

City of Keene Planning Board

AGENDA

6:30 PM Monday, March 24, 2025

City Hall, 2nd Floor Council Chambers

A. AGENDA ITEMS

- 1) Call to Order Roll Call
- 2) Minutes of Previous Meeting February 24, 2025
- 3) Final Vote on Conditional Approvals

4) Boundary Line Adjustment

a) PB-2025-05 - Cedarcrest and Monadnock View Cemetery - BLA - 521 Park Ave & 91 Maple Ave – Applicant ReVision Energy, on behalf of owners Cedarcrest and the City of Keene, proposes a lot line adjustment that would transfer ~1.7-ac of land from the ~46-ac parcel located at 521 Park Ave (TMP #227-027-000) to the ~5-ac parcel located at 91 Maple Ave (TMP #227-018-000). The Cedarcrest site is located in the Low Density District and the cemetery is located in the Conservation District.

5) Public Hearings

- a) PB-2025-04 Cedarcrest & Monadnock View Cemetery Major Site Plan & Solar Energy System Conditional Use Permit - 521 Park Ave & 91 Maple Ave - Applicant ReVision Energy, Inc. on behalf of owners Cedarcrest, Inc. and the City of Keene, proposes to install a medium-scale solar energy system on ~1.7-ac of undeveloped land located at 521 Park Ave (TMP #227-027-000) to provide power to the Cedarcrest facility located at 91 Maple Ave (TMP #227-018-000). The City property is ~46-ac in size and is located in the Conservation District, and the Cedarcrest property is ~5-ac in size and is located in the Low Density District.
- b) PB-2024-20 Earth Excavation Permit Major Amendment & Hillside Protection Conditional Use Permit - 21 & 57 Route 9 - Applicant Granite Engineering LLC, on behalf of owner G2 Holdings LLC, proposes to expand the existing gravel pit located at 21 & 57 Route 9 (TMP#s 215-007-000 & 215-008-000). A Hillside Protection CUP is requested for impacts to steep slopes. Waivers are requested from Section 25.3.1.D & Section 25.3.13 of the LDC related to the required 250' surface water resource setback and the 5-ac excavation area maximum. The parcels are a combined ~109.1-ac in size and are located in the Rural District.

- 6) Master Plan Update (KeeneMasterPlan.com)
- 7) Staff Updates
- 8) New Business
 - a) Planning Board Updates on Administrative Approvals

9) Upcoming Dates of Interest

- Joint Committee of the Planning Board and PLD April 14th, 6:30 PM
- Planning Board Steering Committee April 8th, 12:00 PM
- Planning Board Site Visit April 23rd, 8:00 AM <u>To Be Confirmed</u>
- Planning Board Meeting April 28th, 6:30 PM

10) MORE TIME ITEMS

a) Training on Site Development Standards - Snow Storage, Landscaping, & Screening

11) ADJOURNMENT

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4 5 6 7	<u>PLANNING BOARD</u> <u>MEETING MINUTES</u>				
8	Monday, February 24, 2025	6:30 PM	Council Chambers, City Hall		
J	<u>Members Present:</u> Harold Farrington, Chair Roberta Mastrogiovanni, Vice Chair Mayor Jay V. Kahn Sarah Vezzani Armando Rangel Ryan Clancy Michael Hoefer, Alternate	Director	Community Development Senior Planner s, Planner		
	<u>Members Not Present:</u> Councilor Michael Remy Kenneth Kost Randyn Markelon, Alternate Tammy Adams, Alternate Stephon Mehu, Alternate				
9 10 11 12	I) <u>Call to Order</u>				
12 13 14 15	Chair Farrington called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM and a roll call was taken. Mr. Hoefer was invited to join the session as a voting member.				
13 16 17	 II) <u>Minutes of Previous Meeting – January 27, 2025</u> A motion was made by Roberta Mastrogiovanni to approve the January 27 2025 meeting minutes. The motion was seconded by Mayor Jay Kahn was unanimously approved. 				
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21	III) <u>Final Vote on Conditional Appr</u>	rovals			
22 23 24 25	Chair Farrington asked whether or not the final vote.	Thair Farrington asked whether or not there were any applications tonight that are ready for a nal vote.			
26 27 28	Senior Planner, Mari Brunner, stated ther The project is PB-2024-21 — 2-lot Subdi conditions precedent, which include the f	ivision — 141 Old Wal	pole Road. There were four		

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- 29 Inspection of the lot monuments by the Public Works Director or their designee; Submittal of
- 30 four full size paper copies and 2 mylar copies and a digital copy of the final plan set; Submittal
- 31 of fees to cover the cost of recording. All of these conditions have been met.
- 32 A motion was made by Roberta Mastrogiovanni that the Planning Board issue final site plan
- 33 approval for PB-2024-21. The motion was seconded by Mayor Kahn and carried on a unanimous 34 vote.
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36 IV) **Advice & Comment**

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a) Cedarcrest/Monadnock View Cemetery Solar Array – 91 Maple Ave & 521 Park

39 Ave – Prospective applicant Revision Energy seeks Planning Board advice and comment 40 regarding the need for a visual buffer for the installation of a medium-scale solar energy system 41 on approximately 1.6 acres of undeveloped land. The parcel is in the Conservation District.

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43 Ms. Megan Ulin, Solar Project Developer with Revision Energy, addressed the board. She

44 introduced Jimmy Nizzi, Director of Finance at Cedarcrest. Ms. Ulin stated as per the suggestion

45 of staff, they are before the Board regarding a visual buffer for this project. She stated they have

46 a site plan application, boundary line adjustment application and a solar CUP application that has

47 been filed and hoped to be before the Board next month.

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49 She stated they are before the Board today for feedback. This project came together out of a

50 partnership with the City of Keene, in which they explored solar development on several

51 different parcels of land. One of those parcels is located on the northwest corner of the cemetery,

52 and Cedarcrest is a primary abutter and has entered into an agreement to purchase the electricity

53 for that system. Ms. Ulin stated Cedarcrest would be able to connect directly to the utility meter

54 and see a direct reduction of their electric load. The location of the solar array at this location has

55 shifted slightly from the original concept and is now located in the very northwest corner. When

56 considering this project against the solar CUP requirements, specifically the 16.2.5 visual buffer,

- 57 they looked at it in the following manner:
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59 View of the system shall be reasonably minimized from surrounding properties and public rights

- 60 of way — This has been accomplished given its location, which would be a 44-acre cemetery lot
- 61 once the boundary line adjustment is accomplished. It has limited view from the primary use in the cemetery. The City maintains landscaping at this location. 62
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The City is the primary abutter to the system. On the northern side of the array is where the First

- 64 Baptist Church is located. There are about 15 to 20 feet of existing wooded vegetation on the
- 65 northern border, which is on Cedarcrest property. There is no visibility or any visual impact for
- 66 the First Baptist Church property.
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68 Ms. Ulin stated the boundaries in question are the southeast and southwest boundaries that abut 69 the City use. On the southeast portion there is about 1.5 acres of land, which will be transferred

- 70 with the boundary line adjustment. This area looks over the soil storage area for the cemetery
- 71 along with some tall pine trees and the maintenance facility.
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- 74 Ms. Ulin stated the origination of this request came from discussion with Deputy City Manager,
- 75 Andy Bohannon, and with the Parks and Rec Department. The intent of the project was to
- 76 transfer as little land as possible and minimize the impact on City lands. The request on the
- southwest portion of the property is to minimize screening, because the consensus was screeningat this location could be detrimental to that area.
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- 80 Ms. Ulin stated, as she reviews this item, she feels they have met Item A, "*cited the structure to*
- 81 *minimize the view and minimize the visual impact.*"
- 82 Item B was also largely met, but the applicant would like to obtain the Board's perception of the
- 83 site plan, and whether or not Revision Energy needs to submit a formal waiver. Revision Energy
- 84 also would like to know if there are any zoning implications. This concluded her presentation.
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- 86 Mr. Clements stated this section is from the city's solar energy system conditional use permit,
- 87 which is not in the Planning Board site development standards. It is in the zoning ordinance but
- is an additional layer of requirements. The general concept of providing some kind of visual
- 89 buffer from a larger power generation structure is not out of the realm of common practice for
- 90 the Board.91
- 92 Mr. Clements stated what is different is that this is not a waivable section, and the only way to
- 93 get relief from this would be a variance from the Zoning Board of Adjustment. However, this
- 94 ordinance has given the Planning Board authority to decide what is adequate in regard to a visual
- 95 buffer. The applicant this evening is looking for some initial feedback on the existing vegetation
- 96 surrounding the proposed site, as well as the existing uses around the site.
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- 98 Ms. Brunner stated the section of the code that is in question states as follows:
- 99 the visual impact of medium scale and large scale ground mounted solar energy systems,
- associated equipment and any extensive or imposing perimeter fencing on adjacent parcels and
- 101 *public right of rights of way shall be mitigated through the preservation of existing vegetation.*
- 102 And/or through the installation of a visual buffer approved by the Planning Board.
- 103 Ms. Brunner noted in this case, as the applicant has noted, there is existing vegetation on some
- 104 sides but none on the southwest side. This is the section the applicant is looking to the Board to
- 105 for guidance. The language calls for the installation of a visual buffer approved by the Planning
- Board. If the Board feels like something additional is needed, they would have to get a variance
- 107 from the Zoning Board of Adjustment.
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- 109 Ms. Vezzani referred to Mr. Bohannon's letter and noted he supports this project but indicates
- 110 the area that does not have existing vegetation is the area that would cause more of a concern to
- 111 have to maintain additional vegetation or take up more space. Ms. Ulin agreed and added this is
- 112 the primary reason for this design.
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- 114 Mr. Hoefer clarified the City-owned parcel is to the southwest and clarified if that area was to
- require screening it would be because of city use in the future. Ms. Ulin agreed this was City property.
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- 118 Mayor Kahn asked if there was any fencing being proposed around this structure. Ms. Ulin stated
- a six-foot agricultural fence is being proposed. The Mayor asked where the community garden is

- 120 located. Ms. Ulin stated it is currently where the array is located and will be relocated to the 121 southwest location of the array.
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123 Chair Farrington stated the Board seems to be in support of this proposal without adding any 124 more vegetative screening and Mr. Bohannon's letter seems to indicate that as well.

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127 V) <u>Public Hearings</u>

a) SPR-593, Mod. 2 – Major Site Plan – Bank of America, 20 Central Square – Applicant
Bank of America, on behalf of owner 20 Central Keene LLC, proposes to modify exterior
lighting at the property located at 20 Central Square (TMP #568-063-000). Waivers are
requested from Section 21.7.3.C, Section 21.7.3.F.1.a, Section 21.7.3.F.1.c, and Section
21.7.4.A.2 of the LDC regarding light trespass levels and lighting hours of operation. The site
is 0.68-ac in size and is located in the Downtown Core District.

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- 135 A. Board Determination of Completeness
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Planner Megan Fortson stated the applicant has requested exemptions from submitting a grading
 plan, landscaping plan, elevations, and all technical reports. After reviewing each request, staff

have made the preliminary determination that the requested exemptions would have no bearing

on the merits of the application and recommend that the Board accept the application ascomplete.

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A motion was made by Roberta Mastrogiovanni that the Planning Board accept SPR-593, Mod.
2 as complete. The motion was seconded by Mayor Kahn and was unanimously approved.

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- 146 B. <u>Public Hearing</u>
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Mr. Matthew Bombaci of Bohler Engineering addressed the Board and stated they have been
retained by Bank of America for lighting projects, specifically for ones that are more in a
downtown area. The program is to replace existing lighting, which is often not LED or energy

151 efficient lighting with LED energy efficient lighting, along with security standards. Typically,

this would involve lighting around 50 feet of an ATM and this is the distance recommended by

- 153 the Engineering Illumination Society Guidelines.
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Mr. Bombaci went on to say that there are currently two pole lights on the site that are about 30feet tall. They have floodlight fixtures, which face out horizontally and are not dark skies

157 compliant. The proposal is to replace each one of those with a new 20-foot pole, which is shorter

to be compliant with zoning and dark skies compliant with a backlight shield and forward

throwing light. He stated there are residences in this area, so they wanted to make sure the

160 lighting is shielded, lowered and forward thrown to provide additional, uniform lighting. He 161 stated they are also proposing two additional wall pack lights at the ATM locations to provide

161 stated they are also proposing two additional wall pack lights at the ATM locations to provide 162 more lighting for the area. The canopy lighting itself would have strip lighting underneath the

162 inote righting for the area. The canopy righting risen would have surp righting underneath the 163 canopy and this would also be LED lighting. An additional new light fixture is also being added

164 right above the ATM.

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- 166 Mr. Bombaci noted there are four waivers being requested, largely based on the unique condition167 of the site.
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169 The first waiver is from 21.7.3 C, which is 0.1 foot candles from the property line. He stated they 170 are trying to respect the lighting along the property lines, but for parking associated with the 171 bank, the applicant would exceed the lighting limit.

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The second waiver is the hours of operation. Security lighting is one foot candle maximum for security lighting and the applicant is at 1.62. This waiver, again, is for the security concerns of the bank.

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The third waiver indicates that 24-hour business light levels should be reduced by 50% between the hours at 10:00 AM and 6:00 PM. Mr. Bombaci stated when customers are using an ATM at 8:00 PM, the bank's concern is security and hence did not want to reduce the light level at night.

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181 The fourth waiver is related to the uniformity ratio from section 21.7.4.8.2 and refers to a 5:1

182 uniformity ratio, to avoid light trespass towards abutters as much as possible. The parking area is

included in the uniformity ratio. If that area is calculated into the minimum it does exceed that

number, but if you take just the area around the ATM, the uniformity ratio is around 3:1. This

- 185 concluded the applicant's presentation.
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187 Ms. Vezzani asked, when talking about lighting for a 24-hour business, was there consideration
188 to reduce the lighting at all; is it going to be brighter than it is now.

189 Mr. Bombaci stated he cannot speak specifically to how many lumens are thrown by the existing

190 fixtures as they are old, but the lighting on the ground will certainly be brighter because the

191 existing light fixtures are floodlighting and this light travels sideways and horizontally, not

downward. They are trying to light where customers are but overall did not feel the lighting

being proposed is going to be substantially more than what exists currently.

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195 Staff comments were next. Ms. Fortson addressed the Board stated as Mr. Bombaci explained,

the parcel is located at the northeastern corner of Central Square and it is abutted on all sides by

197 commercial properties, which are a mix of uses. City Hall is located to the southwest, Keene

affordable Housing to the north, along with B Bakes which is a mixed-use building with

commercial on the 1st floor and apartments on the upper floors, peer support to the southwest

200 and United Church of Christ to the west.

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Ms. Fortson stated this property is located in the downtown core district and the proposal is to install a total of 12 new light fixtures. Ms. Fortson noted what staff is learning with the land development code is that the city's lighting standards are not as flexible for properties that are located in the downtown district.

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207 She noted this site is paved from lot line to lot line, and for an entity like a bank to be able to

- comply with 0.1 foot candle requirement at the property line and a one foot candle lighting
- 209 requirement at the right of way line, it can be difficult to comply with. This is resulting in the
- 210 applicant having to come before the Planning Board to request waivers.
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- 212 In regard to the determination of regional impact, Staff did not feel that this proposal had any
- 213 potential for regional impact.
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215 In terms of departmental comments, the only comment Planning Staff received was from code

- enforcement staff who noted that a building permit was required prior to this work being completed.
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- Ms. Fortson next reviewed sections of the lighting standards. The applicant is not proposing anyflood lighting or up lighting, so they comply with that standard.
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In regard to the general standard, one of them specifies that all proposed light fixtures must be full cut off, with no portion of the bulb visible. The cut sheets that were submitted comply with those regulations, so that standard has been met.

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- 226 With reference to glare, the project narrative states that none of the light fixtures proposed to be
- installed are directed in a manner that will create glare on or off the property and that lights
- located near property lines will be equipped with backlight shields, which will prevent light from
- travelling to the upper floors of the apartment buildings. This standard appears to be met.
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- The light trespass standard allows for 0.1 foot candle of trespass at the property line and one foot
- candle at the right of way line. To determine whether or not to grant that waiver request, theBoard will need to look at their three waiver criteria.
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- 235 Ms. Fortson reviewed the waiver criteria:
- 236 1. Strict conformity would pose an unnecessary hardship to the applicant, and the waiver would
- 237 not be contrary to the spirit and intent of the regulations.
- 238 2. Specific circumstances relative to the site plan or conditions of the land and such site plan
- 239 indicate that a waiver will properly carry out the spirit and intent of the regulations.
- 240 3. In granting a waiver, the Planning Board may require any mitigation that is reasonable and
- 241 necessary to ensure that the spirit intent of the standard being waived will be preserved and to
- 242 ensure that no increase in adverse impacts associated with granting this waiver will occur.
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- The next standard is related to illumination. This standard requires that all light fixtures have a
- color-rendering index greater than 70 and a color temperature of 3500 Kelvin or less.
- 246 The light fixture cut sheets that were submitted comply with those standards. The standard has
- been met.
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- In regards to height of fixtures, a maximum of 20 feet is allowed in the downtown core district.
- 250 That standard has been met by the applicant.
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- 252 The next standard is related to the hours of operation. Between 10:00 PM and 6:00 AM, there are
- 253 requirements to reduce lighting levels by 50%. Given the fact that this is going to be security
- lighting, the applicant is requesting a waiver from that standard.
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- Wiring The applicant has confirmed that all wiring is going to be installed either underground or inside the building. That standard has been met.

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- The applicant is requesting a waiver from the requirement that states parking lots have to have an average illumination level of 3 1/2 foot candles or less. The applicant indicates they are meeting the standards to the best of their ability, while still meeting their security needs.
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- The other waiver request is for uniformity ratio, which is required to be 5:1 foot candles, and the proposal is above that average. They are requesting a waiver for security of the site.
- 265266 The proposal does not involve lighting of any canopies and or walkways. Those two standards267 are not applicable.
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- Ms. Fortson reviewed the motion language.
- Mayor Kahn referred to the waiver regarding hours of operation. He asked if the language should
 say to meet the "bank security standards." Ms. Fortson agreed.
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- 274 Chair Farrington asked about light trespass onto the sidewalk on Washington Street. Mr.
- 275 Bombaci stated they were below the 1.0 foot candles onto that street at the property line.
- Ms. Fortson stated she might have incorrectly stated that they were above the 1.0 foot candle at
- the right of way line but noted they were just above the 0.1 foot candle light trespass standard.
- The Chair asked for public comment. With no comments from the public, the Chair closed the public hearing.
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- 282 C. Board Discussion and Action
- 283 A motion was made by Roberta Mastrogiovanni that the Planning Board approve the waiver
- request from section, 21-7-3-C regarding light trespass. The motion was seconded by Michael Hoefer.
- 286 Mr. Clancy stated he was comfortable with this waiver, in that there are no abutters present to
- 287 object. The Chair agreed but asked if individual apartments would get the notice or would it be
- just the owners. Ms. Brunner stated it would be just the owners, and it is up to the owners to let
- tenants know. She added there is, however, a notice that goes out in the Sentinel.
- 290 The motion to approve the waiver regarding light trespass carried on a unanimous vote.
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- A motion was made by Roberta Mastrogiovanni that the Planning Board approve the waiver
- request from Section 21.7.3 F.1.A, which allows for average lighting levels over 1 foot candle.
- 294 The motion was seconded by Sarah Vezzani and carried on a unanimous vote.
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- A motion was made by Roberta Mastrogiovanni that the Planning Board approve the waiver
- request from Section 21.7.3.F.1.C that would be to allow for normal lighting levels during the
- 298 10:00 PM to 6:00 AM hours. The motion was seconded by Sarah Vezzani.

- Ms. Vezzani stated she agrees with staff that this standard is outdated, and it is important to comply with security needs.
- 301 The motion to allow for normal lighting levels during the 10:00 PM to 6:00 AM hours and
- 302 carried on a unanimous vote.

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- 304 A motion was made by Roberta Mastrogiovanni that the Planning Board approve the waiver
- 305 request from Section 21.7.4.8.2 of the LDC regarding light trespass levels and lighting hours of 306 operation, specifically regarding uniformity ratio. The motion was seconded by Armando
- 307 Rangel.
- 308 The Mayor asked for clarification on this issue. Ms. Brunner explained the way uniformity ratio
- 309 is calculated is by taking the average illumination and dividing it by the minimum. In this case,
- 310 because the applicant was trying to get the light levels as low as possible at the property line that
- 311 made the minimum smaller, which made the uniformity ratio higher because that is the number
- that you divide it by. In this instance, if you look at the main parking area around the ATMs, the
- uniformity ratio is actually 3.1, which exceeds the standard. It is just when you include the full
- 314 parking area going up to the lot line that the uniformity ratio does not meet the standard because
- they are trying to meet a different one of city standards, which is to not have light levels across
- the property line.
- The motion to approve the waiver regarding parking lot uniformity ratio carried on a unanimousvote.
- 319 A motion was made by Roberta Mastrogiovanni that the Planning Board approve SPR-593,
- 320 Modification #2 as shown on the plan set identified as "Bank of America, Exterior Lighting
- 321 Program" prepared by GMR Facility Analysis & Engineering at varying scales with the
- 322 following conditions prior to final approval and signature by the Planning Board Chair:
- 323 1. Owner's signature appears on the plan.
- 324 2. Submittal of five full-sized paper copies of the final plan set.
- 325 The motion was seconded by Sarah Vezzani
- 326 Ms. Vezzani stated this application does not have regional impact. She also stated she
- 327 appreciates the applicant's letter, which explains each item and whether it meets the standard and328 was comfortable approving this application.
- The Chair felt the applicant has met the spirit of the code and was comfortable approving this application.
- 331 The motion carried on a unanimous vote.
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- b) <u>PB-2025-01 2-lot Subdivision Keene State College, 238-260 Main Street</u> –
- 334 Applicant Huntley Survey & Design, PLLC, on behalf of owner the University System of New
- Hampshire, proposes a 2-lot subdivision of the ~0.96-ac parcel at 238-260 Main Street (TMP
- 336 #590-101-000) into two lots ~0.48-ac and ~0.46-ac in size. The property is located in the
- 337 Downtown Transition District.

