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Ms. Megan Rideout Maine Historic Preservation Commission 55 Capitol Street 65 State House Station Augusta, ME 04333

Subject: MHPC# 1522-20 Boyne Resorts Sugarloaf West Mountain Expansion

Dear Megan,

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers received review comments from Mr. Kirk Mohney regarding MHPC's review of the above titled project. The letter directs respondents to you for further assistance and correspondence in the matter. As such, this comment response letter is sent to your attention. The original review letter from Mr. Mohney is included in attached materials.

In response to the request for more information regarding the potential visual impacts to the Appalachian Trail (AT), the Applicant has enclosed the Maine DEP Site Location of Development Act Section 6 - Visual Quality submittal. This section better describes the nature of the visual impacts to the AT from the proposed development.

Additionally, the Applicant has enclosed a photo that Main-Land staff took while hiking the portion of the AT that traverses Bigelow Mountain. The scenic vista offers a view of Sugarloaf Mountain and ski resort. The photo demonstrates the understated scope and scale of the visual impact from a vantage point approximately four miles away.

If we can provide further information or discussion for the purposes of your review, please do not hesitate to reach out to me at Main-Land.

Sincerely,

Main-Land Development Consultants, Inc.

Richard W. Dunton, P.E. Director of Engineering

Encl: SLODA Section 6 Photo from Bigelow

Cc: LeeAnn Neal, Maine Projects Office, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers