Crown Vetch.”

In 618.03(c) “1.8 kg [4 lb]/unit.” to “1.95 kg [4 lb]/unit.”

618.09 Construction Method In 618.09(a) 1, sentence two, replace “100 mm [4 in]” with “25 mm [1 in] (Method 1 areas) and 50 mm [2 in] (Method 2 areas)”

618.15 Temporary Seeding Change the Pay Unit from Unit to Kg [lb].

## SECTION 620 GEOTEXTILES

620.03 Placement Section (c)

Title: Replace “Non-woven” in title with “Erosion Control”.

First Paragraph: Replace first word “Non-woven” with “Woven monofilament”.

Second Paragraph: Replace second word “Non-woven” with “Erosion Control”.

620.07 Shipment, Storage, Protection and Repair of Fabric Section (a)

Replace the second sentence with the following: “Damaged geotextiles, as identified by the Resident, shall be repaired immediately.”

620.09 Basis of Payment

Pay Item 620.58: Replace “Non-woven” with “Erosion Control”

Pay Item 620.59: Replace “Non-woven” with “Erosion Control”

SECTION 621  
LANDSCAPING

621.0036 Establishment Period In paragraph 4 and 5, change “time of Final Acceptance” to “end of the period of establishment”. In Paragraph 7, change “Final Acceptance date” to “end of the period of establishment” and change “date of Final Acceptance” to “end of the period of establishment”.

SECTION 626  
HIGHWAY SIGNING

626.034 Concrete Foundations Add to the following to the end of the second paragraph: “Pre-cast and cast-in-place foundations shall be warranted against leaning and corrosion for two years after the project is completed. If the lean is greater than 2 degrees from normal or the foundation is spalling within the first two years, the Contractor shall replace the foundation at no extra cost.”

SECTION 627  
PAVEMENT MARKINGS

627.10 Basis of Payment Add to the following to the end of the third paragraph: “If allowed by Special Provision, the Contractor may utilize Temporary Bi-Directional Yellow and White(As required) Delineators as temporary pavement marking lines and paid for at the contract lump sum price. Such payment will include as many applications as required and removal.”

SECTION 637  
DUST CONTROL

637.06 Basis of Payment Add the following after the second sentence of the third paragraph: “Failure by the Contractor to follow Standard Specification or Special Provision - Section 637 and/or the Contractor’s own Soil Erosion and Pollution Control Plan concerning Dust Control and/or the Contractor’s own Traffic Control Plan concerning Dust Control and/or visible evidence of excessive dust problems, as determined by the Resident, will result in a reduction in payment, computed by reducing the Lump Sum Total by 5% per occurrence per day. The Department’s Resident or any other representative of the Department reserves the right to suspend the work at any time and request a meeting to discuss violations and remedies. The Department shall not be held responsible for any delay in the work due to any suspension under this item. Additional penalties may also be assessed in accordance with Special Provision 652 - Work Zone Traffic Control and Standard Specification 656 - Temporary Soil Erosion and Water Pollution Control.”

SECTION 639  
ENGINEERING FACILITIES

639.04 Field Offices Change the forth to last paragraph from: “The Contractor shall provide a fully functional desktop copier...” to “....desktop copier/scanner...”

Description Change “Floor Area” to “Floor Area (Outside Dimension)”. Change Type B floor area from “15 (160)” to “14.4 (155)”.

## SECTION 652

### MAINTENANCE OF TRAFFIC

652.2.3 Flashing Arrow Board Delete the existing 5 paragraphs and replace with the following: Flashing Arrow Panels (FAP) must be of a type that has been submitted to AASHTO's National Transportation Product Evaluation Program (NTPEP) for evaluation and placed on the Maine Department of Transportations' Approved Products List of Portable Changeable Message Signs & Flashing Arrow Panels.

FAP units shall meet requirements of the current Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD) for Type "C" panels as described in Section 6F.56 - Temporary Traffic Control Devices. An FAP shall have matrix of a minimum of 15 low-glare, sealed beam, Par 46 elements capable of either flashing or sequential displays as well as the various operating modes as described in the MUTCD, Chapter 6-F. If an FAP consisting of a bulb matrix is used, each element should be recess-mounted or equipped with an upper hood of not less than 180 degrees. The color presented by the elements shall be yellow.

FAP elements shall be capable of at least a 50 percent dimming from full brilliance. Full brilliance should be used for daytime operation and the dimmed mode shall be used for nighttime operation. FAP shall be at least 2.4 M x 1.2 M [96" x 48"] and finished in non-reflective black. The FAP shall be interpretable for a distance not less than 1.6 km [1 mile].

Operating modes shall include, flashing arrow, sequential arrow, sequential chevron, flashing double arrow, and flashing caution. In the three arrow signals, the second light from the arrow point shall not operate.

The minimum element on-time shall be 50 percent for the flashing mode, with equal intervals of 25 percent for each sequential phase. The flashing rate shall be not less than 25 nor more than 40 flashes per minute. All on-board circuitry shall be solid state.

Primary power source shall be 12 volt solar with a battery back-up to provide continuous operation when failure of the primary power source occurs, up to 30 days with fully charged batteries. Batteries must be capable of being charged from an onboard 110 volt AC power source and the unit shall be equipped with a cable for this purpose.

Controller and battery compartments shall be enclosed in lockable, weather-tight boxes. The FAP shall be mounted on a pneumatic-tired trailer or other suitable support for hauling to various locations, as directed. The minimum mounting height of an arrow panel should be 2.1 M [7 feet] from the roadway to the bottom of the panel.

The face of the trailer shall be delineated on a permanent basis by affixing retro-reflective material, known as conspicuity material, in a continuous line as seen by oncoming drivers.

A portable changeable message sign may be used to simulate an arrow panel display."

652.2.4 Other Devices Delete the last paragraph and add the following:

"652.2.5 Portable Changeable Message Sign Trailer mounted Portable Changeable Message Signs (PCMS) must be of a type that has been submitted to AASHTO's National

Transportation Product Evaluation Program (NTPEP) for evaluation and placed on the Maine Department of Transportations' Approved Products List of Portable Changeable Message Signs & Flashing Arrow Panels. The PCMS unit shall meet or exceed the current specifications of the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD), 6F.55.

The front face of the sign should be covered with a low-glare protective material. The color of the LED elements shall be amber on a black background. The PCMS should be visible from a distance of 0.8 km [0.5 mile] day and night and have a minimum 15° viewing angle. Characters must be legible from a distance of at least 200 M [650 feet].

The message panel should have adjustable display rates (minimum of 3 seconds per phase), so that the entire message can be read at least twice at the posted speed, the off-peak 85th-percentile speed prior to work starting, or the anticipated operating speed. Each message shall consist of either one or two phases. A phase shall consist of up to eight characters per line. The unit must be capable of displaying at least three lines of text with eight characters per line. Each character shall be 457 mm [18"] high. Each character module shall use at least a five wide and seven high pixel matrix. The text of the messages shall not scroll or travel horizontally or vertically across the face of the sign.

Units shall automatically adjust their brightness under varying light conditions to maintain legibility.

The control system shall include a display screen upon which messages can be reviewed before being displayed on the message sign. The control system shall be capable of maintaining memory when power is unavailable. Message must be changeable with either a notebook computer or an on-board keypad. The controller shall have the capability to store a minimum of 200 user-defined and 200 pre-programmed messages. Controller and battery compartments shall be enclosed in lockable, weather-tight boxes.

PCMS units shall have the capability of being made programmable by means of wireless communications. PCMS units shall also be fully capable of having an on-board radar system installed if required for a particular application.

PCMS' primary power source shall be solar with a battery back-up to provide continuous operation when failure of the primary power source occurs. Batteries must be capable of being charged from a 110 volt AC power source. The unit must also be capable of being operated solely from a 110 volt AC power source and be equipped with a cable for this purpose.

The PCMS shall be mounted on a trailer in such a way that the bottom of the message sign panel shall be a minimum of 2.1 M [7 ft] above the roadway in urban areas and 1.5 M [5 ft] above the roadway in rural areas when it is in the operating mode. PCMS trailers should be of a heavy duty type with a 51 mm [2"] ball hitch and a minimum of four leveling jacks (at each corner). The sign shall be capable of being rotated 360° relative to the trailer. The face of the trailer shall be delineated on a permanent basis by affixing retro-reflective material, known as conspicuity material, in a continuous line as seen by oncoming drivers."

652.3.3 Submittal of Traffic Control Plan In item e. change "A list of all certified flaggers..." to "A list of all the Contractor's certified flaggers..."

In the last paragraph add the following as the second sentence: “The Department will review and provide comments to the Contractor within 14 days of receipt of the TCP.”

652.3.5 Installation of Traffic Control Devices In the first paragraph, first sentence; change “Signs shall be erected...” to “Portable signs shall be erected...” In the third sentence; change “Signs must be erected so that the sign face...” to “Post-mounted signs must also be erected so that the sign face...”

652.4 Flaggers Replace the first paragraph with the following; “The Contractor shall furnish flaggers as required by the TCP or as otherwise specified by the Resident. All flaggers must have successfully completed a flagger test approved by the Department and administered by a Department-approved Flagger-Certifier who is employing that flagger. All flaggers must carry an official certification card with them while flagging that has been issued by their employer. Flaggers shall wear safety apparel meeting ANSI 107-1999 Class 2 risk exposure and clearly identify the wearer as a person, shall be visible at a minimum distance of 300 m [1000 ft], and shall wear a hardhat with retroreflectivity. For nighttime conditions, Class 3 apparel should be considered, retroreflective or flashing SLOW/STOP paddles shall be used, and except in emergency situations the flagger station shall be illuminated to assure visibility.”

Second paragraph, first sentence; change “...have sufficient distance to stop before entering the workspace.” to “...have sufficient distance to stop at the intended stopping point.” Third sentence; change “At a spot obstruction...” to “At a spot obstruction with adequate sight distance,...”

Fourth paragraph, delete and replace with “Flaggers shall be provided as a minimum, a 10 minute break, every 2 hours and a 30 minute or longer lunch period away from the work station. Flaggers may only receive 1 unpaid break per day; all other breaks must be paid. Sufficient certified flaggers shall be available onsite to provide for continuous flagging operations during break periods. Breaker flaggers will not be paid for separately, but shall be considered incidental to the appropriate pay item.”

652.8.2 Other Items Replace the last paragraph with the following: “There will be no payment made under any 652 pay items after the expiration of the adjusted total contract time.”

## SECTION 653 POLYSTYRENE PLASTIC INSULATION

653.05 Placing Backfill In the second sentence; change “...shall be not less than 150 mm [6 in] loose measure.” to “...shall be not less than 250 mm [10 in] loose measure.” In the third sentence; change “...crawler type bulldozer of not more than 390 kg/m<sup>2</sup> [80 lb/ft<sup>2</sup>] ground contact pressure...” to “...crawler type bulldozer of not more than 4875 kg/m<sup>2</sup> [2000 lb/ft<sup>2</sup>] ground contact pressure...”

653.06 Compaction In the last sentence; change “...not more than 390 kg/m<sup>2</sup> [80 lb/ft<sup>2</sup>] ground contact...” to “...not more than 4875 kg/m<sup>2</sup> [2000 lb/ft<sup>2</sup>] ground contact...”

## SECTION 656

### TEMPORARY SOIL EROSION AND WATER POLLUTION CONTROL

656.5.1 If Pay Item 656.75 Provided Replace the second paragraph with the following: "Failure by the Contractor to follow Standard Specification or Special Provision - Section 656 and/or the Contractor's own Soil Erosion and Pollution Control Plan will result in a reduction in payment, computed by reducing the Lump Sum Total by 5% per occurrence per day. The Department's Resident or any other representative of the Department reserves the right to suspend the work at any time and request a meeting to discuss violations and remedies. The Department shall not be held responsible for any delay in the work due to any suspension under this item."

## SECTION 701

### STRUCTURAL CONCRETE RELATED MATERIALS

701.10 Fly Ash - Chemical Requirements Change all references from "ASTM C311" to "ASTM C114".

## SECTION 703

### AGGREGATES

703.05 Aggregate for Sand Leveling Change the percent passing the 9.5 mm [3/8 in] sieve from "85 - 10" to "85 - 100"

703.06 Aggregate for Base and Subbase Delete the first paragraph: "The material shall have..." and replace with "The material shall have a minimum degradation value of 15 as determined by Washington State DOT Test Method T113, Method of Test for Determination of Degradation Value (March 2002 version), except that the reported degradation value will be the result of testing a single specimen from that portion of a sample that passes the 12.5 mm [1/2 in] sieve and is retained on the 2.00 mm [No. 10] sieve, minus any reclaimed asphalt pavement used."

703.07 Aggregates for HMA Pavements Delete the fourth paragraph: "The composite blend shall have..." and replace with "The composite blend, minus any reclaimed asphalt pavement used, shall have a Micro-Deval value of 18.0 or less as determined by AASHTO T 327. In the event the material exceeds the Micro Deval limit, a Washington Degradation test shall be performed. The material shall be acceptable if it has a value of 30 or more as determined by Washington State DOT Test Method T 113, Method of Test for Determination of Degradation Value (March 2002 version) except that the reported degradation value will be the result of testing a single composite specimen from that portion of the sample that passes the 12.5mm [1/2 inch] sieve and is retained on the 2.00mm [No 10] sieve, minus any reclaimed asphalt pavement used."

703.09 HMA Mixture Composition The coarse and fine aggregate shall meet the requirements of Section 703.07. The several aggregate fractions for mixtures shall be sized, graded, and combined in such proportions that the resulting composite blends will meet the grading requirements of the following table.

**AGGREGATE GRADATION CONTROL POINTS**

SIEVE SIZE	Nominal Maximum Aggregate Size---Control Points (Percent Passing)				
	TYPE 25 mm	TYPE 19 mm	TYPE 12.5 mm	TYPE 9.5 mm	TYPE 4.75 mm
	PERCENT BY WEIGHT PASSING - COMBINED AGGREGATE				
37.5 mm	100				
25 mm	90-100	100			
19 mm	-90	90-100	100		
12.5 mm		-90	90-100	100	100
9.5 mm		-	-90	90-100	95-100
4.75 mm		-	-	-90	80-100
2.36 mm	19-45	23-49	28-58	32-67	40 - 80
1.18 mm		-	-	-	-
600 µm		-	-	-	-
300 µm		-	-	-	-
75 µm	1-7	2-8	2-10	2-10	2-10

Gradation Classification---- The combined aggregate gradation shall be classified as coarse-graded when it passes below the Primary Control Sieve (PCS) control point as defined in the following table. All other gradations shall be classified as fine-graded.

**GRADATION CLASSIFICATION**

PCS Control Point for Mixture Nominal Maximum Aggregate Size (% passing)				
Nominal Maximum Aggregate Size	TYPE 25 mm	TYPE 19 mm	TYPE 12.5 mm	TYPE 9.5 mm
Primary Control Sieve	4.75 mm	4.75 mm	2.36 mm	2.36 mm
PCS Control Point (% passing)	40	47	39	47

If a Grading "D" mixture is allowed per Special Provision Section 403, it shall meet the following gradation and the aggregate requirements of Section 703.07.

Sieve Designation	Percentage by Weight Passing Square Mesh Sieves
½ inch	100
¾ inch	93-100
No. 4	60-80
No. 8	46-65
No. 16	25-55
No. 30	16-40
No. 50	10-30
No. 100	6-22
No. 200	3.0-8.0

703.18 Common Borrow Replace the first paragraph with the following: “Common borrow shall consist of earth, suitable for embankment construction. It shall be free from frozen material, perishable rubbish, peat, and other unsuitable material including material currently or previously contaminated by chemical, radiological, or biological agents unless the material is from a DOT project and authorized by DEP for use.”

703.22 Underdrain Backfill Material Change the first paragraph from “...for Underdrain Type B...” to “...for Underdrain Type B and C...”

## SECTION 706 NON-METALLIC PIPE

706.06 Corrugated Polyethylene Pipe for Underdrain, Option I and Option III Culvert Pipe Change the first sentence from “...300 mm diameters to 900 mm” to “...300 mm diameters to 1200 mm” Delete, in it’s entirety, the last sentence which begins “This pipe and resins...” and replace with the following; “The manufacturing plants of polyethylene pipe shall be certified by the Eastern States Consortium. Polyethylene pipe shall be accepted based on third party certification by the AASHTO’s National Transportation Product Evaluation Program.”

## SECTION 709 REINFORCING STEEL AND WELDED STEEL WIRE FABIC

709.03 Steel Strand Change the second paragraph from “...shall be 12mm [½ inch] AASHTO M203M/M203 (ASTM A416/A416M)...” to “...shall be 15.24 mm [0.600 inch] diameter AASHTO M203 (ASTM A416)...”

## SECTION 710 FENCE AND GUARDRAIL

710.03 Chain Link Fabric Add the following sentence: “Chain Link fabric for PVC coated shall conform to the requirements of AASHTO M181, Type IV-Class B.”

710.07 Guardrail Posts Section b. change “...AASHTO M183/M183M...” to “...AASHTO M 270M/M 270 Grade 250 (36)...”

## SECTION 712 MISCELLANEOUS HIGHWAY MATERIALS

712.06 Precast Concrete Units In the first paragraph, change “...ASTM C478M...” to “...AASHTO M199...” Delete the second paragraph and replace with the following; “Approved structural fibers may be used as a replacement of 6 x 6 #10 gauge welded wire fabric when used at an approved dosage rate for the construction of manhole and catch basin units. The material used shall be one of the products listed on the Maine Department of Transportation’s Approved Product List of Structural Fiber Reinforcement.” Delete the fifth paragraph and replace with the following; “The concrete mix design shall be approved by the Department. Concrete shall contain 6% air content, plus or minus 1½% tolerance when tested according to AASHTO T152. All concrete shall develop a minimum compressive strength of 28 MPa [4000 psi] in 28 days when tested according to AASHTO T22. The absorption of a

specimen, when tested according to AASHTO T280, Test Method “A”, shall not exceed nine percent of the dry mass.”

Add the following:

“712.07 Tops, and Traps These metal units shall conform to the plan dimensions and to the following specification requirements for the designated materials.

Gray iron or ductile iron castings shall conform to the requirements of AASHTO M306 unless otherwise designated.”

712.08 Corrugated Metal Units The units shall conform to plan dimensions and the metal to AASHTO M36/M36M. Bituminous coating, when specified, shall conform to AASHTO M190 Type A.

712.09 Catch Basin and Manhole Steps Steps for catch basins and for manholes shall conform to ASTM C478M [ASTM C478], Section 13 for either of the following material:

- (a) Aluminum steps-ASTM B221M, [ASTM B211] Alloy 6061-T6 or 6005-T5.
- (b) Reinforced plastic steps Steel reinforcing bar with injection molded plastic coating copolymer polypropylene. Polypropylene shall conform to ASTM D 4101.

712.23 Flashing Lights Flashing Lights shall be power operated or battery operated as specified.

- (a) Power operated flashing lights shall consist of housing, adapters, lamps, sockets, reflectors, lens, hoods and other necessary equipment designed to give clearly visible signal indications within an angle of at least 45 degrees and from 3 to 90 m [10 to 300 ft] under all light and atmospheric conditions.

Two circuit flasher controllers with a two-circuit filter capable of providing alternate flashing operations at the rate of not less than 50 nor more than 60 flashes per minute shall be provided.

The lamps shall be 650 lumens, 120 volt traffic signal lamps with sockets constructed to properly focus and hold the lamp firmly in position.

The housing shall have a rotatable sun visor not less than 175 mm [7 in] in length designed to shield the lens.

Reflectors shall be of such design that light from a properly focused lamp will reflect the light rays parallel. Reflectors shall have a maximum diameter at the point of contact with the lens of approximately 200 mm [8 in].

The lens shall consist of a round one-piece convex amber material which, when mounted, shall have a visible diameter of approximately 200 mm [8 in]. They shall distribute light and not diffuse it. The distribution of the light shall be asymmetrical in a downward direction. The light distribution of the lens shall not be uniform, but shall consist of a small high intensity portion with narrow distribution for long distance throw and a larger

low intensity portion with wide distribution for short distance throw. Lenses shall be marked to indicate the top and bottom of the lens.

(b) Battery operated flashing lights shall be self-illuminated by an electric lamp behind the lens. These lights shall also be externally illuminated by reflex-reflective elements built into the lens to enable it to be seen by reflex-reflection of the light from the headlights of oncoming traffic. The batteries must be entirely enclosed in a case. A locking device must secure the case. The light shall have a flash rate of not less than 50 nor more than 60 flashes per minute from minus 30 °C [minus 20 °F] to plus 65 °C [plus 150 °F]. The light shall have an on time of not less than 10 percent of the flash cycle. The light beam projected upon a surface perpendicular to the axis of the light beam shall produce a lighted rectangular projection whose minimum horizontal dimension shall be 5 degrees each side of the horizontal axis. The effective intensity shall not have an initial value greater than 15.0 candelas or drop below 4.0 candelas during the first 336 hours of continuous flashing. The illuminated lens shall appear to be uniformly bright over its entire illuminated surface when viewed from any point within an angle of 9 degrees each side of the vertical axis and 5 degrees each side of the horizontal axis. The lens shall not be less than 175 mm [7 in] in diameter including a reflex-reflector ring of 13 mm [½ in] minimum width around the periphery. The lens shall be yellow in color and have a minimum relative luminous transmittance of 0.440 with a luminance of 2854° Kelvin. The lens shall be one-piece construction. The lens material shall be plastic and meet the luminous transmission requirements of this specification. The case containing the batteries and circuitry shall be constructed of a material capable of withstanding abuse equal to or greater than 1.21 mm thick steel [No. 18 U.S. Standard Gage Steel]. The housing and the lens frame, if of metal shall be properly cleaned, degreased and pretreated to promote adhesion. It shall be given one or more coats of enamel which, when dry shall completely obscure the metal. The enamel coating shall be of such quality that when the coated case is struck a light blow with a sharp tool, the paint will not chip or crack and if scratched with a knife will not powder. The case shall be so constructed and closed as to exclude moisture that would affect the proper operation of light. The case shall have a weep hole to allow the escape of moisture from condensation. Photoelectric controls, if provided, shall keep the light operating whenever the ambient light falls below 215 lx [20 foot candles]. Each light shall be plainly marked as to the manufacturer's name and model number.

If required by the Resident, certification as to conformance to these specifications shall be furnished based on results of tests made by an independent testing laboratory. All lights are subject to random inspection and testing. All necessary random samples shall be provided to the Resident upon request without cost to the Department. All such samples shall be returned to the Contractor upon completion of the tests.

712.32 Copper Tubing Copper tubing and fittings shall conform to the requirements of ASTM B88M Type A [ASTM B88, Type K] or better.

712.33 Non-metallic Pipe, Flexible Non-metallic pipe and pipe fittings shall be acceptable flexible pipe manufactured from virgin polyethylene polymer suitable for transmitting liquids intended for human or animal consumption.

712.34 Non-metallic Pipe, Rigid Non-metallic pipe shall be Schedule 40 polyvinylchloride (PVC) that meets the requirement of ASTM D1785. Fittings shall be of the same material.

712.341 Metallic Pipe Metallic pipe shall be ANSI, Standard B36.10, Schedule 40 steel pipe conforming to the requirements of ASTM A53 Types E or S, Grade B. End plates shall be steel conforming to ASTM A36/A36M.

Both the sleeve and end plates shall be hot dip galvanized. Pipe sleeve splices shall be welded splices with full penetration weld before galvanizing.

712.35 Epoxy Resin Epoxy resin for grouting or sealing shall consist of a mineral filled thixotropic, flexible epoxy resin having a pot life of approximately one hour at 10°C [50°F]. The grout shall be an approved product suitable for cementing steel dowels into the preformed holes of curb inlets and adjacent curbing. The sealant shall be an approved product, light gray in color and suitable for coating the surface.

712.36 Bituminous Curb The asphalt cement for bituminous curb shall be of the grade required for the wearing course, or shall be Viscosity Grade AC-20 meeting the current requirements of Subsection 702.01 Asphalt Cement. The aggregate shall conform to the requirements of Subsection 703.07. The coarse aggregate portion retained on the 2.36 mm [No. 8] sieve may be either crushed rock or crushed gravel.

The mineral constituents of the bituminous mixture shall be sized and graded and combined in a composite blend that will produce a stable durable curbing with an acceptable texture.

Bituminous material for curb shall meet the requirements of Section 403 - Hot Bituminous Pavement.

712.37 Precast Concrete Slab Portland cement concrete for precast slabs shall meet the requirements of Section 502 - Structural Concrete, Class A.

The slabs shall be precast to the dimension shown on the plans and cross section and in accordance with the Standard Detail plans for Concrete Sidewalk Slab. The surface shall be finished with a float finish in accordance with Subsection 502.14(c). Lift devices of sufficient strength to hold the slab while suspended from cables shall be cast into the top or back of the slab.

712.38 Stone Slab Stone slabs shall be of granite from an acceptable source, hard, durable, predominantly gray in color, free from seams which impair the structural integrity and be of smooth splitting character. Natural color variations characteristic of the deposit will be permitted. Exposed surfaces shall be free from drill holes or indications of drill holes. The granite slabs in any one section of backslope must be all the same finish.

The granite slabs shall be scabble dressed or sawed to an approximately true plane having no projections or depressions over 13 mm [ $\frac{1}{2}$  in] under a 600 mm [2 ft] straightedge or over 25 mm [1 in] under a 1200 mm [4 ft] straightedge. The arris at the intersection of the top surface and exposed front face shall be pitched so that the arris line is uniform throughout the length of the installed slabs. The sides shall be square to the exposed face unless the slabs are to be set

on a radius or other special condition which requires that the joints be cut to fit, but in any case shall be so finished that when the stones are placed side by side no space more than 20 mm [3/4 in] shall show in the joint for the full exposed height.

Liftpin holes in all sides will be allowed except on the exposed face.

## SECTION 717 ROADSIDE IMPROVEMENT MATERIAL

717.03 C. Method #3 - Roadside Mixture #3 Change the seed proportions to the following:

Crown Vetch	25%
Perennial Lupine	25%
Red Clover	12.5%
Annual Rye	37.5%

717.05 Mulch Binder Change the third sentence to read as follows:

“Paper fiber mulch may be used as a binder at the rate of 2.3 kg/unit [5 lb/unit].”

## SECTION 720 STRUCTURAL SUPPORTS FOR HIGHWAY SIGNS, LUMINAIRES, AND TRAFFIC SIGNALS

720.08 U-Channel Posts Change the first sentence from “..., U-Channel posts...” to “..., Rib Back U-Channel posts...”

## SECTION 722 GEOTEXTILES

722.01 Stabilization/Reinforcement Geotextile Add the following to note #3; “The strengths specified in the columns labeled”<50%” and “≥ 50%” refer to the elongation at which the geotextile material was tested. For example; if a fabric is tested at 15% elongation then it must meet or exceed the minimum strength shown in the “<50%” column. Submittals must include the percent elongation at which the material was tested.”

722.02 Drainage Geotextile Add the following to note #3; “The strengths specified in the columns labeled”<50%” and “≥ 50%” refer to the elongation at which the geotextile material was tested. For example; if a fabric is tested at 15% elongation then it must meet or exceed the minimum strength shown in the “<50%” column. Submittals must include the percent elongation at which the material was tested.”

722.01 Erosion Control Geotextile Add the following note to Elongation in the Mechanical Property Table; “The strengths specified in the columns labeled”<50%” and “≥ 50%” refer to the elongation at which the geotextile material was tested. For example; if a fabric is tested at 15% elongation then it must meet or exceed the minimum strength shown in the “<50%” column. Submittals must include the percent elongation at which the material was tested.”

# ***Environmental Summary Sheet***

**PIN #: 15639.00**

**Town: Canton**

**Environmental Office Contact: Laurie Rowe (laurie.rowe@maine.gov) 215-5072**

**Coordination & Permits Manager: Matt Steele**

**Date Submitted: 7/2/08**

**Database/Projex**

**Section 106 and Tribal Consultation - PA-B**

**4(f) and 6(f) - No Fed Act**

LAWCON 6(f)

N/A  Applicable  Approved

**FEMA** GIS Floodplains Checked  N/A  Applicable  Approved

**Maine Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife (MDIFW) Essential Habitat**

GIS Essential Habitats Checked

Eagle Nest N/A  Applicable  Approved

Piping Plover N/A  Applicable  Approved

Roseate Tern N/A  Applicable  Approved

**Maine Department of Conservation/ Public Lands, Submerged Land Lease** N/A  Applicable

**Land Use Regulation Commission (LURC)** Not Applicable  No permit Required

Notice  Approved

Permit  Approved

**Maine Department of Environmental Protection (MDEP) Site Location of Development**

N/A  Applicable  Approved

**Maine Department of Environmental Protection (MDEP), Natural Resource Protection Act**

No permit required

Exempt  (Must use erosion and sediment control and not block fish passage.)

PBR  Approved

Tier 1  Approved

Tier 2  Approved

Individual  Approved

**Army Corps of Engineers (ACOE), Section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act and Section 404 of the Clean Water Act.**

No permit required

Category 1-NR  Approved

Category 2  Approved

Category 3  Approved

**NOTE: If project requires a Category 2 or 3 Permit from the ACOE, then the MaineDOT Resident **must** fill out a "Work Start Notification Form" and a "Compliance Certification Form" (when project has been completed) and send them to the address listed on the forms.**

**IN-STREAM TIMING RESTRICTIONS: 105 Special Provision  n/a**

Dates instream work is allowed: 7/15 to 10/1

**Special Provision 656, Erosion Control Plan**



**DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY**  
 NEW ENGLAND DISTRICT, CORPS OF ENGINEERS  
 696 VIRGINIA ROAD  
 CONCORD, MASSACHUSETTS 01742-2751

REPLY TO:  
 ATTENTION OF:

**MAINE PROGRAMMATIC GENERAL PERMIT (PGP)  
 AUTHORIZATION LETTER AND SCREENING SUMMARY**

OFFICE OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES  
 MAINE DEPT. OF TRANSPORTATION  
 16 STATE HOUSE STATION  
 AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333

CORPS PERMIT # NAE-2008-01433  
 CORPS PGP ID# 08-159  
 STATE ID# PBR

**DESCRIPTION OF WORK:**

Place concrete fill below the ordinary high water line of Ludden Brook at Canton, Maine in order to rehabilitate an existing deteriorated culvert beneath Dixfield Road. This work is shown on the attached plans entitled "CANTON, CANTON POINT ROAD" in 5 sheets undated. Approximately 1,000 s.f. (0.002 acres) of stream bed will be impacted by the project.

**DOT PIN: 15639.00**

LAT/LONG COORDINATES : 44.4925517° N 70.3369486° W USGS QUAD: CANTON, ME

**I. CORPS DETERMINATION:**

Based on our review of the information you provided, we have determined that your project will have only minimal individual and cumulative impacts on waters and wetlands of the United States. **Your work is therefore authorized by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers under the enclosed Federal Permit, the Maine Programmatic General Permit (PGP).**

You must perform the activity authorized herein in compliance with all the terms and conditions of the PGP [including any attached Additional Conditions and any conditions placed on the State 401 Water Quality Certification including any required mitigation]. Please review the enclosed PGP carefully, including the PGP conditions beginning on page 7, to familiarize yourself with its contents. You are responsible for complying with all of the PGP requirements; therefore you should be certain that whoever does the work fully understands all of the conditions. You may wish to discuss the conditions of this authorization with your contractor to ensure the contractor can accomplish the work in a manner that conforms to all requirements.

If you change the plans or construction methods for work within our jurisdiction, please contact us immediately to discuss modification of this authorization. This office must approve any changes before you undertake them.

Condition 38 of the PGP (page 15) provides one year for completion of work that has commenced or is under contract to commence prior to the expiration of the PGP on October 11, 2010. You will need to apply for reauthorization for any work within Corps jurisdiction that is not completed by October 11, 2011.

No work may be started unless and until all other required local, State and Federal licenses and permits have been obtained. **This includes but is not limited to a Flood Hazard Development Permit issued by the town if necessary.** Also, this permit requires you to notify us before beginning work and allow us to inspect the project. Hence, you must complete and return the attached Work Start Notification Form(s) to this office no later than 2 weeks before the anticipated starting date. (For projects requiring mitigation, be sure to include the MITIGATION WORK START FORM).

**II. STATE ACTIONS: PENDING [ X ], ISSUED [ ], DENIED [ ] DATE \_\_\_\_\_**

APPLICATION TYPE: PBR: X, TIER 1: \_\_\_\_\_, TIER 2: \_\_\_\_\_, TIER 3: \_\_\_\_\_, LURC: \_\_\_\_\_, DMR LEASE: \_\_\_\_\_, NA: \_\_\_\_\_

**III. FEDERAL ACTIONS:**

JOINT PROCESSING MEETING: 4/29/08 LEVEL OF REVIEW: CATEGORY 1: \_\_\_\_\_ CATEGORY 2: X

AUTHORITY (Based on a review of plans and/or State/Federal applications): SEC 10 \_\_\_\_\_, 404 X, 10/404 \_\_\_\_\_, 103 \_\_\_\_\_

EXCLUSIONS: The exclusionary criteria identified in the general permit do not apply to this project.

**ESSENTIAL FISH HABITAT (EFH): EFH PRESENT Y / N (CIRCLE ONE)**

IF YES: Based on the terms and conditions of the PGP, which are intended to ensure that authorized projects cause no more than minimal environmental impacts, the Corps of Engineers has preliminary determined that this project will not cause more than minimal adverse effects to **EFH** identified under the Magnuson-Stevens Fisheries Conservation and Management Act.

AGENCY OBJECTIONS/COMMENTS: EPA\_NO \_\_\_\_\_, USF&WS\_NO \_\_\_\_\_, NMFS\_NO \_\_\_\_\_, SHPO\_NO \_\_\_\_\_, THPO\_NO \_\_\_\_\_

If you have any questions on this matter, please contact my staff at 207-623-8367 at our Manchester, Maine Project Office.

