

Northern Pass Transmission Line Project

Section 106 Documents

Project Area Form:

Great North Woods Region

Part 1 of 7

**Proposed Northern Pass Project
Draft Project Area Form
Great North Woods**

This draft Project Area Form (PAF) was reviewed by the NH Division of Historical Resources (NH DHR) Determination of Eligibility Committee at its June 24, 2015 meeting. This review focused on the methodology underlying the PAF. NH DHR's comments are available online at:

<http://www.northernpasseis.us/consultations/section106/>.

The NH DHR comments will be addressed and a revised version posted after submission to NH DHR.

This version has been redacted to protect personal information (e.g., residential addresses, faces, license plates) from broad public disclosure. Any addresses for public buildings, businesses, and historic resources listed on the National Register for Historic Places (NRHP) have not been redacted. An unredacted version of the PAF is available at the NH DHR office **by appointment only** at the DHR, 19 Pillsbury Street, Concord, NH 03301. Appointments between the hours of 8:30am-4:00pm Monday through Friday are available by contacting Tanya Krajcik at Tanya.krajcik@dcr.nh.gov or 603-271-3483. The area forms are **not** available without an appointment, and access may be limited due to ongoing review by DHR staff.

AREA FORM

AREA NAME: NORTHERN PASS – GREAT NORTH WOODS

1. Type of Area Form

Town-wide:

Historic District:

Project Area:

9. Inventory numbers in this area:

See Attached _____

2. Name of area: Northern Pass – Great North Woods

10. Setting: See Attached

3. Location: See Attached

4. City or town: See Attached

11. Acreage: See Attached

5. County: See Attached

12. Preparer(s): See Attached

6. USGS quadrangle name(s): See Attached

13. Organization: See Attached

7. USGS scale: See Attached

14. Date(s) of field survey: See Attached

8. UTM/SP reference: See Attached

15. Location map
See Attached

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3. Location: Coos County, Great North Woods

4. City or town: Pittsburg, Clarksville, Stewartstown, Dixville, Dix’s Grant, Colebrook, Wentworth’s Location, Errol, Millsfield, Dummer, Stark, Northumberland, Lancaster

5. County: Coos

6. USGS quadrangle name(s): Pittsburg, Lovering Mountain, Diamond Pond, Mount Pisgah, Errol, Dixville Notch, Teakettle Ridge, Dummer Ponds, Milan, West Milan, Percy Peaks, Stark, Groveton, Lancaster, Gilman, Bethlehem

7. USGS scale: 1:24,000

8. UTM/SP reference: Zone 19, UTM, Meters, WGS84

A: 301992.86E	4986635.12N
B: 303401.90E	4989520.52N
C: 318040.66E	4945711.31N
D: 321722.97E	4942934.83N
E: 295530.18E	4923352.00N
F: 299206.12E	4925025.03N

9. Inventory numbers in this area: NUM0002, NUM0003, NUM0004, NUM0005, PIT0003, PIT0004, PIT0005, PIT0006, PIT0007, STA0002, STA0012, STA0019, STE0002, STE0023, STE1010, STE1011, STE1012, STE1013

10. Setting:

The Great North Woods project area comprises a 2-mile wide corridor which stretches from the New Hampshire-Canada border in Pittsburg south through Stewartstown, Colebrook, Dixville, Dix’s Grant, Wentworth’s Location, Millsfield, Errol, Dummer, Stark, Northumberland, before ending at the southern border of Lancaster. With the exception of some rural development in Pittsburg, the northern portion of the project area runs through undeveloped forest, confined to the foothills of mountains such as Rice Mountain (Dixville), Lovering Mountain (Stewartstown) and Mount Metalak (Millsfield). In Dummer, the APE cuts directly west, quickly meeting the Ammonoosuc River and roughly paralleling this waterway all the way to its confluence with the Connecticut River in Northumberland. From here the APE cuts south through the remainder of the Great North Woods Region. The region traversed by the project area is mostly undeveloped forest, with small pockets of settlement consisting of farmlands and town centers such as those in Northumberland and Lancaster. Most of this settlement is clustered around major waterways like

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the Ammonoosuc. Small brooks and streams bisect the APE, although the project area avoids most major lakes, with the exception of the Dummer Ponds (Dummer), Pontook Reservoir (Dummer), and Christine Lake (Stark). The natural resources of the Great North Woods fuel its economy through lumbering and tourism, but this same rugged terrain and small amount of arable land limit the contribution of agriculture. Settlement is primarily constrained to narrow strips of sandy, fertile soils along the banks of waterways, which are closely bounded by steep, rocky mountains with stony soils and visible patches of bedrock.

