

## **HARTS LOCATION 16396A**

### **Summary of Environmental Commitments**

The following environmental commitments have been made for this project. The bureaus/agencies responsible for implementing the environmental commitment are listed parenthetically after each commitment.

1. All conditions in the wetland permit shall be followed. (NHDOT Environment/ Design/ Construction)
2. All conditions in the Shoreland Water Quality Protection Act permit shall be followed. (NHDOT Environment/Design/Construction)
3. A Special Use Permit pursuant to 36 CFR Parts 251, 261, and 295 RIN 0596–AB74 regarding the White Mountain National Forest shall be acquired prior to construction. All work shall be conducted within the limits of the Special Use Permit, including Construction Staging. All terms and conditions of the Special Use Permit shall be met. The Special Use Permit would incorporate the following Forest Plan Standards.
  - S2. Forest projects or approvals must consider weed prevention measures.
  - S3. In revegetation or rehabilitation efforts native or non-persistent species must be used.
  - S4 Gravel and fill must come from weed free sources.
  - S5. When sources of weed free mulch and seed are available locally at a reasonable cost, they must be used on erosion control projects.
  - S6 Heavy equipment must be visibly free of seeds or plant material prior to entering the Forest for project work. In order to minimize the spread of existing invasive plants, heavy equipment must be cleared to be visibly free of seeds or plant material when moving between project units if invasive plants exist in areas being vacated, or if unites have not been surveyed for invasive plants.  
(US Forest Service – WMNF / Design / Right-of-Way / Construction)
4. The southern abutment of the old (1926) bridge shall be left intact when the temporary bridge is removed. (NHDOT Environment/Design/Construction)
5. The parking area at the base of the Sawyer River/Livermore Road is part of the historic Livermore CCC Camp. No staging or parking of heavy equipment at this site shall occur. (NHDOT Environment/Design/Construction)
6. There shall be no instream work between September 1 and October 15 to minimize the impact to migrating trout. (NHDOT Environment/Design/Construction)
7. If work is conducted between October 15 and April 1, to minimize impacts to deposited trout eggs, best management practices to reduce sedimentation into Sawyer and the Saco Rivers shall be implemented. (NHDOT Environment/Design/Construction)
8. Surveys to determine bat presence in the bridge joints of the temporary bridge shall be required prior to bridge removal, unless removal of the bridge occurs during bat

hibernation (between September 15 and May 15). (NHDOT Environment /Construction)

9. All appropriate BMPs to protect water quality in the Sawyer River during construction shall be implemented. (NHDOT Environment/Design/Construction)
10. A Non Native and Invasive Species survey shall be conducted to ensure that all appropriate measures are included in the contract to prevent the spread of these species. (NHDOT Environment/Design/Construction)
11. Acceptance of this Categorical Exclusion by the WMNF must follow a public comment period pursuant to WMNF procedures. Any comments received as a result of this public involvement shall be incorporated into the project, as appropriate, as determined by coordination between the WMNF and NHDOT. (US Forest Service – WMNF /Design/Construction)