

Ammonoosuc Chapter of Trout Unlimited
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Brian Mills, Senior Planning Advisor
Office of Electrical and Energy Reliability (OE-20)
U.S. Department of Energy
1000 Independence Avenue SW
Washington, DC 20585

Dear Mr. Mills:

We are writing to you on behalf of the Ammonoosuc Chapter of Trout Unlimited, which is based in northern New Hampshire, because of our concerns about the Northern Pass Project. Our primary worry related to the project, in addition to our general wish that the beauty of the natural landscape be preserved, are that the Ammonoosuc River and other rivers along the project's corridor, their tributaries, brooks, streams and associated wetlands be protected and preserved. Of course, damage to any wetland, brook, stream or river would be of serious concern to us.

Ammonoosuc Trout Unlimited has spent countless hours working with other organizations in New Hampshire such as the Ammonoosuc River Management Advisory Committee, Ammonoosuc Conservation Trust and New Hampshire Fish and Game to evaluate and improve habitat for fish and wildlife in our area. Of special concern to us are the wild brook trout prevalent in most all northern New Hampshire tributary streams. They stand to be adversely affected during project construction. We do not want to have our work, and that of other organizations, be scuttled because of a corporate wish for additional commercial power transmission.

Please keep our concerns in mind when evaluating the Northern Pass Project. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Don Pelletier, Chapter President