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MEMORANDUM

TO: Commissioner Jeffrey J. Rose
Department of Resources and Economic Development

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DATE: October 6, 2016

SUBJECT: Surplus Land Review, SLR 16-006-Canaan, Vermont

On September 8, 2016, the Council on Resources and Development (CORD) took action on the following Surplus Land Review application:

Request to dispose of a 20-foot wide utility easement to the Town of Canaan, Vermont along 5,600 linear feet of the North Stratford-Beecher Falls Rail Trail, located between the Village of Canaan, Vermont and the Village of Beecher Falls, Vermont, for the purpose of an underground water line.

CORD members voted to **RECOMMEND APPROVAL** of SLR 16-006 as submitted, pending no adverse comments received by the close of the public comment period on September 30, 2016. No adverse comments were received; however, the Rivers Management Advisory Committee recommended that the easement granted should have no rights to permanently impinge on use of the right-of-way as either a recreation trail or future rail or other transportation purpose in the future, and that construction would use appropriate best management practices (BMPs) to avoid any threat to water quality.

cc: Chris, Gamache, NH Department of Resources and Economic Development
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