Jay L. Clement  
 JAY L. CLEMENT  
 SENIOR PROJECT MANAGER  
 MAINE PROJECT OFFICE

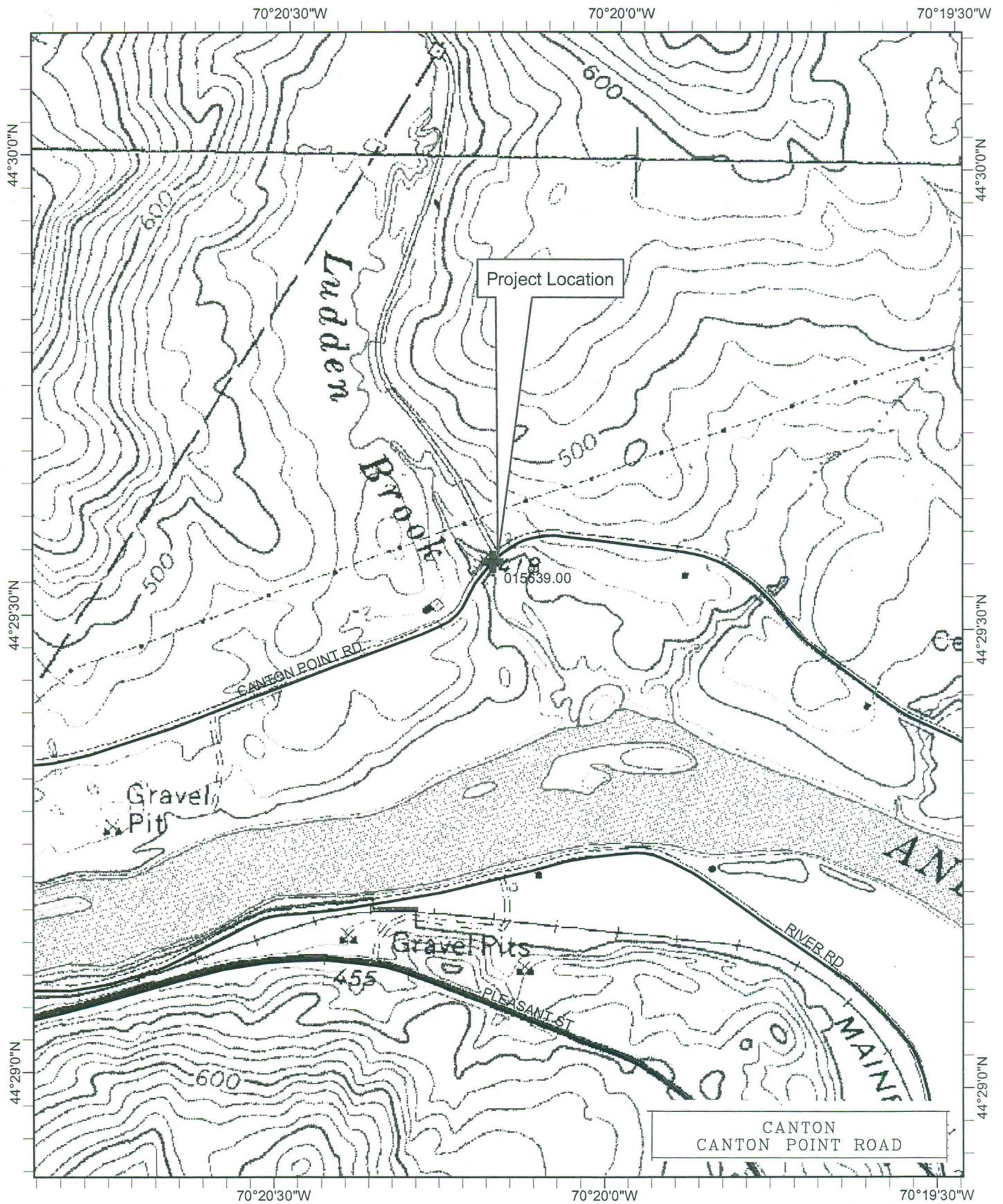
Jay L. Clement 5/23/08  
 FOR CURTIS L. THALKEN DATE  
 COLONEL, CORPS OF ENGINEERS  
 DISTRICT ENGINEER



**US Army Corps  
of Engineers** ®  
New England District

**ADDITIONAL CONDITIONS FOR  
DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY  
PROGRAMMATIC GENERAL PERMIT  
NO. NAE-2008-01433**

1. This authorization requires you to 1) notify us before beginning work so we may inspect the project, and 2) submit a Compliance Certification Form. You must complete and return the enclosed Work Start Notification Form(s) to this office at least two weeks before the anticipated starting date. You must complete and return the enclosed Compliance Certification Form within one month following the completion of the authorized work and any required mitigation (but not mitigation monitoring, which requires separate submittals).
2. The permittee shall assure that a copy of this permit is at the work site whenever work is being performed and that all personnel performing work at the site of the work authorized by this permit are fully aware of the terms and conditions of the permit. This permit, including its drawings and any appendices and other attachments, shall be made a part of any and all contracts and sub-contracts for work which affects areas of Corps of Engineers' jurisdiction at the site of the work authorized by this permit. This shall be done by including the entire permit in the specifications for the work. If the permit is issued after construction specifications but before receipt of bids or quotes, the entire permit shall be included as an addendum to the specifications. The term "entire permit" includes permit amendments. Although the permittee may assign various aspects of the work to different contractors or sub-contractors, all contractors and sub-contractors shall be obligated by contract to comply with all environmental protection provisions of the entire permit, and no contract or sub-contract shall require or allow unauthorized work in areas of Corps of Engineers jurisdiction.
3. Adequate sedimentation and erosion control devices, such as geotextile silt fences or other devices capable of filtering the fines involved, shall be installed and properly maintained to minimize impacts during construction. These devices must be removed upon completion of work and stabilization of disturbed areas. The sediment collected by these devices must also be removed and placed upland, in a manner that will prevent its later erosion and transport to a waterway or wetland.
4. All exposed soils resulting from the construction will be promptly seeded and mulched in order to achieve vegetative stabilization.
5. Instream work shall be conducted between July 15 and October 1 to minimize potential impacts to fisheries and local water quality from sedimentation.
6. Maine DOT biologists shall monitor fish passage through the pipe during low flow conditions in the fall of 2008 and summer of 2009. A report of the findings and any Maine DOT recommendations on the need for external weir(s) shall be submitted to the Corps and the resource agencies for review in late 2009.



Date: 10/10/2007  
 Road Names: RD INV 17 00396  
 Town(s): Canton

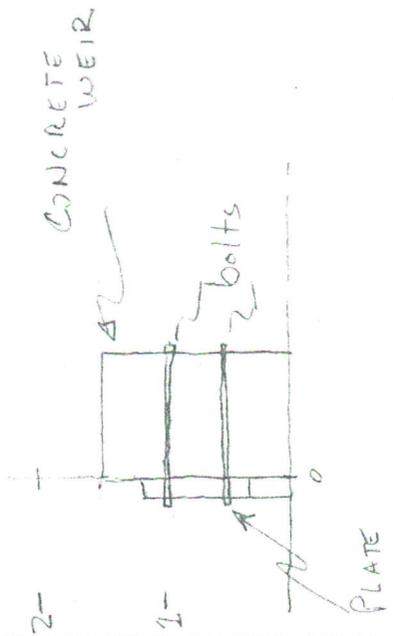
1 inch equals 843 feet

*44.4925517°N*  
*70.3369486°W*  
*Canton*

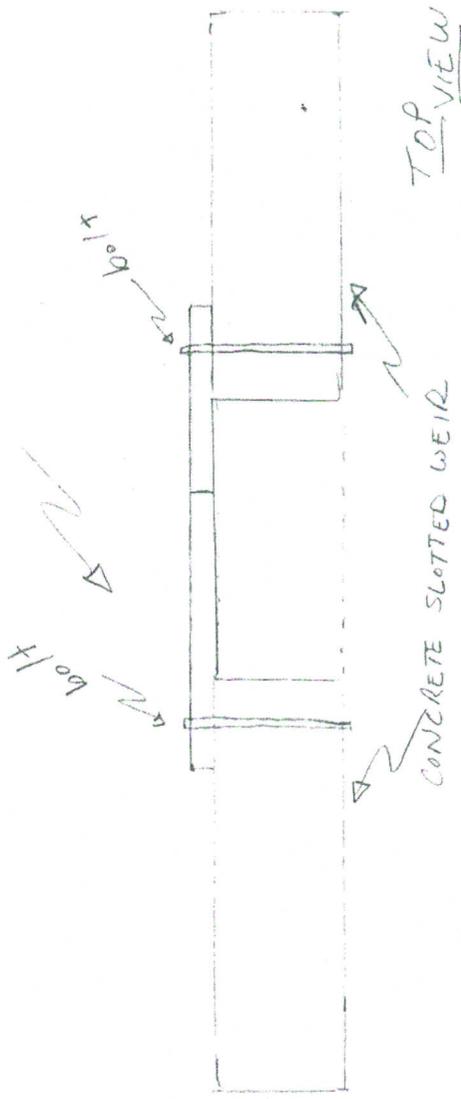
Location: 044 29'33"N 070 20'10"W  
 Project ID: 01563900  
 Project Manager: HEATH COWAN  
 Page 1 of 1

PRELIM. BY \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_  
 FINAL CHK BY \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_  
 ITEM NO. \_\_\_\_\_ SUBJECT \_\_\_\_\_  
 PROJ. NO. 15639 LOCATION \_\_\_\_\_  
 FILE NO. \_\_\_\_\_ SH. NO. \_\_\_\_\_ OF \_\_\_\_\_  
 OF \_\_\_\_\_

SIDE VIEW

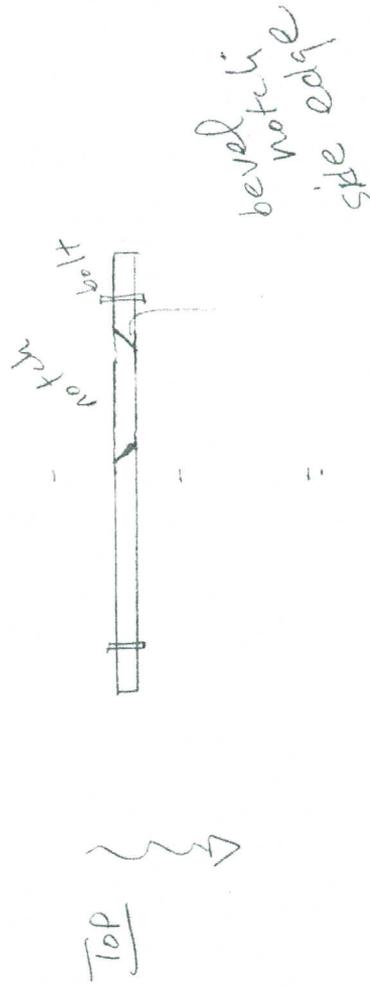
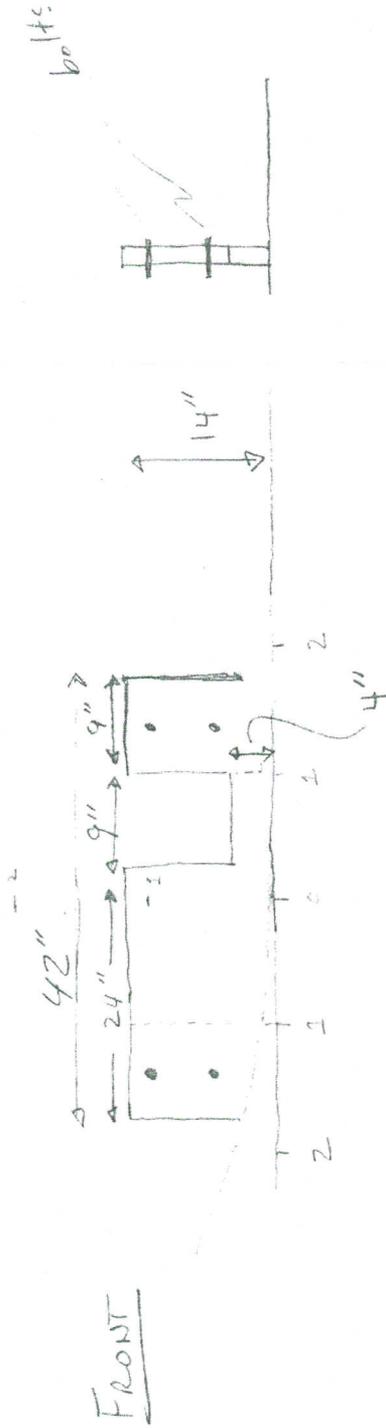


HDPPE WEIR PLATE  
(2" STOCK)



HDPE PLASTIC WEIR PLATE  
DIMENSIONS

-3



PRELIM. BY \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_ PROJ. NO. 15639 FILE NO. \_\_\_\_\_ OF \_\_\_\_\_

FINAL CHK. BY \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_ LOCATION \_\_\_\_\_ SH. NO. \_\_\_\_\_ OF \_\_\_\_\_

ITEM NO. \_\_\_\_\_ SUBJECT \_\_\_\_\_







**US Army Corps  
of Engineers**®  
New England District

(Minimum Notice: Permittee must sign and return notification  
within one month of the completion of work.)

## COMPLIANCE CERTIFICATION FORM

Corps of Engineers Permit No: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Permittee: \_\_\_\_\_

Permit Issuance Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Please sign this certification and return it to the following address upon completion of the activity and any mitigation required by the permit. You must submit this after the mitigation is complete, but not the mitigation monitoring, which requires separate submittals.

\*\*\*\*\*  
 \* MAIL TO: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New England District \*  
 \* Policy Analysis/Technical Support Branch, ATTN: Marie Farese \*  
 \* Regulatory Division \*  
 \* 696 Virginia Road \*  
 \* Concord, Massachusetts 01742-2751 \*  
 \*\*\*\*\*

Please note that your permitted activity is subject to a compliance inspection by an U.S. Army Corps of Engineers representative. If you fail to comply with this permit you are subject to permit suspension, modification, or revocation.

**I hereby certify that the work authorized by the above referenced permit was completed in accordance with the terms and conditions of the above referenced permit, and any required mitigation was completed in accordance with the permit conditions.**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Permittee

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Printed Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date of Work Completion

( ) \_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone Number

( ) \_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone Number



US Army Corps  
of Engineers®  
New England District

**PGP WORK START NOTIFICATION FORM**  
**(Minimum Advance Notice: Two Weeks)**

**MAIL TO:** U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New England District  
Regulatory Branch  
Policy Analysis/Technical Support Section  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, Massachusetts 01742-2751

A Corps of Engineers Permit ( \_\_\_\_\_ ) was issued to \_\_\_\_\_. The permit authorized the permittee(s) to \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

The people (e.g., contractor) listed below will do the work, and they understand the permit's conditions and limitations.

PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE

Name of Person/Firm: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Business Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: ( \_\_\_\_\_ ) \_\_\_\_\_ ( \_\_\_\_\_ ) \_\_\_\_\_

Proposed Work Dates: Start: \_\_\_\_\_  
Finish: \_\_\_\_\_

PERMITTEE'S SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

PRINTED NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ TITLE: \_\_\_\_\_

***FOR USE BY THE CORPS OF ENGINEERS***

PM \_\_\_\_\_ Submittals Required: \_\_\_\_\_

Inspection Recommendation: \_\_\_\_\_

**DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY  
PROGRAMMATIC GENERAL PERMIT  
STATE OF MAINE**

The New England District of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers hereby issues a Programmatic General Permit (PGP) that expedites review of minimal impact work in coastal and inland waters and wetlands within the State of Maine.

**I. GENERAL CRITERIA**

Activities with minimal impacts, as specified by the terms and conditions of this PGP and on the attached Appendix A, Definition of Categories, are either:

Category 1: Non-reporting. Eligible without screening (provided the authorizations are obtained which this permit states are necessary for activities to be eligible for authorization under this non-reporting category), or,

Category 2: Reporting. Require screening and a written determination of eligibility under the PGP by the Corps after coordination with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (U.S. FWS), U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS).

This PGP does not affect the Corps Individual Permit review process or activities exempt from Corps jurisdiction.

**II. ACTIVITIES COVERED:**

Work and structures that are located in, or that affect, navigable waters of the United States (U.S.) (Corps regulates under Section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act of 1899); the discharge of dredged or fill material into waters of the United States (Corps regulates under Section 404 of the Clean Water Act); and the transportation of dredged material for the purpose of disposal in the ocean (Corps regulates under Section 103 of the Marine Protection, Research and Sanctuaries Act).

**III. PROCEDURES:**

**A. State Approvals**

For projects authorized pursuant to this PGP, the following State approvals are also required. The applicable permits must be obtained in order for this PGP authorization to be valid (applicants are responsible for ensuring that all required State permits and approvals have been applied for and obtained):

- Maine Department of Environmental Protection (DEP): Natural Resources Protection Act (NRPA) permit, including permit-by-rule and general permit authorizations (NRPA permit issuance constitutes both the state permit and the WQC); Site Location of Development Act permit; and Maine Waterway Development and Conservation Act permit.
- Maine Department of Conservation: Land Use Regulation Commission (LURC) permit.
- Maine Department of Marine Resources: Lease.
- Maine Department of Conservation, Bureau of Parks and Lands, Submerged Lands: Lease

NOTE: This PGP may authorize projects that are not regulated by the State of Maine (e.g., seasonal floats or moorings).

## **B. Corps Authorizations**

### **CATEGORY 1 (Non-Reporting)**

#### **Eligibility Criteria**

Activities in Maine may proceed without application or notification to the Corps if they:

- Are subject to Corps jurisdiction (see General Condition 2, Page 7),
- Meet the definition of Category 1 in Appendix A - Definition of Categories, and
- Meet the General Conditions of the PGP (see Pages 7 - 15).

If the State or the Corps does not contact the applicant for DEP's Tier One permits during the DEP's Tier One 30-day review period, Corps approval may be assumed and the project may proceed. Refer to the Federal Screening Procedures (see Page 4) for additional information regarding screening.

Project proponents seeking Category 1 authorizations are not relieved of the obligation to comply with this PGP's General Conditions (see Page 7) and other Federal laws such as the National Historic Preservation Act, the Endangered Species Act (ESA) and the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act. Therefore, consultation with the Corps and/or outside experts such as the Maine Historic Preservation Commission and the appropriate Indian tribes is recommended when there is a high likelihood of the presence of resources of concern.

Although Category 1 projects are non-reporting, the Corps reserves the right to require screening under Category 2 or Individual Permit review if there are concerns for the aquatic environment or any other factor of the public interest (see General Condition 4, Discretionary Authority, Page 7).

Work that is not regulated by the State of Maine, but is subject to Corps jurisdiction, is eligible for Corps authorization under this PGP in accordance with the review thresholds and conditions contained herein. The Maine DEP and LURC have waived WQC for projects authorized under Categories 1 and 2 of this PGP and not subject to jurisdiction under the NRPA and LURC Land Use Districts and Standards.

**Enforcement cases.** This PGP does not apply to any existing or proposed activity in Corps jurisdiction associated with an on-going Corps or EPA enforcement action until such time as the enforcement action is resolved or the Corps determines that the activity may proceed independently without compromising the enforcement action. The Corps may choose not to accept applications or issue permits to any applicant with outstanding violations.

### **CATEGORY 2 (Reporting – Requiring Screening)**

#### **Eligibility Criteria**

Activities in Maine require written approval from the Corps if they:

- Are subject to Corps jurisdiction (see General Condition 2, Page 7),
- Meet the definition of Category 2 in Appendix A - Definition of Categories, and
- Meet the General Conditions of the PGP (see Pages 7 - 15),

These projects will be reviewed through interagency screening (see Federal Screening Procedures below) to determine whether such activities may be authorized under this PGP. To be eligible and

subsequently authorized, an activity must result in minimal impacts to the aquatic environment as determined by the Corps based on comments from the review team and the criteria listed above. Mitigation may be required to compensate for unavoidable impacts to ensure net effects of a project are minimal.

For Category 2 projects, applicants must obtain a written authorization from the Corps and State approvals as stated on Page 1.

To ensure compliance with the conditions of this PGP, consultation with the Corps and outside experts is required. This includes consultation with the Maine Historic Preservation Commission and the appropriate Native American Indian tribes to ensure compliance with Condition 8. Also, note the review thresholds under Category 2 apply to single and complete projects only (see General Condition 5).

**Enforcement cases.** See previous section.

### **Application Procedures**

The Corps must review and approve in writing all Category 2 activities. Generally, the State will provide the Corps with a copy of State applications received, but it is ultimately the applicant's responsibility to ensure the Corps receives the application from the State. Therefore, it is recommended that applicants either verify with the Corps receipt of their application from the State (DEP or LURC), or apply directly to the Corps with either a copy of their State application or a Corps application (ENG Form 4345). Applicants must apply directly to the Corps using ENG Form 4345 if the work is not State regulated.

Upon receipt of the application, the Corps will determine if it:

- (a) requires additional information (see "information typically required" on the following page);
- (b) is appropriate for screening with the Federal resource agencies (see Category 2 Federal Screening Procedures on the following page);
- (c) is ineligible under the terms and/or conditions of this PGP; or
- (d) will require Individual Permit review, regardless of whether the terms and conditions of this PGP are met, based on concerns for the aquatic environment or any other factor of the public interest (see General Condition 4, Discretionary Authority).

If open water disposal is proposed, the Corps will make a suitability determination, fully coordinated with the Federal resource agencies, before coordinating a project at a joint processing meeting.

All Category 2 applicants shall submit a copy of their application materials to the Maine Historic Preservation Commission and the Indian tribe(s) listed on Page 17, at the same time, or before, they apply to the DEP, LURC, or the Corps, to be reviewed for the presence of historic, archaeological or tribal resources in the permit area that the proposed work may affect. Submittals to the DEP or Corps shall include information to indicate that this has been done (a copy of the applicant's cover letter to Maine Historic Preservation Commission and tribes or a copy of the Historic Preservation Commission and tribal response letters is acceptable).

### **Information Typically Required**

The following information may not be necessary for all projects. Please see [www.nae.usace.army.mil](http://www.nae.usace.army.mil) for a more comprehensive checklist. Select "Regulatory/Permitting," "Forms" and then "Application and Plan Guideline Checklist." Please check with our Maine office for project-specific requirements.

- (a) purpose of project;
- (b) 8½"x 11" locus map. 8½"x 11" plan views of the entire property, including property lines, and project limits with existing and proposed conditions;
- (c) typical cross-section views of all wetland and waterway fill areas and wetland replication areas;
- (d) legible, reproducible plans. Show mean low water (MLW), mean high water (MHW) and high tide line (HTL) elevations in navigable waters;
- (e) each plan should show the NGVD 1929 equivalent for the project's vertical datum (MLW, MLLW, MHW, HTL or other tidal datum for tidal projects) with the vertical units. Do not use local datum;
- (f) wetland delineation for the site, Corps wetland delineation data sheets (see web site), and calculations of waterway and wetland impact areas (see General Condition 2);
- (g) delineation of submerged aquatic vegetation, e.g., eel grass beds, in tidal waters;
- (h) volume, type and source of fill material to be discharged into waters and wetlands, including the area(s) (in square feet or acres) of fill in wetlands, below ordinary high water in inland waters and below the high tide line in coastal waters;
- (i) limits of any Federal Navigation Project in the vicinity and State Plane Coordinates for the limits of the proposed work closest to the Federal Navigation Project;
- (j) on-site alternatives analysis. Please contact Corps for guidance;
- (k) identify and describe potential impacts to Essential Fish Habitat. See General Condition 11 and contact Corps for guidance;
- (l) photographs of wetland/waterway to be impacted.

**Information typically required for dredging projects:**

- (a) sediment testing, including physical (e.g., grain-size analysis), chemical and biological testing. For projects proposing open water disposal, applicants are encouraged to contact the Corps as early as possible regarding sampling and testing protocols. Sampling and testing of sediments without such contact should not occur and, if done, would be at the applicant's risk.
- (b) the area in square feet and volume of material to be dredged below mean high water;
- (c) existing and proposed water depths;
- (d) type of dredging equipment to be used;
- (e) nature of material (e.g., silty sand);
- (f) any existing sediment grain size and bulk sediment chemistry data for the proposed or any nearby projects;
- (g) information on the location and nature of municipal or industrial discharges and occurrence of any contaminant spills in or near the project area, location of the disposal site (include locus sheet);
- (h) shellfish survey;
- (i) identify and describe potential impacts to Essential Fish Habitat (see General Condition 11);
- (j) delineation of submerged aquatic vegetation (e.g., eelgrass beds).

**Federal Screening Procedures**

The Corps will review all complete applications for Category 2 projects requiring Corps approval at interagency screening meetings (or "joint processing" meetings) with the Federal resource agencies (U.S. FWS, EPA and NMFS) to determine whether such activities may be authorized under this PGP. The Federal resource agencies will comprise the interagency review team. The meetings are held at the Corps every three weeks, or coordinated as necessary to provide applicants with a timely response. The Corps and Federal resource agencies, at the branch chief or equivalent level, may agree on certain activities that do not need to be coordinated at these meetings.

If the Corps and Federal resource agencies determine that the activity is eligible for the PGP, the Corps will send an authorization letter directly to the applicant. The Corps will generally issue an eligibility determination within the State's review period, not to exceed 60 days. If the Corps determines that the activity is not eligible under the PGP or that additional information is required, the Corps will notify the applicant in writing and will send a copy of this notification to DEP or LURC.

For projects reviewed with the Federal resource agencies, the agencies may recommend, within ten business days, either 1) special conditions for projects to avoid or minimize adverse environmental effects and to ensure the terms and conditions of the PGP are met, or 2) Individual Permit review. The Corps will determine that a project is ineligible under this PGP and will begin its Individual Permit review procedures if any one of the Federal resource agencies, within ten business days of the screening meeting, expresses a concern within their area of expertise, states the resource or species that could be impacted by the project, and describes the impacts that, either individually or cumulatively, will be more than minimal.

This ten-day notice may be spoken and is not required to be fully documented, but must be confirmed with a written response within an additional ten working days from the date of the spoken comment. Written responses must be signed by the Federal resource agency field supervisor or branch chief, as appropriate, and must identify the affected resource within their area of expertise. The intent of the spoken notification is to allow the Corps to give timely notification to the applicant that additional information is needed and/or an Individual Permit may be required. The Corps may reinstate a project's eligibility under the PGP provided the Federal agencies' concerns are satisfied. The Federal resource agencies may request additional information within their area of expertise within ten business days of the screening meeting. This information shall be commensurate to the level of impact and agreed upon by the Corps. The agencies are allowed an additional ten business days after their receipt of additional information to provide special conditions or a written Individual Permit request to the Corps.

If the applicant is unable to resolve the concerns, the Corps, independently or at the request of the Federal resource agencies, will require an Individual Permit for the project. The applicant will be notified of this in writing, along with information about submitting the necessary application materials.

### **Minerals Management Service (MMS) Review**

Projects with construction of solid fill structures or discharge of fill that may extend beyond the coastline or the baseline from which the territorial sea is measured (i.e., mean low water), must be coordinated with Minerals Management Service (MMS), Outer Continental Shelf (OCS) Survey Group, pursuant to the Submerged Lands Act (43 USC, Section 1301-1315, 33 CFR 320.4(f)). The Corps will forward project information to MMS for their review. The MMS will coordinate their determination with the Department of the Interior (DOI) Solicitor's Office. The DOI will have 15 calendar days from the date MMS is in receipt of project information to determine if the baseline will be affected. No notification to the Corps within 15-day review period will constitute a "no effect" determination. Otherwise, the solicitor's notification to the Corps may be spoken but must be followed with a written confirmation within ten business days from the date of the spoken notification. This procedure will be eliminated if the State of Maine provides a written waiver of interest in any increase in submerged lands caused by a change in the baseline resulting from solid fill structures or fills authorized under this PGP.

### Emergency Situations Procedures

Emergency situations are limited to sudden, unexpected occurrences that could potentially result in an unacceptable hazard to life, a significant loss of property, or an immediate, unforeseen, and significant economic hardship if corrective action requiring a permit is not undertaken within a time period less than the normal time needed to process an application under standard procedures. If an emergency situation requires action in less than 30 days after the occurrence, it qualifies for the amended notification procedures described below.

### Notification Procedures for Emergency Situations:

Any project proponent may request emergency authorization from the Corps, however the Corps will determine if a project qualifies for these emergency situation procedures. The Federal resource agencies, the Maine Historic Preservation Commission and the tribes will each designate an emergency contact and an alternate in the event the regular contact is unavailable. When an application for Category 2 work is received that the Corps determines is an “emergency” as defined above, the Corps will fax a copy of the plans and Determination of Eligibility to the agency representatives and their alternates. The resource agencies would then have 16 business hours to notify the Corps if they have any comments on authorization of the project under the PGP. Objections to the Corps determination of an “emergency” situation will not be accepted. If no response is received within 16 business hours, the Corps will proceed with a decision on the application. If the resource agencies have comments on the proposal, they will have 16 business hours to put their comments in writing. If written comments from the Federal agencies are not received within 16 business hours, the Corps will proceed with a decision on the application.

If a Federal agency requests that an Individual Permit be required for a project or requests modifications to the project based on concerns within their area(s) of expertise, the Corps will notify the applicant within one business day of receipt of that request that the project as proposed does not qualify for authorization under this PGP and the emergency Individual Permit procedures may be followed. In any event, the Corps will notify the applicant within 16 business hours of commencement of the screening process as to whether the project may proceed under this PGP.

### **IV. CORPS AUTHORIZATION: INDIVIDUAL PERMIT**

Work that is defined in the Individual Permit category of Appendix A – Definition of Categories, or that does not meet the terms and conditions of this PGP, will require an application for an Individual Permit from the Corps (see 33 CFR Part 325.1). The screening procedures outlined for Category 2 projects will only serve to delay project review in such cases. The applicant should submit the appropriate application materials (including the Corps application form) at the earliest possible date. General information and application forms can be obtained at our web site or by calling us (see Page 16). Individual water quality certification and coastal zone management consistency concurrence are required when applicable from the State of Maine before Corps permit issuance. The Federal resource agencies’ comments are due within ten working days after the Public Notice’s expiration date, unless the Corps receives and approves a written request for a time extension within ten working days after the notice’s expiration.

## V. PROGRAMMATIC GENERAL PERMIT CONDITIONS:

The following conditions apply to activities authorized under this Maine PGP, including all Category 1 (non-reporting) and Category 2 (reporting – requiring screening) activities:

### General Requirements

**1. Other Permits.** Authorization under this PGP does not obviate the need to obtain other Federal, State, or local authorizations required by law. This includes, but is not limited to, the project proponent obtaining a Flood Hazard Development Permit issued by the town, if necessary. Inquiries may be directed to the municipality or to the Maine Floodplain Management Coordinator at (207) 287-8063. See <http://www.maine.gov>.

**2. Federal Jurisdictional Boundaries.** Applicability of this PGP shall be evaluated with reference to Federal jurisdictional boundaries. Applicants are responsible for ensuring that the boundaries used satisfy the Federal criteria defined at 33 CFR 328-329. These sections prescribe the policy, practice and procedures to be used in determining the extent of jurisdiction of the Corps concerning “waters of the U.S.” and “navigable waters of the U.S.” Wetland boundaries shall be delineated in accordance with the January 1987 Corps of Engineers Wetlands Delineation Manual, located at <http://www.usace.army.mil/inet/functions/cw/cecwo/reg/wlman87.pdf>. The U.S. FWS publishes the National List of Plant Species that Occur in Wetlands, located at <http://www.nwi.fws.gov>. The Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) develops the hydric soil definition and criteria, and publishes the current hydric soil lists, located at <http://soils.usda.gov/use/hydric/>.

**3. Minimal Effects.** Projects authorized by this PGP shall have no more than minimal individual and cumulative adverse environmental impacts as determined by the Corps.

**4. Discretionary Authority.** Notwithstanding compliance with the terms and conditions of this permit, the Corps retains discretionary authority to require Category 2 or Individual Permit review based on concerns for the aquatic environment or for any other factor of the public interest [33 CFR 320.4(a)]. This authority is invoked on a case-by-case basis whenever the Corps determines that the potential consequences of the proposal warrant Individual Permit review based on the concerns stated above. This authority may be invoked for projects with cumulative environmental impacts that are more than minimal or if there is a special resource or concern associated with a particular project that is not already covered by the remaining conditions of the PGP and that warrants greater review. Whenever the Corps notifies an applicant that an Individual Permit may be required, authorization under this PGP is void and no work may be conducted until the individual Corps permit is obtained or until the Corps notifies the applicant that further review has demonstrated that the work may proceed under this PGP.

**5. Single and Complete Projects.** This PGP shall not be used for piecemeal work and shall be applied to single and complete projects. All components of a single project shall be treated together as constituting one single and complete project and/or all planned phases of a multi-phased project (e.g., subdivisions should include all work such as roads, utilities, and lot development) unless the Corps determines that a component has independent utility. (The *Independent Utility* test is used to determine what constitutes a single and complete project in the Corps regulatory program. A project is considered to have independent utility if it would be constructed absent the construction of other projects in the project area. Portions of a multi-phase project that depend upon other phases of the project do not have independent utility. Phases of a project that would be constructed even if the other phases were not built can be considered as separate single and complete projects with independent utility.) For linear projects, such as power lines or pipelines with multiple

crossings, the “single and complete project” (i.e., single and complete crossing) will apply to each crossing of a separate water of the U.S. (i.e., single waterbody) at that location; except that for linear projects crossing a single waterbody several times at separate and distant locations, each crossing is considered a single and complete project, and may be reviewed for Category 1 eligibility. (However, individual channels in a braided stream or river, or individual arms of a large, irregularly-shaped wetland or lake, etc., are not separate waterbodies.) If any crossing requires a Category 2 activity, then the entire linear project shall be reviewed as one project under Category 2. Also, this PGP shall not be used for any activity that is part of an overall project for which an Individual Permit is required, unless the Corps determines the activity has independent utility.

**6. Permit On-Site.** For Category 2 projects, the permittee shall ensure that a copy of this PGP and the accompanying authorization letter are at the work site (and the project office) authorized by this PGP whenever work is being performed, and that all personnel with operation control of the site ensure that all appropriate personnel performing work are fully aware of its terms and conditions. The entire permit authorization shall be made a part of any and all contracts and sub-contracts for work that affects areas of Corps jurisdiction at the site of the work authorized by this PGP. This shall be achieved by including the entire permit authorization in the specifications for work. The term “entire permit authorization” means this PGP and the authorization letter (including its drawings, plans, appendices and other attachments) and also includes permit modifications. If the authorization letter is issued after the construction specifications, but before receipt of bids or quotes, the entire permit authorization shall be included as an addendum to the specifications. If the authorization letter is issued after receipt of bids or quotes, the entire permit authorization shall be included in the contract or sub-contract as a change order. Although the permittee may assign various aspects of the work to different contractors or sub-contractors, all contractors and sub-contractors shall be obligated by contract to comply with all environmental protection provisions contained within the entire PGP authorization, and no contract or sub-contract shall require or allow unauthorized work in areas of Corps jurisdiction.

### **National Concerns**

**7. St. John/St. Croix Rivers.** This covers work within the Saint John and Saint Croix River basins that requires approval of the International Joint Commission. This includes any temporary or permanent use, obstruction or diversion of international boundary waters which could affect the natural flow or levels of waters on the Canadian side of the line, as well as any construction or maintenance of remedial works, protective works, dams, or other obstructions in waters downstream from boundary waters when the activity could raise the natural level of water on the Canadian side of the boundary.

**8. Historic Properties.** Any activity authorized by this PGP shall comply with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act. Information on the location and existence of historic resources can be obtained from the Maine Historic Preservation Commission, the National Register of Historic Places, and the Penobscot, Passamaquoddy, Micmac, and Maliseet Tribal Historic Preservation Officers. See Page 17 for historic properties contacts. If the permittee, either prior to construction or during construction of the work authorized herein, encounters a previously unidentified archaeological or other cultural resource, within the area subject to Department of the Army jurisdiction, that might be eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places, he/she shall stop work and immediately notify the District Engineer and the Maine Historic Preservation Commission and/or applicable Tribe(s).

**9. National Lands.** Activities authorized by this PGP shall not impinge upon the value of any National Wildlife Refuge, National Forest, National Marine Sanctuary, National Park or any other area administered by the National Park Service.

**10. Endangered Species.** No activity may be authorized under this PGP which:

- is likely to adversely affect a threatened or endangered species, a proposed species, designated critical habitat, or proposed critical habitat as identified under the Federal ESA,
- would result in a “take” of any threatened or endangered species of fish or wildlife, or
- would result in any other violation of Section 9 of the ESA protecting threatened or endangered species of plants.

Applicants shall notify the Corps if any listed species or critical habitat, or proposed species or critical habitat, is in the vicinity of the project and shall not begin work until notified by the District Engineer (DE) that the requirements of the ESA have been satisfied and that the activity is authorized. Information on the location of threatened and endangered species and their critical habitat can be obtained from the U.S. FWS and NMFS (see Page 16 for addresses).

