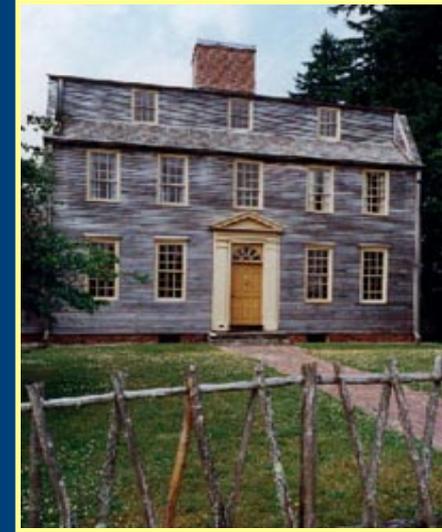


Environmental Reviews

(Manual, Section 4)



LAP Environmental Process

- Step 1: Kick-off Meeting
- Step 2: MaineDOT & Municipality Reviews
- Step 3: Documentation
- Check the table on page 4-3 of the Manual

CE Checklist-NEPA

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H. Social & Economic Impacts

MaineDOT & Municipality

- Section 106
 - National Register Listed or Eligible Historic Properties (See Manual, p. 4-11)
 - Historic Districts
 - Archaeological Resources



MaineDOT & Municipality

- Section 106
 - Impacts to Historic and Archaeological Resources should be minimized
 - Right-of-way acquisitions on historic properties can affect project schedule
 - Kick-off Meeting and coordination are crucial !



MaineDOT & Municipality

- Essential Fish Habitat:
(Magnusen-Stevens Act)
 - Consult with NOAA to avoid and minimize impacts to coastal and freshwater habitats



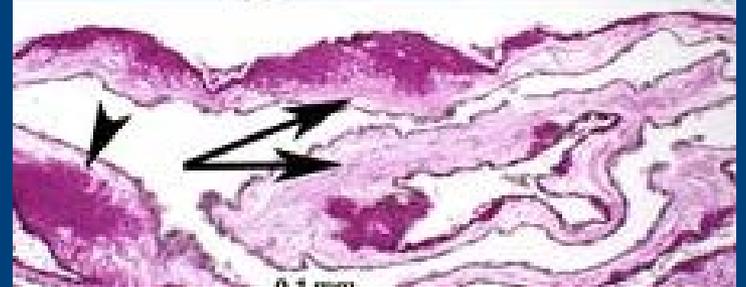
MaineDOT & Municipality

- Endangered Species-
Section 7
 - Atlantic Salmon, Shortnose Sturgeon, or Atlantic Sturgeon waters
(See Manual, page 4-15)
 - Canada Lynx
 - Consult with NOAA or USFWS to avoid & minimize