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353 B. Public Hearing	
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354 Mr. Russ Huntley of Huntley Survey and Design addressed the Board on behalf of the University of New Hernership for their group and 2 let subdivision on Main Street and Proster	rsity
355 System of New Hampshire for their proposed 2-lot subdivision on Main Street and Proctor	1
356 Court. On the north is the alumni building, in the center of the U is the Historical Center, and 357 the south is Proctor Court. He stated the proposal essentially is to be able to have each build	
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359 placed. Mr. Huntley stated the lots meet all city requirements as far as zoning requirements,	
360 frontage-building setbacks but noted that the pavement setbacks will not be met with this ne 361 existing line.	N
361 existing line.362	
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364 standard. When this lot was constructed, it was constructed in 2010 with pervious pavement	and
has some under drains but wasn't sure if it was still working.	
366367 The second lot does meet the impermeable surface criteria.	
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369 He noted to the only area that would need an 8-foot setback to meet the city's zoning and lar	A
370 development code. However, the RSA does say that a government entity does not have to fo	
370 development code. However, the KSA does say that a government entry does not have to ro 371 these rules, and although the applicant has tried to do the best they can, this standard is not g	
371 these rules, and although the applicant has tried to do the best they can, this standard is not g 372 to be able to be met. Mr. Huntley stated staff have provided the applicant with some guidance	0
this issue. Staff recommend this and a note will be added to the plan to address this situation	
indicates if the lot is ever sold to a private entity, then that entity would have to do somethin	
address the situation: removing parking spaces, adding some green space or applying for a	3 10
376 variance. He felt a variance would be the best option. This concluded Mr. Huntley's presenta	tion
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378 Mayor Kahn asked if there would be any objection if the two parties that own both sides of t	hat
379 property line agree that there is a benefit to the public to be able to have the traffic flow betw	
the two lots. Mr. Huntley stated at this time that option would be a moot point unless the	cen
380 the two lots. With functey stated at this time that option would be a most point diffess the 381 property is sold to a private entity.	
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383 Staff comments were next.

- 384 Mr. Clements addressed the Board and stated as Mr. Huntley explained the current configuration
- 385 with the proposed addition of the new lot line, because both parcels will continue to be owned by
- the university system and they are protected under RSA 674:54 Governmental Land Uses.
- 387 There is no violation of the zoning ordinance as proposed because of that RSA.
- 388 If the southern parcel were to be sold to a non-governmental user, before that entity could use the
- 389 property or go through what is called a change of use process, they would have to come up with
- a solution to that problem. This new property owner would not be allowed to use the property
- until either the pavement is removed to satisfy the pavement setback requirement or a variance
- 392 was received from the Zoning Board of Adjustment. A cross-access agreement could be
- established between the two property owners to maintain site flow if they so choose privately,but they would still need to resolve the discrepancy with the zoning ordinance.
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- 396 Mr. Clements referred to the note that staff asked the applicant to add on the plan.
- 397 He indicated staff worked with the City Attorney's office on language:
- 398 This subdivision is of governmentally owned land and was therefore made pursuant to RSA
- 399 674:54, Governmental Land Uses. The subdivision creates potential nonconformities with
- 400 section 4.6.2 Buildout of the Land Development Code in regard to the impervious surface
- 401 maximum on Lot 1 and section 9.4.2 Dimensions & Siting, Table 9-2 of the Land Development
- 402 Code in regard to the parking area pavement setback on Lots 1 & 2. Planning Board approval of
- 403 this plat shall not be deemed to cure any non-conformity with existing local land use ordinances.
- 404 *Any future use of either lot that is not governmental use will be subject to these provisions and*
- 405 may necessitate correction of the nonconformities or variances from the Zoning Board of
 406 Adjustment."
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- 408 Mr. Clements stated this is a very straightforward two-lot subdivision. All basic dimensional
- 409 requirements for lot area, frontage have been met. Staff do not feel this application meets the
- 410 threshold for regional impact. The character for the land of subdivision standards does not apply
- 411 because this is an existing built up area with no future development proposed at this time. The
- 412 land was suitable for development, and it has been developed. This proposal is not scattered or
- 413 premature because it is already developed. There are no notable existing features to preserve
- 414 because it has already been developed. The applicant has proposed monumentation, which meets
- the city standards and will be verified by Public Works Staff as part of a condition of final
- 416 approval.
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- He went on to say that the subject parcels are not in any special flood hazard area. This standardis not applicable.
- 420 Fire Protection and Water Supply This standard has been met as this site is located in the
- 421 downtown urban compact. There are fire hydrants located nearby.
- 422 Utilities are hooked up to city water and sewer.
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- 424 Mr. Clements reviewed the conditions of approval.425
- 426 Mr. Clancy clarified this site does not have permeable surfaces. Mr. Clements stated the
- 427 applicant submitted a calculation and with the subdivision, lot 2 meets the requirement but lot 1428 does not.
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- 430 The Chairman asked for public comment.
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432 Mr. Rick Swanson of Historical Society of Cheshire County addressed the Board and asked if the

433 property is sold, whether that would impact the parking spaces for the Historical Society. The

434 Chair noted the Historical Society has three rows, which won't be impacted, but the parking area

behind the Historical Society's spaces belongs to Keene State College. Depending on what the

future use is, those parking spaces could be impacted. Mr. Swanson asked whether the Board

437 could approve a future configuration to the parking in an event, a non-government entity should
 438 purchase this property. Chair Farrington stated, as staff had explained, a hypothetical variance

- 438 purchase this property. Chair Farrington stated, as stall had explained, a hypothe 439 cannot be applied for while the property is in governmental use.
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441 Mr. Clements referred to the existing parking area for the Historical Society. Keene State would 442 have to create 8 feet on their side of the lot and would need to remove that impervious surface to

- 443 meet the set back at that location. He noted the parking spaces that will not be affected by this
- 444 application. The only area of concern is the small drive aisle.
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446 Mr. Swanson asked about the area adjacent to Proctor House. Mr. Clements stated that lot line

447 already exists and would be considered an existing condition. He explained the only thing not448 being cured by this application tonight is new conditions being created by adding a new lot line.

All the deviations from the pavement set back requirement existing today are allowed to remain

450 as legal non-conforming. Mr. Swanson asked whether there was anything that restricts the

451 building envelope of either of those two lots. Mr. Clements stated this property is in the

452 downtown transition and is form-based, so the building envelope would be subject to build-to

453 lines as well as some traditional building set back. Ms. Brunner noted for downtown transition,

454 the interior side set back is 10 feet for a building line, rear set back of 15 feet, corner side set

455 back of 10 feet and front set back of 15 feet. Hence, a building would have to be within those

- 456 setback areas.
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458 Mr. Swanson asked whether construction of the property has any impact on the Historical

459 Society. Mr. Clements stated if someone purchased Proctor House and wanted to demolish the

460 property, they would have go through a major site plan review process before the Planning

461 Board. Chair Farrington added this would also include any construction planning and the impact

- that would cause to abutters.
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464 Mr. Clancy asked whether the Historical Society has a right of way to the rear of the property. 465 Mr. Huntley stated there is a 14-foot right of way at Proctor Court

- 465 Mr. Huntley stated there is a 14-foot right of way at Proctor Court.
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467 With no further comment, the Chair closed the public hearing.468

469 C. Board Discussion and Action

470 A motion was made by that the Planning Board approve PB-2025-01 as shown on the plan set

471 identified as "Two Lot Subdivision" prepared by Huntley Survey & Design, PLLC at a scale of 1

inch = 20 feet, dated August 20, 2024 and last revised February 11, 2025 with the following

473 conditions:

- 474 1. Prior to final approval and signature by the Planning Board Chair, the following conditions475 precedent shall be met:
- 476 A. Owner's signature appears on the plan.

B. Inspection of lot monuments by the Public Works Director or their designee following
their installation or the submittal of a security in an amount deemed satisfactory to the Public
Works Director to ensure that the monuments will be set.

- 480 C. Submittal of four (4) full sized paper copies, two (2) mylar copies, and a digital copy
 481 of the final plan set.
- 482 D. Submittal of a check in the amount of \$51.00 made out to the City of Keene to cover483 recording fees.
- 484 The motion was seconded by Sarah Vezzani
- 485 Ms. Vezzani stated there is no potential for regional impact from this application. She felt the 486 draft language proposed by staff makes sense for any future sale.
- 487 Chair Farrington stated he likes the collaboration Keene State is showing with the city on this488 project.
- 489 The motion was unanimously approved.
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c) PB-2025-02 – Cottage Court Conditional Use Permit – 36 Elliot Street – Applicant
Sampson Architects, on behalf of owner the Scott Richards Revocable Trust of 2023, proposes
the conversion of an existing single-family home into a duplex on the property at 36 Elliot Street
(TMP #214-021-000). The parcel is ~0.10-ac in size and is located in the Residential

- 495 (1MP #214-021-000). The parcel is ~0.10-ac in size and is located in the Residential
 496 Preservation District.
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A. Board Determination of Completeness

- Planner Megan Fortson stated the applicant has requested exemptions from submitting a grading plan, landscaping plan, lighting plan, elevations, and all technical reports. After reviewing each request, staff have made the preliminary determination that granting the requested exemptions would have no bearing on the merits of the application and recommend that the Board accept the application as complete.
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- 506 A motion was made by Roberta Mastrogiovanni that the Planning Board accept PB-2025-01 as 507 complete. The motion was seconded by Sarah Vezzani and was unanimously approved.
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- 509 B. <u>Public Hearing</u>
- 510 Tim Sampson of Sampson Architects addressed the Board and stated he was before the Board
- 511 representing The Scott Richards Revocable Trust for a conditional use permit for 36 Elliott
- 512 Street. He stated it was a straightforward project. He stated this property in 2008 was permitted
- as a studio, construction completed in 2009. At that time, the inspector and the designer added

- 514 the kitchen without proper documentation filed with the city. There was paperwork signed that
- 515 it would not be used as a dwelling unit and to his knowledge it has not been
- 516 Mr. Sampson stated what they are seeking to do is take an existing dwelling unit, not recognized
- 517 by the city, and make it an official dwelling unit for the property owner to use. He stated the
- application meets all requirements for a CUP Cottage Court. There will be no construction or
- 519 changes to the site, which is the reason for the requested exemptions from any documentation.
- 520 The only internal construction that would be required is what would be addressed through the
- 521 building permit process, based on the fact that building codes have changed in the last 15 years
- 522 since construction was completed. This concluded Mr. Sampson's comments.
- 523 Staff comments were next.
- 524 Ms. Fortson stated this subject parcel is about 4,300 square feet in size. The site itself is located
- 525 between Wheelock School on Adams Street and Main Street. This property is located in the
- 526 Residential Preservation District and unlike the other cottage court conditional use permit
- 527 applications that have come before the Board for conversion of existing buildings into a higher
- 528 number of units, this lot in residential preservation has no density requirement. Ms. Fortson
- 529 explained in the residential preservation district, the only way to have more units is through the
- 530 cottage court process. Hence, this is the reason that this application is before the Board today.
- 531 Ms. Fortson next reviewed how this application complies with the Cottage Court standards. Site 532 plan review is not required because it is less than five units. There is no regional impact.
- 533 With reference to departmental comments on the application. Planning staff received comments
- from both code enforcement and the fire department, noting that this project is going to need to
- 535 go through a formal building permit process to make sure that all work that was done related to
- electrical, building and life safety issues have been completed up to code. If there is anything that
- 537 needs to be addressed internally with any of those items, those would be addressed as part of the
- 538 building permit review process; planning Staff will be included in that process.
- 539 In regards to the specific review of the standards for cottage core applications, specifically
- 540 development types allowed, the proposal is for the creation of a second unit in a building
- 541 currently used as a single family home on a single lot. This standard appears to be met.
- 542 There are certain dimensional standards that are required as part of the CUP application. In this
- 543 specific case, the property does not comply with the 20-foot rear set back or the 10-foot side set
- 544 back that is required in the residential preservation district. However, these are all existing
- 545 conditions. The applicant is not proposing to alter them in any way hence, this is not applicable
- and the standard is met because they are not proposing any changes.
- 547 Ms. Fortson stated the new unit, which is going to be constructed towards the back of the
- 548 building, is an existing dwelling with two floor units; they occupy both first and second floors.
- 549 The applicant is proposing two parking spaces. The cottage court requirement allows either one
- 550 per unit or one per bedroom. By proposing two, this standard is being met.
- 551 In terms of building separation, again, the proposal does not involve the construction of multiple
- buildings. This standard is applicable. However, the application will need to go through a
- building permit and life safety review process following the conditional approval by the Planning
- 554 Board.

- As for driveways, the existing driveway shown is almost 14.5 feet wide. This standard is not
- applicable, because they are not proposing any changes to the driveway.
- 557 There are no internal roads proposed as part of the application.
- 558 The standard related to screening is not applicable as the 1 3/4 story height of this building and 559 design is very similar to adjacent properties in the area.
- Architectural guidelines are not applicable given the fact that there are no changes proposed tothe exterior.
- 562 Ms. Fortson noted this property is surrounded by single-family homes on all sides with the
- 563 exception of two, two-family home across the street.
- 564 This concluded staff comments.
- 565 The Chair asked for public comment, and with no comment from the public, the Chair closed the 566 public hearing.

567 C. <u>Board Discussion and Action</u>

- 568 A motion was made by Roberta Mastrogiovanni that the Planning Board approve PB-2025-02 as
- shown on the plan identified as "Cottage Court Application, 36 Elliot St, Keene, NH 03431"
- 570 prepared by Sampson Architects at varying scales on January 15, 2025 and last revised on
- 571 February 12, 2025 with the following conditions prior to final approval and signature by the
- 572 Planning Board Chair:
- 573 1. Owner's signature appears on the plan.
- 574 2. Submittal of five full-sized paper copies of the final plan
- 575 The motion was seconded by Sarah Vezzani.
- 576 Mayor Kahn stated, while there are some anomalies to the property, what is significant from the 577 site review is that this property fits into the neighborhood in terms of density.
- 578 Mr. Hoefer felt this application feels different to the intention of a cottage court application and
- asked whether Cottage Court was the best option for this project. Ms. Fortson explained most of
- 580 the applications the Board has seen are for two units going to three units within the existing
- 581 building envelope and they had to come before the Planning Board because they did not have the
- 582 required square footage on their property. Going through the cottage court process removes the
- 583 density requirements. She added the City has an ordinance, which was just passed that removes
- the density requirement altogether, so these types of projects would not have to come to the
- 585 Planning Board anymore. These multi-family uses will be allowed by right in the districts where
- 586 they are allowed through the regular zoning ordinance.
- 587 In this case, the only way to have a second unit on a property in residential preservation is either
- through the cottage court process or by creating an accessory dwelling unit. In this case, Ms.
- 589 Fortson stated she assumes the property owner's reason for going through the cottage court
- 590 process is because they want two rentable units, with an accessory dwelling unit, the property
- 591 owner has to occupy one of the units. They would be able to rent one instead of two.

- 592 Ms. Vezzani stated this application does not have the potential for regional impact. She felt it
- 593 would be nice to have both units brought up to code.
- 594 The motion made by Roberta Mastrogiovanni carried on a unanimous vote.
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597 d) PB-2025-03 – Major Site Plan – Douglas Company Facility, 0 Black Brook Road –

- 598 Applicant Fieldstone Land Consultants PLLC, on behalf of owner Douglas Company Inc.,
- proposes the construction of a ~98,323-sf office and warehouse building on two parcels at 0 599
- 600 Black Brook Rd (TMP#s 221-023-000 & 221-024-00). Waivers are requested from Section
- 601 20.14.1, Section 20.14.2, Section 20.14.3.D, and Section 23.5.4.9 of the LDC related to
- 602 architectural and visual appearance, parking in front of the building, and driveway width. The 603 parcel is ~5.33-ac in size and is located in the Corporate Park District.
- 604 A. Board Determination of Completeness
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606 Planner Evan Clements stated the applicant has requested exemptions from submitting a historic

607 evaluation and traffic analysis. After reviewing each request, staff have made the determination

608 that the requested exemptions would have no bearing on the merits of the application and

609 recommend that the Board accept the application as complete.

610 A motion was made by Roberta Mastrogiovanni that the Planning Board accept PB-2025-03 as

611 complete. The motion was seconded by Mayor Kahn and was unanimously approved.

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613 **B.** Public Hearing

614 Mr. John Noonan from Fieldstone Land Consultants addressed the Board on behalf of the

615 Douglas Company and introduced Scott Clark owner of Douglas Company. Mr. Noonan stated

616 the proposal is for a warehouse facility on Blackbrook Road. The applicant is looking to merge

617 two lots to create approximately 12.5 acres of land as a single unit and construct a warehouse

- 618 facility consisting of two phases.
- 619 Phase one would be the middle section. Mr. Noonan referred to a plan of the building, which is
- 620 proposed at approximately 57,000 square feet in size, build out of approximately 97,000 square
- 621 feet in size. The first phase of the building would be for warehousing with a loading dock.
- 622 Douglas Company would keep their business on Krif Road. They are looking to keep that
- 623 building, construct phase one and utilize the warehouse at Blackbrook Road. Phase two would
- 624 come approximately five years following the construction of phase one to build out to the full
- 625 plan. The second phase would have space for more warehousing as well as an office area. At that
- point, they would move out of their Krif Road location into this facility. 626
- 627 Mr. Noonan stated there would be an access point off the cul-de-sac at the end of Blackbrook
- 628 Road mostly for tractor-trailer trucks and fire access. He noted a second entrance for office
- 629 personnel and smaller vehicles. There is a 25-foot drive aisle around the building. Parking lot in
- 630 the front and a parking lot in the rear. Both parking lots have ADA access and are curbed with
- 631 sidewalks.

- 632 Mr. Noonan stated this property is in the 100 hundred year flood plain and there is also the
- 633 floodway which is further down following the river. He stated one of the largest things for
- 634 designing the site is to offset and mitigate for floodplain compensation. He stated they are
- proposing a berm and the design is to offset the fill in the floodplain with an excavation to
- 636 compensate for that same volume. Vertical granite curbs are being proposed with asphalt
- 637 sidewalks. The asphalt sidewalks would be temporary. When phase two is constructed the
- 638 asphalt sidewalks will be replaced with concrete sidewalks and during phase two everything will
- be brought up to finished elevation. Parking and pavement access will be constructed as part of
- 640 phase one.
- 641 Mr. Noonan went on to say that they have submitted a grading and drainage plan. This will be
- reviewed by DES Alteration of Terrain and is designed to meet the state standards. The overall
- 643 site impact is more than 100,000 square feet, thus requiring an alteration of terrain permit. He
- noted the flood compensation area drains down to the southwest corner, following the river. He
- 645 noted they will be connecting to the city owned detention basin and a grass treatments swale and
- 646 the remainder will be taken care of between two subsurface chamber systems.
- 647 Mr. Noonan next referred to the utility plan. The site has municipal water and sewer. There are
- stubs that were installed when they built Blackbrook Road in anticipation for corporate park.
- 649 There is a two-inch water supply line for domestic use and a six-inch ductile iron water line for
- 650 fire use. This is being extended with the six inch fire line and at the direction of the Fire Chief, a
- 651 second hydrant on the site has been installed. He noted to where a transformer is located next to
- Blackbrook Road and the applicant would be connecting to that for electricity. Propane tanks
- 653 will be located parallel with the existing propane tanks that service the Janos property.
- 654 He referred next to sheet that showed the sewer profile. Mr. Noonan stated as part of their
- 655 connection to sewer, they would also need to obtain sewer connection permit from the City of
- 656 Keene and submit to DES for a state sewer connection permit. It will ultimately run to a pump
- 657 station that is owned by the City of Keene. The site is slightly lower in elevation. There will be a
- 658 small pump station that comes out of the applicant's building. This will still drain by gravity into
- 659 the city infrastructure.
- 660 Lighting Plan There will be a combination of wall packs, wall mounted lights and pole
- 661 mounted lights in the parking lots with LED full cut off fixtures. There are 3000-Kelvin
- temperature rating and more than 80 for CRI for the color-rendering index to meet the city
- 663 standards for lighting.
- 664 Landscaping Plan Mr. Noonan stated a plan has submitted to show that the plan meets the
- standards. Landscaping is mostly for screening parking spaces. Along the berm that is located
- between the parking lot and the flood plain line, there will be shrubs planted. Trees will be
- planted along the edges of the parking lot. The three maple trees at the rear of the site will be
- alignment with the existing trees that are on the Janus property. No trees are being removed as
- 669 part of this site plan. In the floodplain.
- 670 Compensation basins would contain pollinator friendly seed mix; mix of wildflowers friendly to
- bees and pollinating species. There will also be some Weeping Willow trees. These were
- recommendations by the Conservation Commission for another project in town, which had a
- 673 floodplain compensation basin to provide landscaping and improve what would otherwise be a
- 674 large "wet hole" on someone's property.