**11. Essential Fish Habitat.** As part of the PGP screening process, the Corps will coordinate with NMFS in accordance with the 1996 amendments to the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act to protect and conserve the habitat of marine, estuarine and anadromous finfish, mollusks, and crustaceans. This habitat is termed “Essential Fish Habitat (EFH)”, and is broadly defined to include “those waters and substrate necessary to fish for spawning, breeding, feeding, or growth to maturity.” Applicants may be required to describe and identify potential impacts to EFH. Conservation recommendations made by NMFS will normally be included as a permit requirement by the Corps. For additional information, see the EFH regulations at 50 CFR Part 600 (<http://www.nmfs.noaa.gov>). Additional information on the location of EFH can be obtained from NMFS (see Page 16 for contact information).

Any work in any aquatic habitat in the following rivers and streams, including all tributaries to the extent that they are currently or were historically accessible for salmon migration, shall not be authorized under Category 1 of the PGP and must be screened for potential impacts to EFH.

Androscoggin River	Hobart Stream	Passagassawaukeag River	Saco River
Aroostook River	Kennebec River	Patten Stream	Sheepscot River
Boyden River	Machias River	Penobscot River	St. Croix River
Dennys River	Narraguagus River	Pleasant River	Tunk Stream
Ducktrap River	Orland River	Presumpscot River	Union River
East Machias River			

**12. Wild and Scenic Rivers.** Any activity that occurs in a component of, or within 0.25 mile up or downstream of, the main stem or tributaries of a river segment of the National Wild and Scenic River System, must be reviewed by the Corps under the procedures of Category 2 of this PGP regardless of size of impact. This condition applies to both designated Wild and Scenic Rivers and rivers designated by Congress as study rivers for possible inclusion while such rivers are in an official study status. The Corps will consult with the National Park Service (NPS) with regard to potential impacts of the proposed work on the resource values of the Wild and Scenic River. The culmination of this coordination will be a determination by the NPS and the Corps that the work: (1) may proceed as proposed; (2) may proceed with recommended conditions; or (3) could pose a direct and adverse effect on the resource values of the river and an individual permit is required. If

preapplication consultation between the applicant and the NPS has occurred whereby NPS has made a determination that the proposed project is appropriate for authorization under this PGP (with respect to Wild and Scenic River issues), this determination should be furnished to the Corps with submission of the application. (See NPS address on Page 16.) National Wild and Scenic Rivers System segments for Maine as of September 2005 include: Allagash River beginning at Telos Dam continuing to Allagash checkpoint at Eliza Hole Rapids, approximately 3 miles upstream of the confluence with the St. John River (length = 92 miles).

**13. Federal Navigation Project.** Any structure or work that extends closer to the horizontal limits of any Corps Federal Navigation Project (See Appendix B) than a distance of three times the project's authorized depth shall be subject to removal at the owner's expense prior to any future Corps dredging or the performance of periodic hydrographic surveys.

**14. Navigation.** (a) There shall be no unreasonable interference with navigation by the existence or use of the activity authorized herein and no attempt shall be made by the permittee to prevent the full and free use by the public of all navigable waters at or adjacent to the activity authorized herein. (b) The permittee understands and agrees that, if future operations by the United States require the removal, relocation, or other alteration, of the structure or work herein authorized, or if, in the opinion of the Secretary of the Army or his authorized representative, said structure or work shall cause unreasonable obstruction to the free navigation of the navigable waters, the permittee will be required, upon due notice from the Corps of Engineers, to remove, relocate, or alter the structural work or obstructions caused thereby, without expense to the United States. No claim shall be made against the United States on account of any such removal or alteration.

**15. Federal Liability.** In issuing this permit, the Federal Government does not assume any liability for the following: (a) damages to the permitted project or uses thereof as a result of other permitted or unpermitted activities or from natural causes; (b) damages to the permitted project or uses thereof as a result of current or future activities undertaken by or on behalf of the United States (U.S.) in the public interest; (c) damages to persons, property, or to other permitted or unpermitted activities or structures caused by the activity authorized by this permit; (d) design or construction deficiencies associated with the permitted work; (e) damage claims associated with any future modification, suspension, or revocation of this permit.

#### **Minimization of Environmental Impacts**

**16. Minimization.** Discharges of dredged or fill material into waters of the United States, including wetlands, shall be avoided and minimized to the maximum extent practicable. Permittees may only fill those jurisdictional wetlands that the Corps authorizes to be filled and impact those wetlands that the Corps authorizes as secondary impacts. For coastal structures such as piers and docks, the height above the marsh at all points should be equal to or exceed the width of the deck. The height shall be measured from the marsh substrate to the bottom of the longitudinal support beam. This will help ensure sunlight reaches the area beneath the structure.

**17. Heavy Equipment in Wetlands.** Heavy equipment, other than fixed equipment (drill rigs, fixed cranes, etc.), working within wetlands shall not be stored, maintained or repaired in wetlands unless it is less environmentally damaging otherwise, and as much as possible shall not be operated there. Where construction requires heavy equipment operation in wetlands, the equipment shall

either have low ground pressure (<3 psi), or shall not be located directly on wetland soils and vegetation; it shall be placed on swamp or timber mats that are adequate to support the equipment in such a way as to minimize disturbance of wetland soil and vegetation. (See General Condition 18 below.) Other support structures that are less impacting and are capable of safely supporting equipment may be used with written Corps authorization. Similarly, not using mats during frozen, dry or other conditions may be allowed with written Corps authorization. An adequate supply of spill containment equipment shall be maintained on site.

NOTE: "Swamp mats" is a generic term used to describe structures that distribute equipment weight to prevent wetland damage while facilitating passage and providing work platforms for workers and equipment. They are comprised of sheets or mats made from a variety of materials in various sizes, and they include large timbers bolted or cabled together (timber mats). Corduroy roads, which are not considered to be swamp mats, are cut trees and/or saplings with the crowns and branches removed, and the trunks lined up next to one another.

**18. Temporary Fill.** Fill placed into waters of the U.S. (including wetlands) totaling greater than or equal to 4,300 SF (15,000 SF if a DEP Tier One Permit is issued) in total area (i.e., the sum of permanent and temporary fill areas) exceeds the Category 1 threshold and may not be discharged without written authorization from the Corps. When temporary fill is used (e.g., access roads, swamp mats, cofferdams), it shall be stabilized and maintained during construction in such a way as to prevent soil eroding into portions of waters of the U.S. where it is not authorized. Swamp or timber mats (see Gen.Cond. 17 above) are considered as temporary fill when they are removed immediately upon work completion. The area must be restored in accordance with Gen.Cond. 19.

- Unconfined temporary fill authorized for discharge into flowing water (rivers and streams) shall consist only of clean washed stone.
- Temporary fill authorized for discharge into wetlands shall be placed on geotextile fabric laid on the pre-construction wetland grade. (Swamp and timber mats are excluded from this requirement.)
- Temporary fill shall be removed as soon as it is no longer needed, and it shall be disposed of at an upland site and suitably contained to prevent subsequent erosion into waters of the U.S.
- Waters of the U.S. where temporary fill was discharged shall be restored (see Gen.Cond. 19).
- No temporary work shall drain a water of the U.S. by providing a conduit for water on or below the surface.

**19. Restoration.**

- Upon completion of construction, all disturbed wetland areas (the disturbance of these areas must be authorized) shall be stabilized with a wetland seed mix containing only plant species native to New England.
- The introduction or spread of invasive plant species in disturbed areas shall be controlled.
- In areas of authorized temporary disturbance, if trees are cut they shall be cut at ground level and not uprooted in order to prevent disruption to the wetland soil structure and to allow stump sprouts to revegetate the work area, unless otherwise authorized.
- Wetland areas where permanent disturbance is not authorized shall be restored to their original condition and elevation, which under no circumstances shall be higher than the pre-construction elevation. Original condition means careful protection and/or removal of existing soil and vegetation, and replacement back to the original location such that the original soil layering and vegetation schemes are approximately the same, unless otherwise authorized.

**20. Coastal Bank Stabilization.** Projects involving construction or reconstruction/maintenance of bank stabilization structures within Corps jurisdiction should be designed to minimize environmental effects, effects to neighboring properties, scour, etc. to the maximum extent practicable. For example, vertical bulkheads should only be used in situations where reflected wave energy can be tolerated. This generally eliminates bodies of water where the reflected wave energy may interfere with or impact on harbors, marinas, or other developed shore areas. A revetment is sloped and is typically employed to absorb the direct impact of waves more effectively than a vertical seawall. It typically has a less adverse effect on the beach in front of it, abutting properties and wildlife. For more information, see the Corps Coastal Engineering Manual (supersedes the Shore Protection Manual), located at <http://chl.erdc.usace.army.mil>. Select “Products/ Services,” “Publications.” Part 5, Chapter 7-8, a(2)c is particularly relevant.

**21. Sedimentation and Erosion Control.** Adequate sedimentation and erosion control management measures, practices and devices, such as phased construction, vegetated filter strips, geotextile silt fences, hay bales or other devices, shall be installed and properly maintained to reduce erosion and retain sediment on-site during and after construction. They shall be capable of preventing erosion, of collecting sediment, suspended and floating materials, and of filtering fine sediment. These devices must be removed in a timely manner upon completion of work, but not until the disturbed areas have been stabilized. The sediment collected by these devices shall be removed and placed at an upland location in a manner that will prevent its later erosion into a waterway or wetland. All exposed soil and other fills shall be permanently stabilized at the earliest practicable date.

## **22. Waterway Crossings.**

(a) All temporary and permanent crossings of waterbodies (waterways and wetlands) shall be suitably culverted, bridged, or otherwise designed to withstand and to prevent the restriction of high flows, to maintain existing low flows, and to not obstruct the movement of aquatic life indigenous to the waterbody beyond the actual duration of construction. (NOTE: Areas of fill and/or cofferdams must be included in total waterway/wetlands impacts to determine applicability of this PGP).

(b) Aquatic Life Movements. No activity may substantially disrupt the necessary life-cycle movements of those species of aquatic life indigenous to the waterbody, including those species that normally migrate through the area, unless the activity’s primary purpose is to impound water. For new permanent crossings, open bottom arches, bridge spans or embedded culverts are generally preferred over traditional culverts and should be installed when practicable. Coordination with the Corps is recommended for Category 1 projects when site constraints (e.g., placing footings) may render open bottom arches, bridge spans or embedded culverts impractical. In these cases, well-designed culverts may actually perform better. Culverts shall be installed with their inverts embedded below existing streambed grade to avoid “hanging” and associated impediments to fish passage. The “Design of Road Culverts for Fish Passage” provides design guidance and is available at [www.nae.usace.army.mil](http://www.nae.usace.army.mil), “Regulatory/Permitting,” “Other.”

(c) Culverts at waterbody crossings shall be installed in such a manner as to preserve hydraulic connectivity, at its present level, between the wetlands on either side of the road. The permittee shall take necessary measures to correct wetland damage due to lack of hydraulic connectivity.

(d) Culverts and bridges shall span the waterway a minimum of 1.2 times the bankfull width in probable fish bearing waterways to qualify as a Category 1 non-reporting activity. See “Design of Road Culverts for Fish Passage,” referenced in (b) above, for information on bankfull width.

(e) Projects using slip lining (retrofitting an existing culvert by inserting a smaller diameter pipe), plastic pipes, and High Density Polyethylene Pipes (HDPP) are not allowed as non-reporting Category 1 activities, either as new work or maintenance activities.

(f) Waterbody crossings shall be culverted to at least municipal or State standards. The Maine DEP's stream crossing standards are at 06-096, Chapter 305: Permit by Rule, Section 10. Stream crossings (bridges, culverts and fords).

(g) Waterway crossings proposed by the Maine Dept. of Transportation should conform to the MDOT Fish Passage Policy and Design Guides.

(h) Construction equipment shall not cross streams without the use of temporary bridges, culverts, or cofferdams.

(i) For projects that otherwise meet the terms of Category 1, in-stream construction work shall be conducted during the low flow period July 15 - October 1 in any year. Projects that are not to be conducted during that time period are ineligible for Category 1 and shall be screened pursuant to Category 2, regardless of the waterway and wetland fill and/or impact area.

**23. Discharge of Pollutants.** All activities involving any discharge of pollutants into waters of the U.S. authorized under this PGP shall be consistent with applicable water quality standards, effluent limitations, standards of performance, prohibitions, and pretreatment standards and management practices established pursuant to the CWA (33 USC 1251) and applicable State and local laws. If applicable water quality standards, limitations, etc., are revised or modified during the term of this PGP, the authorized work shall be modified to conform with these standards within six months of the effective date of such revision or modification, or within a longer period of time deemed reasonable by the District Engineer in consultation with the Regional Administrator of the EPA. Applicants may presume that State water quality standards are met with the issuance of a LURC or DEP NRPA permit.

**24. Spawning Areas.** Discharges of dredged or fill material, and/or suspended sediment producing activities in fish and shellfish spawning or nursery areas and amphibian and waterfowl breeding areas during spawning or breeding seasons shall be avoided. During all times of year, impacts to these areas shall be avoided or minimized to the maximum extent practicable.

**25. Storage of Seasonal Structures.** Coastal structures, such as pier sections and floats, that are removed from the waterway for a portion of the year (often referred to as seasonal structures) shall be stored in an upland location located above mean high water (MHW) and not in tidal wetlands. These seasonal structures may be stored on the fixed, pile-supported portion of the structure that is seaward of MHW. This is intended to prevent structures from being stored on the marsh substrate and the substrate seaward of MHW. Seasonal storage of structures in navigable waters, e.g., in a protected cove on a mooring, requires Corps and local harbormaster approval.

**26. Environmental Functions and Values.** The permittee shall make every reasonable effort to carry out the construction or operation of the work authorized herein in a manner so as to maintain as much as is practicable, and minimize any adverse impacts on existing fish, wildlife, and natural environmental functions and values.

**27. Protection of Vernal Pools.** Impacts to uplands in proximity (within 500 feet) to the vernal pools referenced in Appendix A - Definitions of Categories, shall be minimized to the maximum extent possible.

## **Procedural Conditions**

**28. Cranberry Development Projects.** For cranberry development projects authorized under the PGP, the following conditions apply:

- If a cranberry bog is abandoned for any reason, the area must be allowed to revert to natural wetlands unless an Individual Permit is obtained from the Corps allowing the discharge of fill for an alternate use.
- No stream diversion shall be allowed under this permit.
- No impoundment of perennial streams shall be allowed under this permit.
- The project shall be designed and constructed to not cause flood damage on adjacent properties.

**29. Inspections.** The permittee shall allow the District Engineer (DE) or his authorized representative(s) to make periodic inspections at any time deemed necessary in order to ensure that the work is being performed in accordance with the terms and conditions of this permit. The DE may also require post-construction engineering drawings for completed work and post-dredging survey drawings for any dredging work.

**30. Work Start Notification Form and Compliance Certification.** Every permittee who receives a written Category 1 or 2 PGP authorization from the Corps must submit a 1) Work Start Notification Form (WSNF) two weeks before work commencement, and 2) signed Compliance Certification Form within one month following the completion of the authorized work and any required mitigation (but not mitigation monitoring, which requires separate submittals). The Corps will forward the blank WSNF and Compliance Certification Form with the authorization letter. The Compliance Certification Form will include: (a) a statement that the authorized work was done in accordance with the Corps authorization, including any general or specific conditions; (b) a statement that any required mitigation was completed in accordance with the permit conditions; and (c) the signature of the permittee certifying the completion of the work and mitigation.

**31. Maintenance.** The permittee shall maintain the work or structures authorized herein in good condition and in conformance with the terms and conditions of this permit. This does not include maintenance of dredging projects. Maintenance dredging is subject to the review thresholds in Appendix A and/or any conditions included in a written Corps authorization. Maintenance dredging includes only those areas and depths previously authorized and dredged. Some maintenance activities may not be subject to regulation under Section 404 in accordance with 33 CFR 323.4(a)(2).

**32. Property Rights.** This permit does not convey any property rights, either in real estate or material, or any exclusive privileges, nor does it authorize any injury to property or invasion of rights or any infringement of Federal, State, or local laws or regulations. If property associated with work authorized by the PGP is sold, the PGP authorization is automatically transferred to the new property owner. The new property owner should provide this information to the Corps in writing. No acknowledgement from the Corps is necessary.

**33. Modification, Suspension, and Revocation.** This permit may be either modified, suspended, or revoked, in whole or in part, pursuant to the policies and procedures of 33 CFR 325.7. Any such action shall not be the basis for any claim for damages against the United States.

**34. Restoration.** The permittee, upon receipt of a notice of revocation of authorization under this permit, shall restore the wetland or waterway to its former condition without expense to the United States and as directed by the Secretary of the Army or his authorized representative. If the permittee fails to comply with such a directive, the Secretary or his designee may restore the wetland or waterway to its former condition, by contract or otherwise, and recover the cost from the permittee.

**35. Special Conditions.** The Corps, independently or at the request of the Federal resource agencies, may impose other special conditions on a project authorized pursuant to this general permit that are determined necessary to minimize adverse environmental effects or based on any other factor of the public interest. Failure to comply with all conditions of the authorization, including special conditions, will constitute a permit violation and may subject the permittee to criminal, civil, or administrative penalties or restoration.

**36. False or Incomplete Information.** If the Corps makes a determination regarding the eligibility of a project under this permit and subsequently discovers that it has relied on false, incomplete, or inaccurate information provided by the permittee, the permit shall not be valid and the government may institute appropriate legal proceedings.

**37. Abandonment.** If the permittee decides to abandon the activity authorized under this general permit, unless such abandonment is merely the transfer of property to a third party, he/she must restore the area to the satisfaction of the District Engineer.

**Duration of Authorization/Grandfathering:**

**38. Duration of Authorization.** This PGP expires five years from the effective date listed at the top of Page 1. Activities authorized under Category 1 of this PGP that have commenced (i.e., are under construction) or are under contract to commence in reliance upon this PGP's authorization will remain authorized provided the activity is completed within 12 months of the PGP's expiration date. Activities authorized under Category 2 of this PGP will remain authorized in accordance with the project-specific date that the Corps provides to the permittee in the PGP authorization letter, unless:

- (a) The PGP is either modified or revoked, or
- (b) Discretionary authority has been exercised on a case-by-case basis to modify, suspend, or revoke the authorization in accordance with 33 CFR 325.2 (e)(2).

**39. Previously Authorized Activities.**

- (a) Activities completed under the authorizations of past PGPs that were in effect at the time the activity was completed will continue to be authorized by those PGPs.
- (b) Completed projects that have received written verification or approval from the Corps, based on applications made to the Corps prior to issuance of this PGP or the previous nationwide permits, regional general permits, or letters of permission shall remain authorized as specified in each authorization.
- (c) Activities authorized pursuant to 33 CFR Part 330.3 ("Activities occurring before certain dates") are not affected by this PGP.

## VI. CONTACTS FOR MAINE PROGRAMMATIC GENERAL PERMIT:

### 1. FEDERAL

#### U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

Maine Project Office  
675 Western Avenue #3  
Manchester, Maine 04351  
(207) 623-8367  
(207) 623-8206 (fax)

#### Federal Endangered Species

U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service  
Maine Field Office  
1168 Main Street  
Old Town, Maine 04468  
(207) 827-5938  
207-827-6099 (fax)

#### Wild and Scenic Rivers

National Park Service  
North Atlantic Region  
15 State Street  
Boston, Massachusetts 02109  
(617) 223-5203

#### Federal Endangered Species & Essential Fish Habitat

National Marine Fisheries Service  
One Blackburn Drive  
Gloucester, Massachusetts 01939  
(978) 281-9102  
(978) 281-9301 (fax)

#### Bridge Permits

Commander (obr)  
First Coast Guard District  
One South Street - Battery Bldg  
New York, New York 10004  
(212) 668-7021

### 2. STATE OF MAINE

#### Maine Department of Environmental Protection (For State Permits & Water Quality Certifications)

Division of Land Resource Regulation  
Bureau of Land and Water Quality  
17 State House Station  
Augusta, Maine 04333  
(207) 287-2111

Southern Maine Regional Office  
312 Canco Road  
Portland, Maine 04103  
(201) 822-6300

Eastern Maine Regional Office  
106 Hogan Road  
Bangor, Maine 04401  
(207) 941-4570

Northern Maine Regional Office  
1235 Central Drive - Skyway Park  
Presque Isle, Maine 04769  
(207) 764-0477

#### Maine Land Use Regulation Commission (LURC) [call (800) 452-8711 for appropriate LURC office]

22 State House Station  
Augusta, ME 04333-0022  
(207) 287-2631  
(207) 287-7439 (fax)

45 Radar Road  
Ashland, ME 04732-3600  
(207) 435-7963  
(207) 435-7184 (fax)

Lakeview Drive  
P.O. Box 1107  
Greenville, ME 04441  
(207) 695-2466  
(207) 695-2380 (fax)

(For CZM Determinations)

State Planning Office  
Coastal Program  
184 State Street  
State House Station 38  
Augusta, Maine 04333  
(207) 287-1009

(For Submerged Lands Leases)

Maine Department of Conservation  
Bureau of Parks and Lands  
22 State House Station  
Augusta, Maine 04333  
(207) 287-3061

**3. HISTORIC PROPERTIES**

Maine Historic Preservation Commission

State House Station 65  
Augusta, Maine 04333-0065  
(207) 287-2132  
(207) 287-2335 (fax)

Aroostook Band of Micmacs

Attn: Mr. Williams Phillips, Chief  
7 Northern Road  
Presque Isle, Maine 04769  
(207) 764-1972  
(207) 764-7667 (fax)

Houlton Band of Maliseet Indians

Attn: Tribal Chief  
88 Bell Road  
Littleton, Maine 04730  
(207) 532-4273, x215  
(207) 532-2660 (fax)

191 Main Street  
East Millinocket, ME 04430  
(207) 746-2244  
(207) 746-2243

(For Aquaculture Leases)

Maine Department of Marine Resources  
P.O. Box 8  
West Boothbay Harbor, Maine 04575  
(207) 633-9500

Passamaquoddy Tribe of Indians

Pleasant Point Reservation  
Attn: Tribal Council  
P.O. Box 343  
Perry, Maine 04667  
(207) 853-2600  
(207) 853-6039 (fax)

Passamaquoddy Tribe of Indians

Indian Township Reservation  
Attn: Donald Soctomah, THPO  
P.O. Box 301  
Princeton, Maine 04668  
(207) 796-2301  
(207) 796-5256 (fax)

Penobscot Indian Nation

Indian Island Reservation  
Attn: Ms. Bonnie Newsom, THPO  
12 Wabanaki Way  
Indian Island, Maine 04468  
(207) 817-7471  
(207) 817-7450 (fax)

**4. ORGANIZATIONAL WEBSITES:**

Army Corps of Engineers	<a href="http://www.nae.usace.army.mil">www.nae.usace.army.mil</a> (click "Regulatory/Permitting")
Corps of Engineers Headquarters	<a href="http://www.usace.army.mil">www.usace.army.mil</a> (click "Services for the Public")
Environmental Protection Agency	<a href="http://www.epa.gov/owow/wetlands/">www.epa.gov/owow/wetlands/</a>
National Marine Fisheries Service	<a href="http://www.nmfs.noaa.gov">www.nmfs.noaa.gov</a>
U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service	<a href="http://www.fws.gov">www.fws.gov</a>
National Park Service	<a href="http://www.nps.gov/rivers/index.html">www.nps.gov/rivers/index.html</a>
State of Maine	<a href="http://www.maine.gov">www.maine.gov</a>
State of Maine -Aquaculture Guidelines	<a href="http://www.maine.gov/dmr/aquaculture/index.htm">www.maine.gov/dmr/aquaculture/index.htm</a>

*for* Christine J. Gray 10-11-05  
District Engineer Date

**APPENDIX A: DEFINITION OF CATEGORIES**

	<b>Individual Waters and Wetlands:</b> Waters that are regulated under Section 404 of the Clean Water Act, including rivers, streams, lakes, ponds and wetlands, and excluding Section 10 Navigable Waters of the U.S. The jurisdictional limits are the ordinary high water (OHW) mark in the absence of adjacent wetlands, beyond the OHW mark to the limit of adjacent wetlands when adjacent wetlands are present, and the wetland limit when only wetlands are present. For the purposes of this PGP, fill placed in the area between the mean high water (MHW) and the high tide line (HTL), and in the bordering and contiguous wetlands <sup>1</sup> to tidal waters are reviewed in the Navigable Waters section. (See II. Navigable Waters on the next page.)		<b>INDIVIDUAL PERMIT</b>
<b>CATEGORY 1</b>	<b>CATEGORY 2</b>	<b>CATEGORY 1</b>	<b>CATEGORY 2</b>
<p><b>A. INLAND WATERS AND WETLANDS</b></p>			
<p>(a) NEW FILL/ EXCAVATION DISCHARGES</p>	<p>&lt;4,300 SF inland waterway and/or wetland fill and associated secondary impacts (e.g., areas drained, flooded, cleared or excavated). Fill area includes all temporary and permanent fill, and excavation discharges (except for incidental fallback). Swamp mats are considered as fill. [See General Condition (GC) 18.]</p> <p><u>Provided:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• In-stream (e.g., rivers, streams, brooks, etc.) work limited to Jul 15 - Oct 1</li> <li>• In-stream work of up to 4,300 SF of fill below OHW in waterways not designated as EFH for Atlantic salmon (see GC 11, Page 9) and performed in accordance with Maine Permit By Rule standards or a LURC permit.</li> <li>• Waterway crossings shall comply with GC 22.</li> <li>• Projects covered by a DEP Tier One permit with no cumulative impacts &gt; 15,000 SF in inland wetlands from previous permits, unauthorized work, and/or other state permits.</li> <li>• Subdivision fill complies with GC 5, Single and Complete Projects (see Page 7).</li> </ul> <p><u>This category excludes:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dams, dikes or activities involving water diversions.<sup>2</sup></li> <li>• Non-State approved sediment releases/slucices from dams.</li> <li>• Open trench excavation in flowing waters (see GC 22, Page 12).</li> </ul>	<p>≥ 3 acres inland waterway and/or wetland fill and secondary impacts (e.g., areas drained, flooded, cleared or excavated). Fill area includes all temporary and permanent fill, and excavation discharges (except for incidental fallback).<sup>5</sup></p> <p>EIS required by the Corps.</p> <p>In-stream work exceeding Category 2 limits.</p>	

CATEGORY 1	CATEGORY 2	INDIVIDUAL PERMIT
<p>• Work in waters designated as EFH for Atlantic salmon (see GC 11, Page 9), unless the waterway is crossed with a span and footprints of the span abutments are outside ordinary high water with no more than 4,300 SF of associated wetland impact.</p> <p>• Work in Special Inland Waters or Wetlands<sup>3</sup> (vernal pools).</p> <p>• Work in special aquatic sites (SAS)<sup>4</sup> other than wetlands.</p> <p>• Work within ¼ mile of a Wild and Scenic River (see GC 12, Page 9).</p> <p>• Work on National Lands (see GC 9, Pg. 9).</p> <p>• Work affecting threatened or endangered species (see GC 10, Page 9) or EFH salmon migration (see GC 11, Page 9).</p>		
<p><b>(b) BANK STABILIZATION PROJECTS</b></p> <p>Inland bank stabilization &lt;100 FT long and &lt;1 CY of fill per linear foot below OHW.</p> <p><u>Provided:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• In-stream work limited to Jul 15 - Oct 1.</li> <li>• No work in special inland waters &amp; wetlands<sup>3</sup> and SAS<sup>4</sup>.</li> <li>• No open trench excavation in flowing waters (see GC 22, Page 12).</li> <li>• No structures angled steeper than 3H:1V allowed. Only rough-faced stone or fiber roll revetments allowed.</li> <li>• No work affects threatened or endangered species (see GC 10, Page 9) or EFH (see GC 11, Page 9).</li> </ul>	<p>Inland bank stabilization ≥100 FT long and/or ≥1 CY of fill per linear foot, or any amount with fill in wetlands.</p>	
<p><b>(c) REPAIR AND MAINTENANCE OF AUTHORIZED FILLS</b></p>	<p>Replacement of non-serviceable fills, or repair/maintenance of serviceable fill, with expansion &lt;3 acres, or with a change in use.</p>	<p>Replacement of non-serviceable fill, or repair/maintenance of serviceable fill, with expansion ≥1 acre.</p>

<b>II. NAVIGABLE WATERS</b>		<b>Navigable Waters of the United States:</b> Waters that are subject to the ebb and flow of the tide and Federally designated navigable rivers (the Penobscot River, Kennebec River, and Lake Umbagog) (Section 10 Rivers and Harbors Act of 1899). The jurisdictional limits are the mean high water (MHW) line in tidal waters and the ordinary high water (OHW) mark in non-tidal portions of the Federally designated navigable rivers. For the purposes of this PGP, fill placed in the area between the mean high water (MHW) and the high tide line (HTL), and in the bordering and contiguous wetlands <sup>1</sup> to tidal waters are also reviewed in this Navigable Waters section.		
	<b>CATEGORY 1</b>	<b>CATEGORY 2</b>	<b>INDIVIDUAL PERMIT</b>	
(a) FILL	Discharges of dredged or fill material incidental to the construction of bridges across navigable waters of the United States, including cofferdams, abutments, foundation seals, piers, and temporary construction and access fills provided the U.S. Coast Guard authorizes such discharges as part of the bridge permit. Causeways and approach fills are not included in this category and require Category 2 or Individual Permit authorization.	<1 acre fill and/or secondary waterway impacts (e.g., areas drained, flooded or cleared). Fill includes temporary and permanent waterway fill.  Temporary fill or excavation <1 acre in SAS <sup>4</sup> .  Permanent fill or excavation <1,000 SF in SAS <sup>4</sup> .  Permanent fill and/or excavation ≥1,000 SF in SAS <sup>3</sup> when associated with a project with proactive restoration as a primary purpose. The Corps, in consultation with Federal & state agencies, must determine that net adverse effects are not more than minimal.  Specific activities with impacts of any area required to affect the containment, stabilization, or removal of hazardous or toxic waste materials that are performed, ordered, or sponsored by a government agency with established legal or regulatory authority. Wetlands must be restored in place.	≥1 acre waterway fill and/or secondary waterways or wetland impacts (e.g., areas drained, flooded or cleared). Fill includes temporary and permanent waterway fill.  Temporary fill or excavation ≥1 acre in SAS <sup>4</sup> .  Permanent fill or excavation ≥1,000 SF in SAS <sup>4</sup> other than as specified in Cat. 2  EIS required by the Corps.	
(b) REPAIR AND MAINTENANCE WORK	Repair or maintenance of existing, currently serviceable, authorized structure or fill with no substantial expansion or change in use. *Conditions of the original authorization apply. Must be rebuilt in same footprint, however minor deviations in structure design allowed <sup>6</sup>	Replacement of non-serviceable structures and fills or repair/maintenance of serviceable structures or fills, with fill, replacement or expansion <1 acre, or with a change in use.	Replacement of non-serviceable structures and fills or repair/maintenance of serviceable structures or fill, with replacement or expansion ≥1 acre.	

	<b>CATEGORY 1</b>	<b>CATEGORY 2</b>	<b>INDIVIDUAL PERMIT</b>
(c) DREDGING AND ASSOCIATED DISPOSAL	<p>Maintenance dredging for navigational purposes &lt;1,000 cy with upland disposal. Includes return water from upland contained disposal area.</p> <p><u>Provided:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Proper siltation controls are used.</li> <li>• Dredging &amp; disposal operation limited to November 1 - January 15.</li> <li>• No impact to special aquatic sites<sup>4</sup>.</li> <li>• No dredging in intertidal areas.</li> <li>• No work affects threatened or endangered species (see GC 10, Page 9) or EFH salmon migration (see GC 11, Page 9).</li> </ul>	<p>Maintenance dredging <math>\geq 1,000</math> CY, new dredging &lt;25,000 CY, or projects not meeting Category 1. Includes return water from upland contained disposal areas.</p> <p><u>Provided:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Disposal includes 1) upland, 2) beach nourishment (above MHW) of any area provided dredging's primary purpose is navigation or sand is from an upland source and Corps, in consultation w/Federal and State agencies, determines the net adverse effects are not more than minimal; and</li> <li>3) open water &amp; confined aquatic disposal, if Corps, in consultation with Federal and State agencies, finds the material suitable.</li> </ul>	<p>Maintenance dredging and/or disposal (any amount) in or affecting a SAS<sup>4</sup>. See II(a) above for dredge disposal in wetlands or waters.</p> <p>New dredging <math>\geq 25,000</math> CY, or any amount in or affecting SAS<sup>4</sup>.</p> <p>Beach nourishment associated with dredging when the primary purpose is not navigation (i.e., aggregate/sand mining) or the material is from an upland source.</p>
(d) MOORINGS	<p>Private, non-commercial, non-rental, single-boat moorings authorized by the local harbormaster.</p> <p><u>Provided:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Not associated with any boating facility<sup>7</sup></li> <li>• Not located in a Federal Navigation Project other than a Federal Anchorage. Moorings in Federal Anchorage not associated with a boating facility<sup>7</sup>.</li> <li>• No interference with navigation</li> <li>• Not located in vegetated shallows<sup>8</sup></li> <li>• Within 1/4 mile of the owner's residence or a public access point.<sup>9</sup></li> </ul> <p>Minor relocation of previously authorized moorings and moored floats consistent with Harbormaster recommendations, provided it is also consistent with local regulations, is not located in vegetated shallows, and does not interfere with navigation.</p>	<p>Moorings associated with a boating facility<sup>7</sup>.</p> <p>Moorings that don't meet the terms in Category 1 and don't require an Individual Permit.</p> <p>Moorings located such that they, and/or vessels docked or moored at them, are within the buffer zone of the horizontal limits<sup>10</sup> of a Corps Federal Channel. (See Appendix B.) The buffer zone is equal to three times the authorized depth of that channel.</p>	<p>Moorings within the horizontal limits<sup>10</sup>, or with moored vessels that extend, into the horizontal limits of a Federal Navigation Project (See App. B), except those in Federal Anchorages under Category 1.</p> <p>Note: Federal Navigation Projects include both Federal Channels and Federal Anchorages.</p>

	<b>CATEGORY I</b>	<b>CATEGORY 2</b>	<b>INDIVIDUAL PERMIT</b>
(e) STRUCTURES AND FLOATS	<p>Reconfiguration of existing authorized structures or floats.</p> <p><u>Provided:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Structures not positioned over vegetated shallows<sup>8</sup> or salt marsh.</li> <li>Floats supported off substrate at low tide.</li> <li>No dredging, additional slips or expansion.</li> <li>No work affects threatened or endangered species (see GC 10, Page 9) or EFH salmon migration (see GC 11, Page 9)..</li> </ul>	<p>Private structures or floats, including floatways/skidways, built to access waterway (seasonal and permanent)</p> <p>Expansions to existing boating facilities<sup>7</sup>.</p> <p>Compliance with the following is recommended, but not required:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Pile-supported structures &lt;400 SF, with attached floats totaling ≤200 SF.</li> <li>Bottom anchored floats ≤200 SF.</li> <li>Structures are ≤4' wide and have at least a 1:1 height:width ratio<sup>11</sup>.</li> <li>Floats supported above the substrate during all tides.</li> <li>Structures &amp; floats not located within 25' of any vegetated shallows<sup>8</sup>.</li> <li>Moored vessels not positioned over SAS<sup>4</sup>.</li> <li>No structure located within 25' of the riparian property boundary.</li> <li>No structure extends across &gt;25% of the waterway width at mean low water.</li> <li>Not located within the buffer zone of the horizontal limits<sup>10</sup> of a Corps Federal Navigation Project (FNP) (See App. B). The buffer zone is equal to three times the authorized depth of that FNP.</li> </ul>	<p>Structures or floats, including floatways/skidways, located such that they and/or vessels docked or moored at them are within the horizontal limits of a Corps Federal Navigation Project (see App. B).</p> <p>Structures and floats associated with a new or previously unauthorized boating facility<sup>7</sup>.</p> <p>Note: Federal Navigation Projects include both Federal Channels and Federal Anchorages.</p>
(f) MISCELLANEOUS	<p>Temporary buoys, markers, floats, etc. for recreational use during specific events, provided they are removed within 30 days after use is discontinued.</p> <p>The placement of aids to navigation and regulatory markers which are approved by and installed in accordance with the requirements of the U.S. Coast Guard. (See 33 CFR part 66, Chapter I, subchapter C).<sup>12</sup></p>	<p>Structures or work in or affecting tidal or navigable waters, that are not defined under any of the previous headings listed above. Includes, but is not limited to, utility lines, aerial transmission lines, pipelines, outfalls, boat ramps, floatways/skidways, bridges, tunnels and horizontal directional drilling activities seaward of the MHW line.</p>	<p>EIS required by the Corps.</p> <p>Shellfish/finfish (other than Atlantic salmon), or other aquaculture facilities with more than minimal individual and cumulative impacts to environmental resources or navigation. A 25' eelgrass set back is recommended.</p>

	<p>Oil spill clean-up temporary structures or fill. Fish/wildlife harvesting structures/fill (as defined by 33 CFR 330, App. A-4)</p> <p>Scientific measurement devices and survey activities such as exploratory drilling, surveying and sampling activities. Does not include oil and gas exploration and fill for roads or construction pads.</p> <p>Shellfish seeding (brushing the flats<sup>12</sup>) projects.</p> <p>Provided:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No work in National Wildlife Refuges.</li> <li>• No work affects threatened or endangered species (see GC 10, Page 9) or EFH salmon migration (see GC 11, Page 9).</li> </ul>	<p>Shellfish/finfish (other than Atlantic salmon), or other aquaculture facilities with no more than minimal individual and cumulative impacts to environmental resources or navigation. A 25' eelgrass set back is recommended. Aquaculture guidelines are provided at: <a href="http://www.maine.gov/dmr/aquaculture/index.htm">www.maine.gov/dmr/aquaculture/index.htm</a>.</p>	<p>Aquaculture guidelines are provided at: <a href="http://www.maine.gov/dmr/aquaculture/index.htm">www.maine.gov/dmr/aquaculture/index.htm</a>.</p>
--	---	--	--

<sup>1</sup> **Bordering and Contiguous Wetlands:** A bordering wetland is immediately next to its adjacent waterbody and may lie at, or below, the ordinary highwater mark (MHW in navigable waters) of that waterbody and is directly influenced by its hydrologic regime. Contiguous wetlands extend landward from their adjacent waterbody to a point where a natural or manmade discontinuity exists. Contiguous wetlands include bordering wetlands as well as wetlands that are situated immediately above the ordinary highwater mark and above the normal hydrologic influence of their adjacent waterbody. Note, with respect to the Federally designated navigable rivers, the wetlands bordering and contiguous to the tidally influenced portions of those rivers are reviewed under "II. Navigable Waters."