11. Acreage: 80,127.4 acres

12. Preparer(s): Jenna Higgins, Stefan Claesson, Jacob Freedman, Jessica Fish, and Tricia Peone

13. Organization: SEARCH, Inc.

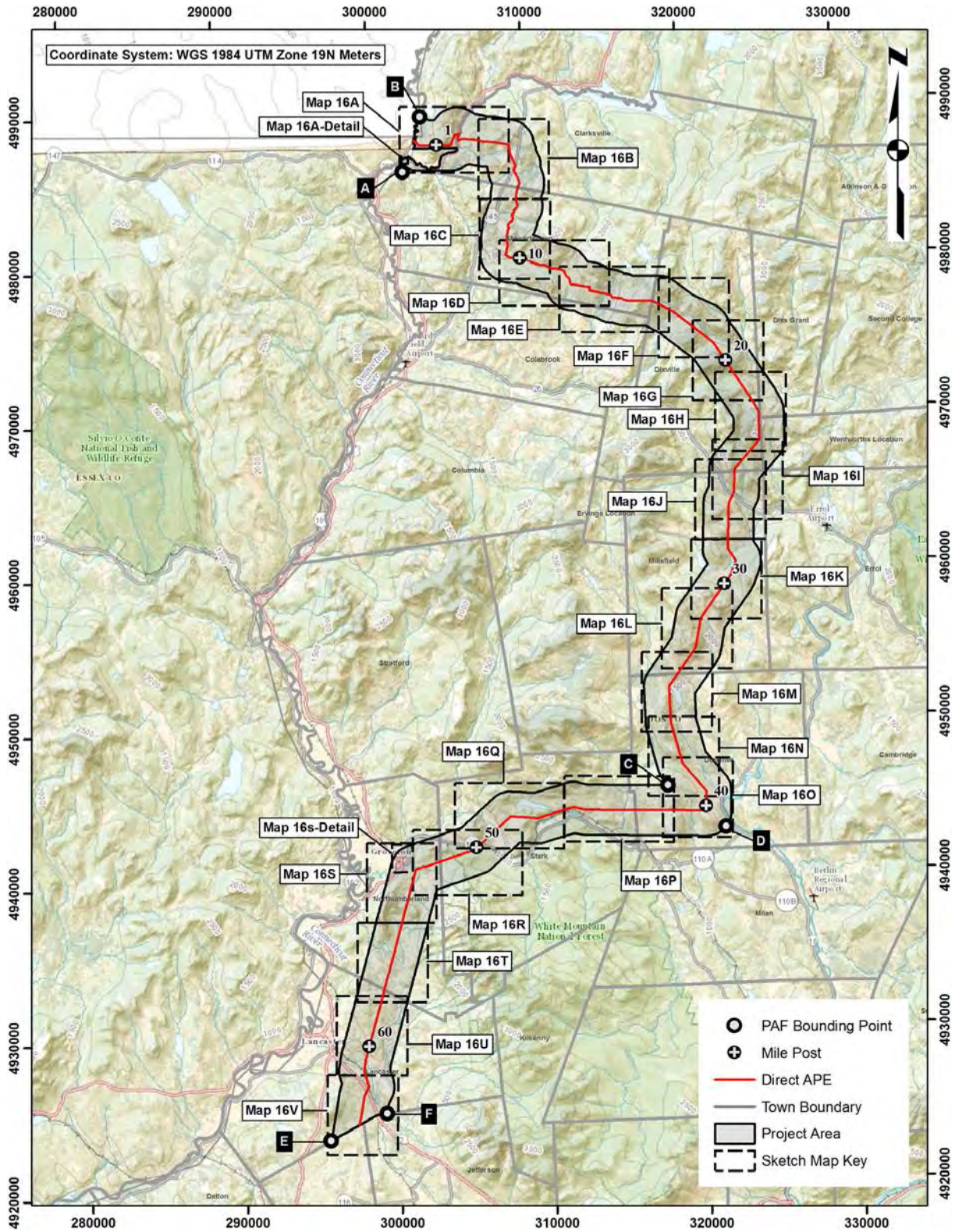
14. Date(s) of field survey: 9/12/13 – 9/14/13; 10/27/14-10/31/14

15. Location map:

The attached location map shows the extents of the indirect APE for the project and a key to the sketch map series (A-V) referred to in the following sections. The overall length of the entire proposed project is approximately 187 mi (300 km). This Project Area Form (PAF) covers approximately 63 mi (101.6 km) of the indirect APE for the project area between mileposts (MPs) 0 and 62.6. The graticule and coordinates provided on the map borders are based on the WGS84 datum and UTM (Zone 19) coordinate system (in meters). Six coordinate points (A-F) indicate the project area boundaries that correspond to the coordinates in item 8. The project area map and data are presented over USGS topographic map data (USGS *The National Map Topo Base Map - Small Scale*).

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Location Map.