- 675 Mr. Noonan noted to a turning exhibit for tractor-trailer traffic as well as a turning exhibit for
- 676 Keene ladder trucks. Ultimately, tractor trailer turning motions out of the parking lot and making
- 677 U-turn is what drives the width of the driveway; 31 feet at the property line and 51 feet on the
- radius at the edge of pavement. Mr. Noonan stated this is the reason for asking for an exemption
- 679 on that pavement width.
- 680 Mr. Noonan showed the Board a video of the proposed building.
- 681 Mr. Noonan next addressed three waivers the applicant was requesting. Two of the waivers are
- 682 for the architectural design of the building. Waiver one to grant a waiver from section
- 683 21.14.1.B Massing and Scale where the LDC allows a building over 150 feet in length or
- 684 more to not be divided into multiple modules. Based on the design for a warehouse building, the
- architect has a design to stack the windows to break up the façade. The office and loading side ofbuilding will be stepped in and out.
- 687 The second waiver is from Section 21.14.2A for visual interest of the Land Development Code
- to allow for uniform appearance of the building. Mr. Noonan explained the office end of the
- building would have a change of colors plus the large tower area would have windows that break
- 690 it up. The remainder of the building would have a difference in colors between the gray and
- 691 cream and split concrete block on the bottom four feet
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- 693 The third waiver request is form Section 21.14.3D Site design and relationship to the
- 694 surrounding community of the Land Development Code to allow for off street parking to be
- located in the front of the building where parking is normally required to be located to the sides
- 696 in the rear of the building. Mr. Noonan stated ultimately this parking lot in the front, right along
- Blackbrook Road. The parking lots are going to be located on each end of the building to push
- 698 everything back because of the unique feature of the site following the river. The floodplain
- 699 compensation needed to be located along the river. The site design is driven by that floodplain.
- 700 This concluded Mr. Noonan's presentation.
- 701 Mayor Kahn asked whether the material that is going to clad the majority of the building would
- 102 look like metal. Mr. Noonan stated it would be a metal insulated panel in cream and gray color,
- 703 with the bottom of the building consisting of split block to mimic stone as the foundation.
- The Mayor asked about the amount of cubic yards that would be used for fill and compensatory,
- 705 storage. Mr. Noonan stated the total fill for the floodplain would be 6,362 yards and are cutting
- 706 7,034 yards ending up with an excess flood compensation of 671 yards.
- 707 Staff comments were next.
- 708 Mr. Clements addressed the Board. He stated staff does not believe this project has regional
- impact. As Mr. Noonan stated, with reference to drainage, the project has been evaluated against
 local regulations and will also be subject to the Alteration of Terrain Permit.
- 711 The applicant's stormwater report states that the proposed system will reduce precondition, flow
- 712 rate, and volume of storm water on the property that standard has been met.
- 713 Sedimentation and Erosion Control The plan proposes the installation of temporary erosion
- 714 control measures as needed around the site and around Blackbrook and those include silt fence,

- 715 check dams, erosion matting, a stabilized construction entrance and other best management
- 716 practices this standard appears to be met.
- 717 Snow Storage and Removal The site has been designed for snow storage areas around the
- perimeter of the parking and drive aisles and they do not conflict with the proposed drainage
- 719 systems this standard appears to be met.
- 720 Landscaping Plan includes the installation of 12 trees, 57 shrubs and a mix of perennial flowers
- in the parking landscape area islands. Flowers include day lilies, hostas and purple coneflower.
- The shrubs are going to be rhododendrons, dogwoods and winterberries, and the trees are red
- maple and hawthorn trees, as well as weeping willows in the flood compensation area. Over
- 3,476 square feet of parking area landscaping is proposed when they are only required to provide
 217 square feet. Mr. Clements stated the applicant, however, is requesting an alternative
- figure reet. Mr. Clements stated the applicant, however, is requesting an alternative
 landscaping plan as allowed per Section 9.4.5.B5 of the land development code. This is related to
- parking lot designs and large parking lots of 50 spaces or greater are supposed to be designed to
- 728 minimize the practice of large, unbroken areas of pavement.
- 729 Due to the industrial nature of the proposed site to allow for more ease of travel around the site
- itself, the applicant is requesting their proposed orientation, as articulated in the site plan, which
- does not quite meet the standards. However, the Board will need to decide if the alternative
- 732 landscaping plan is appropriate for the proposed use of the site.
- 733 Screening The proposed dumpster area will have a dumpster enclosure that meets the
- standards. At this time the HVAC system for the warehouse and the office have not yet been
- designed. However, the applicant notes that those mechanicals will be set back at least 10 feet
- from the edge of the roofline, as required by city standards, and will be screened to comply. At
- this point the standard has been met.
- Mr. Clements went on to say as Mr. Noonan stated all proposed lighting, including the lightinglevels along the property line, are within the city standards and the standard has been met.
- 740 Water and Sewer The DES Sewer connection permit as well as all required improvements on
- site tie into those existing water and sewer lines at BlackRock Road. The city engineer has
- vorked with the applicant extensively to get those details to a point where they are comfortable
- 743 with the proposal this standard has been met.
- Access and Traffic Management The applicant has stated in their narrative that all site access
- will come from Black Book Road and this includes the creation of a new street access point as
- well as the utilization of the existing access on the adjacent property. A 25 foot wide, two-way
- drive aisle is proposed to connect with parking areas, loading docks and the public right of way.
- 748 Truck turning exhibits have proven the geometry of the proposed circulation is sufficient for both
- the applicant's needs with tractor-trailers and emergency service vehicles.
- 750 Mr. Clements further stated that the project includes pedestrian pathways around the building for
- both phases. Temporary pedestrian connections for the parking areas for phase one will be
- removed during construction for Phase 2. A bike rack is proposed to be installed near the
- entrance of the office building which is part of phase two. A mix of curbing is proposed to
- protect those pedestrian walk area landscaping and the building from vehicles rolling forward
- accidentally.

756 The proposed use is required to supply 57 parking spaces. The plan proposes 74 parking spaces,

- including three accessible spaces and two van spaces. Parking areas are located on the western
- side and eastern side of the property. The applicant had requested an exemption from submitting
- a traffic analysis and provided ITE trip generation estimates. The manual estimates 77.7 trips per
- workday and approximately 42 trips per each peak hour, which is under the threshold for a full
- traffic study. The applicant states in their narrative that the Black Brook Corporate Park was
- designed to accommodate traffic associated with larger scale business uses, such as the existingusers and this proposed use. Douglas Company was able to provide some real life practical
- ros users and this proposed use. Douglas Company was able to provide some real file practical rock estimates of their current traffic generation, and they noted they are seeing about five trucks per
- day and around 25 trucks per week in and out of their current site on Krif Road. In tandem with
- the city engineer, this standard appears to be met.
- 767 Mr. Clements referred to the waiver from Section 23 for pavement in excess of 25 feet at the
- 768 property line. The Land Development Code allows the Board to approve that deviation without a
- formal waiver as long as the geometry necessitates that increased width. He explained that the
- geometric analysis is the truck-turning plan. Mr. Clements stated he had a chance to discuss this
- issue with the city engineer who believes that based on the truck-turning plan, that additional
- footage is necessary. He stated if the Board is comfortable they would be approving that waiver
- 773 with this application.
- Filling an Excavation Mr. Clements stated as Mr. Noonan explained, they are going to be using
- most of the material they cut for flood compensation. However, Blackbrook Road is just adjacent
- to Wyman Road, which connects directly to Route 12. Any large vehicle traffic to and from the
- site will move swiftly to larger roadways without generating significant impact to the
- surrounding area this standard appears to be met.
- 779 Surface Waters Wetlands There are surface waters and wetlands on the site as described by Mr.
- 780 Noonan which will not be impacted directly. Part of the flood compensation will include some
- 781 work within the wetland buffers themselves. However, flood compensation is a permitted use
- 782 within the wetland buffer, so no conditional use permit is needed for that this standard is met.
- Hazardous and Toxic Materials The applicant states in their narrative that the proposed use
 does not utilize hazardous or toxic materials this standard is met.
- Noise The applicant states in their narrative that the noise generated by the use will be similar
 to surrounding businesses. The site is located in an area suitable for the intended use and will not
- 787 conflict with other properties this standard is met.
- 788 Architecture and Visual Appearance Mr. Clements stated Mr. Noonan did a good job
- explaining architecture and visual appearance and their intent to meet the standard with their
- 790 design. Most of these standards were written to encourage a pedestrian articulation of buildings
- and site development. He noted however, Blackbrook Road is not a high pedestrian traffic
- destination. Hence, staff believes the applicant has tried to meet the intent of the regulations
- where possible but understanding that the nature of the development require certain deviations
- 794 from strict conformity this is the reason for the three waiver requests.
- 795 Mr. Clements next reviewed the conditions of approval as outlined in the staff report. He stated
- the last condition is unique to this application and explained in the land development code there
- 797 is a standard criteria for active and substantial development. After final approval, an applicant

has two years to achieve active and substantial development, there is a provision for extensions;

- three extensions, each with a higher test of necessity for that additional 180-day extension. He
- stated the Planning Board also has the authority to create customized, active and substantial
- 801 development for projects that need that flexibility. This project is one of them. He noted the
- applicant has decided to make Keene their long term home and staff is very excited to retain the
- 803 Douglas Company within the city and for them to have an opportunity to find a piece of property
- that they can build out and grow into. Staff is recommending that in order to support them
- achieve active and substantial development for phase two shall be five years and shall commence on the date of the issuance of the certificate of occupancy for phase one. This gives them five
- years from finishing phase one as well as those three extensions if needed down the line.
- 808 Chair Farrington asked whether the alternate landscape plan needs to be approved as a separate
- 809 condition. Mr. Clements suggested discussing the item and acknowledging this isn't a strict
- 810 adherence to the zoning ordinance, but the Planning Board has the authority from the zoning
- 811 ordinance to approve an alternate design if they saw fit as long as it meets the overall intent of
- 812 Section 9.4. The Chair asked about the width of the parking Mr. Clements stated it does not
- 813 need to be addressed separately but he wanted to bring it up as part of the application.
- 814 Mr. Clancy referred to erosion control measures and asked if they were going to need to remain
- for the duration of phase two. Mr. Clements stated all earth work associated with the flood
- 816 compensation, drive aisles and the parking lot will be phase one. The major portion of the
- 817 disturbance will be phase one. The intent for phase two would be to come in complete the
- foundation work and expand the building. However, the Alteration of Terrain Permit will still be
- 819 active and the applicant will have to make sure all these things are still in place when disturbing
- the site
- 821 Mr. Hoefer asked whether the waiver requests were just for phase one. Mr. Clements stated it
- 822 would be for both phases. Tonight the Board will be approving the plan for the entire finished
- 823 building. If things change between phase one and two the applicant might have to amend their
- 824 site plan
- 825 Mr. Clancy asked what active and substantial development means for the city. Ms. Brunner
- 826 explained this is basically a time frame whereby a project needs to start construction. The State
- 827 RSA's allow each local community to define this for themselves and set a time-frame for
- themselves if they so choose. In Keene, active in substantial development of an approved project
- shall be completed within two years, starting the day following the Board's decision to approve
- 830 the application. Plans approved in phases shall be subject to a determination of active and
- 831 substantial development for the current phase. Ms. Brunner used the Froling application as an
- 832 example where the Board had the flexibility to set the timeline for the future phases of the
- 833 project. Mr. Clancy asked whether five years from certificate of occupancy is sufficient time for
- the applicant. Mr. Clements stated this is an issue staff has worked with the applicant on.
- 835 Mayor Kahn stated he wanted the issue of alternative landscaping reflected in the minutes that it
- has been presented and looks adequate and that there is no further need for clarifying that
- 837 landscaping plan as qualifying to meet the Board standards.
- 838 The Chair asked for public comment next. With no public comment, the Chair closed the public 839 hearing
- 839 hearing.

840 C. <u>Board Discussion and Action</u>

- A motion was made by Roberta Mastrogiovanni that the Planning Board grant a waiver from
- 842 Section 21.14.1.B Massing and Scale of the Land Development Code to allow building of 150
- 843 feet in length or more to have facades that are not divided into multiple modules. The motion

844 was seconded by Sarah Vezzani.

- 845 Ms. Vezzani felt this building fits in well with the corporate park area. The Chair agreed.
- 846 The motion to grant a waiver from Section 21.14.1.B carried on a unanimous vote.
- 847
- A motion was made by Roberta Mastrogiovanni that the Planning Board grant a waiver from
- 849 Section 21.14.2.A Visual Interest of the Land Development Code to allow for a uniform
 850 appearance of the building. The motion was seconded by Sarah Vezzani.
- appearance of the bundling. The motion was seconded by Sarah vezzam.
- 851 Ms. Vezzani felt the vertical windows would be nice for those working in the warehouse and
- they also help break up the large façade
- The motion to grant a waiver from Section 21.14.2.A carried on a unanimous vote.
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- A motion was made by Roberta Mastrogiovanni that the Planning Board grant a waiver from
- 856 Section 21.14.3.D Site Design and Relationship To Surrounding Community of the Land
- 857 Development Code to allow for off street parking to be located in front of the building where
- parking is normally required to be located on the sides and rear of buildings. The motion was
- seconded by Sarah Vezzani and was unanimously approved.
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- A motion was made by Roberta Mastrogiovanni approve PB-2025-03 as shown on the plan
- 862 identified as "Douglas Company, Inc. Warehouse Facility" prepared by Fieldstone Land
- 863 Consultants at a scale of 1 in. = 50 ft. dated January 17, 2025 and last revised February 10, 2025
- and the architectural elevations prepared by BTH Architects at a scale of 1/16 in. = 1 ft. dated
- S65 January 15, 2025 with the following conditions:
- 866 1. Prior to final approval and signature by the Planning Board Chair, the following conditions867 precedent shall be met:
- A. The owner's signature shall appear on the plan.
- B. Submittal of security for landscaping, sedimentation and erosion control and "as built"plans in a form and amount acceptable to the City Engineer.
- 871 C. The Alteration of Terrain Permit number shall appear on the plan set.
- D. Submittal of five full-size paper copies and one digital copy of the final plan.

873 2. Subsequent to final approval and signature by the Planning Board Chair, the following

874 conditions shall be met:

- A. Prior to the commencement of site work, the Community Development Department
- shall be notified when all erosion control measures are installed and the Community
- 877 Development Director, or their designee, shall inspect the erosion control measures to ensure 878 compliance with this site plan and all City of Keene regulations.
- 879 B. The timeline to achieve Active and Substantial Development for Phase 2 shall be five 880 years and shall commence on the date of issuance of a Certificate of Occupancy for Phase 1.
- 881 The motion was seconded by Mayor Kahn.
- Ms. Vezzani stated this application does not have the potential for regional impact. She stated
 she appreciates the applicant desire to continue to stay in Keene as well as the effort put into this
 detailed plan to construct in a flood plain.
- 885 Mayor Kahn stated today's presentation not only shows the applicant's commitment to the city 886 and felt it would enhance the look of Blackbrook Park as well.
- Mr. Clancy stated he was happy with the driveway plan as presented. He felt the landscape plan
 fits in well with the parking lots being broken into two. He added he is happy with the overall
 plan.
- The Chair stated he was happy with the project and the effort Mr. Noonan has put into the application. He also commended Mr. Clark for his commitment to the city.
- 892 The motion carried on a unanimous vote.
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- 894 6) <u>Earth Excavation Permit Determination of Application Completeness</u>:
- a) <u>PB-2024-20 Earth Excavation Permit Major Amendment & Hillside Protection</u>
 <u>Conditional Use Permit 21 & 57 Route 9</u> Applicant Granite Engineering LLC, on behalf of
 owner G2 Holdings LLC, proposes to expand the existing gravel pit located at 21 & 57 Route 9
 (TMP#s 215-007-000 & 215-008-000). A Hillside Protection CUP is requested for impacts to
 steep slopes. Waivers are requested from Section 25.3.1.D & Section 25.3.13 of the LDC related
 to the required 250' surface water resource setback and the 5-ac excavation area maximum. The
- 901 parcels are a combined ~109.1-ac in size and are located in the Rural District.
- 902 Ms. Brunner stated staff has included a memo in the Board packet (starts on page 98) to provide
- some context and overview of this item. Also included is a memo is review from the third party,
- Field Stone Consultant who has been hired on Board's behalf to review the materials. The
- 905 applicant is also here tonight in case there are any questions from the Board.
- 906 The Chair noted the consultant has recommended completeness.
- A motion was made by Roberta Mastrogiovanni that the Planning Board accept PB-2024-20 as
 complete. The motion was seconded by Sarah Vezzani and was unanimously approved.
- 909 Ms. Brunner stated the vote tonight is just about completeness but it is up to the Board as to 910 whether they want to hear from the applicant or the public.
- 911 The Chair invited the public to address the Board.

- 912 Mr. Jim Hanley of 67 Tyler Lane address the Board. He stated his property is on the southern
- boundary which abuts the quarry. He stated during the winter he noticed one of the streams had
- been flagged for wetland analysis. One stream is on his property and one traverses his property.
- 915 Mr. Hanley stated he would like to see copies of these wetland reports. He stated there is also a
- 916 road of historic significance and prior to development, he felt this road needs to be researched.
- 917 He also asked for geological surveys completed on this property. He also referred to vibration he
- 918 felt in his home.
- 919 Mr. Hanley stated he has a pond at the rear of his property; .10th of an acre, 1,800 feet from the
- 920 property line and added that this pond has been abnormally low. He stated he would also like a
- 921 seismic monitor to monitor the vibration from his property. Mr. Hanley stated he has concerns
- about this work being planned.
- 923 Ms. Fortson addressed the Board and stated at the January meeting the Board decided this was a
- 924 development of regional impact. As part of that process, per state statute, staff notified
- 925 Southwest Regional Planning Commission as well as the Town of Sullivan. She stated the Earth
- 926 Excavation Standards require that this Board vote on completeness of this application. After
- 927 which timed a public hearing would be set for the next Planning Board meeting. Ms. Fortson
- stated it was acceptable for the Board to take public comment tonight but all that the Board is
- 929 considering tonight is whether or not the application has met the necessary criteria for submittal
- 930 items. Ms. Fortson stated she has been reviewing the application with both the consultant and the
- applicant. The consultant feels, as outlined in their memo on page 100 that all necessary items
- have been submitted to accept this application has complete. This does not indicate that the
- 933 materials comply or don't comply, it just indicates that the necessary material have been
- 934 received.
- Ms. Vezzani asked staff to explain the next steps for the public's benefit. Ms. Brunner stated if
- the Board votes to accept this application as complete tonight, per the regulations outlined in the
- 937 Land Development Code, it would next go to the Keene Conservation Commission at their next
- 938 meeting on March 17th where they will be conducting a site visit. The timing of that has to be
- confirmed, but it is likely at 4:00 PM and then the Conservation Commission meeting is at 5:00
- 940 PM. Mr. Hanley asked whether he would be notified of this meeting. Ms. Brunner stated the
- agenda would be online a week before the meeting but if Mr. Hanley signs up at keenenh.gov for
- 942 email updates he would be notified. Mr. Hanley asked how he gets access to the various reports
- 943 completed for this site. Ms. Fortson stated she would be happy to reach out to Mr. Hanley.
- The Chair asked whether Southwest Regional Planning Commission or the Town of Sullivan has
 responded to the city. Ms. Brunner stated the Southwest Regional Planning Commission is
 planning on submitting a memo with their comments, once the public hearing date is set but no
- 947 formal correspondence has been received from the Town of Sullivan yet.
- 948 The Chair closed the public hearing.
- 949 Ms. Vezzani and Mr. Clancy stated they were comfortable voting for completeness.
- 950 The Board voted unanimously to accept PB-2024-20 as complete.
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- 952 7) Master Plan Update (https://keenemasterplan.com/)
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- 954 Ms. Brunner stated the task forces that were formed for each of the six pillars for the community
- 955 vision have already had their first round of meetings in January. Some of them have met a
- 956 second time. They are ready to draft list of goals for each pillar, and then moving forward they
- 957 will be drafting strategies. There have also been a lot of youth engagement that has been
- 958 happening. Mr. Clements and Ms. Fortson attended an architecture class at Keene State College
- 959 recently and got some great feedback and that has been documented. The new Community
- 960 Development Director and the Planning Technician will be attending the High School - Mayors
- 961 Youth Summit to get some input some high school students. Staff will also be presenting to the 962
- 8th graders at Keene Middle School environmental unit and will be talking to them about the
- 963 environmental impacts, transportation, land use, solid waste management, and energy. They will
- 964 be building this into their unit and send staff feedback.
- 965 This input is coming in later than was planned, the committee will be releasing the prioritization
- survey in about 3-4 weeks to the larger community which will be used to build out an 966 967 implementation plan.
- 968 The next step after that is to develop a draft future land use map which will be shared with the 969 wider community using online story maps.
- 970 The future summit is scheduled for Tuesday, June 3rd at 5:00 PM at Heberton Hall where the 971 draft plan will be unveiled.
- 972 Ms. Vezzani stated someone in the community had suggested flyers with OR codes that lead to
- 973 the website that has the six pillars. Ms. Brunner stated staff could put another round of those 974
- flyers.

975 8) Staff Updates

976 Ms. Brunner introduced Paul Andrus, the new Community Development Director. Mr. Andrus 977 stated this is his second meeting and is impressed with the preparation planning staff come with

978 to each meeting. He stated he and his family are glad to be back in the northeast.

979 9) New Business

980 None

981 10) Upcoming Dates of Interest

- 982 • Joint Committee of the Planning Board and PLD – March 10th, 6:30 PM
- 983 • Planning Board Steering Committee – March 11th, 12:00 PM
- 984 • Planning Board Site Visit – March 19th, 8:00 AM – To Be Confirmed – The Chair state they
- 985 have not had a quorum for site visits and encouraged Board members to let staff know of times
- 986 that would work for everyone.
- 987 • Planning Board Meeting – March 24th, 6:30 PM
- 988 **11) More Time Items**
- 989 a) Training on Site Development Standards – Snow Storage, Landscaping, & Screening
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991 12) <u>Adjournment</u>

- 992 There being no further business, Chair Farrington adjourned the meeting at 9:33 PM.
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- 994 Respectfully submitted by,
- 995 Krishni Pahl, Minute Taker
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- 997 Reviewed and edited by,
- 998 Emily Duseau, Planning Technician

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MEMORANDUM

TO:	Planning Board
FROM:	Community Development Staff
DATE:	March 14, 2025
SUBJECT:	Agenda Item A.3 - Final Vote on Conditional Approvals

Recommendation:

To grant final approval for any projects that have met all their "conditions precedent to final approval."

Background:

This is a standing agenda item in response to the "George Stergiou v. City of Dover" opinion issued by the NH Supreme Court on July 21, 2022. As a matter of practice, the Planning Board issues a final vote on all conditionally approved projects after the "conditions precedent to final approval" have been met. This final vote will be the final approval and will start the 30-day appeal clock.

As of the date of this packet, the following application is ready for final approval:

1. PB-2025-02 – Cottage Court CUP – 36 Elliot Street

If any projects meet their conditions precedent between date of this packet and the meeting, they will be identified and discussed during this agenda item.

All Planning Board actions, including final approvals, are posted on the City of Keene website the day after the meeting at <u>KeeneNH.gov/planning-board</u>.



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PB-2025-04 – MAJOR SITE PLAN & SOLAR ENERGY SYSTEM CUP – CEDARCREST & MONADNOCK VIEW CEMETERY – 91 MAPLE AVE & 521 PARK AVE

Requests:

Applicant ReVision Energy, Inc. on behalf of owners Cedarcrest, Inc. and the City of Keene, proposes to install a medium-scale solar energy system on ~1.7-ac of undeveloped land located at 521 Park Ave (TMP #227-027-000) to provide power to the Cedarcrest facility located at 91 Maple Ave (TMP #227-018-000). The City property is ~46-ac in size and is located in the Conservation District, and the Cedarcrest property is ~5-ac in size and is located in the Low Density District.

Background:

The Cedarcrest site is located in west central Keene directly to the south of NH Route 12. The parcel is ~5-ac in size and is located at 91 Maple Ave (TMP #227-018-000) in the Low Density District. The site is already developed with a main building that is ~29,431-sf in size, a few outbuildings, a series of walkways, and an existing parking lot. The primary frontage and access to the site is from Maple Ave to the northwest as shown in Figure 1.

The initial site plan for the property was approved in 1990 as part of the Major Site Plan, SPR-720. In 2001, the Planning Board approved another Major Site Plan, SPR-905, for the construction of a ~10.630-sf addition and associated site modifications. Subsequent modifications to this site plan included the addition of a walking path. the construction of a covered carport, the creation of additional parking spaces, the installation of an additional

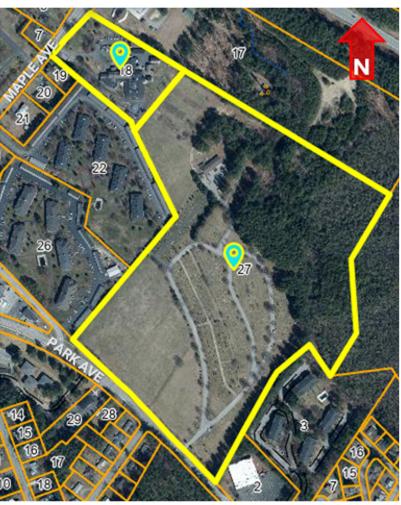


Figure 1. Aerial imagery from 2020 of the Cedarcrest site at 91 Maple Ave and the City's Monadnock View Cemetery parcel at 521 Park Ave.

parking lot light fixture, and the construction of a covered outdoor pavilion.

The applicant proposes to construct a 333.2 kW DC, 230 kW AC fixed-tilt ground-mounted solar array that will consist of 560 individual solar panels. The array is proposed to be constructed on ~1.7-ac of undeveloped land transferred to Cedarcrest from the City of Keene through a Boundary

Line Adjustment, PB-2025-05. Following the BLA, the Cedarcrest property will become split-zoned with the main site located in the Low Density District and the newly acquired ~1.7-ac portion of the parcel located in the Conservation District. A Variance to allow for the primary use of the ~1.7-ac portion of the parcel as a medium-scale solar energy system was granted by the Zoning Board of Adjustment (ZBA) at their meeting on March 3, 2025. Figure 2 shows the area of land to be transferred to Cedarcrest from the City owned Monadnock View Cemetery parcel at 521 Park Ave.

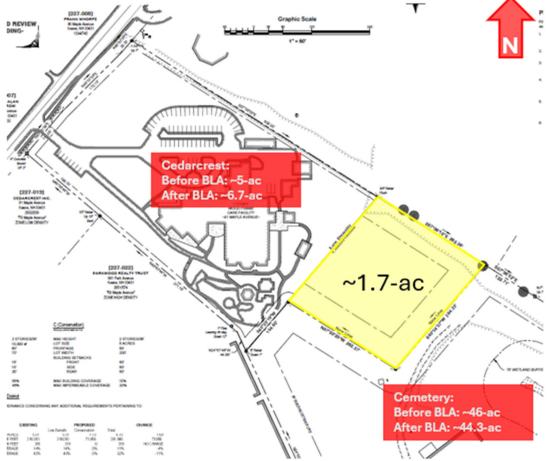


Figure 2. A snippet of the proposed BLA plan showing the area and amount of land to be transferred between the two parcels.

The installation of this array is the result of a long-term partnership between the City of Keene & ReVision Energy with the goal of installing solar developments on City-owned land to help achieve the City's goal of transitioning to 100% clean renewable electricity by 2030. Cedarcrest became involved in this project when they entered into a power purchase agreement for the electricity produced from the array, which the project narrative states will directly offset ~67% of Cedarcrest's electricity usage with onsite renewable energy. Given the size and scale of the proposed solar array, this project requires review for compliance with both the Solar Energy System Conditional Use Permit (CUP) standards as well as the Site Development Standards.

It should be noted that part of the negotiation between Cedarcrest, ReVision Energy, and the City of Keene will involve the relocation of the existing community gardens, which are currently located in an area where a portion of the array will be installed; however, none of this work is being proposed, reviewed, or approved as part of this application process.

Determination of Regional Impact:

After reviewing the application, staff have made a preliminary evaluation that the proposed site plan & CUP do not appear to have the potential for "regional impact" as defined in RSA 36:55. The Board will need to make a final determination as to whether the proposal, if approved, could have the potential for regional impact.

Completeness:

The applicant has requested exemptions from submitting a plan showing grading/limits of clearing, a lighting plan, a decommissioning plan, traffic analysis, soil analysis, historic evaluation, screening analysis, and architectural and visual appearance analysis. After reviewing each request, Planning Staff have made the preliminary determination that granting the requested exemptions would have no bearing on the merits of the application and recommend that the Board accept the application as "complete."

Department Comments:

- 1. **Police.** The six foot agricultural fence shown the plans will prove insufficient to protect the site from trespassers.
- 2. <u>Code Enforcement.</u> A building permit will be required for the solar energy system. There are no issues related to the floodplain.

<u>APPLICATION ANALYSIS:</u> The following is a review of the Solar Energy System CUP regulations and Planning Board Site Development Standards outlined under Sections 16 & 21 of the LDC.

<u>SECTION 16.2.1 – SITING</u>: This section of the code states that the solar footprint of an array cannot exceed 20 contiguous acres. The definition of *"solar footprint"* can be found in Section 29 of the LDC and is included below.

"<u>Solar Footprint</u> - The footprint of a ground-mounted solar energy system that is calculated by drawing a perimeter around the outermost panels of the system and any equipment necessary for the functioning of the solar energy system, such as transformers and inverters. The footprint does not include any visual buffer or perimeter fencing. Transmission lines (or portions thereof) required to connect the system to a utility or consumer outside the system's perimeter shall not be included in calculating the footprint."

The proposed conditions plan on Sheet C2.0 of the plan set, which can also be seen in Figure 3, indicates that the solar footprint of the array will be ~0.76-ac (~33,074-sf) in size, which makes this a medium-scale solar array as defined under Section 8.3.7.B.1 of the LDC. This standard appears to be met.

<u>SECTION 16.2.2 – HEIGHT</u>: This standard states that ground-mounted solar energy systems cannot exceed 15'-tall at their highest point. The submitted elevations show that at its highest point, the solar array will be ~12.5'-tall. This standard appears to be met.

SECTION 16.2.3 – SETBACKS: This section of the code states that ground-mounted solar energy systems must be set back at least 50' from all exterior property lines and existing public rights-of-way. Sheet C2.0 of the plan set shows that the proposed array will be set back almost exactly 50' from the northern, eastern, and southern property lines. Planning Staff recommend that the Board include a subsequent condition of approval related to the flagging of this setback line by a surveyor licensed in the State of NH and the completion of an inspection by Community Development Staff prior to the issuance of a building permit and the commencement of site work to ensure that it will be properly maintained. This standard appears to be met.

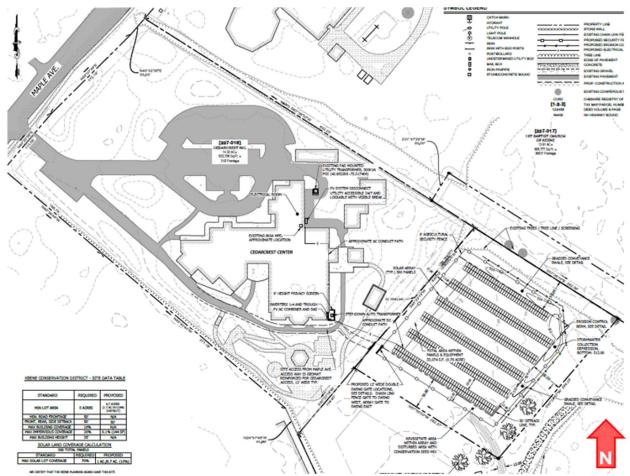


Figure 3. A snippet of the proposed conditions plan showing the proposed location and extent of the solar array on the Cedarcrest site.

SECTION 16.2.4 – LOT COVERAGE: This section of the code states that solar land coverage of an array cannot exceed 70% of the lot area upon which it is installed. The definition of *"solar land coverage"* from Section 29 of the LDC is included below.

"<u>Solar Land Coverage</u> - The land area that encompasses all components of the solar energy system including but not limited to mounting equipment, panels and ancillary components of the system. This definition does not include access aisles/roads or fencing and is not to be interpreted as a measurement of impervious surface as it may be defined in this LDC."

The proposed conditions plan includes a table at the lower left-hand corner showing the proposed solar land coverage calculation for this project, which is 15% (1-ac of solar coverage per 6.7-ac of total lot area). This standard appears to be met.

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<u>SECTION 16.2.5 – VISUAL BUFFER:</u> This section of the code states that medium- and large-scale solar energy systems shall be sited in a manner that minimizes the visibility of the array from surrounding properties and public rights-of-way. This section of the code goes on to state that either existing vegetation shall be maintained or new vegetation shall be installed to help minimize the visual impacts of the proposed array, but that this visual buffer can be approved at the discretion of the Planning Board. The project narrative and proposed conditions plan both show that the applicant is proposing to maintain the existing wooded vegetation to the south, east, and north of the proposed array to serve as a visual buffer.

At their meeting on February 24, 2025, the Planning Board gave the applicant preliminary feedback regarding the proposed use of existing vegetation on adjacent parcels as screening for the array. The general consensus amongst Board members seemed to be that the existing landscaping around the area where the array is proposed to be installed would be sufficient to serve as the only screening for the array. During the deliberation for this project, the Board will need to make a final determination as to whether or not this proposed method of screening will be sufficient to meet the intent of this standard.

<u>SECTION 16.2.6 – ENVIRONMENTAL</u>: This section of the code states that the clearing of existing trees and vegetation shall be limited to what is necessary for the installation and operation of the solar array. Additionally, this section of the code states that the distance between rows of solar panels should be at least the width of a single solar panel. The submitted narrative states that the proposed array location is a flat field without trees and that the panel rows will be spaced 20' apart, which is greater than the 12'-width of the proposed solar panels. The narrative also states that disturbed areas will be revegetated with a conservation grass mix suited to solar array installations in NH. Planning Staff recommend that the Board include a precedent condition of approval related to the submittal of a security to cover the cost of this seed mix. This standard appears to be met.

SECTION 16.2.7 – NOISE & GLARE: This section of the code states that solar energy systems shall be designed and sited to minimize any potential impacts of glint and glare on adjacent properties and roadways and that inverters shall be fully enclosed. The applicant has submitted a glare analysis, which is included as an attachment to this staff report. The report states that due to the proposed location and orientation of the array, in conjunction with the fact that the applicant is proposing to install solar panels with an anti-reflective coating, there should not be any issues with glare onto adjacent properties or roadways. Additionally, Sheet C2.0 of the plan set shows that the inverter for the array is proposed to be installed at the southeastern corner of the Cedarcrest building and enclosed by a 6'-tall privacy fence. This standard appears to be met.

SECTION 16.2.8 – SECURITY: This section of the code states that security fencing can have a maximum height of 8' and that on-site lighting can only be installed for security and safety purposes. The Police Department comments included earlier in this staff report state that the 6' agricultural fence proposed to be installed around the perimeter of the array will be insufficient to protect the equipment from trespassers. In the project narrative, the applicant stated that this is the standard fencing product used by ReVision Energy to protect other similarly sized solar energy systems. The Board will need to make a final determination as to whether or not the proposed fencing will be sufficient to satisfy the requirements of this section of the code.

<u>SECTION 16.2.9 – UTILITY INTERCONNECTION</u>: This section of the code states that all on-site power and communication lines within the solar footprint of the ground-mounted solar energy

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system shall be buried underground unless other constraints prevent this from being done. The project narrative states that the conduits and electrical will be run to Cedarcrest's facility through a 115'-long underground trench that will be dug and that the inverters will be mounted at the southeastern corner of the building. This standard appears to be met.

<u>SECTION 16.3 – DECOMMISSIONING & SITE RESTORATION</u>: This section of the code outlines the requirements for decommissioning a large-scale solar energy system. Given that this proposal involves the construction of a medium-scale solar energy system, this standard is not applicable.

SECTION 21.2 - DRAINAGE: During his initial review of the application materials, the City Engineer expressed concern over the stormwater narrative's conclusion that the proposed construction of the array would not alter the existing drainage patterns on the site. In response to this, the applicant submitted a full stormwater report and updated the proposed conditions plan to include grassed conveyance swales and a stormwater collection basin along the northern and eastern boundaries of the array to handle stormwater runoff. At the time of this staff report, Planning Staff were waiting to see if the City Engineer had any further comments or questions on the updated materials that were submitted. Planning Staff can provide an update to the Board during the staff presentation at the Planning Board meeting.

SECTION 21.3 - SEDIMENT & EROSION CONTROL: The proposed conditions plan shows that the applicant proposes to install an erosion control berm along the northern and eastern portions of the array during construction to minimize any potential transfer of sediment onto adjacent areas. As part of his comments on the application, the City Engineer recommended that silt fencing be provided in addition to the proposed erosion berm for the protection of adjacent wetlands to the east of the solar array. In their response to staff comments, the applicant stated that the wetlands are over 200' away from the project site and double erosion control would only be required by NH DES in a situation in which they were 50' or less from the project area. The applicant went on to state that the site is already flat, there is minimal soil disturbance proposed as part of this project, and there will be no grading taking place during construction.

At the time of this staff report, Planning Staff were waiting to hear back from the City Engineer to see if he had any further comments or questions. The Board may wish to ask the applicant for additional information about the proposed sediment and erosion control measures. Planning Staff recommend that the Board include conditions of approval related to the submittal of a security to cover the cost of sediment and erosion control measures as well as the installation and inspection of said stormwater management measures prior to the commencement of site work.

<u>SECTION 21.4 - SNOW STORAGE & REMOVAL</u>: The project narrative states that Cedarcrest currently clears and maintains the site access and has adequate space for snow storage and removal. Snow is not proposed to be removed from within the array area. This standard appears to be met.

SECTION 21.5 - LANDSCAPING: The applicant proposes to install a conservation grass mix in all disturbed areas following the completion of the solar array. As stated previously in this staff report, Planning Staff recommend that the Board include a condition of approval related to the submittal of a security to cover the cost of site stabilization utilizing the proposed seed mix. This standard appears to be met.

<u>SECTION 21.6 - SCREENING</u>: The project narrative states that the solar array will be sufficiently screened due to its location at the rear of both the Cedarcrest and Monadnock View Cemetery sites as well as the presence of existing vegetation to the northeast, east, and southeast of the array. The narrative goes on to state that all new supplementary mechanical equipment needed to support the operation of the array will be wall-mounted at the southeastern corner of the existing Cedarcrest building and will be screened from view by a 6'-tall white vinyl privacy fence. As stated previously, the Board will need to make a final determination as to whether or not the proposed screening plan complies with this section of the LDC.

<u>SECTION 21.7 - LIGHTING</u>: This project narrative states that this proposal does not involve the installation of any new lighting. This standard is not applicable.

<u>SECTION 21.8 - SEWER & WATER:</u> While the Cedarcrest site does have access to both water and sewer utilities as part of this application, there are no changes proposed to either of these items. This standard is not applicable.

SECTION 21.9 - TRAFFIC & ACCESS MANAGEMENT: The proposed conditions plan shows that access to the project area during construction will be provided via the Monadnock View Cemetery parcel using an existing gravel path that will be improved in coordination with the Parks & Recreation and Public Works Departments to use as a temporary construction entrance. The plan set shows the location of the construction access road at the southeastern corner of the solar array and indicates that all disturbed areas will be stabilized using the same conservation seed mix following the completion of construction.

While Andy Bohannon, Deputy City Manager, has submitted a letter of support for this application on behalf of the City of Keene, Planning Staff recommend that the Board include a precedent condition of approval in the motion for this application related to the submittal of written documentation of the City's approval for the use of the cemetery parcel for temporary site access during construction.

The project narrative states that permanent access to the site will be provided using an existing travel aisle adjacent to the southern property boundary on the Cedarcrest site. The narrative states that the array will only need to be accessed ~3-4 times per year for reactive and scheduled maintenance purposes. The proposed conditions plan shows that the travel aisle narrows into a 12'-wide pathway with reinforced geomat on either side, which the applicant states will provide sufficient vehicular access to the rear of the site when needed. This standard appears to be met.

SECTION 21.10 - FILLING & EXCAVATION: The project narrative states that there will be minimal excavation as part of this project and will be limited to digging a 115'-long trench between the proposed solar array location and its connection point on the Cedarcrest building. This standard is not applicable.

<u>SECTION 21.11 - SURFACE WATERS & WETLANDS:</u> The project narrative states that there will not be any impacts to surface waters or wetlands. This standard is not applicable.

SECTION 21.12 - HAZARDOUS & TOXIC MATERIALS: The project narrative states that there will not be any hazardous or toxic materials involved with this project. This standard is not applicable.

SECTION 21.13 - NOISE: The project narrative states that the only two sources of sound will be the solar inverter and transformer. The narrative states that these pieces of equipment will produce a minimal amount of sound and will only be active during the day when the solar array is in operation. This standard appears to be met.

SECTION 21.14 - ARCHITECTURE & VISUAL APPEARANCE: This proposal does not involve anything related to architecture and visual appearance. This standard is not applicable.

Recommended Motion:

If the Board is inclined to approve this request, the following motion is recommended:

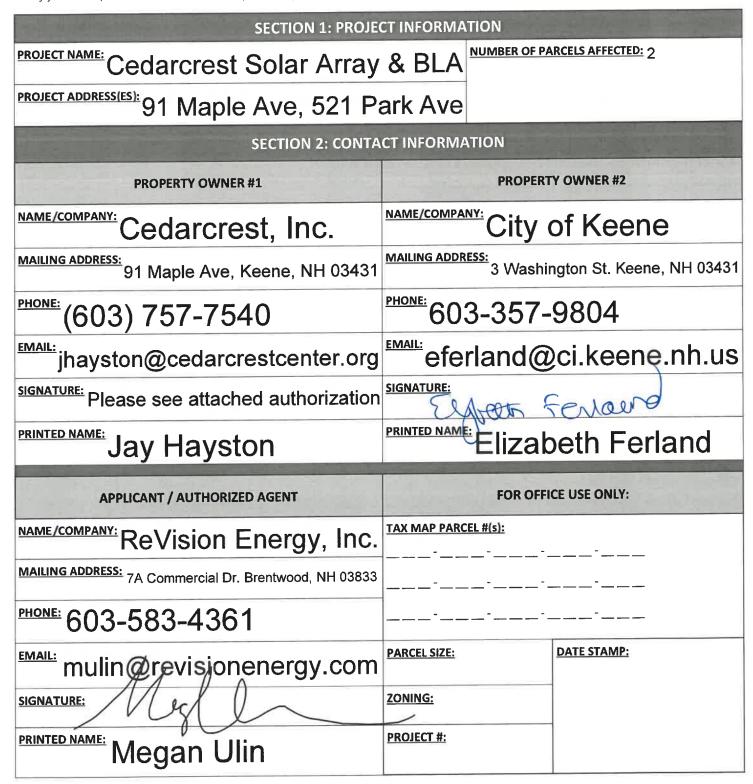
"Approve PB-2025-04 as shown on the plan set identified as "Cedarcrest Inc.; Solar Site Development" prepared by Horizons Engineering at varying scales in February 2025 and last revised in March 2025 with the following conditions:

- 1. Prior to final approval and signature of the plans by the Planning Board Chair, the following conditions precedent shall be met:
 - a. Owners' signatures appear on the title page and proposed conditions plans.
 - b. Submittal of five (5) full sized paper copies and a digital copy of the final plans.
 - c. Submittal of a security in a form and amount acceptable to the Community Development Director and City Engineer to cover the cost of sediment and erosion control measures and site stabilization.
 - d. Submittal of a full sized copy of the recorded BLA plat showing the updated lot configuration.
- 2. Subsequent to final approval and signature of the plans by the Planning Board Chair, the following conditions shall be met:
 - a. Prior to the issuance of a building permit, the submittal of documentation demonstrating that the City of Keene has granted Cedarcrest the right to use the Monadnock View Cemetery for temporary site access during construction.
 - b. Prior to the issuance of a building permit, the required 50' setback line shall be pinned by a surveyor licensed in the State of NH and prior to the commencement of site work, verified by the Community Development Director, or their designee."



City of Keene, NH **Planning Board Boundary Line Adjustment (BLA) Application**

If you have questions about how to complete this form, please call: (603) 352-5440 or email: communitydevelopment@keenenh.gov



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Agent Authorization

To whom it may concern,

Cedarcrest Inc. hereby authorizes ReVision Energy and Horizons Engineering to act as Agent(s) for the limited purpose of applying for and obtaining any local, state or federal permits that may be required for the installation of a photovoltaic solar system at 91 Maple Ave, Keene, NH 03431 (Parcel ID: 227-018-000). This includes but is not limited to anticipated zoning variances, boundary line adjustment, solar CUP, and building and electric permit applications.

Agent contact information:

Megan Ulin Solar Project Developer ReVision Energy (603) 583-4361 mulin@revisionenergy.com

Ryan Hudock, PE Civil Engineer Horizons Engineering (603) 877-0116 ext. 9972 rhudock@horizonsengineering.com

Signature

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Jay Hayston
President and CEO
1/30/2025

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III. Site Development Standards for Boundary Line Adjustment (Article 20)

1. 20.2.1 Lots

(a) The proposed boundary line adjustment will transfer 1.698 acres of land in the Conservation District from the City of Keene Parcel 227-027-000 to Cedarcrest Parcel 227-018-000. The proposed lot meets the dimensional requirements of the ordinance. The area of both adjusted lots will remain greater than 5 acres (the Cedarcrest parcel would increase from 5.01 acres to 6.7 acres, and the City parcel would decrease from 46 acres to 44.3 acres). Both lots will meet the minimum required lot width of 200ft at the building line, and allow the proposed development to meet the required 50' building setbacks. The BLA will not impact the minimum road frontage for either parcel.

- (b) The proposed BLA does not impact the existing road frontage for either parcel.
- (c) N/A the BLA is not proposed on a discontinued road.

2. 20.2.2 Character of Land for Subdivision

The land proposed for boundary line adjustment is a flat field, suitable for development. It is absent of hazardous conditions (excessive slope, poor drainage, etc...) that would pose a danger to health and safety for building development.

3. 20.2.3 Scattered or Premature Development

The proposed boundary line adjustment does not promote scattered or premature development. The solar development is proposed directly adjacent to the existing facility that will benefit from the electricity produced. The proposed solar array does not make use of or further burden Town services (schools, water, traffic etc...).

4. 20.2.4 Preservation of Existing Features

The land proposed for boundary line adjustment is a flat field, and there are no significant landscape alterations proposed as part of the development plan. The proposed development does not require grading or significant tree clearing, and will not impact any unique scenic points, steep slopes, stone walls, or historic landmarks, or any of the Primary and Secondary Conservation Areas as identified in Section 20.3.4.

5. 20.2.5 Monumentation

5/8" aluminum capped rebar will be set at all new corners.

6. 20.2.6 Special Flood Hazard Areas



N/A - the land in question is not within a Special Flood Hazard Area as shown on the Flood Insurance Rate Maps.

7. 20.2.7 Fire Protection & Water Supply

A dedicated water supply for fire protection is not required for a medium scale solar array per this land development code. Cedarcrest's existing facility is already served by adequate fire protection and water supply. Knox Padlocks will be provided at the array gates to provide access for the Fire Department in the event of an emergency.

8. 20.2.8 Utilities

N/A – the proposed development will not be serviced by City water or sewer. All electrical connections shall be provided for by the project.



March 6, 2025

City of Keene Planning Board 3 Washinton St. Keene, NH 03431

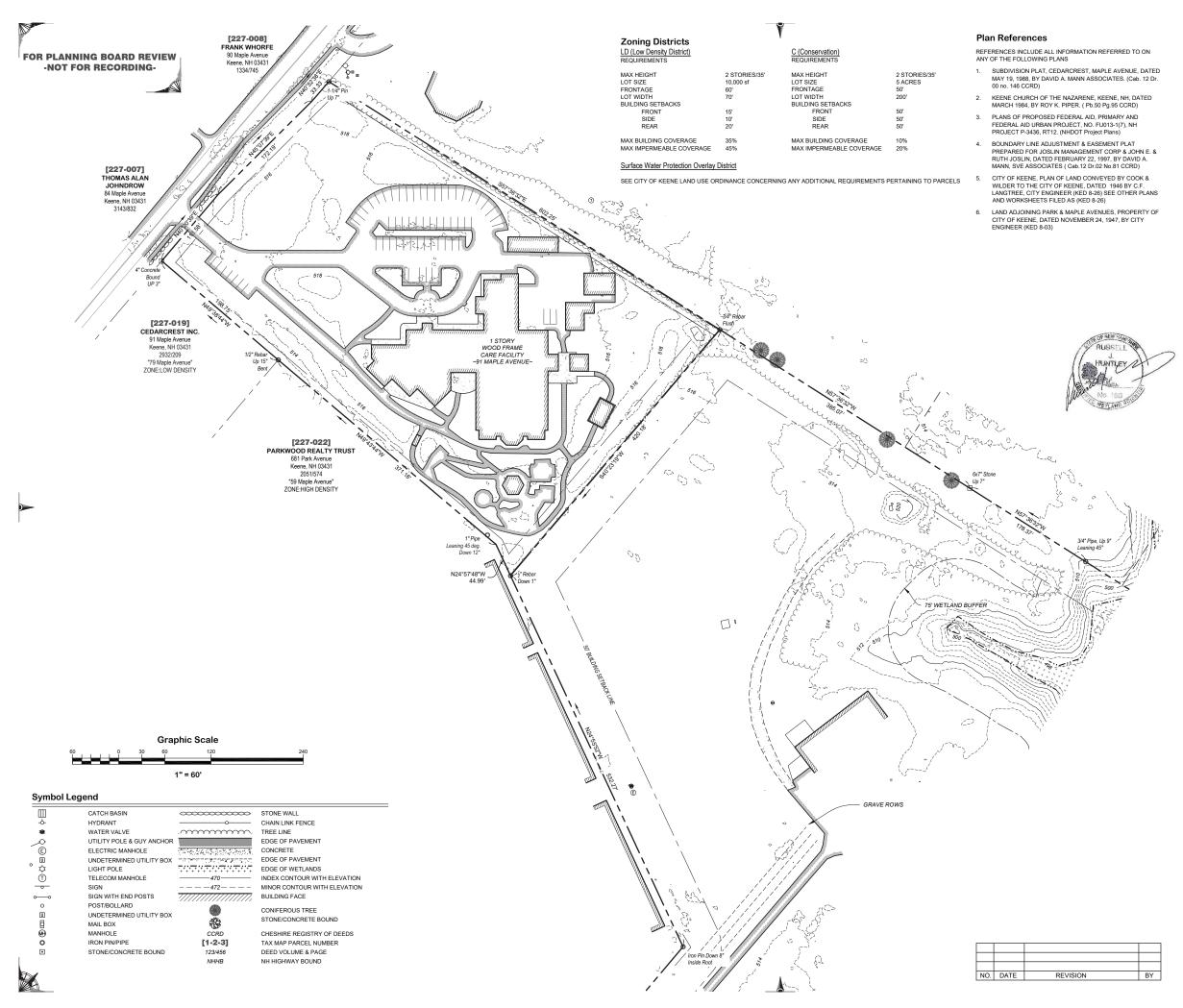
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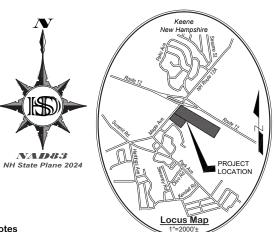
Dear Chair Farrington,

We respectfully request an exemption from the requirement to show the metes and bounds of all parcels on our proposed boundary plan in accordance with Section 26.10.5.B.2 of the City's Land Development Code (LDC). The justification for this exemption is the relative scale of the City of Keene parcel, which comprises 46 acres, where only 1.7 acres are affected by the proposed boundary line adjustment. The metes and bounds in proximity to the affected acreage are provided on the plan as submitted.

Thank you for your consideration. Sincerely,

Megan Ulin ReVision Energy 603-583-4361 mulin@revisionenergy.com





Notes

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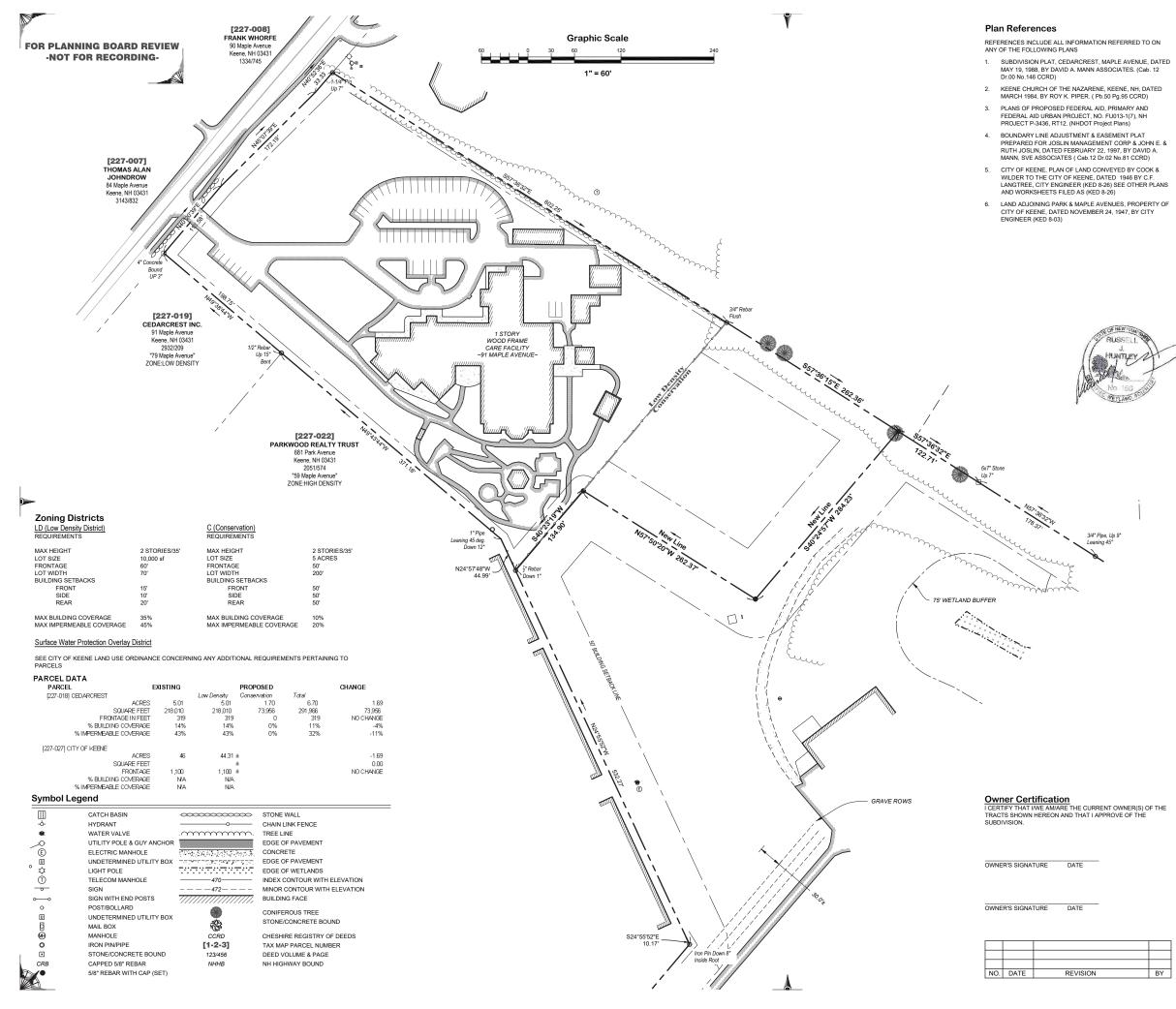
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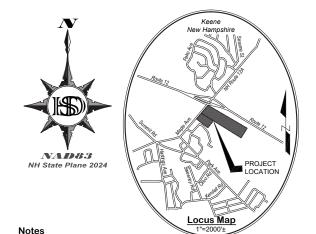
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PB-2025-04 – MAJOR SITE PLAN & SOLAR ENERGY SYSTEM CUP – CEDARCREST & MONADNOCK VIEW CEMETERY – 91 MAPLE AVE & 521 PARK AVE

Requests:

Applicant ReVision Energy, Inc. on behalf of owners Cedarcrest, Inc. and the City of Keene, proposes to install a medium-scale solar energy system on ~1.7-ac of undeveloped land located at 521 Park Ave (TMP #227-027-000) to provide power to the Cedarcrest facility located at 91 Maple Ave (TMP #227-018-000). The City property is ~46-ac in size and is located in the Conservation District, and the Cedarcrest property is ~5-ac in size and is located in the Low Density District.

Background:

The Cedarcrest site is located in west central Keene directly to the south of NH Route 12. The parcel is ~5-ac in size and is located at 91 Maple Ave (TMP #227-018-000) in the Low Density District. The site is already developed with a main building that is ~29,431-sf in size, a few outbuildings, a series of walkways, and an existing parking lot. The primary frontage and access to the site is from Maple Ave to the northwest as shown in Figure 1.

The initial site plan for the property was approved in 1990 as part of the Major Site Plan, SPR-720. In 2001, the Planning Board approved another Major Site Plan, SPR-905, for the construction of a ~10.630-sf addition and associated site modifications. Subsequent modifications to this site plan included the addition of a walking path. the construction of a covered carport, the creation of additional parking spaces, the installation of an additional

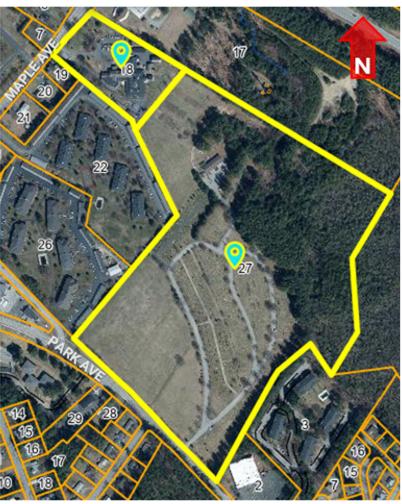


Figure 1. Aerial imagery from 2020 of the Cedarcrest site at 91 Maple Ave and the City's Monadnock View Cemetery parcel at 521 Park Ave.

parking lot light fixture, and the construction of a covered outdoor pavilion.

The applicant proposes to construct a 333.2 kW DC, 230 kW AC fixed-tilt ground-mounted solar array that will consist of 560 individual solar panels. The array is proposed to be constructed on ~1.7-ac of undeveloped land transferred to Cedarcrest from the City of Keene through a Boundary

Line Adjustment, PB-2025-05. Following the BLA, the Cedarcrest property will become split-zoned with the main site located in the Low Density District and the newly acquired ~1.7-ac portion of the parcel located in the Conservation District. A Variance to allow for the primary use of the ~1.7-ac portion of the parcel as a medium-scale solar energy system was granted by the Zoning Board of Adjustment (ZBA) at their meeting on March 3, 2025. Figure 2 shows the area of land to be transferred to Cedarcrest from the City owned Monadnock View Cemetery parcel at 521 Park Ave.

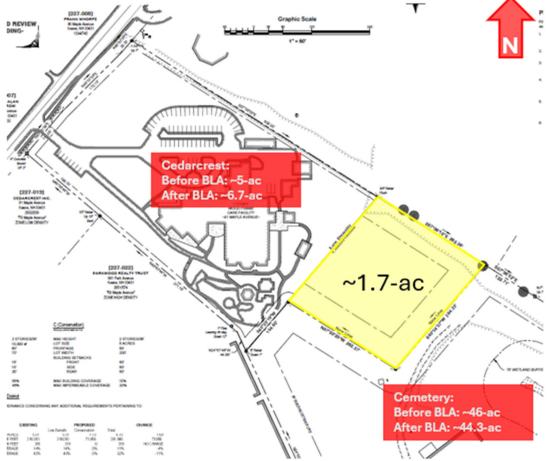


Figure 2. A snippet of the proposed BLA plan showing the area and amount of land to be transferred between the two parcels.

The installation of this array is the result of a long-term partnership between the City of Keene & ReVision Energy with the goal of installing solar developments on City-owned land to help achieve the City's goal of transitioning to 100% clean renewable electricity by 2030. Cedarcrest became involved in this project when they entered into a power purchase agreement for the electricity produced from the array, which the project narrative states will directly offset ~67% of Cedarcrest's electricity usage with onsite renewable energy. Given the size and scale of the proposed solar array, this project requires review for compliance with both the Solar Energy System Conditional Use Permit (CUP) standards as well as the Site Development Standards.

It should be noted that part of the negotiation between Cedarcrest, ReVision Energy, and the City of Keene will involve the relocation of the existing community gardens, which are currently located in an area where a portion of the array will be installed; however, none of this work is being proposed, reviewed, or approved as part of this application process.

Determination of Regional Impact:

After reviewing the application, staff have made a preliminary evaluation that the proposed site plan & CUP do not appear to have the potential for "regional impact" as defined in RSA 36:55. The Board will need to make a final determination as to whether the proposal, if approved, could have the potential for regional impact.

Completeness:

The applicant has requested exemptions from submitting a plan showing grading/limits of clearing, a lighting plan, a decommissioning plan, traffic analysis, soil analysis, historic evaluation, screening analysis, and architectural and visual appearance analysis. After reviewing each request, Planning Staff have made the preliminary determination that granting the requested exemptions would have no bearing on the merits of the application and recommend that the Board accept the application as "complete."

Department Comments:

- 1. **Police.** The six foot agricultural fence shown the plans will prove insufficient to protect the site from trespassers.
- 2. <u>Code Enforcement.</u> A building permit will be required for the solar energy system. There are no issues related to the floodplain.

<u>APPLICATION ANALYSIS:</u> The following is a review of the Solar Energy System CUP regulations and Planning Board Site Development Standards outlined under Sections 16 & 21 of the LDC.

<u>SECTION 16.2.1 – SITING</u>: This section of the code states that the solar footprint of an array cannot exceed 20 contiguous acres. The definition of *"solar footprint"* can be found in Section 29 of the LDC and is included below.

"<u>Solar Footprint</u> - The footprint of a ground-mounted solar energy system that is calculated by drawing a perimeter around the outermost panels of the system and any equipment necessary for the functioning of the solar energy system, such as transformers and inverters. The footprint does not include any visual buffer or perimeter fencing. Transmission lines (or portions thereof) required to connect the system to a utility or consumer outside the system's perimeter shall not be included in calculating the footprint."

The proposed conditions plan on Sheet C2.0 of the plan set, which can also be seen in Figure 3, indicates that the solar footprint of the array will be ~0.76-ac (~33,074-sf) in size, which makes this a medium-scale solar array as defined under Section 8.3.7.B.1 of the LDC. This standard appears to be met.

<u>SECTION 16.2.2 – HEIGHT</u>: This standard states that ground-mounted solar energy systems cannot exceed 15'-tall at their highest point. The submitted elevations show that at its highest point, the solar array will be ~12.5'-tall. This standard appears to be met.

SECTION 16.2.3 – SETBACKS: This section of the code states that ground-mounted solar energy systems must be set back at least 50' from all exterior property lines and existing public rights-of-way. Sheet C2.0 of the plan set shows that the proposed array will be set back almost exactly 50' from the northern, eastern, and southern property lines. Planning Staff recommend that the Board include a subsequent condition of approval related to the flagging of this setback line by a surveyor licensed in the State of NH and the completion of an inspection by Community Development Staff prior to the issuance of a building permit and the commencement of site work to ensure that it will be properly maintained. This standard appears to be met.

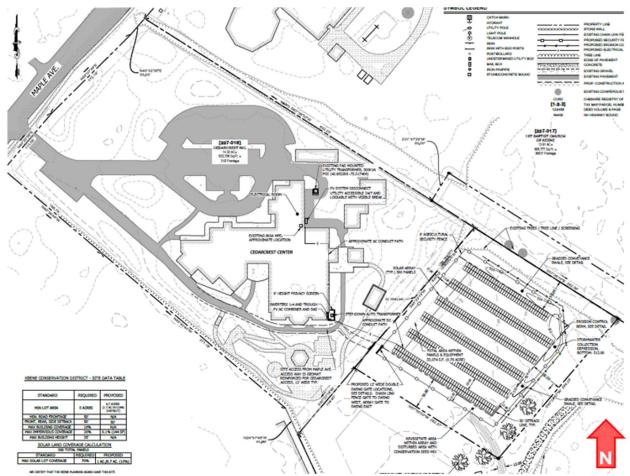


Figure 3. A snippet of the proposed conditions plan showing the proposed location and extent of the solar array on the Cedarcrest site.

SECTION 16.2.4 – LOT COVERAGE: This section of the code states that solar land coverage of an array cannot exceed 70% of the lot area upon which it is installed. The definition of *"solar land coverage"* from Section 29 of the LDC is included below.

"<u>Solar Land Coverage</u> - The land area that encompasses all components of the solar energy system including but not limited to mounting equipment, panels and ancillary components of the system. This definition does not include access aisles/roads or fencing and is not to be interpreted as a measurement of impervious surface as it may be defined in this LDC."

The proposed conditions plan includes a table at the lower left-hand corner showing the proposed solar land coverage calculation for this project, which is 15% (1-ac of solar coverage per 6.7-ac of total lot area). This standard appears to be met.

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<u>SECTION 16.2.5 – VISUAL BUFFER:</u> This section of the code states that medium- and large-scale solar energy systems shall be sited in a manner that minimizes the visibility of the array from surrounding properties and public rights-of-way. This section of the code goes on to state that either existing vegetation shall be maintained or new vegetation shall be installed to help minimize the visual impacts of the proposed array, but that this visual buffer can be approved at the discretion of the Planning Board. The project narrative and proposed conditions plan both show that the applicant is proposing to maintain the existing wooded vegetation to the south, east, and north of the proposed array to serve as a visual buffer.

At their meeting on February 24, 2025, the Planning Board gave the applicant preliminary feedback regarding the proposed use of existing vegetation on adjacent parcels as screening for the array. The general consensus amongst Board members seemed to be that the existing landscaping around the area where the array is proposed to be installed would be sufficient to serve as the only screening for the array. During the deliberation for this project, the Board will need to make a final determination as to whether or not this proposed method of screening will be sufficient to meet the intent of this standard.

<u>SECTION 16.2.6 – ENVIRONMENTAL</u>: This section of the code states that the clearing of existing trees and vegetation shall be limited to what is necessary for the installation and operation of the solar array. Additionally, this section of the code states that the distance between rows of solar panels should be at least the width of a single solar panel. The submitted narrative states that the proposed array location is a flat field without trees and that the panel rows will be spaced 20' apart, which is greater than the 12'-width of the proposed solar panels. The narrative also states that disturbed areas will be revegetated with a conservation grass mix suited to solar array installations in NH. Planning Staff recommend that the Board include a precedent condition of approval related to the submittal of a security to cover the cost of this seed mix. This standard appears to be met.

SECTION 16.2.7 – NOISE & GLARE: This section of the code states that solar energy systems shall be designed and sited to minimize any potential impacts of glint and glare on adjacent properties and roadways and that inverters shall be fully enclosed. The applicant has submitted a glare analysis, which is included as an attachment to this staff report. The report states that due to the proposed location and orientation of the array, in conjunction with the fact that the applicant is proposing to install solar panels with an anti-reflective coating, there should not be any issues with glare onto adjacent properties or roadways. Additionally, Sheet C2.0 of the plan set shows that the inverter for the array is proposed to be installed at the southeastern corner of the Cedarcrest building and enclosed by a 6'-tall privacy fence. This standard appears to be met.

SECTION 16.2.8 – SECURITY: This section of the code states that security fencing can have a maximum height of 8' and that on-site lighting can only be installed for security and safety purposes. The Police Department comments included earlier in this staff report state that the 6' agricultural fence proposed to be installed around the perimeter of the array will be insufficient to protect the equipment from trespassers. In the project narrative, the applicant stated that this is the standard fencing product used by ReVision Energy to protect other similarly sized solar energy systems. The Board will need to make a final determination as to whether or not the proposed fencing will be sufficient to satisfy the requirements of this section of the code.

<u>SECTION 16.2.9 – UTILITY INTERCONNECTION</u>: This section of the code states that all on-site power and communication lines within the solar footprint of the ground-mounted solar energy

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system shall be buried underground unless other constraints prevent this from being done. The project narrative states that the conduits and electrical will be run to Cedarcrest's facility through a 115'-long underground trench that will be dug and that the inverters will be mounted at the southeastern corner of the building. This standard appears to be met.

<u>SECTION 16.3 – DECOMMISSIONING & SITE RESTORATION</u>: This section of the code outlines the requirements for decommissioning a large-scale solar energy system. Given that this proposal involves the construction of a medium-scale solar energy system, this standard is not applicable.

SECTION 21.2 - DRAINAGE: During his initial review of the application materials, the City Engineer expressed concern over the stormwater narrative's conclusion that the proposed construction of the array would not alter the existing drainage patterns on the site. In response to this, the applicant submitted a full stormwater report and updated the proposed conditions plan to include grassed conveyance swales and a stormwater collection basin along the northern and eastern boundaries of the array to handle stormwater runoff. At the time of this staff report, Planning Staff were waiting to see if the City Engineer had any further comments or questions on the updated materials that were submitted. Planning Staff can provide an update to the Board during the staff presentation at the Planning Board meeting.

SECTION 21.3 - SEDIMENT & EROSION CONTROL: The proposed conditions plan shows that the applicant proposes to install an erosion control berm along the northern and eastern portions of the array during construction to minimize any potential transfer of sediment onto adjacent areas. As part of his comments on the application, the City Engineer recommended that silt fencing be provided in addition to the proposed erosion berm for the protection of adjacent wetlands to the east of the solar array. In their response to staff comments, the applicant stated that the wetlands are over 200' away from the project site and double erosion control would only be required by NH DES in a situation in which they were 50' or less from the project area. The applicant went on to state that the site is already flat, there is minimal soil disturbance proposed as part of this project, and there will be no grading taking place during construction.

At the time of this staff report, Planning Staff were waiting to hear back from the City Engineer to see if he had any further comments or questions. The Board may wish to ask the applicant for additional information about the proposed sediment and erosion control measures. Planning Staff recommend that the Board include conditions of approval related to the submittal of a security to cover the cost of sediment and erosion control measures as well as the installation and inspection of said stormwater management measures prior to the commencement of site work.

<u>SECTION 21.4 - SNOW STORAGE & REMOVAL</u>: The project narrative states that Cedarcrest currently clears and maintains the site access and has adequate space for snow storage and removal. Snow is not proposed to be removed from within the array area. This standard appears to be met.

SECTION 21.5 - LANDSCAPING: The applicant proposes to install a conservation grass mix in all disturbed areas following the completion of the solar array. As stated previously in this staff report, Planning Staff recommend that the Board include a condition of approval related to the submittal of a security to cover the cost of site stabilization utilizing the proposed seed mix. This standard appears to be met.

<u>SECTION 21.6 - SCREENING</u>: The project narrative states that the solar array will be sufficiently screened due to its location at the rear of both the Cedarcrest and Monadnock View Cemetery sites as well as the presence of existing vegetation to the northeast, east, and southeast of the array. The narrative goes on to state that all new supplementary mechanical equipment needed to support the operation of the array will be wall-mounted at the southeastern corner of the existing Cedarcrest building and will be screened from view by a 6'-tall white vinyl privacy fence. As stated previously, the Board will need to make a final determination as to whether or not the proposed screening plan complies with this section of the LDC.

<u>SECTION 21.7 - LIGHTING</u>: This project narrative states that this proposal does not involve the installation of any new lighting. This standard is not applicable.

<u>SECTION 21.8 - SEWER & WATER:</u> While the Cedarcrest site does have access to both water and sewer utilities as part of this application, there are no changes proposed to either of these items. This standard is not applicable.

SECTION 21.9 - TRAFFIC & ACCESS MANAGEMENT: The proposed conditions plan shows that access to the project area during construction will be provided via the Monadnock View Cemetery parcel using an existing gravel path that will be improved in coordination with the Parks & Recreation and Public Works Departments to use as a temporary construction entrance. The plan set shows the location of the construction access road at the southeastern corner of the solar array and indicates that all disturbed areas will be stabilized using the same conservation seed mix following the completion of construction.

While Andy Bohannon, Deputy City Manager, has submitted a letter of support for this application on behalf of the City of Keene, Planning Staff recommend that the Board include a precedent condition of approval in the motion for this application related to the submittal of written documentation of the City's approval for the use of the cemetery parcel for temporary site access during construction.

The project narrative states that permanent access to the site will be provided using an existing travel aisle adjacent to the southern property boundary on the Cedarcrest site. The narrative states that the array will only need to be accessed ~3-4 times per year for reactive and scheduled maintenance purposes. The proposed conditions plan shows that the travel aisle narrows into a 12'-wide pathway with reinforced geomat on either side, which the applicant states will provide sufficient vehicular access to the rear of the site when needed. This standard appears to be met.

SECTION 21.10 - FILLING & EXCAVATION: The project narrative states that there will be minimal excavation as part of this project and will be limited to digging a 115'-long trench between the proposed solar array location and its connection point on the Cedarcrest building. This standard is not applicable.

<u>SECTION 21.11 - SURFACE WATERS & WETLANDS:</u> The project narrative states that there will not be any impacts to surface waters or wetlands. This standard is not applicable.

SECTION 21.12 - HAZARDOUS & TOXIC MATERIALS: The project narrative states that there will not be any hazardous or toxic materials involved with this project. This standard is not applicable.

SECTION 21.13 - NOISE: The project narrative states that the only two sources of sound will be the solar inverter and transformer. The narrative states that these pieces of equipment will produce a minimal amount of sound and will only be active during the day when the solar array is in operation. This standard appears to be met.

SECTION 21.14 - ARCHITECTURE & VISUAL APPEARANCE: This proposal does not involve anything related to architecture and visual appearance. This standard is not applicable.

Recommended Motion:

If the Board is inclined to approve this request, the following motion is recommended:

"Approve PB-2025-04 as shown on the plan set identified as "Cedarcrest Inc.; Solar Site Development" prepared by Horizons Engineering at varying scales in February 2025 and last revised in March 2025 with the following conditions:

- 1. Prior to final approval and signature of the plans by the Planning Board Chair, the following conditions precedent shall be met:
 - a. Owners' signatures appear on the title page and proposed conditions plans.
 - b. Submittal of five (5) full sized paper copies and a digital copy of the final plans.
 - c. Submittal of a security in a form and amount acceptable to the Community Development Director and City Engineer to cover the cost of sediment and erosion control measures and site stabilization.
 - d. Submittal of a full sized copy of the recorded BLA plat showing the updated lot configuration.
- 2. Subsequent to final approval and signature of the plans by the Planning Board Chair, the following conditions shall be met:
 - a. Prior to the issuance of a building permit, the submittal of documentation demonstrating that the City of Keene has granted Cedarcrest the right to use the Monadnock View Cemetery for temporary site access during construction.
 - b. Prior to the issuance of a building permit, the required 50' setback line shall be pinned by a surveyor licensed in the State of NH and prior to the commencement of site work, verified by the Community Development Director, or their designee."



City of Keene, NH Solar Energy System Conditional Use Permit (CUP) Application

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SECTION 1: PROJECT INFORMATION				
GENERAL PROJECT INFORMATION:				
PROJECT NAME: Cedarcrest Solar Array PROJECT AL	DDRESS(ES)91 Maple Ave, 521 Park Ave			
SOLAR ENERGY SYSTEM SPECIFICATIONS: (The terms below are defined in Article 16.2 & Article 29 of the Land Development Code.)				
SOLAR FOOTPRINT (IN ACRES): 74	<u>тит:</u> 35			
SOLAR LAND COVERAGE (IN ACRES): .74	AZIMUTH: 212			
HEIGHT OF SOLAR ENERGY SYSTEM (IN FEET): 13				
SECTION 2: CONTA	CT INFORMATION			
PROPERTY OWNER	OWNOV #2-APPLICANT-			
NAME/COMPANY: Cedarcrest, Inc.	NAME/COMPANY: City of Keene			
MAILING ADDRESS: 91 Maple Ave, Keene, NH 03431	MAILING ADDRESS: 3 Washington St, Keene, NH 03431			
<u>Phone:</u> (603) 757-7540	<u>PHONE:</u> 603-357-9804			
EMAIL: jhayston@cedarcrestcenter.org	EMAIL: eferland@keenenh.gov			
See attached authorization	SIGNATURE: Scheeth Ferland			
<u>printed name:</u> Jay Hayston	PRINTED NAME: Elizabeth Ferland			
AUTHORIZED AGENT (if different than Owner/Applicant)	FOR OFFICE USE ONLY:			
<u>NAME/COMPANY:</u> ReVision Energy, Inc.	TAX MAP PARCEL #(s): 237.018.000.000.000 = ~5-0C			
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<u>phone:</u> 603-583-4361	PARCEL SIZE: SCS DATE STAMP:			
EMAIL: mulin@revisionenergy.gom SIGNATURE:	ZONING DISTRICT: LOW DENSITY CONSERVATION MAR 1 2 2025			
PRINTED NAME: O Megan Ulin	PROJECT #:			

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City of Keene, NH Site Plan Application

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SECTION 1: PROJE	CT INFORMATION
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PROJECT ADDRESS(ES): 91 Maple Ave, 521	Park Ave
EXISTING OR PREVIOUS USE: Cemetery	PROPOSED USE: Medium-Scale Solar Energy System
GROSS FLOOR AREA OF NEW CONSTRUCTION (in square feet) 32,292	GROSS FLOOR AREA OF EXISTING 0 BUILDINGS/STRUCTURES (in square feet)
AREA OF PROPOSED NEW 20.46 IMPERVIOUS SURFACES (in square feet)	TOTAL AREA OF LAND DISTURBANCE (in square feet) 32,292
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Megan Ulin	PROJECT #: By 53

Agent Authorization

To whom it may concern,

Cedarcrest Inc. hereby authorizes ReVision Energy and Horizons Engineering to act as Agent(s) for the limited purpose of applying for and obtaining any local, state or federal permits that may be required for the installation of a photovoltaic solar system at 91 Maple Ave, Keene, NH 03431 (Parcel ID: 227-018-000). This includes but is not limited to anticipated zoning variances, boundary line adjustment, solar CUP, and building and electric permit applications.

Agent contact information:

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Ryan Hudock, PE Civil Engineer Horizons Engineering (603) 877-0116 ext. 9972 rhudock@horizonsengineering.com

Signature

Print Name

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Jay Hayston
President and CEO
1/30/2025

Date

Title



I. Project Description

February 11, 2025

City of Keene Planning Board 3 Washington St. Keene, NH 03431

Boundary Line Adjustment, Major Site Plan Review & Solar Conditional Use Medium Scale Solar Energy System 91 Maple Ave, Keene, NH

On behalf of Cedarcrest, Inc., ReVision Energy is pleased to provide the City of Keene Planning Board with the below narrative description of its medium-scale solar energy system and associated boundary line adjustment. This development plan is being submitted for review under the standards of the City of Keene Land Development Code for a boundary line adjustment, major development and solar conditional use in the Conservation District.

The proposed location for the solar energy system is an undeveloped portion of land, currently part of the Monadnock View Cemetery (Parcel ID: 227-027-000), and that directly abuts Cedarcrest's facility at 91 Maple Ave (Parcel ID: 227-018-000). Cedarcrest expects to purchase the land on which the solar energy system will be installed from the City of Keene via this proposed boundary line adjustment. The City Manager has been authorized by City Council to execute an agreement for the land sale (January 2nd Council Meeting), and the application for a use variance, which is required for Medium Scale Solar in the Conservation District, has been simultaneously submitted to the Zoning Board.

To flesh out the project background – for several years ReVision Energy has been working in partnership with the City of Keene to install solar developments on City-owned land to help achieve the City's goal of transitioning to 100% clean renewable electricity. This goal also included the desire to provide opportunities for local non-profit organizations to participate in local community solar farms as system owners and energy offtakers, though they may lack sufficient land on which to develop and install the necessary systems. In 2023, the City identified a portion of Monadnock View Cemetery that was unsuitable for burials as a preferred site for an investor-owned ground-mounted solar energy system, and ReVision began project development.

Since that time, Cedarcrest has entered into a power purchase agreement for the electricity produced from the proposed array, which will directly offset around 67% of Cedarcrest's electricity usage with onsite renewable energy. Under this PPA model an investor will own and operate the array at Cedarcrest's facility and sell the power to Cedarcrest at a reduced rate, with options for Cedarcrest to buy out the system in future years. Due to the proximity of the array to Cedarcrest's facility, and the ability to connect directly to their electricity meter, Cedarcrest and the City of Keene have determined that a land purchase via a boundary line adjustment would be the most mutually beneficial path forward to facilitate the solar energy system at this site.

The proposed boundary line adjustment would transfer 1.698 acres from the 46-acre City of Keene parcel, to Cedarcrest (see proposed boundary plan). The Cedarcrest parcel would increase from 5.01 acres to 6.7 acres, and the City parcel would decrease from 46 acres to 44.3



acres. The access points to each parcel would remain as existing. Cedarcrest's access is via 91 Maple Ave, and the City's access via 521 Park Ave. Discussion of the remaining site development and subdivision standards are found in the balance of the narrative.

The proposed solar development is a 333.2 kW DC, 230kW AC fixed-tilt, ground mounted solar array that will produce approximately 364,900 kilowatt-hours of clean, renewable energy each year. The primary components of a ground mounted solar array are earth screws, which are driven into the earth to serve as foundations, aluminum racking fastened to the screws, and solar panels affixed to the racking. The rows of panels will be oriented at 212 degrees southwest to optimize site location and minimize shading, and will have a tilt angle of 35 degrees. At their peak, the panels stand approximately 13 ft above grade. The rows of panels will be electrically connected via underground conduit and wire. The inverters, transformers, and AC electrical equipment are proposed to be located on the southeast Cedarcrest building as shown on the site plan. A 6-ft agricultural fence is proposed around the perimeter of the array to secure the site and to meet NEC requirements. This fence can have warning signage applied (see representatives photos for example) due to it's proximity to public lands, although it is not a code requirement.

For construction, we aim to have all approvals in place to commence work at the site in spring and summer 2025. We expect construction will take 3-4 months. During construction, we anticipate 2-15 workers on site during regular work hours depending on project stage. Construction waste is minimal and will be collected and removed from site as it is generated. Once completed, the system will require an anticipated 2-4 service visits annually for preventative and reactive maintenance. The bulk of the system's oversight will be performed remotely via internet-based production monitoring software to ensure the system is producing power as-designed and constructed. Vegetation management will be performed by Cedarcrest as the landowner.

Solar photovoltaic equipment is durable, built to withstand New England's harsh wind, rain, and snow. The aluminum racking specifications take into consideration the region's snow and wind loading requirements. When installed properly, solar arrays are expected to last 40+ years and provide low-cost energy with minimal ongoing operational and maintenance support.

From a visual standpoint, the bulk of the glare produced is directed upwards and is minimal; a glare statement and written analysis is appended to this submission. The equipment generates virtually no noise while generating electricity. The proposed array location is located within a concealed area with no existing structures or residences directly abutting the development. The array will not be visible to traffic on Maple Ave or Park Ave, given its positioning on the lot, and the surrounding natural vegetation. Given the minimally intrusive characteristics of this solar photovoltaic array, and the larger environmental benefit solar provides, we hope this project will be a welcome addition to the City of Keene.



IV. Site Development Standards for Major Site Plan Review and Solar CUP (Article 21)

1. 21.2 Drainage & Stormwater Management

The proposed development is located on a flat, grassed area. The rows of panels are spaced at 20' apart and will be re-vegetated post construction between the panel rows. Due to the low slope and revegetation, stormwater is expected to sheet flow and not to result in the increased volume or velocity of stormwater runoff. A drainage report stamped by a NH engineer is attached.

2. 21.3 Sedimentation & Erosion Control

The proposed development is located on a flat site, will minimize disturbance of natural soil cover and will utilize best practices for erosion control. A grindings berm will be installed for erosion control as shown on the site plan and as needed. Any site disturbance will be revegetated with a conservation grass mix.

3. 21.4 Snow Storage & Removal

The applicant currently clears and maintains the site access and has adequate existing space for snow storage and removal. Snow will not be removed within the array area.

4. 21.5 Landscaping

Landscaping proposed includes the revegetation of the disturbed project area with a conservation grass mix. Because no significant landscaping is proposed as part of the solar development, and the existing vegetation and revegetation details are shown on the site plan, an exemption is requested from the requirement for a landscape plan.

5. 21.6 Screening

In accordance with 21.6.D Solar Energy Systems, the project has been sited in a manner to reasonably and substantially minimize the view from surrounding properties. The system is not visible from any public rights of way. The project enjoys this limited visibility due to its placement at the very rear corner of the site. To the north of the project, mature woods along the property line screen the project from abutting properties. To the south, the project will be screened from the Parkwood Apartments by a substantial buffer of mature trees and shrubs and by a row of enclosed carport structures that are located along the property line. The primary abutter to the system is the City of Keene, and the visual impact of the proposed solar energy system on the Cemetery will be minimal given existing vegetation and the array's location at the very rear corner of the 46-acre cemetery lot. It is located behind the maintenance building, beyond a stand of mature trees, and is out of site from most grave sites. City staff has submitted a letter in support of this location, and the decision not to propose further screening measures which would be costly for Cedarcrest to install and maintain and would not provide significant benefit



to the overall Cemetery parcel. The exterior AC equipment (inverters, transformer) on the south east corner of the Cedarcrest building will be screened with a white vinyl privacy fence.

6. 21.7 Lighting

N/A – no onsite lighting is proposed as part of the solar development.

7. 21.8 Sewer & Water

N/A - the proposed solar development does not impact or make use of sewer or water services.

8. 21.9 Traffic & Access Management

The proposed development will not generate an increase in traffic during its operational life and does not propose any new driveways from public roads. Once installed the solar array will require only 2-4 visits per year for preventative and reactive maintenance. The array will be easily accessible via the proposed site access and existing facility parking. The existing travel aisle around Cedarcrest's facility will be used to access the array. While the paved aisle tapers as it continues around the building, a minimum of 12ft is available for access (see site plan), and the sides of the paved aisle are reinforced with geomat so it is appropriate for occasional travel. This aisle provides a fire lane, has been used for construction activities on Cedarcrest lands in the past, and is regularly accessed for snow plowing.

9. 21.10 Filling & Excavation

The project proposes no major filling and excavation. The only proposed excavation is that which is incidental to the lawful construction of a solar array. There will be a short trench run of approximately 115' from the proposed solar development to Cedarcrest's facility. This excavation will not impact any floodplains or wetlands, does not result in 50 more trucks of earth entering or leaving the site, and does not reach the threshold of requiring permitting under Article 25.

10. 21.11 Surface Waters & Wetlands

The proposed development will not impact surface waters and wetlands.

11. 21.12 Hazardous & Toxic Materials

N/A – The proposed development does not involve the receiving, handling, storing, or processing of any hazardous or toxic substances.

12. 21.13 Noise

Fixed tilt solar arrays contain no moving parts, and only two components that produce sound: the solar inverter used to convert DC solar electricity to AC electricity compatible with the facility, and a transformer used to convert the voltage used by the solar inverter to the voltage



used by the facility and electric utility. Because the array operates only during daylight hours when the sun is shining, the equipment does not produce noise during nighttime hours. The inverters are rated to produce less than 60dBA at 1 meter of distance, and the National Electrical Manufacturers Association issues guidelines for dry-type transformers allowing sound levels from 40-64 dBA for transformers from 0-1000 kVa. These pieces of equipment have been sited to minimize noise impacts. They are proposed to be located on the southeast exterior corner of the Cedarcrest facility and are over 50ft from any property line. As such, the solar equipment poses no barrier to complying with Table 18-1: Sound Level Limits of 60 dBA at the property line during daylight hours.



V. Solar Energy System Conditional Use Permit Criteria (Article 16)

1. 16.1 Applicability

The proposed development is a medium-scale solar energy system located in the Conservation District and therefore requires a conditional use permit issued by the Planning Board.

2. 16.2.1 Siting

- A) This criteria applies only to large-scale solar energy systems, however the project parcel meets the criteria anyways and will be greater than five acres (approximately 6.7 acres with the proposed boundary line adjustment).
- B) The solar footprint is under 1 acre and therefore meets the criteria to not exceed 20 contiguous acres.

3. 16.2.2 Height

The proposed development is a fixed tilt ground mounted solar array that is 12.445' tall at its highest point (see elevation drawings) and therefore meets the requirement not to exceed 15' as measured from the ground to the highest point of the system.

4. 16.2.3 Setbacks

A minimum setback distance of 50' has been provided for the proposed development from all exterior property lines. The proposed development does not abut any public rights of way.

5. 16.2.4 Lot Coverage

The solar land coverage was calculated to include all ground mounted components of the solar energy system, including panels and transformer, but excluding access aisles, roads and fencing. The solar land coverage is equal to 15% and does not exceed 70%.

6. 16.2.5 Visual Buffer

- A) The project has been sited to reasonably minimize the view of the system from surrounding properties and public rights of way. It is located at the very rear northwest corner of the Monadnock View Cemetery lot where there is very limited visibility from adjacent parcels or public rights-of-way.
- B) The visual impact of the solar energy system is mitigated through the preservation of existing vegetation. To the North, it is buffered by the existing woods line. To the east, it is buffered by ornamental trees (SE corner of array), and pine trees behind the Cemetery Maintenance Building. To the South, mature pines and carports buffer the array from the Parkwood Apartments. This existing vegetation is represented on the site plan. The City has submitted a letter in support of the array placement and the ability of



the existing vegetation to provide a suitable visual buffer. The inverters and transformer are screened via a 6' white vinyl privacy fence, consistent with other screening fences on Cedarcrest's property.

C) N/A – no new landscaping is proposed for the creation of a visual buffer.