<sup>2</sup> **Water Diversions:** Water diversions are activities such as bypass pumping or water withdrawals. Temporary flume pipes, culverts or cofferdams where normal flows are maintained within the stream boundary's confines aren't water diversions. "Normal flows" are defined as no change in flow from pre-project conditions.

<sup>3</sup> **Special Inland Waters and Wetlands:** Vernal Pools - Temporary to permanent bodies of water occurring in shallow depressions that fill during the spring and fall and may dry during the summer. Vernal pools have no permanent or viable populations of predatory fish. Vernal pools provide the primary breeding habitat for wood frogs, spotted salamanders, blue-spotted salamanders, and fairy shrimp, and provide habitat for other wildlife including several endangered and threatened species.

<sup>4</sup> **Special Aquatic Sites:** Includes wetlands and saltmarsh, mudflats, riffles and pools, and vegetated shallows.

<sup>5</sup> **IP Required:** The greater the impacts, the more likely an Individual Permit will be required. The Corps will determine the need for compensatory mitigation on a case-by-case basis.

<sup>6</sup> **Maintenance:** Minor deviations in the structure's configuration or filled area, including those due to changes in materials, construction techniques, or current construction codes or safety standards, which are necessary to make repair, rehabilitation, or replacement are permitted, provided the adverse environmental effects resulting from such repair, rehabilitation or replacement are minimal. No seaward expansion for bulkheads or any other fill activity is considered Category I maintenance. Currently serviceable means useable as is or with some maintenance, but not so degraded as to essentially require reconstruction.

<sup>7</sup> **Boating Facilities:** Facilities that provide, rent, or sell mooring space, such as marinas, yacht clubs, boat yards, town facilities, dockominiums, etc.

<sup>8</sup> **Vegetated Shallows:** Subtidal areas that support rooted aquatic vegetation such as eelgrass

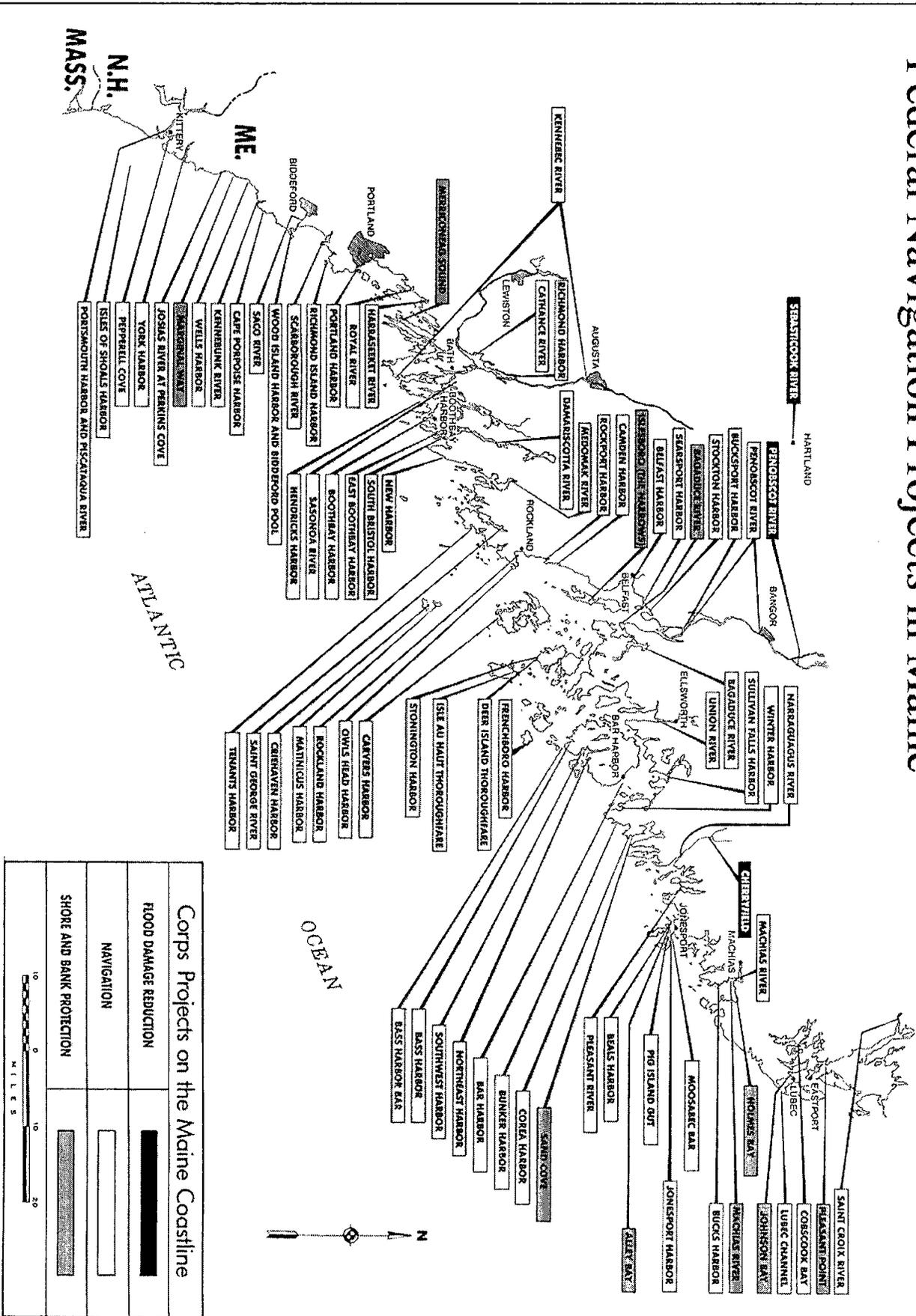
<sup>9</sup> **Mooring Location:** Cannot be at a remote location to create a convenient transient anchorage.

<sup>10</sup> **Horizontal Limits:** The outer edge of a Federal Navigation Project (FNP). Contact the Corps of Engineers for information on FNP's.

<sup>11</sup> **Structures:** The height of structures shall at all points be equal to or exceed the width of the deck. For the purpose of this definition, height shall be measured from the marsh substrate to the bottom of the longitudinal support beam.

<sup>12</sup> **Brushing the Flats:** The placement of tree boughs, wooden lath structure, or small-mesh fencing on mudflats to enhance recruitment of soft-shell clams (*Mya arenaria*).

# Federal Navigation Projects in Maine



Corps Projects on the Maine Coastline	
FLOOD DAMAGE REDUCTION	
NAVIGATION	
SHORE AND BANK PROTECTION	





**DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY**  
 NEW ENGLAND DISTRICT, CORPS OF ENGINEERS  
 696 VIRGINIA ROAD  
 CONCORD, MASSACHUSETTS 01742-2751

REPLY TO:  
 ATTENTION OF:

**MAINE PROGRAMMATIC GENERAL PERMIT (PGP)  
 AUTHORIZATION LETTER AND SCREENING SUMMARY**

OFFICE OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES  
 MAINE DEPT. OF TRANSPORTATION  
 16 STATE HOUSE STATION  
 AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333

CORPS PERMIT # NAE-2008-01434  
 CORPS PGP ID# 08-160  
 STATE ID# PBR

**DESCRIPTION OF WORK:**

Place fill below the ordinary high water line of Cascade Brook at Farmington, Maine in order to rehabilitate an existing culvert beneath Route 2. This work is shown on the attached plans entitled "FARMINGTON, ROTE 2 & 27" in 2 sheets undated. Approximately 1,000 s.f. (0.022 acres) of stream bed will be impacted by the project.

DOT PIN: 12693.00

LAT/LONG COORDINATES : 45.6534448° N 70.1311972° W USGS QUAD: FARMINGTON, ME

**I. CORPS DETERMINATION:**

Based on our review of the information you provided, we have determined that your project will have only minimal individual and cumulative impacts on waters and wetlands of the United States. **Your work is therefore authorized by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers under the enclosed Federal Permit, the Maine Programmatic General Permit (PGP).**

You must perform the activity authorized herein in compliance with all the terms and conditions of the PGP [including any attached Additional Conditions and any conditions placed on the State 401 Water Quality Certification including any required mitigation]. Please review the enclosed PGP carefully, including the PGP conditions beginning on page 7, to familiarize yourself with its contents. You are responsible for complying with all of the PGP requirements; therefore you should be certain that whoever does the work fully understands all of the conditions. You may wish to discuss the conditions of this authorization with your contractor to ensure the contractor can accomplish the work in a manner that conforms to all requirements.

If you change the plans or construction methods for work within our jurisdiction, please contact us immediately to discuss modification of this authorization. This office must approve any changes before you undertake them.

Condition 38 of the PGP (page 15) provides one year for completion of work that has commenced or is under contract to commence prior to the expiration of the PGP on October 11, 2010. You will need to apply for reauthorization for any work within Corps jurisdiction that is not completed by October 11, 2011.

No work may be started unless and until all other required local, State and Federal licenses and permits have been obtained. **This includes but is not limited to a Flood Hazard Development Permit issued by the town if necessary.** Also, this permit requires you to notify us before beginning work and allow us to inspect the project. Hence, you must complete and return the attached Work Start Notification Form(s) to this office no later than 2 weeks before the anticipated starting date. (For projects requiring mitigation, be sure to include the MITIGATION WORK START FORM).

**II. STATE ACTIONS: PENDING [ X ], ISSUED [ ], DENIED [ ] DATE \_\_\_\_\_**

APPLICATION TYPE: PBR: X, TIER 1: \_\_\_\_\_, TIER 2: \_\_\_\_\_, TIER 3: \_\_\_\_\_, LURC: \_\_\_\_\_, DMR LEASE: \_\_\_\_\_, NA: \_\_\_\_\_

**III. FEDERAL ACTIONS:**

JOINT PROCESSING MEETING: 4/29/08 LEVEL OF REVIEW: CATEGORY 1: \_\_\_\_\_ CATEGORY 2: X

AUTHORITY (Based on a review of plans and/or State/Federal applications): SEC 10 \_\_\_\_\_, 404 X, 10/404 \_\_\_\_\_, 103 \_\_\_\_\_

EXCLUSIONS: The exclusionary criteria identified in the general permit do not apply to this project.

**ESSENTIAL FISH HABITAT (EFH): EFH PRESENT Y / N (CIRCLE ONE)**

IF YES: Based on the terms and conditions of the PGP, which are intended to ensure that authorized projects cause no more than minimal environmental impacts, the Corps of Engineers has preliminary determined that this project will not cause more than minimal adverse effects to **EFH** identified under the Magnuson-Stevens Fisheries Conservation and Management Act.

**AGENCY OBJECTIONS/COMMENTS:** EPA NO, USF&WS NO, NMFS NO, SHPO NO, THPO NO

If you have any questions on this matter, please contact my staff at 207-623-8367 at our Manchester, Maine Project Office.

JAY L. CLEMENT  
 SENIOR PROJECT MANAGER  
 MAINE PROJECT OFFICE

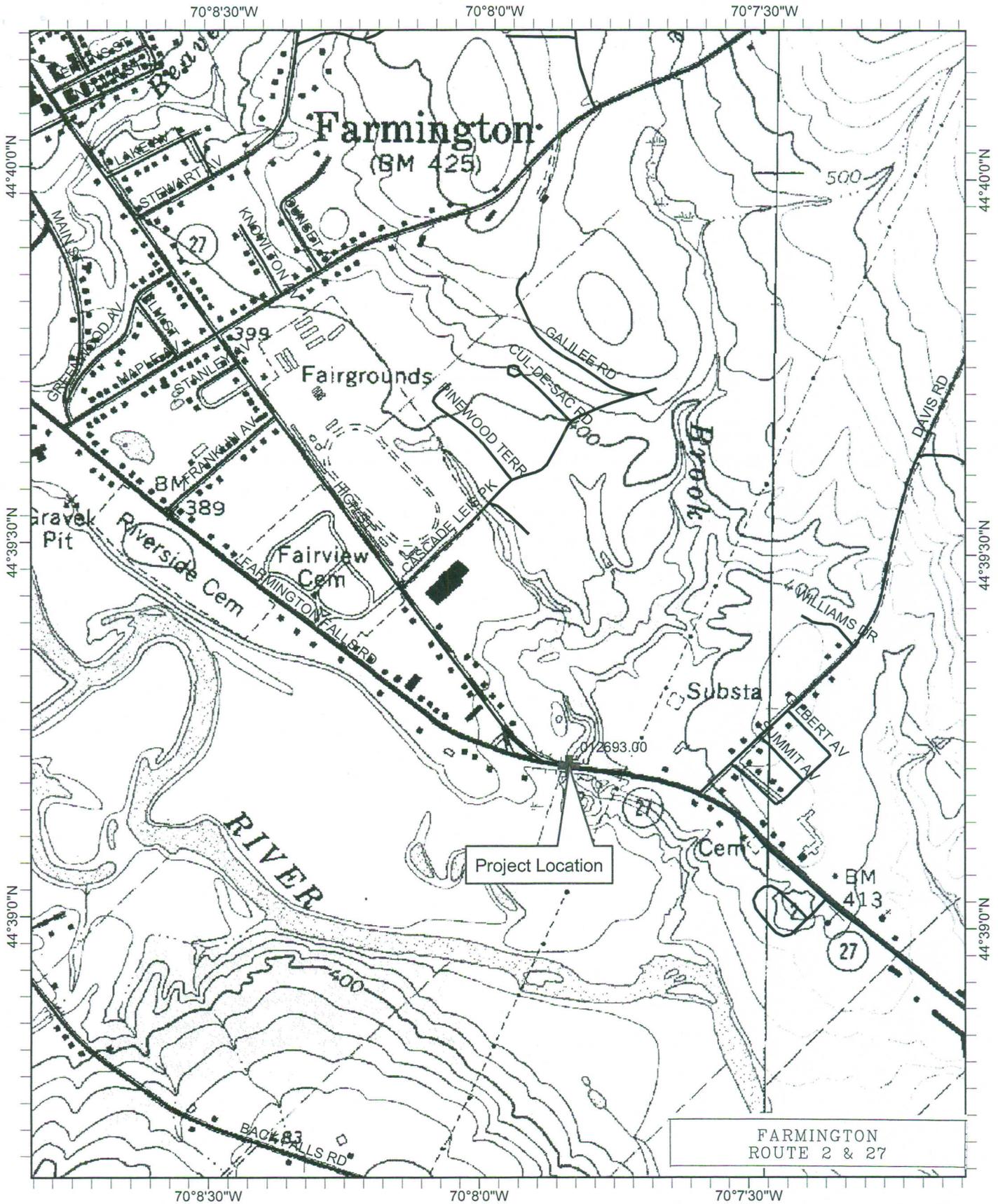
FRANK J. DEL GIUDICE  
 CHIEF, PERMITS & ENFORCEMENT BRANCH  
 REGULATORY DIVISION  
 DATE 7/1/08



**US Army Corps  
of Engineers**<sup>®</sup>  
New England District

**ADDITIONAL CONDITIONS FOR  
DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY  
PROGRAMMATIC GENERAL PERMIT  
NO. NAE-2008-01434**

1. This authorization requires you to 1) notify us before beginning work so we may inspect the project, and 2) submit a Compliance Certification Form. You must complete and return the enclosed Work Start Notification Form(s) to this office at least two weeks before the anticipated starting date. You must complete and return the enclosed Compliance Certification Form within one month following the completion of the authorized work and any required mitigation (but not mitigation monitoring, which requires separate submittals).
2. The permittee shall assure that a copy of this permit is at the work site whenever work is being performed and that all personnel performing work at the site of the work authorized by this permit are fully aware of the terms and conditions of the permit. This permit, including its drawings and any appendices and other attachments, shall be made a part of any and all contracts and sub-contracts for work which affects areas of Corps of Engineers' jurisdiction at the site of the work authorized by this permit. This shall be done by including the entire permit in the specifications for the work. If the permit is issued after construction specifications but before receipt of bids or quotes, the entire permit shall be included as an addendum to the specifications. The term "entire permit" includes permit amendments. Although the permittee may assign various aspects of the work to different contractors or sub-contractors, all contractors and sub-contractors shall be obligated by contract to comply with all environmental protection provisions of the entire permit, and no contract or sub-contract shall require or allow unauthorized work in areas of Corps of Engineers jurisdiction.
3. Adequate sedimentation and erosion control devices, such as geotextile silt fences or other devices capable of filtering the fines involved, shall be installed and properly maintained to minimize impacts during construction. These devices must be removed upon completion of work and stabilization of disturbed areas. The sediment collected by these devices must also be removed and placed upland, in a manner that will prevent its later erosion and transport to a waterway or wetland.
4. All exposed soils resulting from the construction will be promptly seeded and mulched in order to achieve vegetative stabilization.
5. The permittee shall ensure that the placement/replacement of culverts conforms to the provisions of the current Maine DOT Fish Passage & Design Guide to insure passage of salmonids.



FARMINGTON  
ROUTE 2 & 27

Date: 10/10/2007	44.6534448°N	Location: 044 39'12"N 070 7'50"W
Road Names: US 2	70.1311972°W	Project ID: 01269300
Town(s): Farmington	Farmington	Project Manager: HEATH COWAN
1 inch equals 1,036 feet		Page 1 of 1





**US Army Corps  
of Engineers®**  
New England District

(Minimum Notice: Permittee must sign and return notification  
within one month of the completion of work.)

## COMPLIANCE CERTIFICATION FORM

**Corps of Engineers Permit No:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Name of Permittee:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Permit Issuance Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

Please sign this certification and return it to the following address upon completion of the activity and any mitigation required by the permit. You must submit this after the mitigation is complete, but not the mitigation monitoring, which requires separate submittals.

```

*****
* MAIL TO: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New England District      *
*           Policy Analysis/Technical Support Branch, ATTN: Marie Farese *
*           Regulatory Division                                     *
*           696 Virginia Road                                     *
*           Concord, Massachusetts 01742-2751                    *
*****

```

Please note that your permitted activity is subject to a compliance inspection by an U.S. Army Corps of Engineers representative. If you fail to comply with this permit you are subject to permit suspension, modification, or revocation.

**I hereby certify that the work authorized by the above referenced permit was completed in accordance with the terms and conditions of the above referenced permit, and any required mitigation was completed in accordance with the permit conditions.**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Permittee

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Printed Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date of Work Completion

( ) \_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone Number

( ) \_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone Number



**US Army Corps  
of Engineers**  
New England District

**PGP WORK START NOTIFICATION FORM**  
**(Minimum Advance Notice: Two Weeks)**

**MAIL TO:** U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New England District  
Regulatory Branch  
Policy Analysis/Technical Support Section  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, Massachusetts 01742-2751

A Corps of Engineers Permit ( \_\_\_\_\_ ) was issued to \_\_\_\_\_. The permit authorized the permittee(s) to \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

The people (e.g., contractor) listed below will do the work, and they understand the permit's conditions and limitations.

PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE

Name of Person/Firm: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Business Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: ( \_\_\_\_\_ ) \_\_\_\_\_ ( \_\_\_\_\_ ) \_\_\_\_\_

Proposed Work Dates: Start: \_\_\_\_\_  
Finish: \_\_\_\_\_

PERMITTEE'S SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

PRINTED NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ TITLE: \_\_\_\_\_

***FOR USE BY THE CORPS OF ENGINEERS***

PM \_\_\_\_\_ Submittals Required: \_\_\_\_\_

Inspection Recommendation: \_\_\_\_\_

**DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY  
PROGRAMMATIC GENERAL PERMIT  
STATE OF MAINE**

The New England District of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers hereby issues a Programmatic General Permit (PGP) that expedites review of minimal impact work in coastal and inland waters and wetlands within the State of Maine.

**I. GENERAL CRITERIA**

Activities with minimal impacts, as specified by the terms and conditions of this PGP and on the attached Appendix A, Definition of Categories, are either:

Category 1: Non-reporting. Eligible without screening (provided the authorizations are obtained which this permit states are necessary for activities to be eligible for authorization under this non-reporting category), or,

Category 2: Reporting. Require screening and a written determination of eligibility under the PGP by the Corps after coordination with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (U.S. FWS), U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS).

This PGP does not affect the Corps Individual Permit review process or activities exempt from Corps jurisdiction.

**II. ACTIVITIES COVERED:**

Work and structures that are located in, or that affect, navigable waters of the United States (U.S.) (Corps regulates under Section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act of 1899); the discharge of dredged or fill material into waters of the United States (Corps regulates under Section 404 of the Clean Water Act); and the transportation of dredged material for the purpose of disposal in the ocean (Corps regulates under Section 103 of the Marine Protection, Research and Sanctuaries Act).

**III. PROCEDURES:**

**A. State Approvals**

For projects authorized pursuant to this PGP, the following State approvals are also required. The applicable permits must be obtained in order for this PGP authorization to be valid (applicants are responsible for ensuring that all required State permits and approvals have been applied for and obtained):

- Maine Department of Environmental Protection (DEP): Natural Resources Protection Act (NRPA) permit, including permit-by-rule and general permit authorizations (NRPA permit issuance constitutes both the state permit and the WQC); Site Location of Development Act permit; and Maine Waterway Development and Conservation Act permit.
- Maine Department of Conservation: Land Use Regulation Commission (LURC) permit.
- Maine Department of Marine Resources: Lease.
- Maine Department of Conservation, Bureau of Parks and Lands, Submerged Lands: Lease

NOTE: This PGP may authorize projects that are not regulated by the State of Maine (e.g., seasonal floats or moorings).

## **B. Corps Authorizations**

### **CATEGORY 1 (Non-Reporting)**

#### **Eligibility Criteria**

Activities in Maine may proceed without application or notification to the Corps if they:

- Are subject to Corps jurisdiction (see General Condition 2, Page 7),
- Meet the definition of Category 1 in Appendix A - Definition of Categories, and
- Meet the General Conditions of the PGP (see Pages 7 - 15).

If the State or the Corps does not contact the applicant for DEP's Tier One permits during the DEP's Tier One 30-day review period, Corps approval may be assumed and the project may proceed. Refer to the Federal Screening Procedures (see Page 4) for additional information regarding screening.

Project proponents seeking Category 1 authorizations are not relieved of the obligation to comply with this PGP's General Conditions (see Page 7) and other Federal laws such as the National Historic Preservation Act, the Endangered Species Act (ESA) and the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act. Therefore, consultation with the Corps and/or outside experts such as the Maine Historic Preservation Commission and the appropriate Indian tribes is recommended when there is a high likelihood of the presence of resources of concern.

Although Category 1 projects are non-reporting, the Corps reserves the right to require screening under Category 2 or Individual Permit review if there are concerns for the aquatic environment or any other factor of the public interest (see General Condition 4, Discretionary Authority, Page 7).

Work that is not regulated by the State of Maine, but is subject to Corps jurisdiction, is eligible for Corps authorization under this PGP in accordance with the review thresholds and conditions contained herein. The Maine DEP and LURC have waived WQC for projects authorized under Categories 1 and 2 of this PGP and not subject to jurisdiction under the NRPA and LURC Land Use Districts and Standards.

**Enforcement cases.** This PGP does not apply to any existing or proposed activity in Corps jurisdiction associated with an on-going Corps or EPA enforcement action until such time as the enforcement action is resolved or the Corps determines that the activity may proceed independently without compromising the enforcement action. The Corps may choose not to accept applications or issue permits to any applicant with outstanding violations.

### **CATEGORY 2 (Reporting – Requiring Screening)**

#### **Eligibility Criteria**

Activities in Maine require written approval from the Corps if they:

- Are subject to Corps jurisdiction (see General Condition 2, Page 7),
- Meet the definition of Category 2 in Appendix A - Definition of Categories, and
- Meet the General Conditions of the PGP (see Pages 7 - 15),

These projects will be reviewed through interagency screening (see Federal Screening Procedures below) to determine whether such activities may be authorized under this PGP. To be eligible and

subsequently authorized, an activity must result in minimal impacts to the aquatic environment as determined by the Corps based on comments from the review team and the criteria listed above. Mitigation may be required to compensate for unavoidable impacts to ensure net effects of a project are minimal.

For Category 2 projects, applicants must obtain a written authorization from the Corps and State approvals as stated on Page 1.

To ensure compliance with the conditions of this PGP, consultation with the Corps and outside experts is required. This includes consultation with the Maine Historic Preservation Commission and the appropriate Native American Indian tribes to ensure compliance with Condition 8. Also, note the review thresholds under Category 2 apply to single and complete projects only (see General Condition 5).

**Enforcement cases.** See previous section.

### **Application Procedures**

The Corps must review and approve in writing all Category 2 activities. Generally, the State will provide the Corps with a copy of State applications received, but it is ultimately the applicant's responsibility to ensure the Corps receives the application from the State. Therefore, it is recommended that applicants either verify with the Corps receipt of their application from the State (DEP or LURC), or apply directly to the Corps with either a copy of their State application or a Corps application (ENG Form 4345). Applicants must apply directly to the Corps using ENG Form 4345 if the work is not State regulated.

Upon receipt of the application, the Corps will determine if it:

- (a) requires additional information (see "information typically required" on the following page);
- (b) is appropriate for screening with the Federal resource agencies (see Category 2 Federal Screening Procedures on the following page);
- (c) is ineligible under the terms and/or conditions of this PGP; or
- (d) will require Individual Permit review, regardless of whether the terms and conditions of this PGP are met, based on concerns for the aquatic environment or any other factor of the public interest (see General Condition 4, Discretionary Authority).

If open water disposal is proposed, the Corps will make a suitability determination, fully coordinated with the Federal resource agencies, before coordinating a project at a joint processing meeting.

All Category 2 applicants shall submit a copy of their application materials to the Maine Historic Preservation Commission and the Indian tribe(s) listed on Page 17, at the same time, or before, they apply to the DEP, LURC, or the Corps, to be reviewed for the presence of historic, archaeological or tribal resources in the permit area that the proposed work may affect. Submittals to the DEP or Corps shall include information to indicate that this has been done (a copy of the applicant's cover letter to Maine Historic Preservation Commission and tribes or a copy of the Historic Preservation Commission and tribal response letters is acceptable).

### **Information Typically Required**

The following information may not be necessary for all projects. Please see [www.nae.usace.army.mil](http://www.nae.usace.army.mil) for a more comprehensive checklist. Select "Regulatory/Permitting," "Forms" and then "Application and Plan Guideline Checklist." Please check with our Maine office for project-specific requirements.

- (a) purpose of project;
- (b) 8½"x 11" locus map. 8½"x 11" plan views of the entire property, including property lines, and project limits with existing and proposed conditions;
- (c) typical cross-section views of all wetland and waterway fill areas and wetland replication areas;
- (d) legible, reproducible plans. Show mean low water (MLW), mean high water (MHW) and high tide line (HTL) elevations in navigable waters;
- (e) each plan should show the NGVD 1929 equivalent for the project's vertical datum (MLW, MLLW, MHW, HTL or other tidal datum for tidal projects) with the vertical units. Do not use local datum;
- (f) wetland delineation for the site, Corps wetland delineation data sheets (see web site), and calculations of waterway and wetland impact areas (see General Condition 2);
- (g) delineation of submerged aquatic vegetation, e.g., eel grass beds, in tidal waters;
- (h) volume, type and source of fill material to be discharged into waters and wetlands, including the area(s) (in square feet or acres) of fill in wetlands, below ordinary high water in inland waters and below the high tide line in coastal waters;
- (i) limits of any Federal Navigation Project in the vicinity and State Plane Coordinates for the limits of the proposed work closest to the Federal Navigation Project;
- (j) on-site alternatives analysis. Please contact Corps for guidance;
- (k) identify and describe potential impacts to Essential Fish Habitat. See General Condition 11 and contact Corps for guidance;
- (l) photographs of wetland/waterway to be impacted.

**Information typically required for dredging projects:**

- (a) sediment testing, including physical (e.g., grain-size analysis), chemical and biological testing. For projects proposing open water disposal, applicants are encouraged to contact the Corps as early as possible regarding sampling and testing protocols. Sampling and testing of sediments without such contact should not occur and, if done, would be at the applicant's risk.
- (b) the area in square feet and volume of material to be dredged below mean high water;
- (c) existing and proposed water depths;
- (d) type of dredging equipment to be used;
- (e) nature of material (e.g., silty sand);
- (f) any existing sediment grain size and bulk sediment chemistry data for the proposed or any nearby projects;
- (g) information on the location and nature of municipal or industrial discharges and occurrence of any contaminant spills in or near the project area, location of the disposal site (include locus sheet);
- (h) shellfish survey;
- (i) identify and describe potential impacts to Essential Fish Habitat (see General Condition 11);
- (j) delineation of submerged aquatic vegetation (e.g., eelgrass beds).

**Federal Screening Procedures**

The Corps will review all complete applications for Category 2 projects requiring Corps approval at interagency screening meetings (or "joint processing" meetings) with the Federal resource agencies (U.S. FWS, EPA and NMFS) to determine whether such activities may be authorized under this PGP. The Federal resource agencies will comprise the interagency review team. The meetings are held at the Corps every three weeks, or coordinated as necessary to provide applicants with a timely response. The Corps and Federal resource agencies, at the branch chief or equivalent level, may agree on certain activities that do not need to be coordinated at these meetings.

If the Corps and Federal resource agencies determine that the activity is eligible for the PGP, the Corps will send an authorization letter directly to the applicant. The Corps will generally issue an eligibility determination within the State's review period, not to exceed 60 days. If the Corps determines that the activity is not eligible under the PGP or that additional information is required, the Corps will notify the applicant in writing and will send a copy of this notification to DEP or LURC.

For projects reviewed with the Federal resource agencies, the agencies may recommend, within ten business days, either 1) special conditions for projects to avoid or minimize adverse environmental effects and to ensure the terms and conditions of the PGP are met, or 2) Individual Permit review. The Corps will determine that a project is ineligible under this PGP and will begin its Individual Permit review procedures if any one of the Federal resource agencies, within ten business days of the screening meeting, expresses a concern within their area of expertise, states the resource or species that could be impacted by the project, and describes the impacts that, either individually or cumulatively, will be more than minimal.

This ten-day notice may be spoken and is not required to be fully documented, but must be confirmed with a written response within an additional ten working days from the date of the spoken comment. Written responses must be signed by the Federal resource agency field supervisor or branch chief, as appropriate, and must identify the affected resource within their area of expertise. The intent of the spoken notification is to allow the Corps to give timely notification to the applicant that additional information is needed and/or an Individual Permit may be required. The Corps may reinstate a project's eligibility under the PGP provided the Federal agencies' concerns are satisfied. The Federal resource agencies may request additional information within their area of expertise within ten business days of the screening meeting. This information shall be commensurate to the level of impact and agreed upon by the Corps. The agencies are allowed an additional ten business days after their receipt of additional information to provide special conditions or a written Individual Permit request to the Corps.

If the applicant is unable to resolve the concerns, the Corps, independently or at the request of the Federal resource agencies, will require an Individual Permit for the project. The applicant will be notified of this in writing, along with information about submitting the necessary application materials.

### **Minerals Management Service (MMS) Review**

Projects with construction of solid fill structures or discharge of fill that may extend beyond the coastline or the baseline from which the territorial sea is measured (i.e., mean low water), must be coordinated with Minerals Management Service (MMS), Outer Continental Shelf (OCS) Survey Group, pursuant to the Submerged Lands Act (43 USC, Section 1301-1315, 33 CFR 320.4(f)). The Corps will forward project information to MMS for their review. The MMS will coordinate their determination with the Department of the Interior (DOI) Solicitor's Office. The DOI will have 15 calendar days from the date MMS is in receipt of project information to determine if the baseline will be affected. No notification to the Corps within 15-day review period will constitute a "no effect" determination. Otherwise, the solicitor's notification to the Corps may be spoken but must be followed with a written confirmation within ten business days from the date of the spoken notification. This procedure will be eliminated if the State of Maine provides a written waiver of interest in any increase in submerged lands caused by a change in the baseline resulting from solid fill structures or fills authorized under this PGP.

### Emergency Situations Procedures

Emergency situations are limited to sudden, unexpected occurrences that could potentially result in an unacceptable hazard to life, a significant loss of property, or an immediate, unforeseen, and significant economic hardship if corrective action requiring a permit is not undertaken within a time period less than the normal time needed to process an application under standard procedures. If an emergency situation requires action in less than 30 days after the occurrence, it qualifies for the amended notification procedures described below.

### Notification Procedures for Emergency Situations:

Any project proponent may request emergency authorization from the Corps, however the Corps will determine if a project qualifies for these emergency situation procedures. The Federal resource agencies, the Maine Historic Preservation Commission and the tribes will each designate an emergency contact and an alternate in the event the regular contact is unavailable. When an application for Category 2 work is received that the Corps determines is an “emergency” as defined above, the Corps will fax a copy of the plans and Determination of Eligibility to the agency representatives and their alternates. The resource agencies would then have 16 business hours to notify the Corps if they have any comments on authorization of the project under the PGP. Objections to the Corps determination of an “emergency” situation will not be accepted. If no response is received within 16 business hours, the Corps will proceed with a decision on the application. If the resource agencies have comments on the proposal, they will have 16 business hours to put their comments in writing. If written comments from the Federal agencies are not received within 16 business hours, the Corps will proceed with a decision on the application.

If a Federal agency requests that an Individual Permit be required for a project or requests modifications to the project based on concerns within their area(s) of expertise, the Corps will notify the applicant within one business day of receipt of that request that the project as proposed does not qualify for authorization under this PGP and the emergency Individual Permit procedures may be followed. In any event, the Corps will notify the applicant within 16 business hours of commencement of the screening process as to whether the project may proceed under this PGP.

### **IV. CORPS AUTHORIZATION: INDIVIDUAL PERMIT**

Work that is defined in the Individual Permit category of Appendix A – Definition of Categories, or that does not meet the terms and conditions of this PGP, will require an application for an Individual Permit from the Corps (see 33 CFR Part 325.1). The screening procedures outlined for Category 2 projects will only serve to delay project review in such cases. The applicant should submit the appropriate application materials (including the Corps application form) at the earliest possible date. General information and application forms can be obtained at our web site or by calling us (see Page 16). Individual water quality certification and coastal zone management consistency concurrence are required when applicable from the State of Maine before Corps permit issuance. The Federal resource agencies’ comments are due within ten working days after the Public Notice’s expiration date, unless the Corps receives and approves a written request for a time extension within ten working days after the notice’s expiration.

## V. PROGRAMMATIC GENERAL PERMIT CONDITIONS:

The following conditions apply to activities authorized under this Maine PGP, including all Category 1 (non-reporting) and Category 2 (reporting – requiring screening) activities:

### General Requirements

**1. Other Permits.** Authorization under this PGP does not obviate the need to obtain other Federal, State, or local authorizations required by law. This includes, but is not limited to, the project proponent obtaining a Flood Hazard Development Permit issued by the town, if necessary. Inquiries may be directed to the municipality or to the Maine Floodplain Management Coordinator at (207) 287-8063. See <http://www.maine.gov>.

**2. Federal Jurisdictional Boundaries.** Applicability of this PGP shall be evaluated with reference to Federal jurisdictional boundaries. Applicants are responsible for ensuring that the boundaries used satisfy the Federal criteria defined at 33 CFR 328-329. These sections prescribe the policy, practice and procedures to be used in determining the extent of jurisdiction of the Corps concerning “waters of the U.S.” and “navigable waters of the U.S.” Wetland boundaries shall be delineated in accordance with the January 1987 Corps of Engineers Wetlands Delineation Manual, located at <http://www.usace.army.mil/inet/functions/cw/cecwo/reg/wlman87.pdf>. The U.S. FWS publishes the National List of Plant Species that Occur in Wetlands, located at <http://www.nwi.fws.gov>. The Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) develops the hydric soil definition and criteria, and publishes the current hydric soil lists, located at <http://soils.usda.gov/use/hydric/>.

**3. Minimal Effects.** Projects authorized by this PGP shall have no more than minimal individual and cumulative adverse environmental impacts as determined by the Corps.

**4. Discretionary Authority.** Notwithstanding compliance with the terms and conditions of this permit, the Corps retains discretionary authority to require Category 2 or Individual Permit review based on concerns for the aquatic environment or for any other factor of the public interest [33 CFR 320.4(a)]. This authority is invoked on a case-by-case basis whenever the Corps determines that the potential consequences of the proposal warrant Individual Permit review based on the concerns stated above. This authority may be invoked for projects with cumulative environmental impacts that are more than minimal or if there is a special resource or concern associated with a particular project that is not already covered by the remaining conditions of the PGP and that warrants greater review. Whenever the Corps notifies an applicant that an Individual Permit may be required, authorization under this PGP is void and no work may be conducted until the individual Corps permit is obtained or until the Corps notifies the applicant that further review has demonstrated that the work may proceed under this PGP.

**5. Single and Complete Projects.** This PGP shall not be used for piecemeal work and shall be applied to single and complete projects. All components of a single project shall be treated together as constituting one single and complete project and/or all planned phases of a multi-phased project (e.g., subdivisions should include all work such as roads, utilities, and lot development) unless the Corps determines that a component has independent utility. (The *Independent Utility* test is used to determine what constitutes a single and complete project in the Corps regulatory program. A project is considered to have independent utility if it would be constructed absent the construction of other projects in the project area. Portions of a multi-phase project that depend upon other phases of the project do not have independent utility. Phases of a project that would be constructed even if the other phases were not built can be considered as separate single and complete projects with independent utility.) For linear projects, such as power lines or pipelines with multiple

crossings, the “single and complete project” (i.e., single and complete crossing) will apply to each crossing of a separate water of the U.S. (i.e., single waterbody) at that location; except that for linear projects crossing a single waterbody several times at separate and distant locations, each crossing is considered a single and complete project, and may be reviewed for Category 1 eligibility. (However, individual channels in a braided stream or river, or individual arms of a large, irregularly-shaped wetland or lake, etc., are not separate waterbodies.) If any crossing requires a Category 2 activity, then the entire linear project shall be reviewed as one project under Category 2. Also, this PGP shall not be used for any activity that is part of an overall project for which an Individual Permit is required, unless the Corps determines the activity has independent utility.

**6. Permit On-Site.** For Category 2 projects, the permittee shall ensure that a copy of this PGP and the accompanying authorization letter are at the work site (and the project office) authorized by this PGP whenever work is being performed, and that all personnel with operation control of the site ensure that all appropriate personnel performing work are fully aware of its terms and conditions. The entire permit authorization shall be made a part of any and all contracts and sub-contracts for work that affects areas of Corps jurisdiction at the site of the work authorized by this PGP. This shall be achieved by including the entire permit authorization in the specifications for work. The term “entire permit authorization” means this PGP and the authorization letter (including its drawings, plans, appendices and other attachments) and also includes permit modifications. If the authorization letter is issued after the construction specifications, but before receipt of bids or quotes, the entire permit authorization shall be included as an addendum to the specifications. If the authorization letter is issued after receipt of bids or quotes, the entire permit authorization shall be included in the contract or sub-contract as a change order. Although the permittee may assign various aspects of the work to different contractors or sub-contractors, all contractors and sub-contractors shall be obligated by contract to comply with all environmental protection provisions contained within the entire PGP authorization, and no contract or sub-contract shall require or allow unauthorized work in areas of Corps jurisdiction.

### **National Concerns**

**7. St. John/St. Croix Rivers.** This covers work within the Saint John and Saint Croix River basins that requires approval of the International Joint Commission. This includes any temporary or permanent use, obstruction or diversion of international boundary waters which could affect the natural flow or levels of waters on the Canadian side of the line, as well as any construction or maintenance of remedial works, protective works, dams, or other obstructions in waters downstream from boundary waters when the activity could raise the natural level of water on the Canadian side of the boundary.

**8. Historic Properties.** Any activity authorized by this PGP shall comply with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act. Information on the location and existence of historic resources can be obtained from the Maine Historic Preservation Commission, the National Register of Historic Places, and the Penobscot, Passamaquoddy, Micmac, and Maliseet Tribal Historic Preservation Officers. See Page 17 for historic properties contacts. If the permittee, either prior to construction or during construction of the work authorized herein, encounters a previously unidentified archaeological or other cultural resource, within the area subject to Department of the Army jurisdiction, that might be eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places, he/she shall stop work and immediately notify the District Engineer and the Maine Historic Preservation Commission and/or applicable Tribe(s).

**9. National Lands.** Activities authorized by this PGP shall not impinge upon the value of any National Wildlife Refuge, National Forest, National Marine Sanctuary, National Park or any other area administered by the National Park Service.

**10. Endangered Species.** No activity may be authorized under this PGP which:

- is likely to adversely affect a threatened or endangered species, a proposed species, designated critical habitat, or proposed critical habitat as identified under the Federal ESA,
- would result in a “take” of any threatened or endangered species of fish or wildlife, or
- would result in any other violation of Section 9 of the ESA protecting threatened or endangered species of plants.

Applicants shall notify the Corps if any listed species or critical habitat, or proposed species or critical habitat, is in the vicinity of the project and shall not begin work until notified by the District Engineer (DE) that the requirements of the ESA have been satisfied and that the activity is authorized. Information on the location of threatened and endangered species and their critical habitat can be obtained from the U.S. FWS and NMFS (see Page 16 for addresses).

**11. Essential Fish Habitat.** As part of the PGP screening process, the Corps will coordinate with NMFS in accordance with the 1996 amendments to the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act to protect and conserve the habitat of marine, estuarine and anadromous finfish, mollusks, and crustaceans. This habitat is termed “Essential Fish Habitat (EFH)”, and is broadly defined to include “those waters and substrate necessary to fish for spawning, breeding, feeding, or growth to maturity.” Applicants may be required to describe and identify potential impacts to EFH. Conservation recommendations made by NMFS will normally be included as a permit requirement by the Corps. For additional information, see the EFH regulations at 50 CFR Part 600 (<http://www.nmfs.noaa.gov>). Additional information on the location of EFH can be obtained from NMFS (see Page 16 for contact information).

Any work in any aquatic habitat in the following rivers and streams, including all tributaries to the extent that they are currently or were historically accessible for salmon migration, shall not be authorized under Category 1 of the PGP and must be screened for potential impacts to EFH.

Androscoggin River	Hobart Stream	Passagassawaukeag River	Saco River
Aroostook River	Kennebec River	Patten Stream	Sheepscot River
Boyden River	Machias River	Penobscot River	St. Croix River
Dennys River	Narraguagus River	Pleasant River	Tunk Stream
Ducktrap River	Orland River	Presumpscot River	Union River
East Machias River			

**12. Wild and Scenic Rivers.** Any activity that occurs in a component of, or within 0.25 mile up or downstream of, the main stem or tributaries of a river segment of the National Wild and Scenic River System, must be reviewed by the Corps under the procedures of Category 2 of this PGP regardless of size of impact. This condition applies to both designated Wild and Scenic Rivers and rivers designated by Congress as study rivers for possible inclusion while such rivers are in an official study status. The Corps will consult with the National Park Service (NPS) with regard to potential impacts of the proposed work on the resource values of the Wild and Scenic River. The culmination of this coordination will be a determination by the NPS and the Corps that the work: (1) may proceed as proposed; (2) may proceed with recommended conditions; or (3) could pose a direct and adverse effect on the resource values of the river and an individual permit is required. If

preapplication consultation between the applicant and the NPS has occurred whereby NPS has made a determination that the proposed project is appropriate for authorization under this PGP (with respect to Wild and Scenic River issues), this determination should be furnished to the Corps with submission of the application. (See NPS address on Page 16.) National Wild and Scenic Rivers System segments for Maine as of September 2005 include: Allagash River beginning at Telos Dam continuing to Allagash checkpoint at Eliza Hole Rapids, approximately 3 miles upstream of the confluence with the St. John River (length = 92 miles).

**13. Federal Navigation Project.** Any structure or work that extends closer to the horizontal limits of any Corps Federal Navigation Project (See Appendix B) than a distance of three times the project's authorized depth shall be subject to removal at the owner's expense prior to any future Corps dredging or the performance of periodic hydrographic surveys.

**14. Navigation.** (a) There shall be no unreasonable interference with navigation by the existence or use of the activity authorized herein and no attempt shall be made by the permittee to prevent the full and free use by the public of all navigable waters at or adjacent to the activity authorized herein. (b) The permittee understands and agrees that, if future operations by the United States require the removal, relocation, or other alteration, of the structure or work herein authorized, or if, in the opinion of the Secretary of the Army or his authorized representative, said structure or work shall cause unreasonable obstruction to the free navigation of the navigable waters, the permittee will be required, upon due notice from the Corps of Engineers, to remove, relocate, or alter the structural work or obstructions caused thereby, without expense to the United States. No claim shall be made against the United States on account of any such removal or alteration.

**15. Federal Liability.** In issuing this permit, the Federal Government does not assume any liability for the following: (a) damages to the permitted project or uses thereof as a result of other permitted or unpermitted activities or from natural causes; (b) damages to the permitted project or uses thereof as a result of current or future activities undertaken by or on behalf of the United States (U.S.) in the public interest; (c) damages to persons, property, or to other permitted or unpermitted activities or structures caused by the activity authorized by this permit; (d) design or construction deficiencies associated with the permitted work; (e) damage claims associated with any future modification, suspension, or revocation of this permit.

#### **Minimization of Environmental Impacts**

**16. Minimization.** Discharges of dredged or fill material into waters of the United States, including wetlands, shall be avoided and minimized to the maximum extent practicable. Permittees may only fill those jurisdictional wetlands that the Corps authorizes to be filled and impact those wetlands that the Corps authorizes as secondary impacts. For coastal structures such as piers and docks, the height above the marsh at all points should be equal to or exceed the width of the deck. The height shall be measured from the marsh substrate to the bottom of the longitudinal support beam. This will help ensure sunlight reaches the area beneath the structure.

**17. Heavy Equipment in Wetlands.** Heavy equipment, other than fixed equipment (drill rigs, fixed cranes, etc.), working within wetlands shall not be stored, maintained or repaired in wetlands unless it is less environmentally damaging otherwise, and as much as possible shall not be operated there. Where construction requires heavy equipment operation in wetlands, the equipment shall

either have low ground pressure (<3 psi), or shall not be located directly on wetland soils and vegetation; it shall be placed on swamp or timber mats that are adequate to support the equipment in such a way as to minimize disturbance of wetland soil and vegetation. (See General Condition 18 below.) Other support structures that are less impacting and are capable of safely supporting equipment may be used with written Corps authorization. Similarly, not using mats during frozen, dry or other conditions may be allowed with written Corps authorization. An adequate supply of spill containment equipment shall be maintained on site.

NOTE: "Swamp mats" is a generic term used to describe structures that distribute equipment weight to prevent wetland damage while facilitating passage and providing work platforms for workers and equipment. They are comprised of sheets or mats made from a variety of materials in various sizes, and they include large timbers bolted or cabled together (timber mats). Corduroy roads, which are not considered to be swamp mats, are cut trees and/or saplings with the crowns and branches removed, and the trunks lined up next to one another.

**18. Temporary Fill.** Fill placed into waters of the U.S. (including wetlands) totaling greater than or equal to 4,300 SF (15,000 SF if a DEP Tier One Permit is issued) in total area (i.e., the sum of permanent and temporary fill areas) exceeds the Category 1 threshold and may not be discharged without written authorization from the Corps. When temporary fill is used (e.g., access roads, swamp mats, cofferdams), it shall be stabilized and maintained during construction in such a way as to prevent soil eroding into portions of waters of the U.S. where it is not authorized. Swamp or timber mats (see Gen.Cond. 17 above) are considered as temporary fill when they are removed immediately upon work completion. The area must be restored in accordance with Gen.Cond. 19.

- Unconfined temporary fill authorized for discharge into flowing water (rivers and streams) shall consist only of clean washed stone.
- Temporary fill authorized for discharge into wetlands shall be placed on geotextile fabric laid on the pre-construction wetland grade. (Swamp and timber mats are excluded from this requirement.)
- Temporary fill shall be removed as soon as it is no longer needed, and it shall be disposed of at an upland site and suitably contained to prevent subsequent erosion into waters of the U.S.
- Waters of the U.S. where temporary fill was discharged shall be restored (see Gen.Cond. 19).
- No temporary work shall drain a water of the U.S. by providing a conduit for water on or below the surface.

**19. Restoration.**

- Upon completion of construction, all disturbed wetland areas (the disturbance of these areas must be authorized) shall be stabilized with a wetland seed mix containing only plant species native to New England.
- The introduction or spread of invasive plant species in disturbed areas shall be controlled.
- In areas of authorized temporary disturbance, if trees are cut they shall be cut at ground level and not uprooted in order to prevent disruption to the wetland soil structure and to allow stump sprouts to revegetate the work area, unless otherwise authorized.
- Wetland areas where permanent disturbance is not authorized shall be restored to their original condition and elevation, which under no circumstances shall be higher than the pre-construction elevation. Original condition means careful protection and/or removal of existing soil and vegetation, and replacement back to the original location such that the original soil layering and vegetation schemes are approximately the same, unless otherwise authorized.

**20. Coastal Bank Stabilization.** Projects involving construction or reconstruction/maintenance of bank stabilization structures within Corps jurisdiction should be designed to minimize environmental effects, effects to neighboring properties, scour, etc. to the maximum extent practicable. For example, vertical bulkheads should only be used in situations where reflected wave energy can be tolerated. This generally eliminates bodies of water where the reflected wave energy may interfere with or impact on harbors, marinas, or other developed shore areas. A revetment is sloped and is typically employed to absorb the direct impact of waves more effectively than a vertical seawall. It typically has a less adverse effect on the beach in front of it, abutting properties and wildlife. For more information, see the Corps Coastal Engineering Manual (supersedes the Shore Protection Manual), located at <http://chl.erdc.usace.army.mil>. Select “Products/ Services,” “Publications.” Part 5, Chapter 7-8, a(2)c is particularly relevant.

**21. Sedimentation and Erosion Control.** Adequate sedimentation and erosion control management measures, practices and devices, such as phased construction, vegetated filter strips, geotextile silt fences, hay bales or other devices, shall be installed and properly maintained to reduce erosion and retain sediment on-site during and after construction. They shall be capable of preventing erosion, of collecting sediment, suspended and floating materials, and of filtering fine sediment. These devices must be removed in a timely manner upon completion of work, but not until the disturbed areas have been stabilized. The sediment collected by these devices shall be removed and placed at an upland location in a manner that will prevent its later erosion into a waterway or wetland. All exposed soil and other fills shall be permanently stabilized at the earliest practicable date.

## **22. Waterway Crossings.**

(a) All temporary and permanent crossings of waterbodies (waterways and wetlands) shall be suitably culverted, bridged, or otherwise designed to withstand and to prevent the restriction of high flows, to maintain existing low flows, and to not obstruct the movement of aquatic life indigenous to the waterbody beyond the actual duration of construction. (NOTE: Areas of fill and/or cofferdams must be included in total waterway/wetlands impacts to determine applicability of this PGP).

(b) Aquatic Life Movements. No activity may substantially disrupt the necessary life-cycle movements of those species of aquatic life indigenous to the waterbody, including those species that normally migrate through the area, unless the activity’s primary purpose is to impound water. For new permanent crossings, open bottom arches, bridge spans or embedded culverts are generally preferred over traditional culverts and should be installed when practicable. Coordination with the Corps is recommended for Category 1 projects when site constraints (e.g., placing footings) may render open bottom arches, bridge spans or embedded culverts impractical. In these cases, well-designed culverts may actually perform better. Culverts shall be installed with their inverts embedded below existing streambed grade to avoid “hanging” and associated impediments to fish passage. The “Design of Road Culverts for Fish Passage” provides design guidance and is available at [www.nae.usace.army.mil](http://www.nae.usace.army.mil), “Regulatory/Permitting,” “Other.”

(c) Culverts at waterbody crossings shall be installed in such a manner as to preserve hydraulic connectivity, at its present level, between the wetlands on either side of the road. The permittee shall take necessary measures to correct wetland damage due to lack of hydraulic connectivity.

(d) Culverts and bridges shall span the waterway a minimum of 1.2 times the bankfull width in probable fish bearing waterways to qualify as a Category 1 non-reporting activity. See “Design of Road Culverts for Fish Passage,” referenced in (b) above, for information on bankfull width.

(e) Projects using slip lining (retrofitting an existing culvert by inserting a smaller diameter pipe), plastic pipes, and High Density Polyethylene Pipes (HDPP) are not allowed as non-reporting Category 1 activities, either as new work or maintenance activities.

(f) Waterbody crossings shall be culverted to at least municipal or State standards. The Maine DEP's stream crossing standards are at 06-096, Chapter 305: Permit by Rule, Section 10. Stream crossings (bridges, culverts and fords).

(g) Waterway crossings proposed by the Maine Dept. of Transportation should conform to the MDOT Fish Passage Policy and Design Guides.

(h) Construction equipment shall not cross streams without the use of temporary bridges, culverts, or cofferdams.

(i) For projects that otherwise meet the terms of Category 1, in-stream construction work shall be conducted during the low flow period July 15 - October 1 in any year. Projects that are not to be conducted during that time period are ineligible for Category 1 and shall be screened pursuant to Category 2, regardless of the waterway and wetland fill and/or impact area.

**23. Discharge of Pollutants.** All activities involving any discharge of pollutants into waters of the U.S. authorized under this PGP shall be consistent with applicable water quality standards, effluent limitations, standards of performance, prohibitions, and pretreatment standards and management practices established pursuant to the CWA (33 USC 1251) and applicable State and local laws. If applicable water quality standards, limitations, etc., are revised or modified during the term of this PGP, the authorized work shall be modified to conform with these standards within six months of the effective date of such revision or modification, or within a longer period of time deemed reasonable by the District Engineer in consultation with the Regional Administrator of the EPA. Applicants may presume that State water quality standards are met with the issuance of a LURC or DEP NRPA permit.

**24. Spawning Areas.** Discharges of dredged or fill material, and/or suspended sediment producing activities in fish and shellfish spawning or nursery areas and amphibian and waterfowl breeding areas during spawning or breeding seasons shall be avoided. During all times of year, impacts to these areas shall be avoided or minimized to the maximum extent practicable.

**25. Storage of Seasonal Structures.** Coastal structures, such as pier sections and floats, that are removed from the waterway for a portion of the year (often referred to as seasonal structures) shall be stored in an upland location located above mean high water (MHW) and not in tidal wetlands. These seasonal structures may be stored on the fixed, pile-supported portion of the structure that is seaward of MHW. This is intended to prevent structures from being stored on the marsh substrate and the substrate seaward of MHW. Seasonal storage of structures in navigable waters, e.g., in a protected cove on a mooring, requires Corps and local harbormaster approval.

**26. Environmental Functions and Values.** The permittee shall make every reasonable effort to carry out the construction or operation of the work authorized herein in a manner so as to maintain as much as is practicable, and minimize any adverse impacts on existing fish, wildlife, and natural environmental functions and values.

**27. Protection of Vernal Pools.** Impacts to uplands in proximity (within 500 feet) to the vernal pools referenced in Appendix A - Definitions of Categories, shall be minimized to the maximum extent possible.

## **Procedural Conditions**

**28. Cranberry Development Projects.** For cranberry development projects authorized under the PGP, the following conditions apply:

- If a cranberry bog is abandoned for any reason, the area must be allowed to revert to natural wetlands unless an Individual Permit is obtained from the Corps allowing the discharge of fill for an alternate use.
- No stream diversion shall be allowed under this permit.
- No impoundment of perennial streams shall be allowed under this permit.
- The project shall be designed and constructed to not cause flood damage on adjacent properties.

**29. Inspections.** The permittee shall allow the District Engineer (DE) or his authorized representative(s) to make periodic inspections at any time deemed necessary in order to ensure that the work is being performed in accordance with the terms and conditions of this permit. The DE may also require post-construction engineering drawings for completed work and post-dredging survey drawings for any dredging work.

**30. Work Start Notification Form and Compliance Certification.** Every permittee who receives a written Category 1 or 2 PGP authorization from the Corps must submit a 1) Work Start Notification Form (WSNF) two weeks before work commencement, and 2) signed Compliance Certification Form within one month following the completion of the authorized work and any required mitigation (but not mitigation monitoring, which requires separate submittals). The Corps will forward the blank WSNF and Compliance Certification Form with the authorization letter. The Compliance Certification Form will include: (a) a statement that the authorized work was done in accordance with the Corps authorization, including any general or specific conditions; (b) a statement that any required mitigation was completed in accordance with the permit conditions; and (c) the signature of the permittee certifying the completion of the work and mitigation.

**31. Maintenance.** The permittee shall maintain the work or structures authorized herein in good condition and in conformance with the terms and conditions of this permit. This does not include maintenance of dredging projects. Maintenance dredging is subject to the review thresholds in Appendix A and/or any conditions included in a written Corps authorization. Maintenance dredging includes only those areas and depths previously authorized and dredged. Some maintenance activities may not be subject to regulation under Section 404 in accordance with 33 CFR 323.4(a)(2).

**32. Property Rights.** This permit does not convey any property rights, either in real estate or material, or any exclusive privileges, nor does it authorize any injury to property or invasion of rights or any infringement of Federal, State, or local laws or regulations. If property associated with work authorized by the PGP is sold, the PGP authorization is automatically transferred to the new property owner. The new property owner should provide this information to the Corps in writing. No acknowledgement from the Corps is necessary.

**33. Modification, Suspension, and Revocation.** This permit may be either modified, suspended, or revoked, in whole or in part, pursuant to the policies and procedures of 33 CFR 325.7. Any such action shall not be the basis for any claim for damages against the United States.

**34. Restoration.** The permittee, upon receipt of a notice of revocation of authorization under this permit, shall restore the wetland or waterway to its former condition without expense to the United States and as directed by the Secretary of the Army or his authorized representative. If the permittee fails to comply with such a directive, the Secretary or his designee may restore the wetland or waterway to its former condition, by contract or otherwise, and recover the cost from the permittee.

**35. Special Conditions.** The Corps, independently or at the request of the Federal resource agencies, may impose other special conditions on a project authorized pursuant to this general permit that are determined necessary to minimize adverse environmental effects or based on any other factor of the public interest. Failure to comply with all conditions of the authorization, including special conditions, will constitute a permit violation and may subject the permittee to criminal, civil, or administrative penalties or restoration.

**36. False or Incomplete Information.** If the Corps makes a determination regarding the eligibility of a project under this permit and subsequently discovers that it has relied on false, incomplete, or inaccurate information provided by the permittee, the permit shall not be valid and the government may institute appropriate legal proceedings.

**37. Abandonment.** If the permittee decides to abandon the activity authorized under this general permit, unless such abandonment is merely the transfer of property to a third party, he/she must restore the area to the satisfaction of the District Engineer.

**Duration of Authorization/Grandfathering:**

**38. Duration of Authorization.** This PGP expires five years from the effective date listed at the top of Page 1. Activities authorized under Category 1 of this PGP that have commenced (i.e., are under construction) or are under contract to commence in reliance upon this PGP's authorization will remain authorized provided the activity is completed within 12 months of the PGP's expiration date. Activities authorized under Category 2 of this PGP will remain authorized in accordance with the project-specific date that the Corps provides to the permittee in the PGP authorization letter, unless:

- (a) The PGP is either modified or revoked, or
- (b) Discretionary authority has been exercised on a case-by-case basis to modify, suspend, or revoke the authorization in accordance with 33 CFR 325.2 (e)(2).

**39. Previously Authorized Activities.**

- (a) Activities completed under the authorizations of past PGPs that were in effect at the time the activity was completed will continue to be authorized by those PGPs.
- (b) Completed projects that have received written verification or approval from the Corps, based on applications made to the Corps prior to issuance of this PGP or the previous nationwide permits, regional general permits, or letters of permission shall remain authorized as specified in each authorization.
- (c) Activities authorized pursuant to 33 CFR Part 330.3 ("Activities occurring before certain dates") are not affected by this PGP.

## VI. CONTACTS FOR MAINE PROGRAMMATIC GENERAL PERMIT:

### 1. FEDERAL

#### U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

Maine Project Office  
675 Western Avenue #3  
Manchester, Maine 04351  
(207) 623-8367  
(207) 623-8206 (fax)

#### Federal Endangered Species

U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service  
Maine Field Office  
1168 Main Street  
Old Town, Maine 04468  
(207) 827-5938  
207-827-6099 (fax)

#### Wild and Scenic Rivers

National Park Service  
North Atlantic Region  
15 State Street  
Boston, Massachusetts 02109  
(617) 223-5203

#### Federal Endangered Species & Essential Fish Habitat

National Marine Fisheries Service  
One Blackburn Drive  
Gloucester, Massachusetts 01939  
(978) 281-9102  
(978) 281-9301 (fax)

#### Bridge Permits

Commander (obr)  
First Coast Guard District  
One South Street - Battery Bldg  
New York, New York 10004  
(212) 668-7021

### 2. STATE OF MAINE

#### Maine Department of Environmental Protection (For State Permits & Water Quality Certifications)

Division of Land Resource Regulation  
Bureau of Land and Water Quality  
17 State House Station  
Augusta, Maine 04333  
(207) 287-2111

Southern Maine Regional Office  
312 Canco Road  
Portland, Maine 04103  
(201) 822-6300

Eastern Maine Regional Office  
106 Hogan Road  
Bangor, Maine 04401  
(207) 941-4570

Northern Maine Regional Office  
1235 Central Drive - Skyway Park  
Presque Isle, Maine 04769  
(207) 764-0477

#### Maine Land Use Regulation Commission (LURC) [call (800) 452-8711 for appropriate LURC office]

22 State House Station  
Augusta, ME 04333-0022  
(207) 287-2631  
(207) 287-7439 (fax)

45 Radar Road  
Ashland, ME 04732-3600  
(207) 435-7963  
(207) 435-7184 (fax)

Lakeview Drive  
P.O. Box 1107  
Greenville, ME 04441  
(207) 695-2466  
(207) 695-2380 (fax)

(For CZM Determinations)

State Planning Office  
Coastal Program  
184 State Street  
State House Station 38  
Augusta, Maine 04333  
(207) 287-1009

(For Submerged Lands Leases)

Maine Department of Conservation  
Bureau of Parks and Lands  
22 State House Station  
Augusta, Maine 04333  
(207) 287-3061

**3. HISTORIC PROPERTIES**

Maine Historic Preservation Commission

State House Station 65  
Augusta, Maine 04333-0065  
(207) 287-2132  
(207) 287-2335 (fax)

Aroostook Band of Micmacs

Attn: Mr. Williams Phillips, Chief  
7 Northern Road  
Presque Isle, Maine 04769  
(207) 764-1972  
(207) 764-7667 (fax)

Houlton Band of Maliseet Indians

Attn: Tribal Chief  
88 Bell Road  
Littleton, Maine 04730  
(207) 532-4273, x215  
(207) 532-2660 (fax)

191 Main Street  
East Millinocket, ME 04430  
(207) 746-2244  
(207) 746-2243

(For Aquaculture Leases)

Maine Department of Marine Resources  
P.O. Box 8  
West Boothbay Harbor, Maine 04575  
(207) 633-9500

Passamaquoddy Tribe of Indians

Pleasant Point Reservation  
Attn: Tribal Council  
P.O. Box 343  
Perry, Maine 04667  
(207) 853-2600  
(207) 853-6039 (fax)

Passamaquoddy Tribe of Indians

Indian Township Reservation  
Attn: Donald Soctomah, THPO  
P.O. Box 301  
Princeton, Maine 04668  
(207) 796-2301  
(207) 796-5256 (fax)

Penobscot Indian Nation

Indian Island Reservation  
Attn: Ms. Bonnie Newsom, THPO  
12 Wabanaki Way  
Indian Island, Maine 04468  
(207) 817-7471  
(207) 817-7450 (fax)

**4. ORGANIZATIONAL WEBSITES:**

Army Corps of Engineers	<a href="http://www.nae.usace.army.mil">www.nae.usace.army.mil</a> (click "Regulatory/Permitting")
Corps of Engineers Headquarters	<a href="http://www.usace.army.mil">www.usace.army.mil</a> (click "Services for the Public")
Environmental Protection Agency	<a href="http://www.epa.gov/owow/wetlands/">www.epa.gov/owow/wetlands/</a>
National Marine Fisheries Service	<a href="http://www.nmfs.noaa.gov">www.nmfs.noaa.gov</a>
U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service	<a href="http://www.fws.gov">www.fws.gov</a>
National Park Service	<a href="http://www.nps.gov/rivers/index.html">www.nps.gov/rivers/index.html</a>
State of Maine	<a href="http://www.maine.gov">www.maine.gov</a>
State of Maine -Aquaculture Guidelines	<a href="http://www.maine.gov/dmr/aquaculture/index.htm">www.maine.gov/dmr/aquaculture/index.htm</a>

*for* Christine J. Gray 10-11-05  
District Engineer Date

**APPENDIX A: DEFINITION OF CATEGORIES**

<p><b>A. INLAND WATERS AND WETLANDS</b></p>	<p><b>Inland Waters and Wetlands:</b> Waters that are regulated under Section 404 of the Clean Water Act, including rivers, streams, lakes, ponds and wetlands, and excluding Section 10 Navigable Waters of the U.S. The jurisdictional limits are the ordinary high water (OHW) mark in the absence of adjacent wetlands, beyond the OHW mark to the limit of adjacent wetlands when adjacent wetlands are present, and the wetland limit when only wetlands are present. For the purposes of this PGP, fill placed in the area between the mean high water (MHW) and the high tide line (HTL), and in the bordering and contiguous wetlands<sup>1</sup> to tidal waters are reviewed in the Navigable Waters section. (See II. Navigable Waters on the next page.)</p>		
<p>(a) NEW FILL/ EXCAVATION DISCHARGES</p>	<p><b>CATEGORY 1</b></p> <p>&lt;4,300 SF inland waterway and/or wetland fill and associated secondary impacts (e.g., areas drained, flooded, cleared or excavated). Fill area includes all temporary and permanent fill, and excavation discharges (except for incidental fallback). Swamp mats are considered as fill. [See General Condition (GC) 18.]</p> <p><u>Provided:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• In-stream (e.g., rivers, streams, brooks, etc.) work limited to Jul 15 - Oct 1</li> <li>• In-stream work of up to 4,300 SF of fill below OHW in waterways not designated as EFH for Atlantic salmon (see GC 11, Page 9) and performed in accordance with Maine Permit By Rule standards or a LURC permit.</li> <li>• Waterway crossings shall comply with GC 22.</li> <li>• Projects covered by a DEP Tier One permit with no cumulative impacts &gt; 15,000 SF in inland wetlands from previous permits, unauthorized work, and/or other state permits.</li> <li>• Subdivision fill complies with GC 5, Single and Complete Projects (see Page 7).</li> </ul> <p><u>This category excludes:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dams, dikes or activities involving water diversions.<sup>2</sup></li> <li>• Non-State approved sediment releases/slucices from dams.</li> <li>• Open trench excavation in flowing waters (see GC 22, Page 12).</li> </ul>	<p><b>CATEGORY 2</b></p> <p>4,300 SF to &lt;3 acres inland waterway and/or wetland fill and associated secondary impacts (e.g., areas drained, flooded, cleared or excavated). Fill area includes all temporary and permanent fill, and excavation discharges (except for incidental fallback). Swamp mats filling any area ≥4,300 SF are reviewed in Category 2. (See GC 18, Page 11.)</p> <p><u>Includes:</u> In-stream work, including crossings (other than spanned crossing as described in Category 1) with any discharge of fill below ordinary high water in perennial waterways designated as EFH for Atlantic salmon. Time of year restrictions determined case-by-case.</p> <p>Projects with proactive restoration as a primary purpose with impacts of any area ≥4,300 SF. The Corps, in consultation with State &amp; Federal agencies, must determine that net adverse effects are not more than minimal.</p> <p>Specific activities with impacts of any area ≥4,300 SF required to affect the containment, stabilization, or removal of hazardous or toxic waste materials that are performed, ordered, or sponsored by a government agency with established legal or regulatory authority. Wetlands must be restored in place.</p>	<p><b>INDIVIDUAL PERMIT</b></p> <p>≥3 acres inland waterway and/or wetland fill and secondary impacts (e.g., areas drained, flooded, cleared or excavated). Fill area includes all temporary and permanent fill, and excavation discharges (except for incidental fallback).<sup>5</sup></p> <p>EIS required by the Corps.</p> <p>In-stream work exceeding Category 2 limits.</p>
<p>Maine PGP</p>	<p align="center">1</p>	<p align="center">1</p>	<p align="right">October 11, 2005</p>

CATEGORY 1	CATEGORY 2	INDIVIDUAL PERMIT
<p>• Work in waters designated as EFH for Atlantic salmon (see GC 11, Page 9), unless the waterway is crossed with a span and footprints of the span abutments are outside ordinary high water with no more than 4,300 SF of associated wetland impact.</p> <p>• Work in Special Inland Waters or Wetlands<sup>3</sup> (vernal pools).</p> <p>• Work in special aquatic sites (SAS)<sup>4</sup> other than wetlands.</p> <p>• Work within ¼ mile of a Wild and Scenic River (see GC 12, Page 9).</p> <p>• Work on National Lands (see GC 9, Pg. 9).</p> <p>• Work affecting threatened or endangered species (see GC 10, Page 9) or EFH salmon migration (see GC 11, Page 9).</p>		
<p><b>(b) BANK STABILIZATION PROJECTS</b></p> <p>Inland bank stabilization &lt;100 FT long and &lt;1 CY of fill per linear foot below OHW.</p> <p><u>Provided:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• In-stream work limited to Jul 15 - Oct 1.</li> <li>• No work in special inland waters &amp; wetlands<sup>3</sup> and SAS<sup>4</sup>.</li> <li>• No open trench excavation in flowing waters (see GC 22, Page 12).</li> <li>• No structures angled steeper than 3H:1V allowed. Only rough-faced stone or fiber roll revetments allowed.</li> <li>• No work affects threatened or endangered species (see GC 10, Page 9) or EFH (see GC 11, Page 9).</li> </ul>	<p>Inland bank stabilization ≥100 FT long and/or ≥1 CY of fill per linear foot, or any amount with fill in wetlands.</p>	
<p><b>(c) REPAIR AND MAINTENANCE OF AUTHORIZED FILLS</b></p>	<p>Replacement of non-serviceable fills, or repair/maintenance of serviceable fill, with expansion &lt;3 acres, or with a change in use.</p>	<p>Replacement of non-serviceable fill, or repair/maintenance of serviceable fill, with expansion ≥1 acre.</p>

<b>II. NAVIGABLE WATERS</b>		<b>Navigable Waters of the United States:</b> Waters that are subject to the ebb and flow of the tide and Federally designated navigable rivers (the Penobscot River, Kennebec River, and Lake Umbagog) (Section 10 Rivers and Harbors Act of 1899). The jurisdictional limits are the mean high water (MHW) line in tidal waters and the ordinary high water (OHW) mark in non-tidal portions of the Federally designated navigable rivers. For the purposes of this PGP, fill placed in the area between the mean high water (MHW) and the high tide line (HTL), and in the bordering and contiguous wetlands <sup>1</sup> to tidal waters are also reviewed in this Navigable Waters section.	
	<b>CATEGORY 1</b>	<b>CATEGORY 2</b>	<b>INDIVIDUAL PERMIT</b>
(a) FILL	Discharges of dredged or fill material incidental to the construction of bridges across navigable waters of the United States, including cofferdams, abutments, foundation seals, piers, and temporary construction and access fills provided the U.S. Coast Guard authorizes such discharges as part of the bridge permit. Causeways and approach fills are not included in this category and require Category 2 or Individual Permit authorization.	<1 acre fill and/or secondary waterway impacts (e.g., areas drained, flooded or cleared). Fill includes temporary and permanent waterway fill.  Temporary fill or excavation <1 acre in SAS <sup>4</sup> .  Permanent fill or excavation <1,000 SF in SAS <sup>4</sup> .  Permanent fill and/or excavation ≥1,000 SF in SAS <sup>5</sup> when associated with a project with proactive restoration as a primary purpose. The Corps, in consultation with Federal & state agencies, must determine that net adverse effects are not more than minimal.  Specific activities with impacts of any area required to affect the containment, stabilization, or removal of hazardous or toxic waste materials that are performed, ordered, or sponsored by a government agency with established legal or regulatory authority. Wetlands must be restored in place.	≥1 acre waterway fill and/or secondary waterways or wetland impacts (e.g., areas drained, flooded or cleared). Fill includes temporary and permanent waterway fill.  Temporary fill or excavation ≥1 acre in SAS <sup>4</sup> .  Permanent fill or excavation ≥1,000 SF in SAS <sup>4</sup> other than as specified in Cat. 2  EIS required by the Corps.
(b) REPAIR AND MAINTENANCE WORK	Repair or maintenance of existing, currently serviceable, authorized structure or fill with no substantial expansion or change in use. *Conditions of the original authorization apply. Must be rebuilt in same footprint, however minor deviations in structure design allowed <sup>6</sup>	Replacement of non-serviceable structures and fills or repair/maintenance of serviceable structures or fills, with fill, replacement or expansion <1 acre, or with a change in use.	Replacement of non-serviceable structures and fills or repair/maintenance of serviceable structures or fill, with replacement or expansion ≥1 acre.

	<b>CATEGORY 1</b>	<b>CATEGORY 2</b>	<b>INDIVIDUAL PERMIT</b>
(c) DREDGING AND ASSOCIATED DISPOSAL	<p>Maintenance dredging for navigational purposes &lt;1,000 cy with upland disposal. Includes return water from upland contained disposal area.</p> <p><u>Provided:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Proper siltation controls are used.</li> <li>• Dredging &amp; disposal operation limited to November 1 - January 15.</li> <li>• No impact to special aquatic sites<sup>4</sup>.</li> <li>• No dredging in intertidal areas.</li> <li>• No work affects threatened or endangered species (see GC 10, Page 9) or EFH salmon migration (see GC 11, Page 9).</li> </ul>	<p>Maintenance dredging <math>\geq 1,000</math> CY, new dredging &lt;25,000 CY, or projects not meeting Category 1. Includes return water from upland contained disposal areas.</p> <p><u>Provided:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Disposal includes 1) upland, 2) beach nourishment (above MHW) of any area provided dredging's primary purpose is navigation or sand is from an upland source and Corps, in consultation w/Federal and State agencies, determines the net adverse effects are not more than minimal; and</li> <li>3) open water &amp; confined aquatic disposal, if Corps, in consultation with Federal and State agencies, finds the material suitable.</li> </ul>	<p>Maintenance dredging and/or disposal (any amount) in or affecting a SAS<sup>4</sup>. See II(a) above for dredge disposal in wetlands or waters.</p> <p>New dredging <math>\geq 25,000</math> CY, or any amount in or affecting SAS<sup>4</sup>.</p> <p>Beach nourishment associated with dredging when the primary purpose is not navigation (i.e., aggregate/sand mining) or the material is from an upland source.</p>
(d) MOORINGS	<p>Private, non-commercial, non-rental, single-boat moorings authorized by the local harbormaster.</p> <p><u>Provided:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Not associated with any boating facility<sup>7</sup></li> <li>• Not located in a Federal Navigation Project other than a Federal Anchorage. Moorings in Federal Anchorage not associated with a boating facility<sup>7</sup>.</li> <li>• No interference with navigation</li> <li>• Not located in vegetated shallows<sup>8</sup></li> <li>• Within ¼ mile of the owner's residence or a public access point.<sup>9</sup></li> </ul> <p>Minor relocation of previously authorized moorings and moored floats consistent with Harbormaster recommendations, provided it is also consistent with local regulations, is not located in vegetated shallows, and does not interfere with navigation.</p>	<p>Moorings associated with a boating facility<sup>7</sup>.</p> <p>Moorings that don't meet the terms in Category 1 and don't require an Individual Permit.</p> <p>Moorings located such that they, and/or vessels docked or moored at them, are within the buffer zone of the horizontal limits<sup>10</sup> of a Corps Federal Channel. (See Appendix B.) The buffer zone is equal to three times the authorized depth of that channel.</p>	<p>Moorings within the horizontal limits<sup>10</sup>, or with moored vessels that extend, into the horizontal limits of a Federal Navigation Project (See App. B), except those in Federal Anchorages under Category 1.</p> <p>Note: Federal Navigation Projects include both Federal Channels and Federal Anchorages.</p>

	<b>CATEGORY I</b>	<b>CATEGORY 2</b>	<b>INDIVIDUAL PERMIT</b>
(e) STRUCTURES AND FLOATS	<p>Reconfiguration of existing authorized structures or floats.</p> <p><u>Provided:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Structures not positioned over vegetated shallows<sup>8</sup> or salt marsh.</li> <li>Floats supported off substrate at low tide.</li> <li>No dredging, additional slips or expansion.</li> <li>No work affects threatened or endangered species (see GC 10, Page 9) or EFH salmon migration (see GC 11, Page 9)..</li> </ul>	<p>Private structures or floats, including floatways/skidways, built to access waterway (seasonal and permanent)</p> <p>Expansions to existing boating facilities<sup>7</sup>.</p> <p>Compliance with the following is recommended, but not required:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Pile-supported structures &lt;400 SF, with attached floats totaling ≤200 SF.</li> <li>Bottom anchored floats ≤200 SF.</li> <li>Structures are ≤4' wide and have at least a 1:1 height:width ratio<sup>11</sup>.</li> <li>Floats supported above the substrate during all tides.</li> <li>Structures &amp; floats not located within 25' of any vegetated shallows<sup>8</sup>.</li> <li>Moored vessels not positioned over SAS<sup>4</sup>.</li> <li>No structure located within 25' of the riparian property boundary.</li> <li>No structure extends across &gt;25% of the waterway width at mean low water.</li> <li>Not located within the buffer zone of the horizontal limits<sup>10</sup> of a Corps Federal Navigation Project (FNP) (See App. B). The buffer zone is equal to three times the authorized depth of that FNP.</li> </ul>	<p>Structures or floats, including floatways/skidways, located such that they and/or vessels docked or moored at them are within the horizontal limits of a Corps Federal Navigation Project (see App. B).</p> <p>Structures and floats associated with a new or previously unauthorized boating facility<sup>7</sup>.</p> <p>Note: Federal Navigation Projects include both Federal Channels and Federal Anchorages.</p>
(f) MISCELLANEOUS	<p>Temporary buoys, markers, floats, etc. for recreational use during specific events, provided they are removed within 30 days after use is discontinued.</p> <p>The placement of aids to navigation and regulatory markers which are approved by and installed in accordance with the requirements of the U.S. Coast Guard. (See 33 CFR part 66, Chapter I, subchapter C)."</p>	<p>Structures or work in or affecting tidal or navigable waters, that are not defined under any of the previous headings listed above. Includes, but is not limited to, utility lines, aerial transmission lines, pipelines, outfalls, boat ramps, floatways/skidways, bridges, tunnels and horizontal directional drilling activities seaward of the MHW line.</p>	<p>EIS required by the Corps.</p> <p>Shellfish/finfish (other than Atlantic salmon), or other aquaculture facilities with more than minimal individual and cumulative impacts to environmental resources or navigation. A 25' eelgrass set back is recommended.</p>

	<p>Oil spill clean-up temporary structures or fill. Fish/wildlife harvesting structures/fill (as defined by 33 CFR 330, App. A-4)</p> <p>Scientific measurement devices and survey activities such as exploratory drilling, surveying and sampling activities. Does not include oil and gas exploration and fill for roads or construction pads.</p> <p>Shellfish seeding (brushing the flats<sup>12</sup>) projects.</p> <p>Provided:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No work in National Wildlife Refuges.</li> <li>• No work affects threatened or endangered species (see GC 10, Page 9) or EFH salmon migration (see GC 11, Page 9).</li> </ul>	<p>Shellfish/finfish (other than Atlantic salmon), or other aquaculture facilities with no more than minimal individual and cumulative impacts to environmental resources or navigation. A 25' eelgrass set back is recommended. Aquaculture guidelines are provided at: <a href="http://www.maine.gov/dmr/aquaculture/index.htm">www.maine.gov/dmr/aquaculture/index.htm</a>.</p>	<p>Aquaculture guidelines are provided at: <a href="http://www.maine.gov/dmr/aquaculture/index.htm">www.maine.gov/dmr/aquaculture/index.htm</a>.</p>
--	---	--	--

<sup>1</sup> **Bordering and Contiguous Wetlands:** A bordering wetland is immediately next to its adjacent waterbody and may lie at, or below, the ordinary highwater mark (MHW in navigable waters) of that waterbody and is directly influenced by its hydrologic regime. Contiguous wetlands extend landward from their adjacent waterbody to a point where a natural or manmade discontinuity exists. Contiguous wetlands include bordering wetlands as well as wetlands that are situated immediately above the ordinary highwater mark and above the normal hydrologic influence of their adjacent waterbody. Note, with respect to the Federally designated navigable rivers, the wetlands bordering and contiguous to the tidally influenced portions of those rivers are reviewed under "II. Navigable Waters."

<sup>2</sup> **Water Diversions:** Water diversions are activities such as bypass pumping or water withdrawals. Temporary flume pipes, culverts or cofferdams where normal flows are maintained within the stream boundary's confines aren't water diversions. "Normal flows" are defined as no change in flow from pre-project conditions.

<sup>3</sup> **Special Inland Waters and Wetlands:** Vernal Pools - Temporary to permanent bodies of water occurring in shallow depressions that fill during the spring and fall and may dry during the summer. Vernal pools have no permanent or viable populations of predatory fish. Vernal pools provide the primary breeding habitat for wood frogs, spotted salamanders, blue-spotted salamanders, and fairy shrimp, and provide habitat for other wildlife including several endangered and threatened species.

<sup>4</sup> **Special Aquatic Sites:** Includes wetlands and saltmarsh, mudflats, riffles and pools, and vegetated shallows.

<sup>5</sup> **IP Required:** The greater the impacts, the more likely an Individual Permit will be required. The Corps will determine the need for compensatory mitigation on a case-by-case basis.

<sup>6</sup> **Maintenance:** Minor deviations in the structure's configuration or filled area, including those due to changes in materials, construction techniques, or current construction codes or safety standards, which are necessary to make repair, rehabilitation, or replacement are permitted, provided the adverse environmental effects resulting from such repair, rehabilitation or replacement are minimal. No seaward expansion for bulkheads or any other fill activity is considered Category I maintenance. Currently serviceable means useable as is or with some maintenance, but not so degraded as to essentially require reconstruction.

<sup>7</sup> **Boating Facilities:** Facilities that provide, rent, or sell mooring space, such as marinas, yacht clubs, boat yards, town facilities, dockominiums, etc.

<sup>8</sup> **Vegetated Shallows:** Subtidal areas that support rooted aquatic vegetation such as eelgrass

<sup>9</sup> **Mooring Location:** Cannot be at a remote location to create a convenient transient anchorage.

<sup>10</sup> **Horizontal Limits:** The outer edge of a Federal Navigation Project (FNP). Contact the Corps of Engineers for information on FNP's.

<sup>11</sup> **Structures:** The height of structures shall at all points be equal to or exceed the width of the deck. For the purpose of this definition, height shall be measured from the marsh substrate to the bottom of the longitudinal support beam.

<sup>12</sup> **Brushing the Flats:** The placement of tree boughs, wooden lath structure, or small-mesh fencing on mudflats to enhance recruitment of soft-shell clams (*Mya arenaria*).



# ***Environmental Summary Sheet***

**PIN #: 12697.00**

**Town: Skowhegan**

**Environmental Office Contact: Laurie Rowe (laurie.rowe@maine.gov) 215-5072**

**Coordination & Permits Manager: Matt Steele**

**Date Submitted: 7/2/08**

**Database/Projex**

**Section 106 and Tribal Consultation-PA-B**

**4(f) and 6(f) - No Federal Money**

LAWCON 6(f)

N/A  Applicable  Approved

**FEMA** GIS Floodplains Checked  N/A  Applicable  Approved

**Maine Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife (MDIFW) Essential Habitat**

GIS Essential Habitats Checked

Eagle Nest N/A  Applicable  Approved

Piping Plover N/A  Applicable  Approved

Roseate Tern N/A  Applicable  Approved

**Maine Department of Conservation/ Public Lands, Submerged Land Lease** N/A  Applicable

**Land Use Regulation Commission (LURC)** Not Applicable  No permit Required

Notice  Approved

Permit  Approved

**Maine Department of Environmental Protection (MDEP) Site Location of Development**

N/A  Applicable  Approved

**Maine Department of Environmental Protection (MDEP), Natural Resource Protection Act**

No permit required

Exempt  (Must use erosion and sediment control and not block fish passage.)

PBR  Approved

Tier 1  Approved

Tier 2  Approved

Individual  Approved

**Army Corps of Engineers (ACOE), Section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act and Section 404 of the Clean Water Act.**

No permit required

Category 1-NR  Approved

Category 2  Approved

Category 3  Approved

**NOTE: If project requires a Category 2 or 3 Permit from the ACOE, then the MaineDOT Resident must fill out a "Work Start Notification Form" and a "Compliance Certification Form" (when project has been completed) and send them to the address listed on the forms.**

**IN-STREAM TIMING RESTRICTIONS:** 105 Special Provision  n/a

Dates instream work is allowed: 7/15 to 10/1

**Special Provision 656, Erosion Control Plan**



**DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY**  
 NEW ENGLAND DISTRICT, CORPS OF ENGINEERS  
 696 VIRGINIA ROAD  
 CONCORD, MASSACHUSETTS 01742-2751

REPLY TO:  
 ATTENTION OF:

**MAINE PROGRAMMATIC GENERAL PERMIT (PGP)  
 AUTHORIZATION LETTER AND SCREENING SUMMARY**

OFFICE OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES  
 MAINE DEPT. OF TRANSPORTATION  
 16 STATE HOUSE STATION  
 AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333

CORPS PERMIT # NAE-2008-01437  
 CORPS PGP ID# 08-163  
 STATE ID# PBR

**DESCRIPTION OF WORK:**

Place concrete fill below the ordinary high water line of Currier Brook at Skowhegan, Maine in order to rehabilitate an existing deteriorated culvert beneath Route 104. This work is shown on the attached plans entitled "SKOWHEGAN ROUTE 104" in 5 sheets undated. Approximately 1,000 s.f. (0.002 acres) of stream bed will be impacted by the project.

**DOT PIN: 12697.00**

LAT/LONG COORDINATES : 44.7596204° N 69.7155693° W USGS QUAD: SKOWHEGAN, ME

**I. CORPS DETERMINATION:**

Based on our review of the information you provided, we have determined that your project will have only minimal individual and cumulative impacts on waters and wetlands of the United States. **Your work is therefore authorized by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers under the enclosed Federal Permit, the Maine Programmatic General Permit (PGP).**

You must perform the activity authorized herein in compliance with all the terms and conditions of the PGP [including any attached Additional Conditions and any conditions placed on the State 401 Water Quality Certification including any required mitigation]. Please review the enclosed PGP carefully, including the PGP conditions beginning on page 7, to familiarize yourself with its contents. You are responsible for complying with all of the PGP requirements; therefore you should be certain that whoever does the work fully understands all of the conditions. You may wish to discuss the conditions of this authorization with your contractor to ensure the contractor can accomplish the work in a manner that conforms to all requirements.

If you change the plans or construction methods for work within our jurisdiction, please contact us immediately to discuss modification of this authorization. This office must approve any changes before you undertake them.

Condition 38 of the PGP (page 15) provides one year for completion of work that has commenced or is under contract to commence prior to the expiration of the PGP on October 11, 2010. You will need to apply for reauthorization for any work within Corps jurisdiction that is not completed by October 11, 2011.

No work may be started unless and until all other required local, State and Federal licenses and permits have been obtained. **This includes but is not limited to a Flood Hazard Development Permit issued by the town if necessary.** Also, this permit requires you to notify us before beginning work and allow us to inspect the project. Hence, you must complete and return the attached Work Start Notification Form(s) to this office no later than 2 weeks before the anticipated starting date. (For projects requiring mitigation, be sure to include the MITIGATION WORK START FORM).

**II. STATE ACTIONS: PENDING [ X ], ISSUED [ ], DENIED [ ] DATE \_\_\_\_\_**

APPLICATION TYPE: PBR X, TIER 1: \_\_\_\_\_, TIER 2: \_\_\_\_\_, TIER 3: \_\_\_\_\_, LURC: \_\_\_\_\_, DMR LEASE: \_\_\_\_\_, NA: \_\_\_\_\_

**III. FEDERAL ACTIONS:**

JOINT PROCESSING MEETING: 4/29/08 LEVEL OF REVIEW: CATEGORY 1: \_\_\_\_\_ CATEGORY 2: X

AUTHORITY (Based on a review of plans and/or State/Federal applications): SEC 10 \_\_\_\_\_, 404 X, 10/404 \_\_\_\_\_, 103 \_\_\_\_\_

EXCLUSIONS: The exclusionary criteria identified in the general permit do not apply to this project.

**ESSENTIAL FISH HABITAT (EFH): EFH PRESENT Y N (CIRCLE ONE)**

IF YES: Based on the terms and conditions of the PGP, which are intended to ensure that authorized projects cause no more than minimal environmental impacts, the Corps of Engineers has preliminary determined that this project will not cause more than minimal adverse effects to **EFH** identified under the Magnuson-Stevens Fisheries Conservation and Management Act.

**AGENCY OBJECTIONS/COMMENTS: EPA\_NO \_\_\_\_\_, USF&WS\_NO \_\_\_\_\_, NMFS\_NO \_\_\_\_\_, SHPO\_NO \_\_\_\_\_, THPO\_NO \_\_\_\_\_**

If you have any questions on this matter, please contact my staff at 207-623-8367 at our Manchester, Maine Project Office.

JAY L. CLEMENT  
 SENIOR PROJECT MANAGER  
 MAINE PROJECT OFFICE

For: CURTIS L. THALKEN DATE 5/23/08  
 COLONEL, CORPS OF ENGINEERS  
 DISTRICT ENGINEER

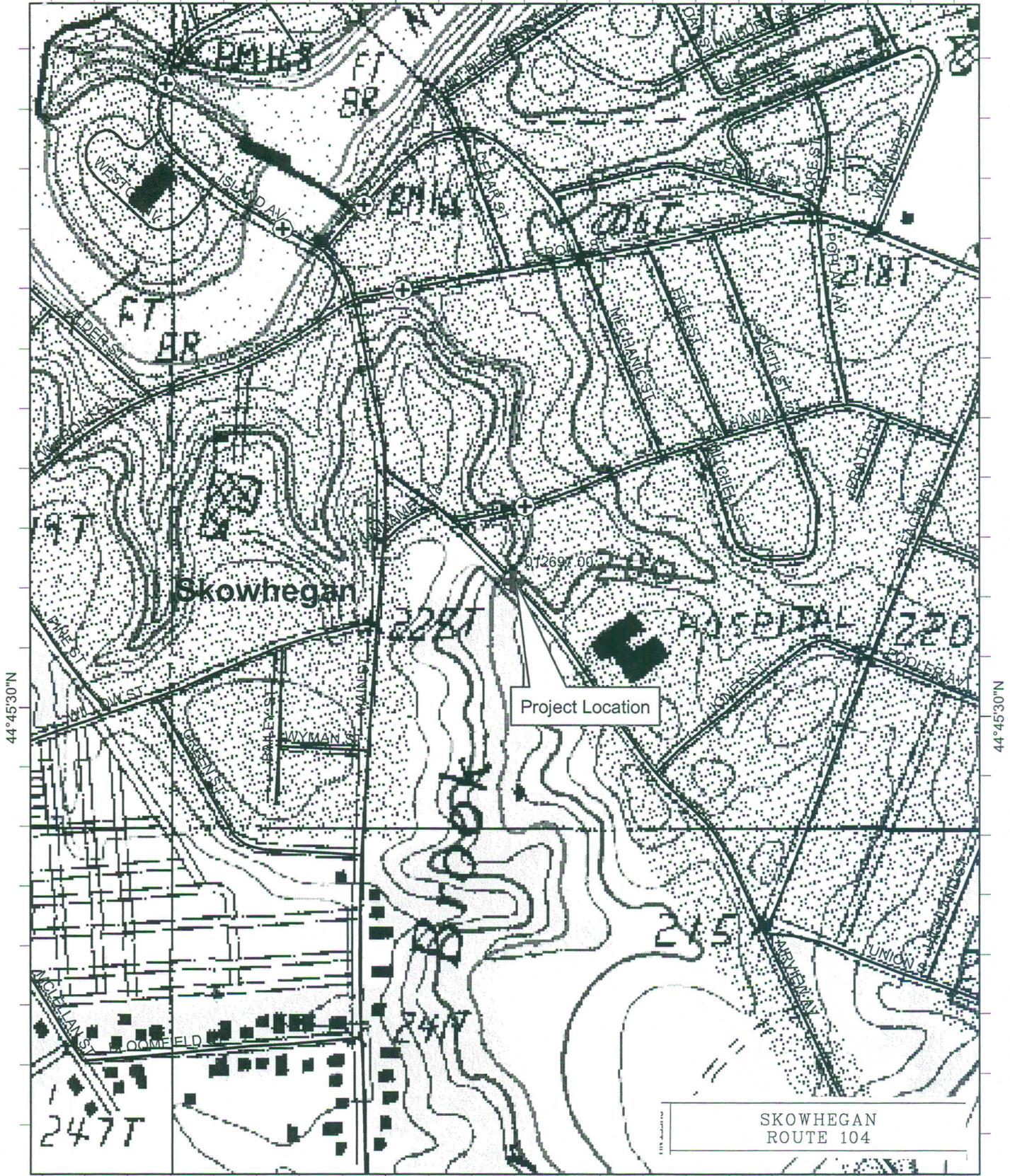


**US Army Corps  
of Engineers**<sup>®</sup>  
New England District

**ADDITIONAL CONDITIONS FOR  
DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY  
PROGRAMMATIC GENERAL PERMIT  
NO. NAE-2008-01437**

1. This authorization requires you to 1) notify us before beginning work so we may inspect the project, and 2) submit a Compliance Certification Form. You must complete and return the enclosed Work Start Notification Form(s) to this office at least two weeks before the anticipated starting date. You must complete and return the enclosed Compliance Certification Form within one month following the completion of the authorized work and any required mitigation (but not mitigation monitoring, which requires separate submittals).
2. The permittee shall assure that a copy of this permit is at the work site whenever work is being performed and that all personnel performing work at the site of the work authorized by this permit are fully aware of the terms and conditions of the permit. This permit, including its drawings and any appendices and other attachments, shall be made a part of any and all contracts and sub-contracts for work which affects areas of Corps of Engineers' jurisdiction at the site of the work authorized by this permit. This shall be done by including the entire permit in the specifications for the work. If the permit is issued after construction specifications but before receipt of bids or quotes, the entire permit shall be included as an addendum to the specifications. The term "entire permit" includes permit amendments. Although the permittee may assign various aspects of the work to different contractors or sub-contractors, all contractors and sub-contractors shall be obligated by contract to comply with all environmental protection provisions of the entire permit, and no contract or sub-contract shall require or allow unauthorized work in areas of Corps of Engineers jurisdiction.
3. Adequate sedimentation and erosion control devices, such as geotextile silt fences or other devices capable of filtering the fines involved, shall be installed and properly maintained to minimize impacts during construction. These devices must be removed upon completion of work and stabilization of disturbed areas. The sediment collected by these devices must also be removed and placed upland, in a manner that will prevent its later erosion and transport to a waterway or wetland.
4. All exposed soils resulting from the construction will be promptly seeded and mulched in order to achieve vegetative stabilization.
5. Instream work shall be conducted between July 15 and October 1 to minimize potential impacts to fisheries and local water quality from sedimentation.
6. Maine DOT biologists shall monitor fish passage through the pipe during low flow conditions in the fall of 2008 and summer of 2009. A report of the findings and any Maine DOT recommendations on the need for external weir(s) shall be submitted to the Corps and the resource agencies for review in late 2009.

69°43'0"W



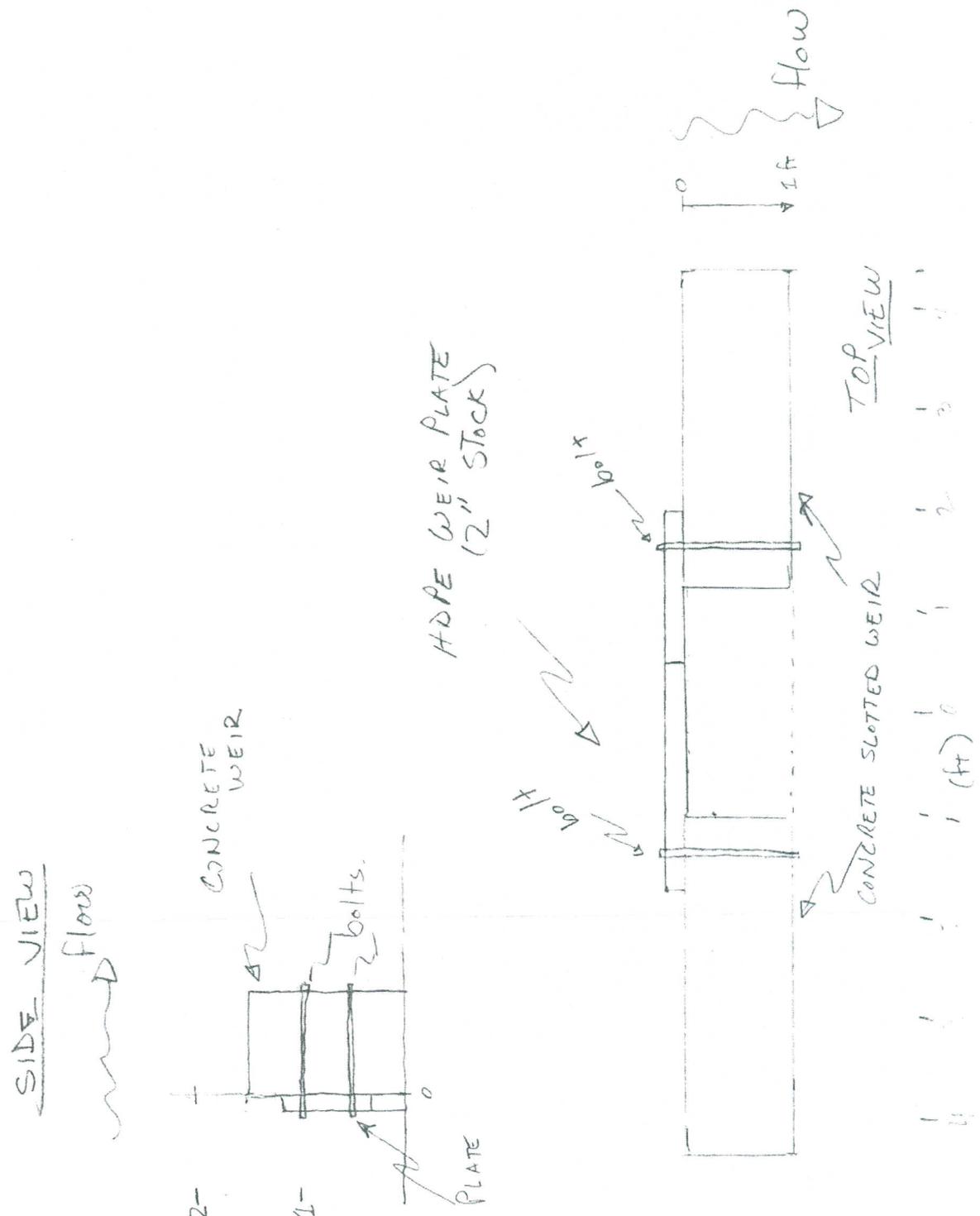
44°45'30"N

44°45'30"N

69°43'0"W

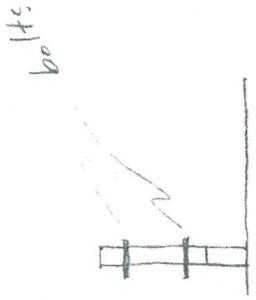
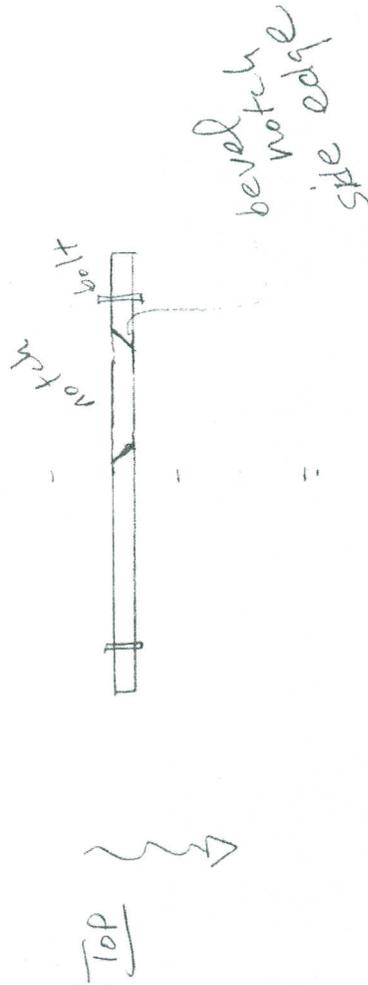
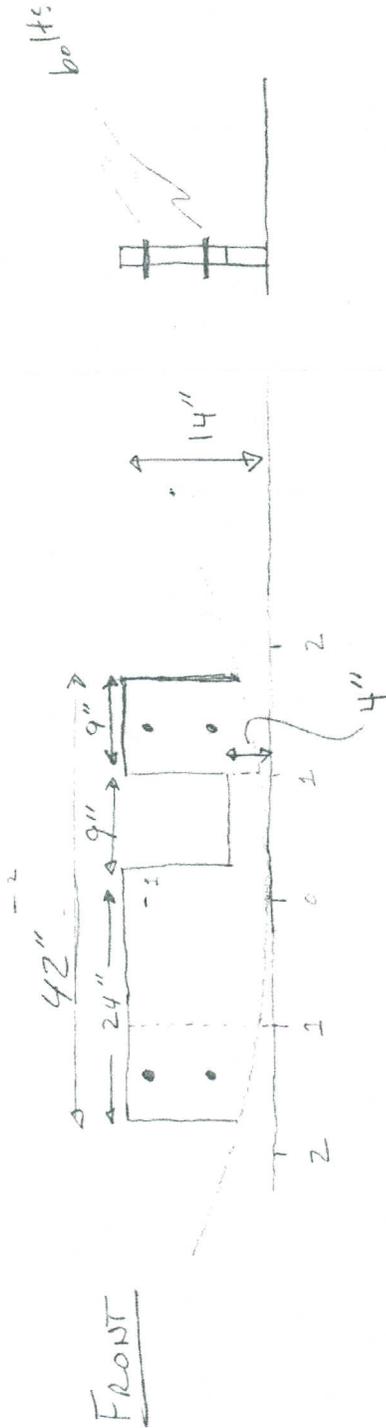
Date: 10/29/2007	44.7596204°N	Location: 044 45'34"N 069 42'53"W
Road Name(s): ST RTE 104	69.7155693°W	Project ID: 01269700
Town(s): Skowhegan	Skowhegan	Project Manager: HEATH COWAN
1 inch equals 473 feet		Page 1 of 1

PRELIM. BY \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_ PROJ. NO. 15639 FILE NO. \_\_\_\_\_ OF \_\_\_\_\_  
 FINAL CHK. BY \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_ LOCATION \_\_\_\_\_ SH. NO. \_\_\_\_\_ OF \_\_\_\_\_  
 ITEM NO. \_\_\_\_\_ SUBJECT \_\_\_\_\_



HDPE PLASTIC WEIR PLATE  
DIMENSIONS

3



PRELIM BY \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_ PROJ NO. 15639 FILE NO. \_\_\_\_\_ OF \_\_\_\_\_  
 FINAL CHK BY \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_ LOCATION \_\_\_\_\_ SH NO. \_\_\_\_\_ OF \_\_\_\_\_  
 ITEM NO. \_\_\_\_\_ SUBJECT \_\_\_\_\_





**US Army Corps  
of Engineers®**  
New England District

(Minimum Notice: Permittee must sign and return notification  
within one month of the completion of work.)

