

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
INTRA-DEPARTMENT COMMUNICATION

FROM Matt Urban
Environmental Manager

DATE August 15, 2011
AT (OFFICE) Bureau of Environment

SUBJECT MAINE – Permit by Rule Notification
Portsmouth, NH -Kittery, ME
(Memorial Bridge) NHDOT# 13678F

TO Keith Cota,
Chief Project Manager
Bureau of Highway Design

Forwarded herewith, for your files and further use as appropriate, are two copies of the subject Permit by Rule Notification as approved by Maine Department of Environmental Protection on 08/09/2011.

No Further Action by NHDOT required on this permit.

If you have any further question please contact, Kevin Nyhan @ 271-1553 or knyhan@dot.state.nh.us. Or Matt Urban @ 271-7969 or murban@dot.state.nh.us

MRU: mru
Encl.

cc: Robert Landry, Bridge Design (via email)
Vicki Chase, McFarland Johnson (via email)
Bureau of Construction (w/ encl.)
Bureau of Environment (w/ encl.)

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION
PERMIT BY RULE NOTIFICATION FORM
 (For use with DEP Regulation, Chapter 305)

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT IN **BLACK INK ONLY**

Name of Applicant: (owner)	Maine Department of Transportation	Name of Agent:	David Gardner
Applicant Mailing Address:	16 State House Station	Agent Phone # (include area code):	(207) 624-3100 David.gardner@maine.gov
Town/City:	Augusta	PROJECT Information Name of Town/City:	Kittery
		MDOT PIN:	
State and Zip code:	ME 04344	Name of Wetland or Waterbody:	Piscataqua River
Daytime Phone # (include area code):	(207) 624-3100	Map #:	Lot #:
Detailed Directions to Site:	Memorial Bridge is located on Route 1 over the Piscataqua River in Kittery, Maine. It spans the Piscataqua to Portsmouth New Hampshire.		
	UTM Northing: (if known)	UTM Easting: (if known)	
Description of Project:	The Purpose of the Project is to address the current structural deficiencies associated with the Memorial Bridge, Scott Avenue Bridge, and Kittery Approach Spans, and supporting piers. Memorial Bridge has been closed permanently due to structural deficiencies. Pier number 3 on the Maine side will be rehabilitated and the Kittery approach span will be replaced. There will be temporary impacts from cofferdams and the permanent impacts will total approximately 4,000 sf of EUS wetlands.		
Part of a larger project? (check one) →	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	After the Fact? (check one) →	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Check one → This project <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> does (or) <input type="checkbox"/> does not involve work below mean low water (average low water).			

PERMIT BY RULE (PBR) SECTIONS: (Check at least one)

I am filing notice of my intent to carry out work which meets the requirements for Permit By Rule (PBR) under DEP Rules, Chapter 305. I and my agents, if any, **have read** and will comply with all of the standards in the Sections checked below.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Sec. (2) Act. Adj. to Protected Natural Res. | <input type="checkbox"/> Sec. (10) Stream Crossing | <input type="checkbox"/> Sec. (17) Transfers/Permit Extension |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sec. (3) Intake Pipes | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sec. (11) State Transportation Facil. | <input type="checkbox"/> Sec. (18) Maintenance Dredging |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sec. (4) Replacement of Structures | <input type="checkbox"/> Sec. (12) Restoration of Natural Areas | <input type="checkbox"/> Sec. (19) Activities in/on/over significant vernal pool habitat |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sec. (5) REPEALED | <input type="checkbox"/> Sec. (13) F&W Creation/Enhance/Water Quality Improvement | <input type="checkbox"/> Sec. (20) Activities in existing dev. areas located in/on/over high or moderate value inland waterfowl & wading bird habitat or shorebird nesting, feeding & staging areas |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sec. (6) Movement of Rocks or Vegetation | <input type="checkbox"/> Sec. (14) REPEALED | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sec. (7) Outfall Pipes | <input type="checkbox"/> Sec. (15) Public Boat Ramps | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sec. (8) Shoreline stabilization | <input type="checkbox"/> Sec. (16) Coastal Sand Dune Projects | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sec. (9) Utility Crossing | | |

I have attached the following required submittals. **NOTIFICATION FORMS CANNOT BE ACCEPTED WITHOUT THE NECESSARY ATTACHMENTS:**

- Attach** a check for \$65 made payable to: "Treasurer, State of Maine".
- Attach** a U.S.G.S. topo map or Maine Atlas & Gazetteer map with the project site clearly marked.
- Attach Proof of Legal Name:** If applicant is **not** an individual or municipality, provide a copy of Secretary of State's registration information (available at <http://icrs.informe.org/nel-sos-icrs/ICRS?MainPage=x>)
- Attach photos of the proposed site where activity will take place as outlined in PBR Sections checked above.**
- Attach** all other required submissions as outlined in the PBR Sections checked above.

