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Pamela G. Monroe
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Re: Eversource Seacoast; NH Site Evaluation Committee Docket No. 2015-04 (DHR RPR # 6528)

Dear Ms. Monroe:

Thank you for the opportunity to report on the Eversource Seacoast application. This progress report outlines additional required data necessary to make a final decision to conclude consultation under New Hampshire RSA 227-C:9, Directive for Cooperation in the Protection of Historic Resources, and Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act, as amended (16 U.S. C. 470).

The Applicant initiated review with the New Hampshire Division of Historical Resources (DHR) on March 6, 2015. The identification of above-ground historic sites was completed on June 8, 2016. A variety of individual sites and historic districts were identified as follows:

Durham Historic Sites:

University of New Hampshire Historic District
Newmarket and Bennett Roads Farm Historic District
Stone House Farm (313-315 Durham Point Road)
Durham Point Historic District

Newington:

Newington Center Historic District (including the Frink Farm)
Pickering-Rowe House (50 Old Post Road)
Adams Homestead (148 Nimble Hill Road)
Benjamin Hoyt House (97 Nimble Hill Road)

Portsmouth:

Gosling Meadows Housing Development

Multi-town:

Little Bay Underwater Cable Terminal Houses Historic District



In addition, a Phase I Archaeological Survey was completed and identified a below ground historic site known as the LaRoche Brook site (27-ST-105). The Applicant has complied with the necessary steps to identify below ground historic sites with the condition that the LaRoche Brook site (27-ST-105) in Durham is avoided. If avoidance is not possible then the Applicant shall need to complete a Phase II evaluation in order to determine if the site is eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places.

The next step in the review of above-ground historic sites is to conduct an assessment of effects for the above-referenced historic sites. The DHR will consult with the Army Corps of Engineers in its role as Section 106 Lead Federal Agency, the Applicant and any Consulting Parties to assess the potential effects that the project may have to National Register listed and eligible historic sites. We anticipate this task to be complete in late-winter. If any adverse effects are found, the DHR and the ACOE will determine whether these effects can be minimized, avoided or mitigated to conclude consultation.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide comment.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Nadine Miller".

Nadine Miller
Preservation Project Reviewer