Section 7-Northern Long-Eared Bat

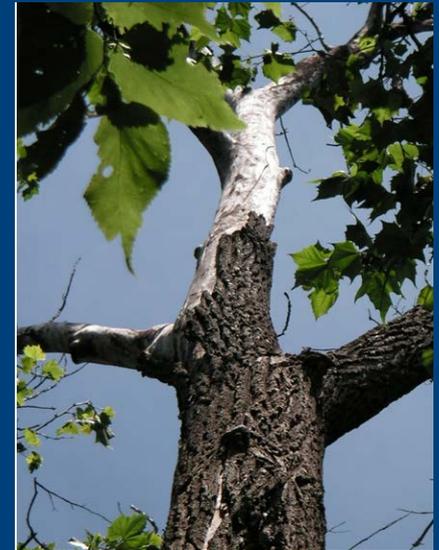
White Nose Syndrome – Fungal infection



Section 7-Northern Long Eared Bats

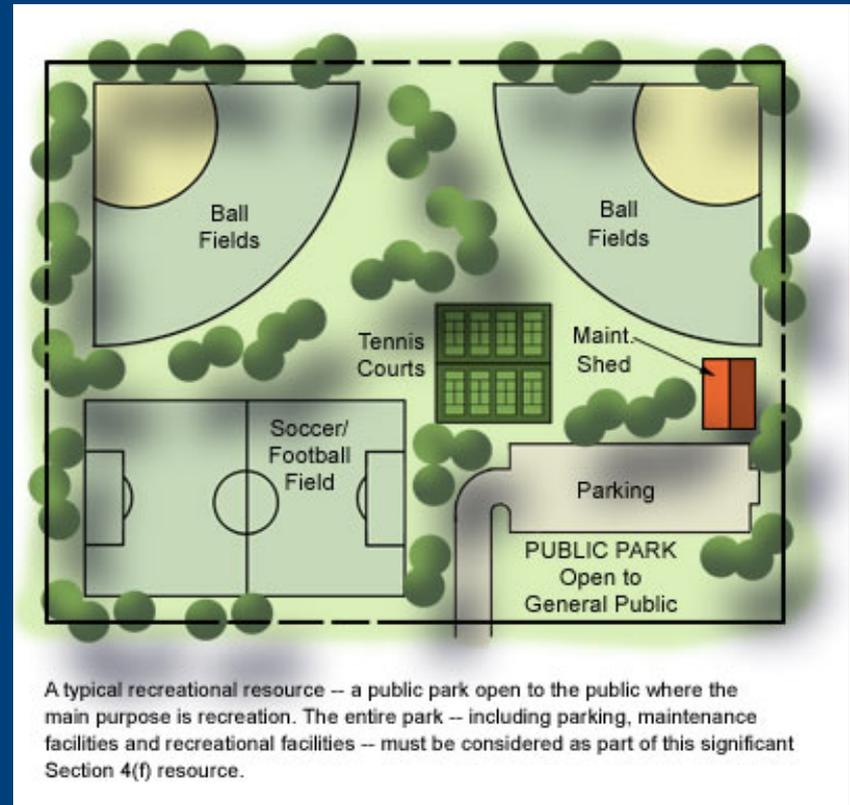


- May 2015
 - Listed as **threatened**
- January 2016
 - Final 4d rule
 - Streamlined consultation



MaineDOT

- Section 4(f)
 - Protects public parks, recreational areas, wildlife refuges, historic properties (See Manual, p. 4-5)
 - Right-of-way impacts on these types of properties require review and FHWA approval



MaineDOT

- Petroleum Contamination & Hazardous Waste (See manual, p. 4-7)



Municipality

- State and Federal Natural Resource Permits
 - Consult LAP Manual (p. 4-5)
 - Contact MaineDEP
 - Contact Army Corps of Engineers



Municipal Responsibilities

(Manual, pages 4-5, 4-6)

- Erosion and Sedimentation Control Law
- Stormwater Laws
- Contact MaineDEP for more information



Municipality

- Dredge Materials
 - Material excavated or removed from beneath a surface water (See Manual, p. 4-6)
 - Must be handled as special waste
 - Contact MaineDEP



Municipality

- Public process
 - Must be complete before NEPA can be completed



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Documentation-Letter 11

(Manual, pages 4-9, 4-10)

- Public Involvement
- Right-of-Way Impacts
- Natural Resources & ESA/EFH
- Impacts to 4(f) properties



NEPA

Documentation-NEPA

1. Public Involvement - Is there **substantial public opposition** to the proposed action?

Documentation: Examples: Approved Work Plan, Public Hearing records, letters to Towns/Municipalities, Council/Selectperson or Planning Board Meeting Minutes; and/or LPA Letter 16 in manual.

Documentation-NEPA

2. Right-of-Way - Does action include a **residential or commercial displacement, or acquisition of property rights** that will result in **substantial abutter impacts**?

Documentation: Existing/Proposed RoW plan.

Documentation-NEPA

3. Endangered Species Act & Essential Fish Habitat:

- a. Has a qualified person surveyed the project area for streams, rivers, coastal waters, wetlands, and vernal pools?
- b. Were any streams, rivers, coastal waters/wetlands, freshwater wetlands, or vernal pools identified?
- c. Is work proposed in or adjacent to a streams, rivers, or coastal waters?

Documentation: Copy of resource delineation and plans indicating location of resource and work planned

Documentation-NEPA

4. Section 4(f) or 6(f):

- a. Does project area include or abut any of the following protected resources protected by Section 4(f) of the Department of Transportation Act: publicly owned parks, recreation areas, wildlife and/or wildlife refuges, or historic sites?

- b. Will the project require temporary or permanent rights on any of the protected 4(f) resources listed above?

Documentation: Existing and Proposed RW plan. Description of how impacts to these properties were avoided and minimized.

Documentation-NEPA

- Right of Way negotiations with property owners cannot begin until the **Categorical Exclusion** has been certified.
- Must be re-visited if project changes Post-NEPA



Documentation-Letter 12

(Manual, page 4-11)

- Municipality Completes
- Submits to Maine DOT PM
- With copy of all permits and
- approvals.
- Located in LPA Manual (p. 4-11)



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