

New Castle-Rye Bridge Project 16127

Public Meeting – February 5, 2015

Next Steps in the Bridge Project

- A Fixed Bridge is the NH Department of Transportation's (NHDOT's) preferred alternative. With this selection, NHDOT will review public comment received at this meeting, through letter and via email.
- To move forward with the bridge project, the following permits and approvals will be required:
 - US Coast Guard Bridge Permit
 - US Army Corps Permit
 - Section 404 (Clean Water Act)
 - Section 408 (Modification to existing Army Corps properties)
 - NH Department of Environmental Services:
 - Shoreland Permit
 - Wetlands Permit
 - Coastal Consistency Determination
 - National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA)
 - Essential Fish Habitat (EFH) Consultation
 - Section 7 Consultation (Endangered Species Act)
- In addition to permits, the Project Team will coordinate with FHWA and NH Division of Historic Resources (DHR) per Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act
 - Execute a Determination of Effect Memo
 - Execute a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) with NH DHR
- Perform a Section 4(f) Evaluation per the US Department of Transportation Act of 1996
- Final Design phase to commence Summer 2015
- The New Castle-Rye Bridge Project is to be advertised in 2017



Proposed Fixed Bridge Looking East



Existing Bridge Looking East



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