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Dear Selectmen,

As you know, the proposed route for the Northern Pass project includes a portion of underground cable installation that will be located in your town. In our efforts to keep you apprised of new developments in the permitting process, we wanted you to know of our latest filing with the NH Department of Transportation (NH DOT).

This week, Northern Pass submitted an advanced design to the NH DOT for the underground segment of the route that includes your town. Included with that submittal is a traffic control plan for the underground construction phase of the project. Please keep in mind that construction will not begin until Northern Pass has received all necessary federal and state approvals.

During construction, we anticipate the need for temporary lane closures on Old Canaan Road and Route 3 in Pittsburg. Property owners will always have access to and from their driveways, as will emergency vehicles, regardless of any road closure. The temporary road closures will allow construction activities to occur safely within the road right-of-way while avoiding impacts to wetlands and trees along the road. We are focused on avoiding impacts on natural resources and features of the landscape whenever practical. As part of our submittal to the NH DOT, detailed detour plans were developed for each road closure. The Northern Pass is committed to being a good neighbor and will have a dedicated team in place to work with landowners along the route to address concerns related to road closures, detours and the maintenance of access to businesses and homes during construction.

We have attached additional information on the construction phase that you might find useful.

We anticipate NH DOT will post our submittal on their website, which is located at: https://www.nh.gov/dot/media/northern-pass/index.htm.

If you have questions or concerns, please contact a project representative at 1-800-286-7305, e-mail at info@northernpass.us.

Sincerely,

Jerry Fortier Project Director Northern Pass Project

## **Northern Pass: Construction Phase**

- This week, as part of the ongoing permitting process, Northern Pass submitted to the NH
  Department of Transportation an advanced design for the underground segment of the route in
  your town. Included with that is a traffic control plan for the underground construction phase of
  the project
- In the filing, we list a few roadway sections that we anticipate will need to be temporarily closed on a limited and rolling basis while underground cable is being installed
- The purpose of my call is to let you know of the road(s) in your town that we anticipate will be affected
- We are reaching out to all landowners along roads affected by this to let them know about this submittal. You will receive a copy of the letter we're sending to those property owners
- We will also reach out to the road agents, and at the appropriate time we will walk them through our plans so that you can see the steps we've taken to minimize impacts in your town
- As part of the normal permitting process, NH DOT will assess our proposal and determine whether it is acceptable
- As a party in the NH SEC permitting proceeding, the town of course has the ability to raise issues
  or questions it may have in the course of the proceeding
- As an intervener in the SEC process the town will receive the design as ordered by the SEC
- We anticipate NH DOT will also post our submittal on their website, which is located at: https://www.nh.gov/dot/media/northern-pass/index.htm
- Prior to construction, the Project will meet with towns and landowners to discuss the traffic management plan