7. 16.2.6 Environmental

- A) No tree clearing is proposed. The array location is a flat, cleared field and gardens.
- B) The solar panel rows are spaced 20ft apart, more than meeting the requirement to exceed the width of a single panel collector row, which is approximately 12 ft. The area underneath and between the solar array rows will be revegetated with a conservation grass mix suited to solar array installations in New Hampshire, and that will allow for the growth of vegetation and capture of rainfall.

8. 16.2.7 Noise & Glare

- A) The solar energy system is located in the very northwest corner of the Cemetery property. The modules have an anti-reflective surface, designed to absorb incoming light, and reflect as little as 2%. The system is not within view of any public roadways and is shielded from adjacent properties by trees.
- B) The inverters are building mounted on the southern corner of Cedarcrest's facility. They are enclosed by a white vinyl privacy fence. Furthermore, they are separated from neighboring properties by more than 50 ft and meet the Site Development Standards for noise.

9. 16.2.8 Security

- A) The proposed 6 ft. agricultural perimeter fencing meets the height requirement (maximum height of 8 ft.) specified by the Land Development Code. This is ReVision's standard fencing product used to protect similarly sized solar energy systems across our portfolio of completed work.
- B) N/A, no onsite lighting is required for this medium-scale solar energy system.

10. 16.2.9 Utility Interconnection

All of the interrow conduit within the array and the electrical run back to Cedarcrest's facility will be trenched and buried underground, therefore meeting this review criteria. There are no communication lines to bury within the array as the inverters are building mounted on Cedarcrest's facility.

11. 16.3 Decommissioning & Site Restoration

The owner of this medium-scale solar energy system will be responsible for decommissioning the system at its end of life. The foundations and solar equipment can be removed and decommissioned when the system is retired. The commercial lifespan of solar energy systems is 25 years but they are projected to last 40+ year. Equipment can be brought to facilities equipped to recycle material associated with photovoltaic systems upon removal from site. The



b. In conjunction with the previous comment, access to the site is shown through City owned property, but no temporary or permanent easements are proposed for construction or for future access for inspection, maintenance, and infrastructure replacement.

> Temporary construction access will be through City owned property, as addressed in response to Planning & Zoning Staff comment #8, and proof of permission will be provided to Board. Future access for inspection maintenance and infrastructure replacement will be via the existing travel aisle on 91 Maple Ave.

c. The plans propose improvements within the limits of existing City irrigation infrastructure. Please add notes to the plans specifying the coordination, removal, salvage, and delivery of the existing irrigation system spigots for their future reuse by the Parks & Recreation Department.

ReVision will coordinate with the Parks & Recreation Department to intercept the rise pole and cap irrigation lines on City Land. Riser posts and spigot fittings on Cedarcrest Lands will be removed and cut, and salvaged for re-use. Underground lines will be left in place and will not be salvaged. These notes have been added to C2.0 Site Plan Notes #8.

d. The maximum spacing of the Danger Signs that are proposed on the fence must be specified on the plans in conformance with OSHA requirements.

There are no OSHA requirements regulating Danger Signage for solar arrays. We propose two signs per side of the array for a total of 8 signs, at a spacing of \sim 100ft. apart.

e. The plans specify two 12' wide double swing gates, a detail should be provided for these improvements, and it should be confirmed that the two gates can operate right next to each other as shown on the plans.

Details for the two 12' wide double swing gates have been added to Sheet C3.0 of the planset. Each gate leaf is 6' wide. The gates have room to operate when both opened in the same direction, or when opened away from each other in opposite directions.

f. The Drainage Report indicates that the proposed improvements do not alter the existing drainage from the site, but this is incorrect. The proposed conditions create a concentrated stormwater flow as stormwater runs off the proposed solar arrays in lieu of the existing sheet flow stormwater condition from the site. Measures should be reviewed, designed and provided to ensure that the stormwater runoff from the solar arrays does not create erosion on the adjacent cemetery property.

Much of the area to be sited with solar panels is essentially flat with slopes under 1%. The northeast section of array does have slopes as shown on the

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project is not a large-scale solar energy system and is exempt from providing a formal decommissioning plan per the Land Development Code.

12. 16.4 Conditional Use Permit

Application materials have been submitted as specified in the LDC (see CUP Application checklist).



February 13, 2025

City of Keene – Planning Board 3 Washington Street Keene, NH 03431 Attention: Evan Clements, Planner

RE: Cedarcrest Inc. Solar Project – Revision Energy 91 Maple Avenue – parcel ID 227-018-000

Dear Chair Farrington,

This letter is to serve as a letter of support for the requested site plan for the installation of a medium-scale solar energy system on approximately 1.6 acres of undeveloped land in the Conservation District located in Monadnock View Cemetery. The City Manager has been authorized by City Council to execute an agreement for the land sale, and the project is consistent with the efforts of the Comprehensive Master Plan and Energy and Climate Committee's renewable energy initiatives.

This project has been in development for several years after the City began working with Revision Energy to identify parcels within the City that could support medium to large scale projects. Monadnock View Cemetery presented a prime opportunity to not only meet that need but provide support to a local non-profit organization as an energy offtaker. As the project developed, the City determined that a relocation of the project and land purchase would provide the best path forward for everyone involved in the project. Cedarcrest operates as a specialized pediatric medical facility and school which has limited space to provide solar, and with this proposal, it meets our community goals to be provide more sustainable energy and reduce our carbon footprint by 2030.

The City supports the request for this site plan, without installation of additional visual buffer, due to the nature of the location. Currently located in the northwest corner of Monadnock View Cemetery, the parcel is not in view of the public way and is buffered to the south by large pines and carports from Parkwood Apartments. To the north is a vegetated buffer along the property line of the First Baptist Church. To the east is the cemetery operations building and row of trees buffering Section N of the cemetery. The remaining open 1.5-acre field will be converted into new community garden plots supported by the Parks and Recreation Department.

3 Washington Street Keene, NH 03431 64 The solar location provides continued passive use, no different than the current use as garden plots, and will allow the City to redevelop and create a stronger community garden program. This project provides a win-win for the community in many ways, and we hope that you find the spirit of this site plan in alignment with our current zoning practices and the Comprehensive Master Plan and the Active and Passive Recreation Master Plan.

Sincerely,

Andy Bohannon, CPRP Deputy City Manager



NOTICE OF DECISION ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

CASE NUMBER: Property Address: Zone: Owner: Petitioner: Date of Decision: ZBA-2025-01 91 Maple Ave Conservation District Cedarcrest, Inc. Megan Ulin March 3, 2025

Notification of Decision:

ZBA-2025-01: Petitioner, Cedarcrest Inc., represented by Megan Ulin, from ReVision Energy, requested a variance for property located at 91 Maple Ave., Tax Map #227-018-000. This property is in the Conservation District and is owned by Cedarcrest Inc. The Petitioner requested a variance to permit the installation of a medium scale solar energy system in the Conservation District per Article 7.3.5 and Table 8-10f the Zoning Regulations.

This request was **APPROVED 4-0** according to the Variance Findings of Fact listed below and as further specified in the minutes of the meeting.

Criteria 1. Granting the variance would not be contrary to the public interest:

The board voted 4-0 and found that the proposed use would be in the public interest by meeting the community energy goals.

Criteria 2. If the variance were granted, the spirit of the ordinance would be observed:

The board voted 4-0 and found that the proposed use would not impact surrounding uses or the essential character of the neighborhood and poses no threat to public health, safety or welfare.

Criteria 3. Granting the variance would do substantial justice:

The board voted 4-0 and found that denying the proposed use would be a significant loss to the Applicant without a gain to the public.



<u>Criteria 4. If the variance were granted, the values of the surrounding properties would not be diminished</u>:

The board voted 4-0 and found that the proposed use would not diminish the surrounding property values, nor would the proposed use create any noise or glare.

Criteria 5. Unnecessary Hardship: A. Owing to special conditions of the property that distinguish it from other properties in the area, denial of the variance would result in unnecessary hardship. i. No fair and substantial relationship exists between the general public purposes of the ordinance provision and the specific application of that provision to the property. ii. The proposed use is a reasonable one. B. Explain how, if the criteria in subparagraph (A) are not established, an unnecessary hardship will be deemed to exist if an only if, owing to special conditions of the property that distinguish it from other properties in the area, the property cannot be reasonably used in strict conformance with the ordinance, and a variance is therefore necessary to enable a reasonable use of it.

The board voted 4-0 and found that the lot is unique with the underground utilities and maintained field, which is unusual for a conservation lot and the proposed use is a reasonable one.

Conditions:

NOTE:

- 1. Contact the Community Development Department and the Fire Prevention Officer for any applicable permits that may be needed.
- 2. Pursuant to New Hampshire RSA Chapter 674:33, all Board approvals shall be valid if acted upon within 2 years from the date of final approval.

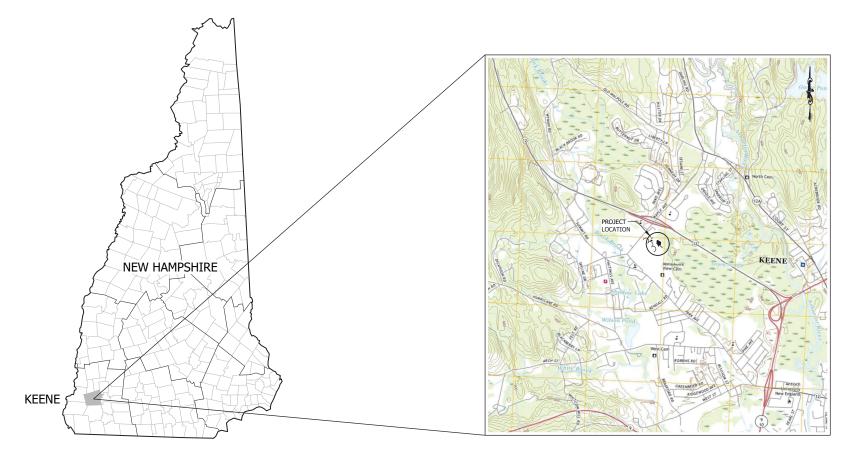
Richard Clough, Chair

Any person directly affected has a right to appeal this Decision. The necessary first step, before any appeal may be taken to the courts, is to apply to the Board of Adjustment for a rehearing. The Motion for Rehearing must be filed not later than 30 days after the first date following the referenced Date of Decision. The Motion must fully set forth every ground upon which it is claimed that the decision is unlawful or unreasonable. See New Hampshire RSA Chapter 677, <u>et seq.</u>

cc: Planning Technician City Appraiser City Attorney File Copy

CEDARCREST INC. SOLAR SITE DEVELOPMENT

KEENE, NEW HAMPSHIRE FEBRUARY 2025 (REV. MARCH 2025)



LOCATION PLAN SCALE: 1" = 2000'

PERMIT NOTES

CITY OF KEENE SITE PLAN REVIEW

APPLCANT: CEDARCREST, INC.

AGENT:

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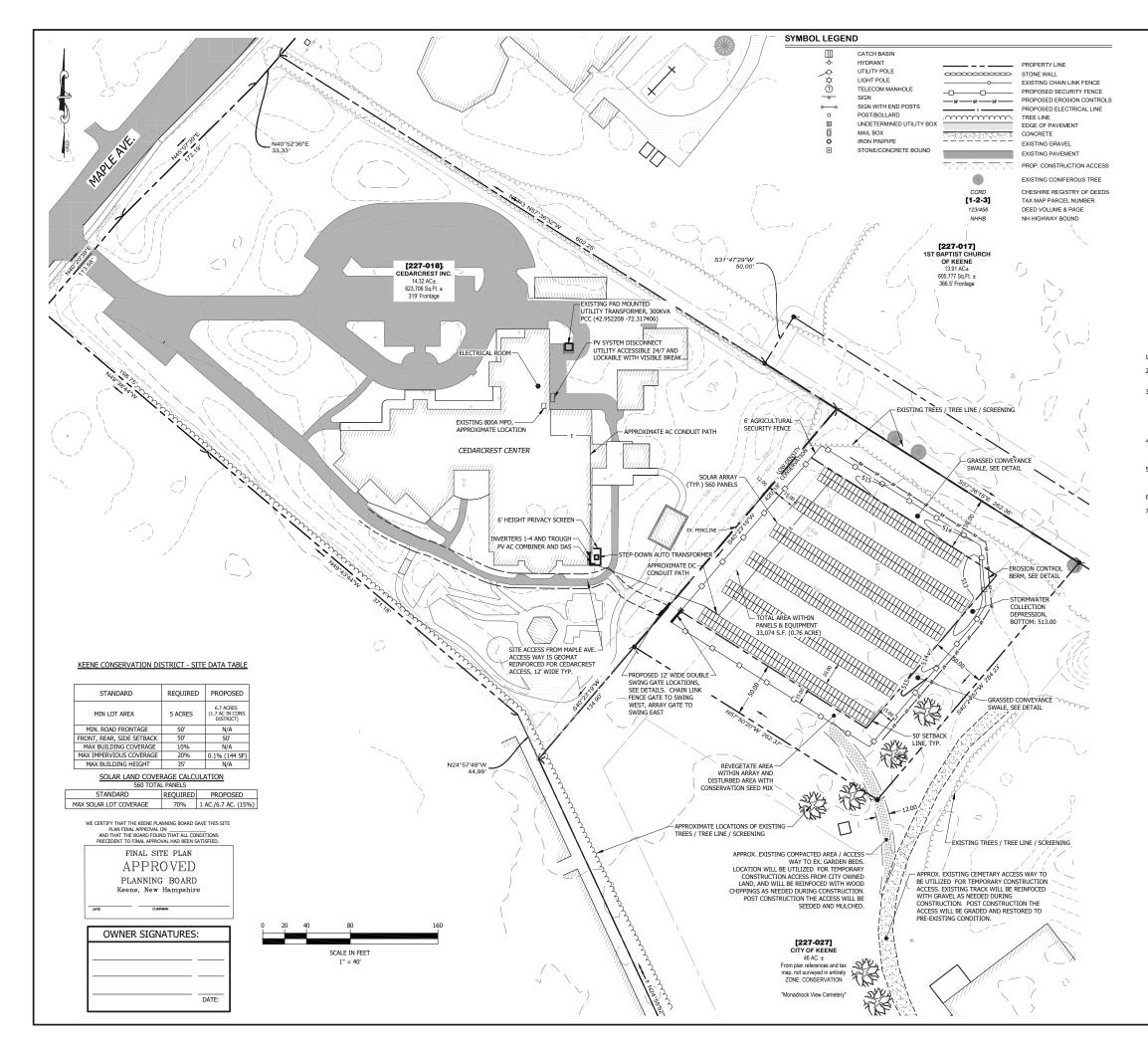
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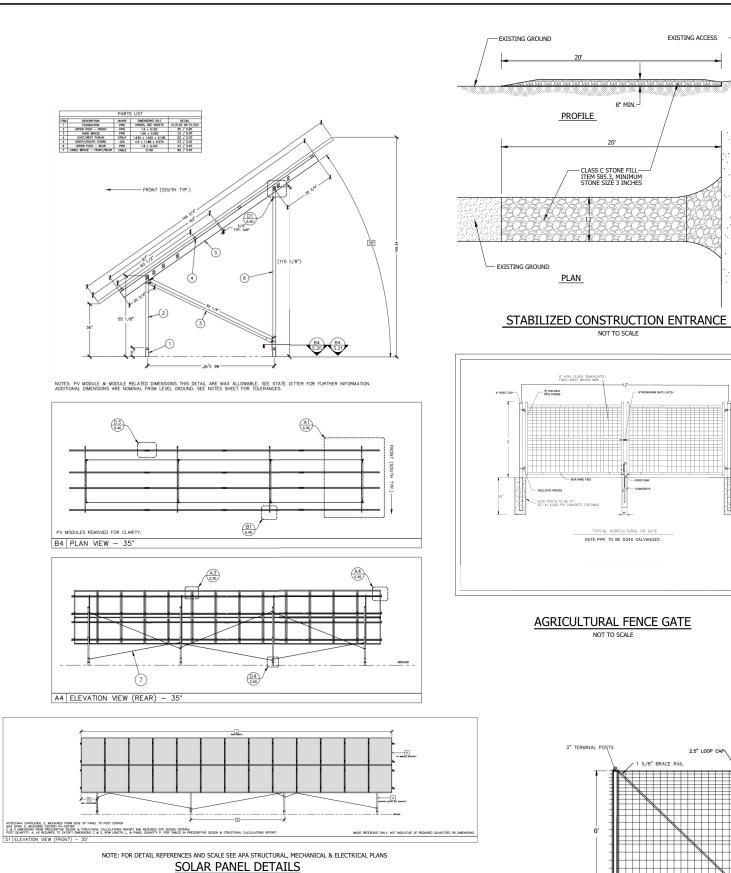
SHEET INDEX COVER EXISTING CONDITIONS PLAN C2.0 SITE PLAN C3.0 EROSION CONTROL & CONSTRUCTION DETAILS

IT IS THE OWNERS RESPONSIBILITY TO INSURE ALL PERMITS ARE IN PLACE PRIOR TO CONSTRUCTION

THIS PROJECT SHALL COMPLY WITH ALL CONDITIONS OF ALL PERMITS FOR THE PROJECT. COPIES OF THESE PERMITS MAY BE REQUESTED FROM THE HORIZONS ENGINEERING OFFICE IN NEW LONDON, NH. PERMITS LISTED BELOW ARE REPRESENTATIVE OF PROJECT PERMITTING COLLECTED BY HORIZONS ENGINEERING, ALL REOUIRED PERMITS SHALL BE COLLECTED AND VERIFIED BY THE GENERAL CONTRACTOR.



SITE PLAN NOTES 1. ALL WORK SHALL BE CONSTRUCTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THESE PLANS. OF PR 2. NO EXISTING MONUMENTS, BOUNDS, OR BENCHMARKS SHALL BE DISTURBED WITHOUT FIRST MAKING PROVISIONS FOR RELOCATION. DATE C MARCH HORIZONS E 3. ALL WORK SHALL BE PERFORMED WITHIN THE PROPERTY OF, AND EASEMENTS SECURED BY, THE OWNER. 4. BASE MAP INFORMATION INCLUDING BOUNDARY AND TOPOGRAPHY ON THIS PLAN IS FROM PLANS PREPARED BY HUNTLEY SURVEY & DESIGN, TITLED " EXISTING CONDITIONS" AND "BOUNDARY LINE ADJUSTMENT", BOTH DATED FEBRUARY 2, 2025. Pg B THE CONTRACTOR SHALL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE DATA COLLECTION AND PREPARATION OF RECORD DRAWINGS. 문 6. THE CONTRACTOR IS SOLELY RESPONSIBLE FOR CONTROLLING EROSION IN ALL AREAS THE CONTRACT OR SOLELY RESPONSIBLE POINT CONTROLLING ROSSIAN IN ALL AREAS DISTURBED BY HIS ACTIONS. COSTS FOR REQUIRED REGISTON CONTROL, REGARDLESS OF WHETHER OR NOT SUCH MEASURES ARE SHOWN ON THE ENGINEERING DRAWINGS, SHALL BE DORNE BY HIM. 7. THE CONTRACTOR IS RESPONSIBLE FOR LOCATION AND PROTECTION OF EXISTING UTILITIES AND SHALL REPAIR ANY DAMAGE AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE AT HIS OWN EXPENSE. ALL UTILITIES ENCOUNTERED SHALL BE LOCATED BY DEPTH AND TIES AND SHOWN BY THE CONTRACTOR ON HIS "AS BUILT" DRAWINGS. HAND EXCAVATION SHALL BE DONE WHEREVER UNDERGROUND UTILITIES ARE ANTICIPATED. THE CONTRACTOR SHALL CONTACT DIG SAFE AND THE APPROPRIATE AUTHORITIES PRIOR TO ANY CONSTRUCTION IN ORDER TO VERIFY EXISTING CONDITIONS AND UTILITY LOCATIONS. CONTRACTOR TO COORDINATE WITH PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT TO INTEREPT RISER POLE AND CAP IRRIGATION LINES ON CITY LAND. RISER POSTS AND SPIGOT FITTINGS ON CEDARCREST LANDS WILL BE REMOVED/CUT AND SALVAGED FOR RE-USE. UNDERGROUND LINES TO BE LEFT IN PLACE. 8. IMPERVIOUS AREAS WERE CALCULATED FROM SOLAR FOUNDATIONS (GROUND SCREWS) AND THE EQUIPMENT PAD AREA. CONSTRUCTION SEQUENCE 17/25 1. INSTALL CONSTRUCTION ENTRANCE, SEE DETAIL. 2. INSTALL PERIMETER EROSION CONTROL MEASURES AT LOCATIONS SHOWN ON THE PLANS AND AS NEEDED. 3. PROCEED WITH WORK, INSTALLING ARRAY, RUNOFF SWALES, ELECTRIC EQUIPMENT, AND FENCING, LIMITING THE DURATION OF DISTURBANCE. ANY MINOR POTENTIAL GROUND DISTURBANCES ARE ANTICIPATED TO BE CAUSED BY VEHICLE ACCESS MOVEMENTS PERFORMING THE INSTALLATION OF THE PANELS AND FENCING. THE MAXIMUM LENGTH OF TIME THAT DISTURBED EARTH MAY BE LEFT UNSTABILIZED IS 45 DAYS URVEYED BY HEI ENGINEERED B RJH RAWN BY DMW HECKED BY: RJH/W 4. REMOVE CONSTRUCTION ENTRANCE MATERIALS. BEGIN SEEDING AND MULCHING AREAS DISTURBED BY INSTALLATION EQUIPMENT. ALL DISTURBED AREAS SHALL BE STABILIZED WITH APPROVED METHODS WITHIN 72 HOURS. OF NEW HAMP 5. INSPECT ALL EROSION CONTROL MEASURES ON A DAILY BASIS AND AFTER EVERY 0.5 INCHES OF PRECIPITATION. MAINTAIN AND REPAIR ALL MEASURES NO LONGER INSTALLED CORRECTLY. TAN. RYAN HUDOCK No.17777 6. PLACE TOPSOIL, SEED AND MULCH. STONAL ENGINI 7. MONITOR THE SITE AND MAINTAIN STRUCTURES AS NEEDED UNTIL FULL VEGETATION IS ESTABLISHED. B PROPOSED ARRAY PROPOSED FENCE 13 **ZCN** naineeri 15'-0" 2'-0' 1 1' DEEP GRASS LINED DITCH DETAIL NOT TO SCALE FLOW <5% SLOPE REVISION ENERGY SOLAR SITE DEVELOPMENT ISOMETRIC VIEW -24" MIN.--KEENE <5% SLOPE 12" MI 12"[MIN. ø SECTION VIEW NOTES I. PERVIOUS BERMS SHALL NOT BE I. SPENTIOUS BERMS SHALL NOT BE I. SPENTION CONCENTRATED STORMWATER FLOW. THE BERM SHALL BE INSTALLED TO FOLIO WITHE CONTOIN POE 2. THE BERM SHALL BE INSTALLED TO FOLLOW THE CONTOUR OF THE LAND AS CLOSELY AS POSSIBLE. THE MIX SHALL NOT CONTAIN SILTS, CLAYS OR FINE SANDS. 3. THE MATERIAL MIX FOR THE BERM SHALL HAVE AN ORGANIC PORTION BETWEEN 25% AND 65%, DRY WEIGHT BASIS, AND BE FIBROUS AND ELONGATED SUCH AS FROM SHREDDED i. THE MIX SHALL HAVE A PARTICLE SIZE BY WEIGHT OF 100% PASSING A 3" SCREEN, 90%-100% PASSING A 1" SCREEN, 70% TO 100% PASSING A 0.75" 50% PASSING A 0.25" SCREEN. ISSUED FOR: REVIEW ROJECT #: 240705 BARK, STUMP GRINDINGS COMPOSTED BARK, OR EQUIVALENT. ATE: FEBRUARY 202 THE MIX SHALL HAVE A pH BETWEEN 5.0 AND 8.0. EROSION CONTROL MIX (ECM) BERM SHEEF C2.0 NOT NOT SCALE