## COMPLIANCE CERTIFICATION FORM

**Corps of Engineers Permit No:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Name of Permittee:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Permit Issuance Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

Please sign this certification and return it to the following address upon completion of the activity and any mitigation required by the permit. You must submit this after the mitigation is complete, but not the mitigation monitoring, which requires separate submittals.

\*\*\*\*\*  
 \* MAIL TO: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New England District \*  
 \* Policy Analysis/Technical Support Branch, ATTN: Marie Farese \*  
 \* Regulatory Division \*  
 \* 696 Virginia Road \*  
 \* Concord, Massachusetts 01742-2751 \*  
 \*\*\*\*\*

Please note that your permitted activity is subject to a compliance inspection by an U.S. Army Corps of Engineers representative. If you fail to comply with this permit you are subject to permit suspension, modification, or revocation.

**I hereby certify that the work authorized by the above referenced permit was completed in accordance with the terms and conditions of the above referenced permit, and any required mitigation was completed in accordance with the permit conditions.**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Permittee

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Printed Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date of Work Completion

( ) \_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone Number

( ) \_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone Number



**US Army Corps  
of Engineers**  
New England District

**PGP WORK START NOTIFICATION FORM**  
**(Minimum Advance Notice: Two Weeks)**

**MAIL TO:** U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New England District  
Regulatory Branch  
Policy Analysis/Technical Support Section  
696 Virginia Road  
Concord, Massachusetts 01742-2751

A Corps of Engineers Permit ( \_\_\_\_\_ ) was issued to \_\_\_\_\_. The permit authorized the permittee(s) to \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

The people (e.g., contractor) listed below will do the work, and they understand the permit's conditions and limitations.

PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE

Name of Person/Firm: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Business Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: ( \_\_\_\_\_ ) \_\_\_\_\_ ( \_\_\_\_\_ ) \_\_\_\_\_

Proposed Work Dates: Start: \_\_\_\_\_  
Finish: \_\_\_\_\_

PERMITTEE'S SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

PRINTED NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ TITLE: \_\_\_\_\_

**FOR USE BY THE CORPS OF ENGINEERS**

PM \_\_\_\_\_ Submittals Required: \_\_\_\_\_

Inspection Recommendation: \_\_\_\_\_

**DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY  
PROGRAMMATIC GENERAL PERMIT  
STATE OF MAINE**

The New England District of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers hereby issues a Programmatic General Permit (PGP) that expedites review of minimal impact work in coastal and inland waters and wetlands within the State of Maine.

**I. GENERAL CRITERIA**

Activities with minimal impacts, as specified by the terms and conditions of this PGP and on the attached Appendix A, Definition of Categories, are either:

Category 1: Non-reporting. Eligible without screening (provided the authorizations are obtained which this permit states are necessary for activities to be eligible for authorization under this non-reporting category), or,

Category 2: Reporting. Require screening and a written determination of eligibility under the PGP by the Corps after coordination with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (U.S. FWS), U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS).

This PGP does not affect the Corps Individual Permit review process or activities exempt from Corps jurisdiction.

**II. ACTIVITIES COVERED:**

Work and structures that are located in, or that affect, navigable waters of the United States (U.S.) (Corps regulates under Section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act of 1899); the discharge of dredged or fill material into waters of the United States (Corps regulates under Section 404 of the Clean Water Act); and the transportation of dredged material for the purpose of disposal in the ocean (Corps regulates under Section 103 of the Marine Protection, Research and Sanctuaries Act).

**III. PROCEDURES:**

**A. State Approvals**

For projects authorized pursuant to this PGP, the following State approvals are also required. The applicable permits must be obtained in order for this PGP authorization to be valid (applicants are responsible for ensuring that all required State permits and approvals have been applied for and obtained):

- Maine Department of Environmental Protection (DEP): Natural Resources Protection Act (NRPA) permit, including permit-by-rule and general permit authorizations (NRPA permit issuance constitutes both the state permit and the WQC); Site Location of Development Act permit; and Maine Waterway Development and Conservation Act permit.
- Maine Department of Conservation: Land Use Regulation Commission (LURC) permit.
- Maine Department of Marine Resources: Lease.
- Maine Department of Conservation, Bureau of Parks and Lands, Submerged Lands: Lease

NOTE: This PGP may authorize projects that are not regulated by the State of Maine (e.g., seasonal floats or moorings).

## **B. Corps Authorizations**

### **CATEGORY 1 (Non-Reporting)**

#### **Eligibility Criteria**

Activities in Maine may proceed without application or notification to the Corps if they:

- Are subject to Corps jurisdiction (see General Condition 2, Page 7),
- Meet the definition of Category 1 in Appendix A - Definition of Categories, and
- Meet the General Conditions of the PGP (see Pages 7 - 15).

If the State or the Corps does not contact the applicant for DEP's Tier One permits during the DEP's Tier One 30-day review period, Corps approval may be assumed and the project may proceed. Refer to the Federal Screening Procedures (see Page 4) for additional information regarding screening.

Project proponents seeking Category 1 authorizations are not relieved of the obligation to comply with this PGP's General Conditions (see Page 7) and other Federal laws such as the National Historic Preservation Act, the Endangered Species Act (ESA) and the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act. Therefore, consultation with the Corps and/or outside experts such as the Maine Historic Preservation Commission and the appropriate Indian tribes is recommended when there is a high likelihood of the presence of resources of concern.

Although Category 1 projects are non-reporting, the Corps reserves the right to require screening under Category 2 or Individual Permit review if there are concerns for the aquatic environment or any other factor of the public interest (see General Condition 4, Discretionary Authority, Page 7).

Work that is not regulated by the State of Maine, but is subject to Corps jurisdiction, is eligible for Corps authorization under this PGP in accordance with the review thresholds and conditions contained herein. The Maine DEP and LURC have waived WQC for projects authorized under Categories 1 and 2 of this PGP and not subject to jurisdiction under the NRPA and LURC Land Use Districts and Standards.

**Enforcement cases.** This PGP does not apply to any existing or proposed activity in Corps jurisdiction associated with an on-going Corps or EPA enforcement action until such time as the enforcement action is resolved or the Corps determines that the activity may proceed independently without compromising the enforcement action. The Corps may choose not to accept applications or issue permits to any applicant with outstanding violations.

### **CATEGORY 2 (Reporting – Requiring Screening)**

#### **Eligibility Criteria**

Activities in Maine require written approval from the Corps if they:

- Are subject to Corps jurisdiction (see General Condition 2, Page 7),
- Meet the definition of Category 2 in Appendix A - Definition of Categories, and
- Meet the General Conditions of the PGP (see Pages 7 - 15),

These projects will be reviewed through interagency screening (see Federal Screening Procedures below) to determine whether such activities may be authorized under this PGP. To be eligible and

subsequently authorized, an activity must result in minimal impacts to the aquatic environment as determined by the Corps based on comments from the review team and the criteria listed above. Mitigation may be required to compensate for unavoidable impacts to ensure net effects of a project are minimal.

For Category 2 projects, applicants must obtain a written authorization from the Corps and State approvals as stated on Page 1.

To ensure compliance with the conditions of this PGP, consultation with the Corps and outside experts is required. This includes consultation with the Maine Historic Preservation Commission and the appropriate Native American Indian tribes to ensure compliance with Condition 8. Also, note the review thresholds under Category 2 apply to single and complete projects only (see General Condition 5).

**Enforcement cases.** See previous section.

### **Application Procedures**

The Corps must review and approve in writing all Category 2 activities. Generally, the State will provide the Corps with a copy of State applications received, but it is ultimately the applicant's responsibility to ensure the Corps receives the application from the State. Therefore, it is recommended that applicants either verify with the Corps receipt of their application from the State (DEP or LURC), or apply directly to the Corps with either a copy of their State application or a Corps application (ENG Form 4345). Applicants must apply directly to the Corps using ENG Form 4345 if the work is not State regulated.

Upon receipt of the application, the Corps will determine if it:

- (a) requires additional information (see "information typically required" on the following page);
- (b) is appropriate for screening with the Federal resource agencies (see Category 2 Federal Screening Procedures on the following page);
- (c) is ineligible under the terms and/or conditions of this PGP; or
- (d) will require Individual Permit review, regardless of whether the terms and conditions of this PGP are met, based on concerns for the aquatic environment or any other factor of the public interest (see General Condition 4, Discretionary Authority).

If open water disposal is proposed, the Corps will make a suitability determination, fully coordinated with the Federal resource agencies, before coordinating a project at a joint processing meeting.

All Category 2 applicants shall submit a copy of their application materials to the Maine Historic Preservation Commission and the Indian tribe(s) listed on Page 17, at the same time, or before, they apply to the DEP, LURC, or the Corps, to be reviewed for the presence of historic, archaeological or tribal resources in the permit area that the proposed work may affect. Submittals to the DEP or Corps shall include information to indicate that this has been done (a copy of the applicant's cover letter to Maine Historic Preservation Commission and tribes or a copy of the Historic Preservation Commission and tribal response letters is acceptable).

### **Information Typically Required**

The following information may not be necessary for all projects. Please see [www.nae.usace.army.mil](http://www.nae.usace.army.mil) for a more comprehensive checklist. Select "Regulatory/Permitting," "Forms" and then "Application and Plan Guideline Checklist." Please check with our Maine office for project-specific requirements.

- (a) purpose of project;
- (b) 8½"x 11" locus map. 8½"x 11" plan views of the entire property, including property lines, and project limits with existing and proposed conditions;
- (c) typical cross-section views of all wetland and waterway fill areas and wetland replication areas;
- (d) legible, reproducible plans. Show mean low water (MLW), mean high water (MHW) and high tide line (HTL) elevations in navigable waters;
- (e) each plan should show the NGVD 1929 equivalent for the project's vertical datum (MLW, MLLW, MHW, HTL or other tidal datum for tidal projects) with the vertical units. Do not use local datum;
- (f) wetland delineation for the site, Corps wetland delineation data sheets (see web site), and calculations of waterway and wetland impact areas (see General Condition 2);
- (g) delineation of submerged aquatic vegetation, e.g., eel grass beds, in tidal waters;
- (h) volume, type and source of fill material to be discharged into waters and wetlands, including the area(s) (in square feet or acres) of fill in wetlands, below ordinary high water in inland waters and below the high tide line in coastal waters;
- (i) limits of any Federal Navigation Project in the vicinity and State Plane Coordinates for the limits of the proposed work closest to the Federal Navigation Project;
- (j) on-site alternatives analysis. Please contact Corps for guidance;
- (k) identify and describe potential impacts to Essential Fish Habitat. See General Condition 11 and contact Corps for guidance;
- (l) photographs of wetland/waterway to be impacted.

**Information typically required for dredging projects:**

- (a) sediment testing, including physical (e.g., grain-size analysis), chemical and biological testing. For projects proposing open water disposal, applicants are encouraged to contact the Corps as early as possible regarding sampling and testing protocols. Sampling and testing of sediments without such contact should not occur and, if done, would be at the applicant's risk.
- (b) the area in square feet and volume of material to be dredged below mean high water;
- (c) existing and proposed water depths;
- (d) type of dredging equipment to be used;
- (e) nature of material (e.g., silty sand);
- (f) any existing sediment grain size and bulk sediment chemistry data for the proposed or any nearby projects;
- (g) information on the location and nature of municipal or industrial discharges and occurrence of any contaminant spills in or near the project area, location of the disposal site (include locus sheet);
- (h) shellfish survey;
- (i) identify and describe potential impacts to Essential Fish Habitat (see General Condition 11);
- (j) delineation of submerged aquatic vegetation (e.g., eelgrass beds).

**Federal Screening Procedures**

The Corps will review all complete applications for Category 2 projects requiring Corps approval at interagency screening meetings (or "joint processing" meetings) with the Federal resource agencies (U.S. FWS, EPA and NMFS) to determine whether such activities may be authorized under this PGP. The Federal resource agencies will comprise the interagency review team. The meetings are held at the Corps every three weeks, or coordinated as necessary to provide applicants with a timely response. The Corps and Federal resource agencies, at the branch chief or equivalent level, may agree on certain activities that do not need to be coordinated at these meetings.

If the Corps and Federal resource agencies determine that the activity is eligible for the PGP, the Corps will send an authorization letter directly to the applicant. The Corps will generally issue an eligibility determination within the State's review period, not to exceed 60 days. If the Corps determines that the activity is not eligible under the PGP or that additional information is required, the Corps will notify the applicant in writing and will send a copy of this notification to DEP or LURC.

For projects reviewed with the Federal resource agencies, the agencies may recommend, within ten business days, either 1) special conditions for projects to avoid or minimize adverse environmental effects and to ensure the terms and conditions of the PGP are met, or 2) Individual Permit review. The Corps will determine that a project is ineligible under this PGP and will begin its Individual Permit review procedures if any one of the Federal resource agencies, within ten business days of the screening meeting, expresses a concern within their area of expertise, states the resource or species that could be impacted by the project, and describes the impacts that, either individually or cumulatively, will be more than minimal.

This ten-day notice may be spoken and is not required to be fully documented, but must be confirmed with a written response within an additional ten working days from the date of the spoken comment. Written responses must be signed by the Federal resource agency field supervisor or branch chief, as appropriate, and must identify the affected resource within their area of expertise. The intent of the spoken notification is to allow the Corps to give timely notification to the applicant that additional information is needed and/or an Individual Permit may be required. The Corps may reinstate a project's eligibility under the PGP provided the Federal agencies' concerns are satisfied. The Federal resource agencies may request additional information within their area of expertise within ten business days of the screening meeting. This information shall be commensurate to the level of impact and agreed upon by the Corps. The agencies are allowed an additional ten business days after their receipt of additional information to provide special conditions or a written Individual Permit request to the Corps.

If the applicant is unable to resolve the concerns, the Corps, independently or at the request of the Federal resource agencies, will require an Individual Permit for the project. The applicant will be notified of this in writing, along with information about submitting the necessary application materials.

#### **Minerals Management Service (MMS) Review**

Projects with construction of solid fill structures or discharge of fill that may extend beyond the coastline or the baseline from which the territorial sea is measured (i.e., mean low water), must be coordinated with Minerals Management Service (MMS), Outer Continental Shelf (OCS) Survey Group, pursuant to the Submerged Lands Act (43 USC, Section 1301-1315, 33 CFR 320.4(f)). The Corps will forward project information to MMS for their review. The MMS will coordinate their determination with the Department of the Interior (DOI) Solicitor's Office. The DOI will have 15 calendar days from the date MMS is in receipt of project information to determine if the baseline will be affected. No notification to the Corps within 15-day review period will constitute a "no effect" determination. Otherwise, the solicitor's notification to the Corps may be spoken but must be followed with a written confirmation within ten business days from the date of the spoken notification. This procedure will be eliminated if the State of Maine provides a written waiver of interest in any increase in submerged lands caused by a change in the baseline resulting from solid fill structures or fills authorized under this PGP.

### Emergency Situations Procedures

Emergency situations are limited to sudden, unexpected occurrences that could potentially result in an unacceptable hazard to life, a significant loss of property, or an immediate, unforeseen, and significant economic hardship if corrective action requiring a permit is not undertaken within a time period less than the normal time needed to process an application under standard procedures. If an emergency situation requires action in less than 30 days after the occurrence, it qualifies for the amended notification procedures described below.

### Notification Procedures for Emergency Situations:

Any project proponent may request emergency authorization from the Corps, however the Corps will determine if a project qualifies for these emergency situation procedures. The Federal resource agencies, the Maine Historic Preservation Commission and the tribes will each designate an emergency contact and an alternate in the event the regular contact is unavailable. When an application for Category 2 work is received that the Corps determines is an “emergency” as defined above, the Corps will fax a copy of the plans and Determination of Eligibility to the agency representatives and their alternates. The resource agencies would then have 16 business hours to notify the Corps if they have any comments on authorization of the project under the PGP. Objections to the Corps determination of an “emergency” situation will not be accepted. If no response is received within 16 business hours, the Corps will proceed with a decision on the application. If the resource agencies have comments on the proposal, they will have 16 business hours to put their comments in writing. If written comments from the Federal agencies are not received within 16 business hours, the Corps will proceed with a decision on the application.

If a Federal agency requests that an Individual Permit be required for a project or requests modifications to the project based on concerns within their area(s) of expertise, the Corps will notify the applicant within one business day of receipt of that request that the project as proposed does not qualify for authorization under this PGP and the emergency Individual Permit procedures may be followed. In any event, the Corps will notify the applicant within 16 business hours of commencement of the screening process as to whether the project may proceed under this PGP.

### **IV. CORPS AUTHORIZATION: INDIVIDUAL PERMIT**

Work that is defined in the Individual Permit category of Appendix A – Definition of Categories, or that does not meet the terms and conditions of this PGP, will require an application for an Individual Permit from the Corps (see 33 CFR Part 325.1). The screening procedures outlined for Category 2 projects will only serve to delay project review in such cases. The applicant should submit the appropriate application materials (including the Corps application form) at the earliest possible date. General information and application forms can be obtained at our web site or by calling us (see Page 16). Individual water quality certification and coastal zone management consistency concurrence are required when applicable from the State of Maine before Corps permit issuance. The Federal resource agencies’ comments are due within ten working days after the Public Notice’s expiration date, unless the Corps receives and approves a written request for a time extension within ten working days after the notice’s expiration.

## V. PROGRAMMATIC GENERAL PERMIT CONDITIONS:

The following conditions apply to activities authorized under this Maine PGP, including all Category 1 (non-reporting) and Category 2 (reporting – requiring screening) activities:

### General Requirements

**1. Other Permits.** Authorization under this PGP does not obviate the need to obtain other Federal, State, or local authorizations required by law. This includes, but is not limited to, the project proponent obtaining a Flood Hazard Development Permit issued by the town, if necessary. Inquiries may be directed to the municipality or to the Maine Floodplain Management Coordinator at (207) 287-8063. See <http://www.maine.gov>.

**2. Federal Jurisdictional Boundaries.** Applicability of this PGP shall be evaluated with reference to Federal jurisdictional boundaries. Applicants are responsible for ensuring that the boundaries used satisfy the Federal criteria defined at 33 CFR 328-329. These sections prescribe the policy, practice and procedures to be used in determining the extent of jurisdiction of the Corps concerning “waters of the U.S.” and “navigable waters of the U.S.” Wetland boundaries shall be delineated in accordance with the January 1987 Corps of Engineers Wetlands Delineation Manual, located at <http://www.usace.army.mil/inet/functions/cw/cecwo/reg/wlman87.pdf>. The U.S. FWS publishes the National List of Plant Species that Occur in Wetlands, located at <http://www.nwi.fws.gov>. The Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) develops the hydric soil definition and criteria, and publishes the current hydric soil lists, located at <http://soils.usda.gov/use/hydric/>.

**3. Minimal Effects.** Projects authorized by this PGP shall have no more than minimal individual and cumulative adverse environmental impacts as determined by the Corps.

**4. Discretionary Authority.** Notwithstanding compliance with the terms and conditions of this permit, the Corps retains discretionary authority to require Category 2 or Individual Permit review based on concerns for the aquatic environment or for any other factor of the public interest [33 CFR 320.4(a)]. This authority is invoked on a case-by-case basis whenever the Corps determines that the potential consequences of the proposal warrant Individual Permit review based on the concerns stated above. This authority may be invoked for projects with cumulative environmental impacts that are more than minimal or if there is a special resource or concern associated with a particular project that is not already covered by the remaining conditions of the PGP and that warrants greater review. Whenever the Corps notifies an applicant that an Individual Permit may be required, authorization under this PGP is void and no work may be conducted until the individual Corps permit is obtained or until the Corps notifies the applicant that further review has demonstrated that the work may proceed under this PGP.

**5. Single and Complete Projects.** This PGP shall not be used for piecemeal work and shall be applied to single and complete projects. All components of a single project shall be treated together as constituting one single and complete project and/or all planned phases of a multi-phased project (e.g., subdivisions should include all work such as roads, utilities, and lot development) unless the Corps determines that a component has independent utility. (The *Independent Utility* test is used to determine what constitutes a single and complete project in the Corps regulatory program. A project is considered to have independent utility if it would be constructed absent the construction of other projects in the project area. Portions of a multi-phase project that depend upon other phases of the project do not have independent utility. Phases of a project that would be constructed even if the other phases were not built can be considered as separate single and complete projects with independent utility.) For linear projects, such as power lines or pipelines with multiple

crossings, the “single and complete project” (i.e., single and complete crossing) will apply to each crossing of a separate water of the U.S. (i.e., single waterbody) at that location; except that for linear projects crossing a single waterbody several times at separate and distant locations, each crossing is considered a single and complete project, and may be reviewed for Category 1 eligibility. (However, individual channels in a braided stream or river, or individual arms of a large, irregularly-shaped wetland or lake, etc., are not separate waterbodies.) If any crossing requires a Category 2 activity, then the entire linear project shall be reviewed as one project under Category 2. Also, this PGP shall not be used for any activity that is part of an overall project for which an Individual Permit is required, unless the Corps determines the activity has independent utility.

**6. Permit On-Site.** For Category 2 projects, the permittee shall ensure that a copy of this PGP and the accompanying authorization letter are at the work site (and the project office) authorized by this PGP whenever work is being performed, and that all personnel with operation control of the site ensure that all appropriate personnel performing work are fully aware of its terms and conditions. The entire permit authorization shall be made a part of any and all contracts and sub-contracts for work that affects areas of Corps jurisdiction at the site of the work authorized by this PGP. This shall be achieved by including the entire permit authorization in the specifications for work. The term “entire permit authorization” means this PGP and the authorization letter (including its drawings, plans, appendices and other attachments) and also includes permit modifications. If the authorization letter is issued after the construction specifications, but before receipt of bids or quotes, the entire permit authorization shall be included as an addendum to the specifications. If the authorization letter is issued after receipt of bids or quotes, the entire permit authorization shall be included in the contract or sub-contract as a change order. Although the permittee may assign various aspects of the work to different contractors or sub-contractors, all contractors and sub-contractors shall be obligated by contract to comply with all environmental protection provisions contained within the entire PGP authorization, and no contract or sub-contract shall require or allow unauthorized work in areas of Corps jurisdiction.

### **National Concerns**

**7. St. John/St. Croix Rivers.** This covers work within the Saint John and Saint Croix River basins that requires approval of the International Joint Commission. This includes any temporary or permanent use, obstruction or diversion of international boundary waters which could affect the natural flow or levels of waters on the Canadian side of the line, as well as any construction or maintenance of remedial works, protective works, dams, or other obstructions in waters downstream from boundary waters when the activity could raise the natural level of water on the Canadian side of the boundary.

**8. Historic Properties.** Any activity authorized by this PGP shall comply with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act. Information on the location and existence of historic resources can be obtained from the Maine Historic Preservation Commission, the National Register of Historic Places, and the Penobscot, Passamaquoddy, Micmac, and Maliseet Tribal Historic Preservation Officers. See Page 17 for historic properties contacts. If the permittee, either prior to construction or during construction of the work authorized herein, encounters a previously unidentified archaeological or other cultural resource, within the area subject to Department of the Army jurisdiction, that might be eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places, he/she shall stop work and immediately notify the District Engineer and the Maine Historic Preservation Commission and/or applicable Tribe(s).

**9. National Lands.** Activities authorized by this PGP shall not impinge upon the value of any National Wildlife Refuge, National Forest, National Marine Sanctuary, National Park or any other area administered by the National Park Service.

**10. Endangered Species.** No activity may be authorized under this PGP which:

- is likely to adversely affect a threatened or endangered species, a proposed species, designated critical habitat, or proposed critical habitat as identified under the Federal ESA,
- would result in a “take” of any threatened or endangered species of fish or wildlife, or
- would result in any other violation of Section 9 of the ESA protecting threatened or endangered species of plants.

Applicants shall notify the Corps if any listed species or critical habitat, or proposed species or critical habitat, is in the vicinity of the project and shall not begin work until notified by the District Engineer (DE) that the requirements of the ESA have been satisfied and that the activity is authorized. Information on the location of threatened and endangered species and their critical habitat can be obtained from the U.S. FWS and NMFS (see Page 16 for addresses).

**11. Essential Fish Habitat.** As part of the PGP screening process, the Corps will coordinate with NMFS in accordance with the 1996 amendments to the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act to protect and conserve the habitat of marine, estuarine and anadromous finfish, mollusks, and crustaceans. This habitat is termed “Essential Fish Habitat (EFH)”, and is broadly defined to include “those waters and substrate necessary to fish for spawning, breeding, feeding, or growth to maturity.” Applicants may be required to describe and identify potential impacts to EFH. Conservation recommendations made by NMFS will normally be included as a permit requirement by the Corps. For additional information, see the EFH regulations at 50 CFR Part 600 (<http://www.nmfs.noaa.gov>). Additional information on the location of EFH can be obtained from NMFS (see Page 16 for contact information).

Any work in any aquatic habitat in the following rivers and streams, including all tributaries to the extent that they are currently or were historically accessible for salmon migration, shall not be authorized under Category 1 of the PGP and must be screened for potential impacts to EFH.

Androscoggin River	Hobart Stream	Passagassawaukeag River	Saco River
Aroostook River	Kennebec River	Patten Stream	Sheepscot River
Boyden River	Machias River	Penobscot River	St. Croix River
Dennys River	Narraguagus River	Pleasant River	Tunk Stream
Ducktrap River	Orland River	Presumpscot River	Union River
East Machias River			

**12. Wild and Scenic Rivers.** Any activity that occurs in a component of, or within 0.25 mile up or downstream of, the main stem or tributaries of a river segment of the National Wild and Scenic River System, must be reviewed by the Corps under the procedures of Category 2 of this PGP regardless of size of impact. This condition applies to both designated Wild and Scenic Rivers and rivers designated by Congress as study rivers for possible inclusion while such rivers are in an official study status. The Corps will consult with the National Park Service (NPS) with regard to potential impacts of the proposed work on the resource values of the Wild and Scenic River. The culmination of this coordination will be a determination by the NPS and the Corps that the work: (1) may proceed as proposed; (2) may proceed with recommended conditions; or (3) could pose a direct and adverse effect on the resource values of the river and an individual permit is required. If

preapplication consultation between the applicant and the NPS has occurred whereby NPS has made a determination that the proposed project is appropriate for authorization under this PGP (with respect to Wild and Scenic River issues), this determination should be furnished to the Corps with submission of the application. (See NPS address on Page 16.) National Wild and Scenic Rivers System segments for Maine as of September 2005 include: Allagash River beginning at Telos Dam continuing to Allagash checkpoint at Eliza Hole Rapids, approximately 3 miles upstream of the confluence with the St. John River (length = 92 miles).

**13. Federal Navigation Project.** Any structure or work that extends closer to the horizontal limits of any Corps Federal Navigation Project (See Appendix B) than a distance of three times the project's authorized depth shall be subject to removal at the owner's expense prior to any future Corps dredging or the performance of periodic hydrographic surveys.

**14. Navigation.** (a) There shall be no unreasonable interference with navigation by the existence or use of the activity authorized herein and no attempt shall be made by the permittee to prevent the full and free use by the public of all navigable waters at or adjacent to the activity authorized herein. (b) The permittee understands and agrees that, if future operations by the United States require the removal, relocation, or other alteration, of the structure or work herein authorized, or if, in the opinion of the Secretary of the Army or his authorized representative, said structure or work shall cause unreasonable obstruction to the free navigation of the navigable waters, the permittee will be required, upon due notice from the Corps of Engineers, to remove, relocate, or alter the structural work or obstructions caused thereby, without expense to the United States. No claim shall be made against the United States on account of any such removal or alteration.

**15. Federal Liability.** In issuing this permit, the Federal Government does not assume any liability for the following: (a) damages to the permitted project or uses thereof as a result of other permitted or unpermitted activities or from natural causes; (b) damages to the permitted project or uses thereof as a result of current or future activities undertaken by or on behalf of the United States (U.S.) in the public interest; (c) damages to persons, property, or to other permitted or unpermitted activities or structures caused by the activity authorized by this permit; (d) design or construction deficiencies associated with the permitted work; (e) damage claims associated with any future modification, suspension, or revocation of this permit.

#### **Minimization of Environmental Impacts**

**16. Minimization.** Discharges of dredged or fill material into waters of the United States, including wetlands, shall be avoided and minimized to the maximum extent practicable. Permittees may only fill those jurisdictional wetlands that the Corps authorizes to be filled and impact those wetlands that the Corps authorizes as secondary impacts. For coastal structures such as piers and docks, the height above the marsh at all points should be equal to or exceed the width of the deck. The height shall be measured from the marsh substrate to the bottom of the longitudinal support beam. This will help ensure sunlight reaches the area beneath the structure.

**17. Heavy Equipment in Wetlands.** Heavy equipment, other than fixed equipment (drill rigs, fixed cranes, etc.), working within wetlands shall not be stored, maintained or repaired in wetlands unless it is less environmentally damaging otherwise, and as much as possible shall not be operated there. Where construction requires heavy equipment operation in wetlands, the equipment shall

either have low ground pressure (<3 psi), or shall not be located directly on wetland soils and vegetation; it shall be placed on swamp or timber mats that are adequate to support the equipment in such a way as to minimize disturbance of wetland soil and vegetation. (See General Condition 18 below.) Other support structures that are less impacting and are capable of safely supporting equipment may be used with written Corps authorization. Similarly, not using mats during frozen, dry or other conditions may be allowed with written Corps authorization. An adequate supply of spill containment equipment shall be maintained on site.

NOTE: "Swamp mats" is a generic term used to describe structures that distribute equipment weight to prevent wetland damage while facilitating passage and providing work platforms for workers and equipment. They are comprised of sheets or mats made from a variety of materials in various sizes, and they include large timbers bolted or cabled together (timber mats). Corduroy roads, which are not considered to be swamp mats, are cut trees and/or saplings with the crowns and branches removed, and the trunks lined up next to one another.

**18. Temporary Fill.** Fill placed into waters of the U.S. (including wetlands) totaling greater than or equal to 4,300 SF (15,000 SF if a DEP Tier One Permit is issued) in total area (i.e., the sum of permanent and temporary fill areas) exceeds the Category 1 threshold and may not be discharged without written authorization from the Corps. When temporary fill is used (e.g., access roads, swamp mats, cofferdams), it shall be stabilized and maintained during construction in such a way as to prevent soil eroding into portions of waters of the U.S. where it is not authorized. Swamp or timber mats (see Gen.Cond. 17 above) are considered as temporary fill when they are removed immediately upon work completion. The area must be restored in accordance with Gen.Cond. 19.

- Unconfined temporary fill authorized for discharge into flowing water (rivers and streams) shall consist only of clean washed stone.
- Temporary fill authorized for discharge into wetlands shall be placed on geotextile fabric laid on the pre-construction wetland grade. (Swamp and timber mats are excluded from this requirement.)
- Temporary fill shall be removed as soon as it is no longer needed, and it shall be disposed of at an upland site and suitably contained to prevent subsequent erosion into waters of the U.S.
- Waters of the U.S. where temporary fill was discharged shall be restored (see Gen.Cond. 19).
- No temporary work shall drain a water of the U.S. by providing a conduit for water on or below the surface.

**19. Restoration.**

- Upon completion of construction, all disturbed wetland areas (the disturbance of these areas must be authorized) shall be stabilized with a wetland seed mix containing only plant species native to New England.
- The introduction or spread of invasive plant species in disturbed areas shall be controlled.
- In areas of authorized temporary disturbance, if trees are cut they shall be cut at ground level and not uprooted in order to prevent disruption to the wetland soil structure and to allow stump sprouts to revegetate the work area, unless otherwise authorized.
- Wetland areas where permanent disturbance is not authorized shall be restored to their original condition and elevation, which under no circumstances shall be higher than the pre-construction elevation. Original condition means careful protection and/or removal of existing soil and vegetation, and replacement back to the original location such that the original soil layering and vegetation schemes are approximately the same, unless otherwise authorized.

**20. Coastal Bank Stabilization.** Projects involving construction or reconstruction/maintenance of bank stabilization structures within Corps jurisdiction should be designed to minimize environmental effects, effects to neighboring properties, scour, etc. to the maximum extent practicable. For example, vertical bulkheads should only be used in situations where reflected wave energy can be tolerated. This generally eliminates bodies of water where the reflected wave energy may interfere with or impact on harbors, marinas, or other developed shore areas. A revetment is sloped and is typically employed to absorb the direct impact of waves more effectively than a vertical seawall. It typically has a less adverse effect on the beach in front of it, abutting properties and wildlife. For more information, see the Corps Coastal Engineering Manual (supersedes the Shore Protection Manual), located at <http://chl.erdc.usace.army.mil>. Select “Products/ Services,” “Publications.” Part 5, Chapter 7-8, a(2)c is particularly relevant.

**21. Sedimentation and Erosion Control.** Adequate sedimentation and erosion control management measures, practices and devices, such as phased construction, vegetated filter strips, geotextile silt fences, hay bales or other devices, shall be installed and properly maintained to reduce erosion and retain sediment on-site during and after construction. They shall be capable of preventing erosion, of collecting sediment, suspended and floating materials, and of filtering fine sediment. These devices must be removed in a timely manner upon completion of work, but not until the disturbed areas have been stabilized. The sediment collected by these devices shall be removed and placed at an upland location in a manner that will prevent its later erosion into a waterway or wetland. All exposed soil and other fills shall be permanently stabilized at the earliest practicable date.

## **22. Waterway Crossings.**

(a) All temporary and permanent crossings of waterbodies (waterways and wetlands) shall be suitably culverted, bridged, or otherwise designed to withstand and to prevent the restriction of high flows, to maintain existing low flows, and to not obstruct the movement of aquatic life indigenous to the waterbody beyond the actual duration of construction. (NOTE: Areas of fill and/or cofferdams must be included in total waterway/wetlands impacts to determine applicability of this PGP).

(b) Aquatic Life Movements. No activity may substantially disrupt the necessary life-cycle movements of those species of aquatic life indigenous to the waterbody, including those species that normally migrate through the area, unless the activity’s primary purpose is to impound water. For new permanent crossings, open bottom arches, bridge spans or embedded culverts are generally preferred over traditional culverts and should be installed when practicable. Coordination with the Corps is recommended for Category 1 projects when site constraints (e.g., placing footings) may render open bottom arches, bridge spans or embedded culverts impractical. In these cases, well-designed culverts may actually perform better. Culverts shall be installed with their inverts embedded below existing streambed grade to avoid “hanging” and associated impediments to fish passage. The “Design of Road Culverts for Fish Passage” provides design guidance and is available at [www.nae.usace.army.mil](http://www.nae.usace.army.mil), “Regulatory/Permitting,” “Other.”

(c) Culverts at waterbody crossings shall be installed in such a manner as to preserve hydraulic connectivity, at its present level, between the wetlands on either side of the road. The permittee shall take necessary measures to correct wetland damage due to lack of hydraulic connectivity.