I authorize staff of the Departments of Environmental Protection, Inland Fisheries & Wildlife, and Marine Resources to access the project site for the purpose of determining compliance with the rules. I also understand that **this permit is not valid until approved by the Department or 14 days after receipt by the Department, whichever is less.**

By signing this Notification Form, I represent that the project meets all applicability requirements and standards in the rule and that the applicant has sufficient title, right, or interest in the property where the activity takes place.

Signature of Agent or Applicant:	<i>Judy L. Gates</i>	Date:	8/8/2011
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Keep a copy as a record of permit. Send the form with attachments via certified mail or hand deliver to the Maine Dept. of Environmental Protection at the appropriate regional office listed below. The DEP will send a copy to the Town Office as evidence of the DEP's receipt of notification. No further authorization by DEP will be issued after receipt of notice. Permits are valid for two years. Work carried out in violation of any standard is subject to enforcement action.

OFFICE USE ONLY	Ck.#	Date	Staff	Staff
PBR #	FP		Acc. Date	Def. Date
			8/9/11	
				After Photos

11. State transportation facilities

A. Applicability

- (1) This section applies to the maintenance, repair, reconstruction, rehabilitation, replacement or minor construction of a State Transportation Facility carried out by, or under the authority of, the Maine Department of Transportation or the Maine Turnpike Authority, including any testing or preconstruction engineering, and associated technical support services.
- (2) This section does not apply to an activity within a coastal sand dune system.

NOTE: The construction of a transportation facility other than roads and associated facilities may be subject to the Storm Water Management Law, 38 M.R.S.A. Section 420-D.

B. Standards

- (1) Photographs of the area to be altered by the activity must be taken before work on the site begins. The photographs must be kept on file and be made available at the request of the DEP.
- (2) The activity must be reviewed by the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife, the Department of Marine Resources, and the Atlantic Salmon Authority. The activity must be performed according to any recommendations from these authorities.
- (3) The activity must be performed in accordance with erosion control measures conforming with the State of Maine Department of Transportation Standard Specifications for Highways and Bridges Revision of April 1995 and with the Department of Transportation's Best Management Practices for Erosion and Sediment Control, September 1997.

NOTE: Guidance on the use of erosion control best management practices can be obtained from the on site Construction Manager.

- (4) Alignment changes may not exceed a distance of 200 feet between the old and new center lines in any natural resource.
- (5) The activity may not alter more than 300 feet of shoreline (both shores added together) within a mile stretch of any river, stream or brook, including any bridge width or length of culvert.
- (6) The activity may not alter more than 150 feet of shoreline (both shores added together) within a mile stretch of any outstanding river segment identified in 38 M.R.S.A. 480-P, including any bridge width or length of culvert.
- (7) The activity must minimize wetland intrusion. The activity is exempt from the provisions of Chapter 310, the Wetland Protection Rules, if the activity alters less than 15,000 square feet of natural resources per mile of roadway (centerline measurement) provided that the following impacts are not exceeded within the 15,000 square foot area:

- (a) 1,000 square feet of coastal wetland consisting of salt tolerant vegetation or shellfish habitat; or
- (b) 5,000 square feet of coastal wetland not containing salt tolerant vegetation or shellfish habitat; or
- (c) 1,000 square feet of a great pond.

All other activities must be performed in compliance with all sections of Chapter 310, the Wetland Protection Rules, except 310.2(C), 5(A), 9(1), 9(B) and 9(C).

- (8) The activity may not permanently block any fish passage in any watercourse containing fish. The applicant must improve passage beyond what restriction may already exist unless the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife, the Department of Marine Resources, and the Atlantic Salmon Authority concur that the improvement is not necessary.
- (9) Rocks may not be removed from below the normal high water line of any coastal wetland, freshwater wetland, great pond, river, stream or brook except to the minimum extent necessary for completion of work within the limits of construction.
- (10) If work is performed in a river, stream or brook that is less than three feet deep at the time and location of the activity, with the exception of culvert installation, the applicant must divert flow away from the activity while work is in progress.
 - (a) Diversion may be accomplished by the use of stable, inert material. No more than two thirds (2/3) of stream width may be diverted at one time.
 - (b) Any material used to divert water flow must be completely removed upon completion of the activity, and the stream bottom must be restored to its original condition.
 - (c) A pump may be operated, where necessary, for a temporary diversion. The pump outlet must be located and operated such that erosion or the discharge of sediment to the water is prevented.

NOTE: Guidance on the appropriate location of a diversion and materials which should be used for a stream diversion can be obtained from the on site Construction Manager.

- (11) Wheeled or tracked equipment may not operate in the water. Equipment operating on the shore may reach into the water with a bucket or similar extension. Equipment may cross streams on rock, gravel or ledge bottom.
- (12) All wheeled or tracked equipment that must travel or work in a vegetated wetland area must travel and work on mats or platforms.
- (13) Any debris or excavated material must be stockpiled either outside the wetland or on mats or platforms. Hay bales or silt fence must be used, where necessary, to prevent sedimentation. Any debris generated during the activity must be prevented from washing downstream and must be removed from the wetland or water body. Disposal

of debris must be in conformance with the Maine Hazardous Waste, Septage and Solid Waste Management Act, 38 M.R.S.A. Section 1301 *et seq.*

- (14) Work below the normal high water line of a great pond, river, stream or brook must be done at low water except for emergency work or work agreed to by the resource agencies listed in paragraph 2 above. Measures, such as a silt boom or staked fencing, must be employed to reduce and isolate turbidity.
- (15) Perimeter controls must be installed before the work starts. Disturbance of natural resources beyond the construction limits shown on the plans is not allowed under this rule.

NOTE: Guidance on the location of construction limits can be obtained from the on site Construction Manager.

- (16) The use of untreated lumber is preferred. Lumber pressure treated with chromated copper arsenate (CCA) may be used, provided it is cured on dry land in a manner that exposes all surfaces to the air for a period of at least 21 days prior to construction. Wood treated with creosote or pentachlorophenol may not be used where it will contact water.
- (17) A temporary road for equipment access must be constructed of crushed stone, blasted ledge, or similar materials that will not cause sedimentation or restrict fish passage. Such roads must be completely removed at the completion of the activity. In addition, any such temporary roads which are in rivers, streams or brooks, must allow for a passage of stormwater flows associated with a 10-year storm.
- (18) Soil may not be disturbed during any period when soils are saturated due to rain or snow melt, except as necessary to protect work in progress or as required for bridge maintenance activities. Areas where soils are saturated (i.e. water drips from the soil when squeezed by hand, or the soil is capable of being rolled into a rod 1/8th inch in diameter that does not crumble) must be immediately mulched if they are disturbed.
- (19) Disturbed soil must be protected within one week from the time it was last actively worked, and prior to any storm event, using temporary or permanent measures such as the placement of riprap, sod, mulch, erosion control blankets, or other comparable measures.
- (20) Hay bale or straw mulch, where used, must be applied at a rate of at least one bale per 500 square feet (1 to 2 tons per acre).
- (21) If mulch is likely to be moved because of steep slopes or wind exposure, it must be anchored with netting, peg and twine, binder or other suitable method and must be maintained until a catch of vegetation is established over the entire disturbed area.
- (22) In addition to the placement of riprap, sod, erosion control blankets or mulch, additional steps must be taken where necessary to prevent sedimentation of the water. Evidence of sedimentation includes visible sheet, rill or gully erosion, discoloration of water by suspended particles and/or slumping of banks. Silt fences, staked hay bales and other sedimentation control measures, where planned for, must be in place

prior to the commencement of an activity, but must also be installed whenever necessary to prevent erosion and sedimentation.

NOTE: Guidance on the location and proper installation of erosion control measures can be obtained from the on site Construction Manager.

- (23) Temporary erosion control measures must be maintained and inspected weekly until the site is permanently stabilized with vegetation or other permanent control measures. Erosion control measures must also be inspected immediately prior to and following storms.
- (24) Permanent erosion control measures protecting all disturbed areas must be implemented within 30 days from the time the areas were last actively worked, or for fall and winter activities by the following June 15, except where precluded by the type of activity (e.g. riprap, road surfaces, etc.). The permanent erosion control measures must be maintained.
- (25) The applicant shall immediately take appropriate measures to prevent erosion or sedimentation from occurring or to correct any existing problems, regardless of the time of year.
- (26) Non-native species may not be planted in restored areas.
- (27) Disposal of debris must be in conformance with Maine Hazardous Waste, Septage and Solid Waste Management Act, 38 M.R.S.A. Sections 1301 *et seq.*
- (28) Disturbance of vegetation must be avoided, if possible. Where vegetation is disturbed outside of the area covered by any road or structure construction, it must be reestablished immediately upon completion of the activity and must be maintained.
- (29) A vegetated area at least 25 feet wide must be established and maintained between any new stormwater outfall structure and the high water line of any open water body. A velocity reducing structure must be constructed at the outlet of the stormwater outfall that will create sheet flow of stormwater, and prevent erosion of soil within the vegetated buffer. If the 25 foot vegetated buffer is not practicable, the applicant must explain the reason for a lesser setback in writing. Approval from the DEP must be in writing and any recommendations must be incorporated into the activity.

C. Definitions. The following terms, as used in this chapter, have the following meanings, unless the context indicates otherwise:

- (1) Diversion. A rerouting of a river, stream or brook to a location outside of its established channel.
- (2) Fill. a. (verb) To put into or upon, supply to, or allow to enter a water body or wetland any earth, rock, gravel, sand, silt, clay, peat, or debris; b. (noun) Material, other than structures, placed in or immediately adjacent to a wetland or water body.
- (3) Floodplain wetlands. Freshwater wetlands that are inundated with flood water during a 100-year flood event based on flood insurance maps produced by the Federal Emergency Agency or other site specific information.

- (4) Riprap. Rocks that are fit into place, usually without mortar, on a slope as defined in the State of Maine, Department of Transportation, Standard Specifications for Highway and Bridges, revision of April 1995.