(d) Culverts and bridges shall span the waterway a minimum of 1.2 times the bankfull width in probable fish bearing waterways to qualify as a Category 1 non-reporting activity. See “Design of Road Culverts for Fish Passage,” referenced in (b) above, for information on bankfull width.

(e) Projects using slip lining (retrofitting an existing culvert by inserting a smaller diameter pipe), plastic pipes, and High Density Polyethylene Pipes (HDPP) are not allowed as non-reporting Category 1 activities, either as new work or maintenance activities.

(f) Waterbody crossings shall be culverted to at least municipal or State standards. The Maine DEP's stream crossing standards are at 06-096, Chapter 305: Permit by Rule, Section 10. Stream crossings (bridges, culverts and fords).

(g) Waterway crossings proposed by the Maine Dept. of Transportation should conform to the MDOT Fish Passage Policy and Design Guides.

(h) Construction equipment shall not cross streams without the use of temporary bridges, culverts, or cofferdams.

(i) For projects that otherwise meet the terms of Category 1, in-stream construction work shall be conducted during the low flow period July 15 - October 1 in any year. Projects that are not to be conducted during that time period are ineligible for Category 1 and shall be screened pursuant to Category 2, regardless of the waterway and wetland fill and/or impact area.

**23. Discharge of Pollutants.** All activities involving any discharge of pollutants into waters of the U.S. authorized under this PGP shall be consistent with applicable water quality standards, effluent limitations, standards of performance, prohibitions, and pretreatment standards and management practices established pursuant to the CWA (33 USC 1251) and applicable State and local laws. If applicable water quality standards, limitations, etc., are revised or modified during the term of this PGP, the authorized work shall be modified to conform with these standards within six months of the effective date of such revision or modification, or within a longer period of time deemed reasonable by the District Engineer in consultation with the Regional Administrator of the EPA. Applicants may presume that State water quality standards are met with the issuance of a LURC or DEP NRPA permit.

**24. Spawning Areas.** Discharges of dredged or fill material, and/or suspended sediment producing activities in fish and shellfish spawning or nursery areas and amphibian and waterfowl breeding areas during spawning or breeding seasons shall be avoided. During all times of year, impacts to these areas shall be avoided or minimized to the maximum extent practicable.

**25. Storage of Seasonal Structures.** Coastal structures, such as pier sections and floats, that are removed from the waterway for a portion of the year (often referred to as seasonal structures) shall be stored in an upland location located above mean high water (MHW) and not in tidal wetlands. These seasonal structures may be stored on the fixed, pile-supported portion of the structure that is seaward of MHW. This is intended to prevent structures from being stored on the marsh substrate and the substrate seaward of MHW. Seasonal storage of structures in navigable waters, e.g., in a protected cove on a mooring, requires Corps and local harbormaster approval.

**26. Environmental Functions and Values.** The permittee shall make every reasonable effort to carry out the construction or operation of the work authorized herein in a manner so as to maintain as much as is practicable, and minimize any adverse impacts on existing fish, wildlife, and natural environmental functions and values.

**27. Protection of Vernal Pools.** Impacts to uplands in proximity (within 500 feet) to the vernal pools referenced in Appendix A - Definitions of Categories, shall be minimized to the maximum extent possible.

## **Procedural Conditions**

**28. Cranberry Development Projects.** For cranberry development projects authorized under the PGP, the following conditions apply:

- If a cranberry bog is abandoned for any reason, the area must be allowed to revert to natural wetlands unless an Individual Permit is obtained from the Corps allowing the discharge of fill for an alternate use.
- No stream diversion shall be allowed under this permit.
- No impoundment of perennial streams shall be allowed under this permit.
- The project shall be designed and constructed to not cause flood damage on adjacent properties.

**29. Inspections.** The permittee shall allow the District Engineer (DE) or his authorized representative(s) to make periodic inspections at any time deemed necessary in order to ensure that the work is being performed in accordance with the terms and conditions of this permit. The DE may also require post-construction engineering drawings for completed work and post-dredging survey drawings for any dredging work.

**30. Work Start Notification Form and Compliance Certification.** Every permittee who receives a written Category 1 or 2 PGP authorization from the Corps must submit a 1) Work Start Notification Form (WSNF) two weeks before work commencement, and 2) signed Compliance Certification Form within one month following the completion of the authorized work and any required mitigation (but not mitigation monitoring, which requires separate submittals). The Corps will forward the blank WSNF and Compliance Certification Form with the authorization letter. The Compliance Certification Form will include: (a) a statement that the authorized work was done in accordance with the Corps authorization, including any general or specific conditions; (b) a statement that any required mitigation was completed in accordance with the permit conditions; and (c) the signature of the permittee certifying the completion of the work and mitigation.

**31. Maintenance.** The permittee shall maintain the work or structures authorized herein in good condition and in conformance with the terms and conditions of this permit. This does not include maintenance of dredging projects. Maintenance dredging is subject to the review thresholds in Appendix A and/or any conditions included in a written Corps authorization. Maintenance dredging includes only those areas and depths previously authorized and dredged. Some maintenance activities may not be subject to regulation under Section 404 in accordance with 33 CFR 323.4(a)(2).

**32. Property Rights.** This permit does not convey any property rights, either in real estate or material, or any exclusive privileges, nor does it authorize any injury to property or invasion of rights or any infringement of Federal, State, or local laws or regulations. If property associated with work authorized by the PGP is sold, the PGP authorization is automatically transferred to the new property owner. The new property owner should provide this information to the Corps in writing. No acknowledgement from the Corps is necessary.

**33. Modification, Suspension, and Revocation.** This permit may be either modified, suspended, or revoked, in whole or in part, pursuant to the policies and procedures of 33 CFR 325.7. Any such action shall not be the basis for any claim for damages against the United States.

**34. Restoration.** The permittee, upon receipt of a notice of revocation of authorization under this permit, shall restore the wetland or waterway to its former condition without expense to the United States and as directed by the Secretary of the Army or his authorized representative. If the permittee fails to comply with such a directive, the Secretary or his designee may restore the wetland or waterway to its former condition, by contract or otherwise, and recover the cost from the permittee.

**35. Special Conditions.** The Corps, independently or at the request of the Federal resource agencies, may impose other special conditions on a project authorized pursuant to this general permit that are determined necessary to minimize adverse environmental effects or based on any other factor of the public interest. Failure to comply with all conditions of the authorization, including special conditions, will constitute a permit violation and may subject the permittee to criminal, civil, or administrative penalties or restoration.

**36. False or Incomplete Information.** If the Corps makes a determination regarding the eligibility of a project under this permit and subsequently discovers that it has relied on false, incomplete, or inaccurate information provided by the permittee, the permit shall not be valid and the government may institute appropriate legal proceedings.

**37. Abandonment.** If the permittee decides to abandon the activity authorized under this general permit, unless such abandonment is merely the transfer of property to a third party, he/she must restore the area to the satisfaction of the District Engineer.

**Duration of Authorization/Grandfathering:**

**38. Duration of Authorization.** This PGP expires five years from the effective date listed at the top of Page 1. Activities authorized under Category 1 of this PGP that have commenced (i.e., are under construction) or are under contract to commence in reliance upon this PGP's authorization will remain authorized provided the activity is completed within 12 months of the PGP's expiration date. Activities authorized under Category 2 of this PGP will remain authorized in accordance with the project-specific date that the Corps provides to the permittee in the PGP authorization letter, unless:

- (a) The PGP is either modified or revoked, or
- (b) Discretionary authority has been exercised on a case-by-case basis to modify, suspend, or revoke the authorization in accordance with 33 CFR 325.2 (e)(2).

**39. Previously Authorized Activities.**

- (a) Activities completed under the authorizations of past PGPs that were in effect at the time the activity was completed will continue to be authorized by those PGPs.
- (b) Completed projects that have received written verification or approval from the Corps, based on applications made to the Corps prior to issuance of this PGP or the previous nationwide permits, regional general permits, or letters of permission shall remain authorized as specified in each authorization.
- (c) Activities authorized pursuant to 33 CFR Part 330.3 ("Activities occurring before certain dates") are not affected by this PGP.

## VI. CONTACTS FOR MAINE PROGRAMMATIC GENERAL PERMIT:

### 1. FEDERAL

#### U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

Maine Project Office  
675 Western Avenue #3  
Manchester, Maine 04351  
(207) 623-8367  
(207) 623-8206 (fax)

#### Federal Endangered Species

U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service  
Maine Field Office  
1168 Main Street  
Old Town, Maine 04468  
(207) 827-5938  
207-827-6099 (fax)

#### Wild and Scenic Rivers

National Park Service  
North Atlantic Region  
15 State Street  
Boston, Massachusetts 02109  
(617) 223-5203

#### Federal Endangered Species & Essential Fish Habitat

National Marine Fisheries Service  
One Blackburn Drive  
Gloucester, Massachusetts 01939  
(978) 281-9102  
(978) 281-9301 (fax)

#### Bridge Permits

Commander (obr)  
First Coast Guard District  
One South Street - Battery Bldg  
New York, New York 10004  
(212) 668-7021

### 2. STATE OF MAINE

#### Maine Department of Environmental Protection (For State Permits & Water Quality Certifications)

Division of Land Resource Regulation  
Bureau of Land and Water Quality  
17 State House Station  
Augusta, Maine 04333  
(207) 287-2111

Southern Maine Regional Office  
312 Canco Road  
Portland, Maine 04103  
(201) 822-6300

Eastern Maine Regional Office  
106 Hogan Road  
Bangor, Maine 04401  
(207) 941-4570

Northern Maine Regional Office  
1235 Central Drive - Skyway Park  
Presque Isle, Maine 04769  
(207) 764-0477

#### Maine Land Use Regulation Commission (LURC) [call (800) 452-8711 for appropriate LURC office]

22 State House Station  
Augusta, ME 04333-0022  
(207) 287-2631  
(207) 287-7439 (fax)

45 Radar Road  
Ashland, ME 04732-3600  
(207) 435-7963  
(207) 435-7184 (fax)

Lakeview Drive  
P.O. Box 1107  
Greenville, ME 04441  
(207) 695-2466  
(207) 695-2380 (fax)

(For CZM Determinations)

State Planning Office  
Coastal Program  
184 State Street  
State House Station 38  
Augusta, Maine 04333  
(207) 287-1009

(For Submerged Lands Leases)

Maine Department of Conservation  
Bureau of Parks and Lands  
22 State House Station  
Augusta, Maine 04333  
(207) 287-3061

**3. HISTORIC PROPERTIES**

Maine Historic Preservation Commission

State House Station 65  
Augusta, Maine 04333-0065  
(207) 287-2132  
(207) 287-2335 (fax)

Aroostook Band of Micmacs

Attn: Mr. Williams Phillips, Chief  
7 Northern Road  
Presque Isle, Maine 04769  
(207) 764-1972  
(207) 764-7667 (fax)

Houlton Band of Maliseet Indians

Attn: Tribal Chief  
88 Bell Road  
Littleton, Maine 04730  
(207) 532-4273, x215  
(207) 532-2660 (fax)

191 Main Street  
East Millinocket, ME 04430  
(207) 746-2244  
(207) 746-2243

(For Aquaculture Leases)

Maine Department of Marine Resources  
P.O. Box 8  
West Boothbay Harbor, Maine 04575  
(207) 633-9500

Passamaquoddy Tribe of Indians

Pleasant Point Reservation  
Attn: Tribal Council  
P.O. Box 343  
Perry, Maine 04667  
(207) 853-2600  
(207) 853-6039 (fax)

Passamaquoddy Tribe of Indians

Indian Township Reservation  
Attn: Donald Soctomah, THPO  
P.O. Box 301  
Princeton, Maine 04668  
(207) 796-2301  
(207) 796-5256 (fax)

Penobscot Indian Nation

Indian Island Reservation  
Attn: Ms. Bonnie Newsom, THPO  
12 Wabanaki Way  
Indian Island, Maine 04468  
(207) 817-7471  
(207) 817-7450 (fax)

**4. ORGANIZATIONAL WEBSITES:**

Army Corps of Engineers	<a href="http://www.nae.usace.army.mil">www.nae.usace.army.mil</a> (click "Regulatory/Permitting")
Corps of Engineers Headquarters	<a href="http://www.usace.army.mil">www.usace.army.mil</a> (click "Services for the Public")
Environmental Protection Agency	<a href="http://www.epa.gov/owow/wetlands/">www.epa.gov/owow/wetlands/</a>
National Marine Fisheries Service	<a href="http://www.nmfs.noaa.gov">www.nmfs.noaa.gov</a>
U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service	<a href="http://www.fws.gov">www.fws.gov</a>
National Park Service	<a href="http://www.nps.gov/rivers/index.html">www.nps.gov/rivers/index.html</a>
State of Maine	<a href="http://www.maine.gov">www.maine.gov</a>
State of Maine -Aquaculture Guidelines	<a href="http://www.maine.gov/dmr/aquaculture/index.htm">www.maine.gov/dmr/aquaculture/index.htm</a>

*for* Christine J. Gray 10-11-05  
District Engineer Date

**APPENDIX A: DEFINITION OF CATEGORIES**

<p><b>A. INLAND WATERS AND WETLANDS</b></p>	<p><b>Inland Waters and Wetlands:</b> Waters that are regulated under Section 404 of the Clean Water Act, including rivers, streams, lakes, ponds and wetlands, and excluding Section 10 Navigable Waters of the U.S. The jurisdictional limits are the ordinary high water (OHW) mark in the absence of adjacent wetlands, beyond the OHW mark to the limit of adjacent wetlands when adjacent wetlands are present, and the wetland limit when only wetlands are present. For the purposes of this PGP, fill placed in the area between the mean high water (MHW) and the high tide line (HTL), and in the bordering and contiguous wetlands<sup>1</sup> to tidal waters are reviewed in the Navigable Waters section. (See II. Navigable Waters on the next page.)</p>		
	<p><b>CATEGORY 1</b></p>	<p>&lt;4,300 SF inland waterway and/or wetland fill and associated secondary impacts (e.g., areas drained, flooded, cleared or excavated). Fill area includes all temporary and permanent fill, and excavation discharges (except for incidental fallback). Swamp mats are considered as fill. [See General Condition (GC) 18.]</p> <p><u>Provided:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• In-stream (e.g., rivers, streams, brooks, etc.) work limited to Jul 15 - Oct 1</li> <li>• In-stream work of up to 4,300 SF of fill below OHW in waterways not designated as EFH for Atlantic salmon (see GC 11, Page 9) and performed in accordance with Maine Permit By Rule standards or a LURC permit.</li> <li>• Waterway crossings shall comply with GC 22.</li> <li>• Projects covered by a DEP Tier One permit with no cumulative impacts &gt; 15,000 SF in inland wetlands from previous permits, unauthorized work, and/or other state permits.</li> <li>• Subdivision fill complies with GC 5, Single and Complete Projects (see Page 7).</li> </ul> <p><u>This category excludes:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dams, dikes or activities involving water diversions.<sup>2</sup></li> <li>• Non-State approved sediment releases/slucices from dams.</li> <li>• Open trench excavation in flowing waters (see GC 22, Page 12).</li> </ul>	<p><b>CATEGORY 2</b></p>
<p><b>INDIVIDUAL PERMIT</b></p>	<p>≥3 acres inland waterway and/or wetland fill and secondary impacts (e.g., areas drained, flooded, cleared or excavated). Fill area includes all temporary and permanent fill, and excavation discharges (except for incidental fallback).<sup>5</sup></p> <p>EIS required by the Corps.</p> <p>In-stream work exceeding Category 2 limits.</p>	<p>4,300 SF to &lt;3 acres inland waterway and/or wetland fill and associated secondary impacts (e.g., areas drained, flooded, cleared or excavated). Fill area includes all temporary and permanent fill, and excavation discharges (except for incidental fallback). Swamp mats filling any area ≥4,300 SF are reviewed in Category 2. (See GC 18, Page 11.)</p> <p><u>Includes:</u> In-stream work, including crossings (other than spanned crossing as described in Category 1) with any discharge of fill below ordinary high water in perennial waterways designated as EFH for Atlantic salmon. Time of year restrictions determined case-by-case.</p> <p>Projects with proactive restoration as a primary purpose with impacts of any area ≥4,300 SF. The Corps, in consultation with State &amp; Federal agencies, must determine that net adverse effects are not more than minimal.</p> <p>Specific activities with impacts of any area ≥4,300 SF required to affect the containment, stabilization, or removal of hazardous or toxic waste materials that are performed, ordered, or sponsored by a government agency with established legal or regulatory authority. Wetlands must be restored in place.</p>	<p align="center">1</p>
<p>Maine PGP</p>	<p align="right">October 11, 2005</p>		

	CATEGORY 1	CATEGORY 2	INDIVIDUAL PERMIT
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Work in waters designated as EFH for Atlantic salmon (see GC 11, Page 9), unless the waterway is crossed with a span and footprints of the span abutments are outside ordinary high water with no more than 4,300 SF of associated wetland impact.</li> <li>• Work in Special Inland Waters or Wetlands<sup>3</sup> (vernal pools).</li> <li>• Work in special aquatic sites (SAS)<sup>4</sup> other than wetlands.</li> <li>• Work within ¼ mile of a Wild and Scenic River (see GC 12, Page 9).</li> <li>• Work on National Lands (see GC 9, Pg. 9).</li> <li>• Work affecting threatened or endangered species (see GC 10, Page 9) or EFH salmon migration (see GC 11, Page 9).</li> </ul>		
<b>(b) BANK STABILIZATION PROJECTS</b>	<p>Inland bank stabilization &lt;100 FT long and &lt;1 CY of fill per linear foot below OHW.</p> <p><u>Provided:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• In-stream work limited to Jul 15 - Oct 1.</li> <li>• No work in special inland waters &amp; wetlands<sup>3</sup> and SAS<sup>4</sup>.</li> <li>• No open trench excavation in flowing waters (see GC 22, Page 12).</li> <li>• No structures angled steeper than 3H:1V allowed. Only rough-faced stone or fiber roll revetments allowed.</li> <li>• No work affects threatened or endangered species (see GC 10, Page 9) or EFH (see GC 11, Page 9).</li> </ul>	<p>Inland bank stabilization ≥100 FT long and/or ≥1 CY of fill per linear foot, or any amount with fill in wetlands.</p>	
<b>(c) REPAIR AND MAINTENANCE OF AUTHORIZED FILLS</b>	<p>Repair or maintenance of existing, currently serviceable, authorized fills with no substantial expansion or change in use.</p> <p>*Conditions of the original authorization apply, however minor deviations in fill design allowed.<sup>6</sup></p>	<p>Replacement of non-serviceable fills, or repair/maintenance of serviceable fill, with expansion &lt;3 acres, or with a change in use.</p>	<p>Replacement of non-serviceable fill, or repair/maintenance of serviceable fill, with expansion ≥1 acre.</p>

<b>II. NAVIGABLE WATERS</b>		<b>Navigable Waters of the United States:</b> Waters that are subject to the ebb and flow of the tide and Federally designated navigable rivers (the Penobscot River, Kennebec River, and Lake Umbagog) (Section 10 Rivers and Harbors Act of 1899). The jurisdictional limits are the mean high water (MHW) line in tidal waters and the ordinary high water (OHW) mark in non-tidal portions of the Federally designated navigable rivers. For the purposes of this PGP, fill placed in the area between the mean high water (MHW) and the high tide line (HTL), and in the bordering and contiguous wetlands <sup>1</sup> to tidal waters are also reviewed in this Navigable Waters section.	
	<b>CATEGORY 1</b>	<b>CATEGORY 2</b>	<b>INDIVIDUAL PERMIT</b>
(a) FILL	Discharges of dredged or fill material incidental to the construction of bridges across navigable waters of the United States, including cofferdams, abutments, foundation seals, piers, and temporary construction and access fills provided the U.S. Coast Guard authorizes such discharges as part of the bridge permit. Causeways and approach fills are not included in this category and require Category 2 or Individual Permit authorization.	<1 acre fill and/or secondary waterway impacts (e.g., areas drained, flooded or cleared). Fill includes temporary and permanent waterway fill.  Temporary fill or excavation <1 acre in SAS <sup>4</sup> .  Permanent fill or excavation <1,000 SF in SAS <sup>4</sup> .  Permanent fill and/or excavation ≥1,000 SF in SAS <sup>3</sup> when associated with a project with proactive restoration as a primary purpose. The Corps, in consultation with Federal & state agencies, must determine that net adverse effects are not more than minimal.  Specific activities with impacts of any area required to affect the containment, stabilization, or removal of hazardous or toxic waste materials that are performed, ordered, or sponsored by a government agency with established legal or regulatory authority. Wetlands must be restored in place.	≥1 acre waterway fill and/or secondary waterways or wetland impacts (e.g., areas drained, flooded or cleared). Fill includes temporary and permanent waterway fill.  Temporary fill or excavation ≥1 acre in SAS <sup>4</sup> .  Permanent fill or excavation ≥1,000 SF in SAS <sup>4</sup> other than as specified in Cat. 2  EIS required by the Corps.
(b) REPAIR AND MAINTENANCE WORK	Repair or maintenance of existing, currently serviceable, authorized structure or fill with no substantial expansion or change in use. *Conditions of the original authorization apply. Must be rebuilt in same footprint, however minor deviations in structure design allowed <sup>6</sup>	Replacement of non-serviceable structures and fills or repair/maintenance of serviceable structures or fills, with fill, replacement or expansion <1 acre, or with a change in use.	Replacement of non-serviceable structures and fills or repair/maintenance of serviceable structures or fill, with replacement or expansion ≥1 acre.

	<b>CATEGORY 1</b>	<b>CATEGORY 2</b>	<b>INDIVIDUAL PERMIT</b>
(c) DREDGING AND ASSOCIATED DISPOSAL	<p>Maintenance dredging for navigational purposes &lt;1,000 cy with upland disposal. Includes return water from upland contained disposal area.</p> <p><u>Provided:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Proper siltation controls are used.</li> <li>• Dredging &amp; disposal operation limited to November 1 - January 15.</li> <li>• No impact to special aquatic sites<sup>4</sup>.</li> <li>• No dredging in intertidal areas.</li> <li>• No work affects threatened or endangered species (see GC 10, Page 9) or EFH salmon migration (see GC 11, Page 9).</li> </ul>	<p>Maintenance dredging <math>\geq 1,000</math> CY, new dredging &lt;25,000 CY, or projects not meeting Category 1. Includes return water from upland contained disposal areas.</p> <p><u>Provided:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Disposal includes 1) upland, 2) beach nourishment (above MHW) of any area provided dredging's primary purpose is navigation or sand is from an upland source and Corps, in consultation w/Federal and State agencies, determines the net adverse effects are not more than minimal; and</li> <li>3) open water &amp; confined aquatic disposal, if Corps, in consultation with Federal and State agencies, finds the material suitable.</li> </ul>	<p>Maintenance dredging and/or disposal (any amount) in or affecting a SAS<sup>4</sup>. See II(a) above for dredge disposal in wetlands or waters.</p> <p>New dredging <math>\geq 25,000</math> CY, or any amount in or affecting SAS<sup>4</sup>.</p> <p>Beach nourishment associated with dredging when the primary purpose is not navigation (i.e., aggregate/sand mining) or the material is from an upland source.</p>
(d) MOORINGS	<p>Private, non-commercial, non-rental, single-boat moorings authorized by the local harbormaster.</p> <p><u>Provided:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Not associated with any boating facility<sup>7</sup></li> <li>• Not located in a Federal Navigation Project other than a Federal Anchorage. Moorings in Federal Anchorage not associated with a boating facility<sup>7</sup>.</li> <li>• No interference with navigation</li> <li>• Not located in vegetated shallows<sup>8</sup></li> <li>• Within 1/4 mile of the owner's residence or a public access point.<sup>9</sup></li> </ul> <p>Minor relocation of previously authorized moorings and moored floats consistent with Harbormaster recommendations, provided it is also consistent with local regulations, is not located in vegetated shallows, and does not interfere with navigation.</p>	<p>Moorings associated with a boating facility<sup>7</sup>.</p> <p>Moorings that don't meet the terms in Category 1 and don't require an Individual Permit.</p> <p>Moorings located such that they, and/or vessels docked or moored at them, are within the buffer zone of the horizontal limits<sup>10</sup> of a Corps Federal Channel. (See Appendix B.) The buffer zone is equal to three times the authorized depth of that channel.</p>	<p>Moorings within the horizontal limits<sup>10</sup>, or with moored vessels that extend, into the horizontal limits of a Federal Navigation Project (See App. B), except those in Federal Anchorages under Category 1.</p> <p>Note: Federal Navigation Projects include both Federal Channels and Federal Anchorages.</p>

	<b>CATEGORY I</b>	<b>CATEGORY 2</b>	<b>INDIVIDUAL PERMIT</b>
(e) STRUCTURES AND FLOATS	<p>Reconfiguration of existing authorized structures or floats.</p> <p><u>Provided:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Structures not positioned over vegetated shallows<sup>8</sup> or salt marsh.</li> <li>Floats supported off substrate at low tide.</li> <li>No dredging, additional slips or expansion.</li> <li>No work affects threatened or endangered species (see GC 10, Page 9) or EFH salmon migration (see GC 11, Page 9)..</li> </ul>	<p>Private structures or floats, including floatways/skidways, built to access waterway (seasonal and permanent)</p> <p>Expansions to existing boating facilities<sup>7</sup>.</p> <p>Compliance with the following is recommended, but not required:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Pile-supported structures &lt;400 SF, with attached floats totaling ≤200 SF.</li> <li>Bottom anchored floats ≤200 SF.</li> <li>Structures are ≤4' wide and have at least a 1:1 height:width ratio<sup>11</sup>.</li> <li>Floats supported above the substrate during all tides.</li> <li>Structures &amp; floats not located within 25' of any vegetated shallows<sup>8</sup>.</li> <li>Moored vessels not positioned over SAS<sup>4</sup>.</li> <li>No structure located within 25' of the riparian property boundary.</li> <li>No structure extends across &gt;25% of the waterway width at mean low water.</li> <li>Not located within the buffer zone of the horizontal limits<sup>10</sup> of a Corps Federal Navigation Project (FNP) (See App. B). The buffer zone is equal to three times the authorized depth of that FNP.</li> </ul>	<p>Structures or floats, including floatways/skidways, located such that they and/or vessels docked or moored at them are within the horizontal limits of a Corps Federal Navigation Project (see App. B).</p> <p>Structures and floats associated with a new or previously unauthorized boating facility<sup>7</sup>.</p> <p>Note: Federal Navigation Projects include both Federal Channels and Federal Anchorages.</p>
(f) MISCELLANEOUS	<p>Temporary buoys, markers, floats, etc. for recreational use during specific events, provided they are removed within 30 days after use is discontinued.</p> <p>The placement of aids to navigation and regulatory markers which are approved by and installed in accordance with the requirements of the U.S. Coast Guard. (See 33 CFR part 66, Chapter I, subchapter C)."</p>	<p>Structures or work in or affecting tidal or navigable waters, that are not defined under any of the previous headings listed above. Includes, but is not limited to, utility lines, aerial transmission lines, pipelines, outfalls, boat ramps, floatways/skidways, bridges, tunnels and horizontal directional drilling activities seaward of the MHW line.</p>	<p>EIS required by the Corps.</p> <p>Shellfish/finfish (other than Atlantic salmon), or other aquaculture facilities with more than minimal individual and cumulative impacts to environmental resources or navigation. A 25' eelgrass set back is recommended.</p>

	<p>Oil spill clean-up temporary structures or fill. Fish/wildlife harvesting structures/fill (as defined by 33 CFR 330, App. A-4)</p> <p>Scientific measurement devices and survey activities such as exploratory drilling, surveying and sampling activities. Does not include oil and gas exploration and fill for roads or construction pads.</p> <p>Shellfish seeding (brushing the flats<sup>12</sup>) projects.</p> <p>Provided:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No work in National Wildlife Refuges.</li> <li>• No work affects threatened or endangered species (see GC 10, Page 9) or EFH salmon migration (see GC 11, Page 9).</li> </ul>	<p>Shellfish/finfish (other than Atlantic salmon), or other aquaculture facilities with no more than minimal individual and cumulative impacts to environmental resources or navigation. A 25' eelgrass set back is recommended. Aquaculture guidelines are provided at: <a href="http://www.maine.gov/dmr/aquaculture/index.htm">www.maine.gov/dmr/aquaculture/index.htm</a>.</p>	<p>Aquaculture guidelines are provided at: <a href="http://www.maine.gov/dmr/aquaculture/index.htm">www.maine.gov/dmr/aquaculture/index.htm</a>.</p>
--	---	--	--

<sup>1</sup> **Bordering and Contiguous Wetlands:** A bordering wetland is immediately next to its adjacent waterbody and may lie at, or below, the ordinary highwater mark (MHW in navigable waters) of that waterbody and is directly influenced by its hydrologic regime. Contiguous wetlands extend landward from their adjacent waterbody to a point where a natural or manmade discontinuity exists. Contiguous wetlands include bordering wetlands as well as wetlands that are situated immediately above the ordinary highwater mark and above the normal hydrologic influence of their adjacent waterbody. Note, with respect to the Federally designated navigable rivers, the wetlands bordering and contiguous to the tidally influenced portions of those rivers are reviewed under "II. Navigable Waters."

<sup>2</sup> **Water Diversions:** Water diversions are activities such as bypass pumping or water withdrawals. Temporary flume pipes, culverts or cofferdams where normal flows are maintained within the stream boundary's confines aren't water diversions. "Normal flows" are defined as no change in flow from pre-project conditions.

<sup>3</sup> **Special Inland Waters and Wetlands:** Vernal Pools - Temporary to permanent bodies of water occurring in shallow depressions that fill during the spring and fall and may dry during the summer. Vernal pools have no permanent or viable populations of predatory fish. Vernal pools provide the primary breeding habitat for wood frogs, spotted salamanders, blue-spotted salamanders, and fairy shrimp, and provide habitat for other wildlife including several endangered and threatened species.

<sup>4</sup> **Special Aquatic Sites:** Includes wetlands and saltmarsh, mudflats, riffles and pools, and vegetated shallows.

<sup>5</sup> **IP Required:** The greater the impacts, the more likely an Individual Permit will be required. The Corps will determine the need for compensatory mitigation on a case-by-case basis.

<sup>6</sup> **Maintenance:** Minor deviations in the structure's configuration or filled area, including those due to changes in materials, construction techniques, or current construction codes or safety standards, which are necessary to make repair, rehabilitation, or replacement are permitted, provided the adverse environmental effects resulting from such repair, rehabilitation or replacement are minimal. No seaward expansion for bulkheads or any other fill activity is considered Category I maintenance. Currently serviceable means useable as is or with some maintenance, but not so degraded as to essentially require reconstruction.

<sup>7</sup> **Boating Facilities:** Facilities that provide, rent, or sell mooring space, such as marinas, yacht clubs, boat yards, town facilities, dockominiums, etc.

<sup>8</sup> **Vegetated Shallows:** Subtidal areas that support rooted aquatic vegetation such as eelgrass

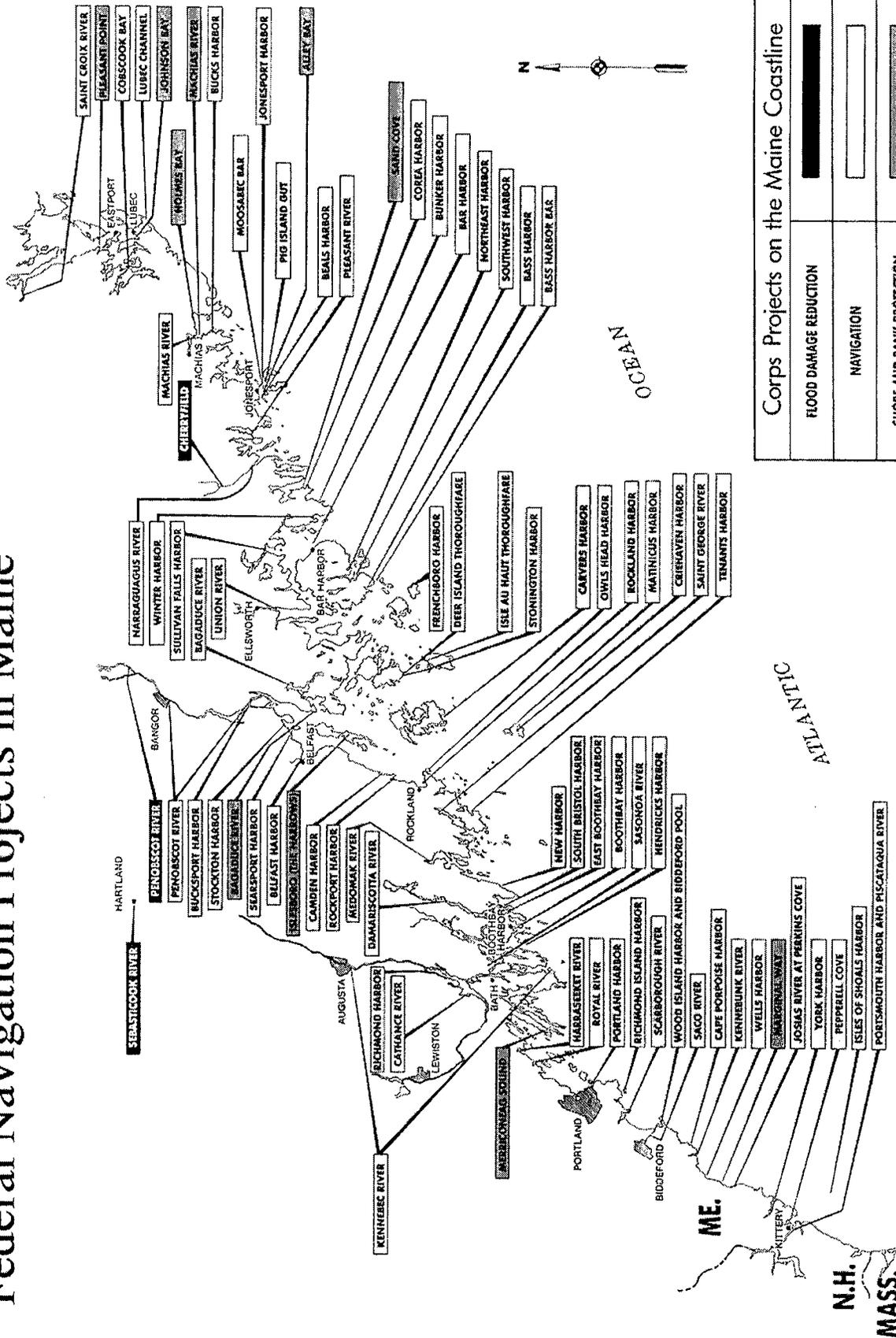
<sup>9</sup> **Mooring Location:** Cannot be at a remote location to create a convenient transient anchorage.

<sup>10</sup> **Horizontal Limits:** The outer edge of a Federal Navigation Project (FNP). Contact the Corps of Engineers for information on FNP's.

<sup>11</sup> **Structures:** The height of structures shall at all points be equal to or exceed the width of the deck. For the purpose of this definition, height shall be measured from the marsh substrate to the bottom of the longitudinal support beam.

<sup>12</sup> **Brushing the Flats:** The placement of tree boughs, wooden lath structure, or small-mesh fencing on mudflats to enhance recruitment of soft-shell clams (*Mya arenaria*).

# Federal Navigation Projects in Maine



Corps Projects on the Maine Coastline	
FLOOD DAMAGE REDUCTION	
NAVIGATION	
SHORE AND BANK PROTECTION	