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EROSION CONTROL GENERAL NOTES

- A. KEEP SITE MODIFICATION TO A MINIMUM

 CONSIDER FITTING THE BUILDINGS AND STREETS TO THE NATURAL TOPOGRAPHY. THIS REDUCES THE NEED FOR CUTS AND FILLS. AVOID EXTENSIVE GRADING THAT WOULD ALTER DRAINAGE PATTERNS OR CREATE VERY STEEP SLOPES. THIS
- 2. EXPOSE AREAS OF BARE SOIL TO EROSIVE ELEMENTS FOR THE SHORTEST TIME POSSIBLE.
- 3. SAVE AND PROTECT DESIRABLE EXISTING VEGETATION WHERE POSSIBLE. ERECT BARRIERS TO PREVENT DAMAGE FROM CONSTRUCTION EQUIPMENT.
- LIMIT THE GRADES OF SLOPES SO VEGETATION CAN BE EASILY ESTABLISHED AND MAINTAINED.
- 5. AVOID SUBSTANTIAL INCREASE IN RUNOFF LEAVING THE SITE.
- B. MINIMIZE POLLUTION OF WATER DURING CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITIES 1. STOCKPILE TOPSOIL REMOVED FROM CONSTRUCTION AREA AND SPREAD OVER ANY DISTURBED AREAS PRIOR TO REVEGETATION. TOPSOIL STOCKPILES MUST BE PROTECTED
- PROTECT BARE SOIL AREAS EXPOSED BY GRADING ACTIVITIES WITH TEMPORARY VEGETATION OR MULCHES.
- 3. USE SEDIMENT BASINS TO TRAP DEBRIS AND SEDIMENT WHICH WILL PREVENT THESE MATERIALS FROM MOVING OFF SITE.
- 4. USE DIVERSIONS TO DIRECT WATER AROUND THE CONSTRUCTION AREA AND AWAY FROM EROSION PRONE AREAS TO POINTS OF SAFE DISPOSAL.
- 5. USE TEMPORARY CULVERTS OR BRIDGES WHEN CROSSING STREAMS WITH EQUIPMENT.
- PLACE CONSTRUCTION FACILITIES, MATERIALS, AND EQUIPMENT STORAGE AND MAINTENANCE AREAS AWAY FROM DRAINAGE WAYS.

- C. PROTECT AREA AFTER CONSTRUCTION. 1. ESTABLISH GRASS OR OTHER SUITABLE VEGETATION ON ALL DISTURBED AREAS. SELECT SPECIES ADAPTED TO THE SITE CONDITIONS AND THE FUTURE USE OF THE AREA. FINAL VEGETATIVE COVER.
- 2. MAINTAIN VEGETATED AREAS USING PROPER VEGETATIVE 'BEST MANAGEMENT PRACTICES' DURING THE CONSTRUCTION PERIOD.
- 3. MAINTAIN NEEDED STRUCTURAL 'BEST MANAGEMENT PRACTICES' AND REMOVE SEDIMENT FROM DETENTION PONDS AND SEDIMENT BASINS AS NEEDED.
- 4. DETERMINE RESPONSIBILITY FOR LONG TERM MAINTENANCE OF PERMANENT 'BEST MANAGEMENT PRACTICES'.
- IF CONSTRUCTION IS ANTICIPATED DURING WINTER MONTHS, REFER TO 'COLD WEATHER SITE STABILIZATION REQUIREMENTS'.

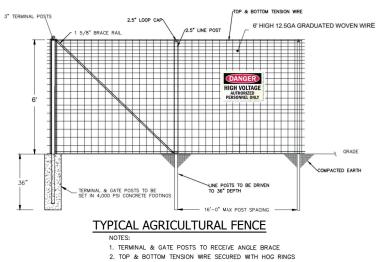
D. INVASIVE SPECIES AND FUGITIVE DUST

 THE PROJECT SHALL NOT CONTRIBUTE TO THE SPREAD OF INVASIVE SPECIES. PRIOR TO CONSTRUCTION, THE CONTRACTOR SHALL EVALUATE WORK AREAS FOR THE PRESENCE OF INVASIVE SPECIES, AND IF FOUND SHALL TAKE NECESSARY MEASURES TO PREVENT THEIR SPREAD IN ACCORDANCE WITH RSA 430:51-57 AND AGR 3800. THE CONTRACTOR SHALL INCLUSING AND ACCOUNT AND A 10, 11-1 AND A 10, 11-1 AND A 10, 10 A

2. FUGITIVE DUST SHALL BE CONTROLLED IN ACCORDANCE WITH ENV-A 1000.



DANGER SIGN ON FENCE TWO (2) DANGER SIGNS TO BE PLACED ON EACH SIDE OF FENCE ON SITE FOR A TOTAL OF EIGHT (8) SIGNS



SEEDING RECOMMENDATIONS INT 2025 TeptNG GRADING AND SHAPING A. SLOPES SHALL NOT BE STEEPER THAN 2:1; 3:1 SLOPES OR FLATTER ARE PREFERRED. WHERE MOWING WILL DOME, 3:1 SLOPES OR FLATTER ARE RECOMMENDED. SEEDBED PREPARATION A. SURFACE AND SEEPAGE WATER SHOULD BE DRAINED OR DIVERTED FROM THE SITE TO PREVENT DROWNING OR WINTER KILLING OF THE PLANTS. MARCH HORIZONS I B. STONES LARGER THAN 4 INCHES AND TRASH SHOULD BE REMOVED BECAUSE THEY INTERFERE WITH SEEDING AND FUTURE MAINTENANCE OF THE AREA. WHERE FEASIBLE, THE SOIL SHOULD BE AMENDED WITH ORGANIC MATTER AND TILLED TO A DEPTH OF ABOUT HINCHES TO PREPARE A SEEDED AND MIX FERTILZER AND LIME THOROUGHLY INTO THE SOIL. THE SEEDED SHOULD BE LEFT IN A REASONABLY FIRM AND SMOOTH COMDITION. THE LAST TILLEG OPERATION SHOULD BE LEFT IN A REASONABLY FIRM AND SMOOTH COMDITION. THE LAST TILLEG OPERATION SHOULD BE LEFT IN A REASONABLY FIRM AND SMOOTH 8 8 PRACTICAL. 3. ESTABLISHING VEGETATION A. LIME AND FERTILIZER SHOULD BE APPLIED PRIOR TO OR AT THE TIME OF SEEDING AND INCORPORATED INTO THE SOLL KINDS AND AMOUNTS OF LIME AND FERTILIZER SHOULD BE BASED ON AN EVALUATION OF SOLL TESTS. WHEN A SOIL TEST IS NOT AVAILABLE, THE FOLLOWING MINIMUM AMOUNTS SHOULD BE APPLIED: AGRICULTURAL LIMESTONE, 2 TONS PER ACRE OR 100 LBS. PER 1,000 SQ. FT. AUTROGEN (N), 50 LBS., PER ACRE OR 1.1 LBS. PER 1,000 SQ. FT. -PHOSPHATE (P, Q₃), 100 LBS. PER ACRE OR 2.2 LBS. PER 1,000 SQ. FT. -POTASH (K₂0), 100 LBS. PER ACRE OR 2.2 LBS. PER 1,000 SQ. FT. (NOTE: THIS IS THE EQUIVALENT OF 500 LBS. PER ACRE OF 10-20-20 FERTILIZER OR 1,000 LBS. PER ACRE OF B. SEED SHOULD BE SPREAD UNIFORMLY BY THE METHOD MOST APPROPRIATE FOR THE SITE. METHODS INCLUE BROADCASTING, DRILLING, AND INTROSEEDING. WHERE BROADCASTING IS USED, COVER SEED WITH .25 INCH OF SOLID RESS, BY OLITIPACKING OR RAKING. C. SEEDING GUIDE SOIL TYPE WELL MOD. WELL POORLY DROUGHTY DRAINED DRAINED DRAINED MIXTURE (SEE 3D) USE FAIR POOR FAIR STEEP CUTS AND FILLS, BORROW AND DISPOSAL AREAS GOOD GOOD GOOD FAIR FAIR FAIR POOR EXCELLEN EXCELLEN WATERWAYS, EMERGENCY SPILL WAYS, AND OTHER CHANNELS GOOD GOOD FAIR GOOD А WITH FLOWING WATER LIGHTLY USED PARKING LOTS, ODD AREAS, UNUSED LANDS, AND LOW INTENSITY USE RECREATION SITES GOOD GOOD GOOD GOOD GOOD FAIR FAIR POOR AB D. SEEDING RATES: SOLAR FARM CONSERVATION SEED MI URVEYED BY POUNDS PER 1,000 SQ. FT. MIXTURE ENGINEERED B A CREEPING RED FESCUE B HARD FESCUE, 'STURGEON' C HARD FESCUE, 'STURGEON' D CHEWINGS FESCUE KENTUCKY BLUEGRASS, 'NAVY' F KENTUCKY BLUEGRASS, 'NAUY' F KENTUCKY BLUEGRASS, 'NAUY' RAWN BY HECKED BY: OF NEW HAMP, G WHITE CLOVER, DUTCH E. WHEN SEEDED AREAS ARE MULCHED, PLANTINGS MAY BE MADE FROM EARLY SPRING TO SEPTEMBER 15. WHEN SEEDED AREAS ARE NOT MULCHED, PLANTINGS SHOULD BE MADE FROM EARLY SPRING TO MAY 20 OR FROM AUGUST 10 TO SEPTEMBER 1. RYAN No.17777 F. TEMPORARY SEEDING RATES: POUNDS POUNDS PER PER ACRE 1,000 SQ. FT. REMARKS SPECIES

WINTER RYE	112	2.5	BEST FOR FALL SEEDING. SEED FROM AUGUST TO SEPTEMBER 5TH FOR BEST COVER. SEED TO A DEPTH OF 1 INCH.
OATS	80	2.0	BEST FOR SPRING SEEDING. SEED NO LATER THAN MAY 15TH FOR SUMMER PROTECTION. SEED TO A DEPTH OF 1 INCH.
ANNUAL RYEGRASS	40	1.0	GROWS QUICKLY, BUT IS OF SHORT DURATION. USE WHERE APPEARANCES ARE NOT IMPORTANT. SEED EARLY SPRING AND/OR BETWEEN AUGUST 15TH AND SEPTEMBER 15TH. COVER SEED WITH NO MORE THAN 0.25 INCH OF SOIL.
PERENNIAL RYEGRASS	30	0.7	GOOD COVER WHICH IS LONGER LASTING THAN ANNUAL RYEGRASS. SEED BETWEEN APRIL IST AND JUNE IST AND/OR BETWEEN AUGUST ISTH AND SEPTEMBER ISTH. MULCHING WILL ALLOW SEEDING THROUGHOUT THE GROWING SEASON. SFED TO A DEPTH OF APPROXIMATE Y 0.5 INCH.

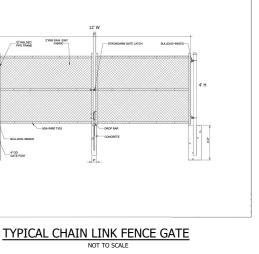
4. MULCH A. HAY, STRAW, OR OTHER MULCH, WHEN NEEDED, SHOULD BE APPLIED IMMEDIATELY AFTER SEEDING.

B. MULCH WILL BE HELD IN PLACE USING APPROPRIATE TECHNIQUES FROM THE BEST MANAGEMENT PRACTICE FOR MULCHING.

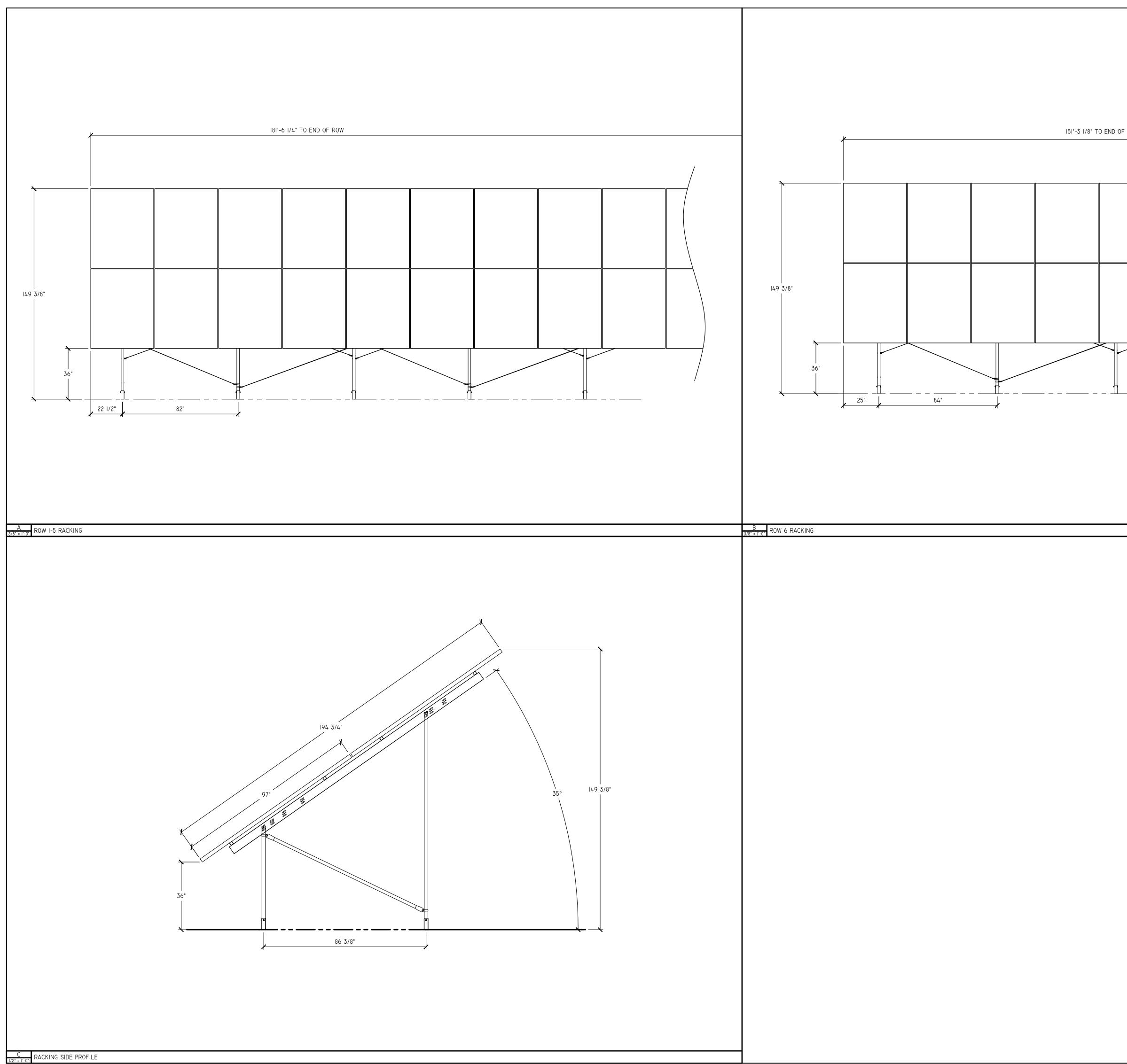
MAINTENANCE TO ESTABLISH A STAND
 A. PLANTED AREAS SHOULD BE PROTECTED FROM DAMAGE BY FIRE, GRAZING, TRAFFIC, AND DENSE WEED GROWTH.

B. FERTILIZATION NEEDS SHOULD BE DETERMINED BY ON SITE INSPECTIONS. SUPPLEMENTAL FERTILIZER IS USUALLY THE KEY TO PALLY COMPLETE THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE STAND BECAUSE MOST PERENNIALS TAKI 2 TO 3 YEARS TO BECOME ESTABLISHED.

C. IN WATERWAYS, CHANNELS, OR SWALES WHERE UNIFORM FLOW CONDITIONS ARE ANTICIPATED, OCCASION MOWING MAY BE NECESSARY TO CONTROL GROWTH OF WOODY VEGETATION.







OF ROW		CLIENT: CEDARCREST CENTER FOR CHILDREN WITH DISABILITIES PROJECT ADDRESS: 91 MAPLE AVENUE KEENE, NH 03431 SYSTEM TYPE: GROUND MOUNT PHOTOVOLTAIC ARRAY
		FOR CONSTRUCTION
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Site Photos: 91 Maple Avenue (Parcel ID: 227-018-000)



Photo 1: Taken from the West lower corner the proposed array, and looking Northeast at the array location. View of existing vegetative buffer towards the North.



Photo 2: Taken from the West upper corner of the proposed array, looking East towards the existing tree-line and Cemetery Maintenance Shed.

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Photo 3: Taken from East corner of the array, looking Southwest to Cedarcrest and 91 Maple Ave.

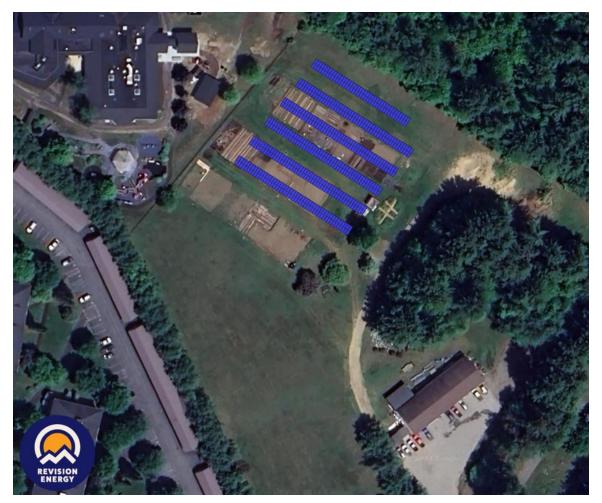


Photo 4: Center of array location, looking South to buffer along Parkwood Apartments and carports.



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Photo 5: Proposed Inverter and Transformer Location



Aerial image with solar overlay

Representative Photos



Example Photo of Solar Panel front view with APA racking system



Example Photo of 6' agricultural security fence



Example vinyl privacy screen for exterior AC equipment

STORMWATER NARRATIVE

for

Cedarcrest Inc. Array – ReVision Energy 91 Maple Avenue, Keene, NH Site Plan Review



Project Description

The subject site is located on 1.70 acres of land to be parceled off the City of Keene Tax Map 227, Lot 27, known as the Monadnock View Cemetery. For construction activities, the plot will be accessed from this property. Maintenance and future access of the site will be from the Cedarcrest Center on 91 Maple Avenue. The footprint of the proposed solar array and equipment areas have a total disturbance area of 32,292 square feet as defined by the City of Keene.

Existing Site Conditions

The subject parcel is bordered to the west by bordered on the west by the Cedarcrest Center and to the south and east by the Monadnock View Cemetery. The area in its exiting state is open and grassed, or in use as recreational garden beds. In the area of the proposed array slopes of the land are gentle, ranging from 1% to 3% that slope to the east. The soils on-site are "Hydrologic Group A" according to Web Soil Survey.

Proposed Site Conditions

The project does not propose grading as part of the solar installation, with the array proposed to be staked to the existing topography within the open area of the site. As part of site construction, it is not anticipated that significant disturbance of land will occur, but erosion control measures will be provided downgradient of the site. Portions of the site will be compacted in areas used for installation equipment, and the finished site will be loamed and seeded per the latest recommendations of conservation and erosion control mix shown on the submitted Site Plan set.

No stormwater management measures will be required or provided on-site. By definition of the NHDES guidance on solar installations (Env-Wq 1511.06), if the project was to qualify for the Alteration of Terrain permit the solar panels would not be considered impervious area based on the land cover, soil type, and slope of the existing land. No permanent access way is proposed and thus no impervious areas will be created. The conductive soils and gentle slopes will assist the ground infiltration of storm runoff from the solar panels. There is not anticipated to be a change to drainage patterns in vicinity of the proposed site.

Glare Analysis

Conditional Use Permit - Medium Scale Solar Energy System Prepared by ReVision Energy for Cedarcrest, Inc. 91 Maple Ave, Keene, NH

Background:

Solar modules are intended to capture as much light as possible for conversion into electricity, so reflect much less light than many other common materials. For this reason, modern module glass utilizes an anti-reflective coating that reduces reflection to as little as 2% (Sandia 2013).

Glint and glare are typically not concerns for residential buildings surrounding fixed tilt solar photovoltaic installations because the sun's height in the sky causes reflections to pass over residential size structures (SolarPro 2015).

Pilots and airports are more likely to be at risk of solar glint and glare, so the FAA issued interim guidance in 2013 requiring that solar PV facilities located at federally obligated airports be approved by the FAA. These guidelines require that no potential for glint or glare exist in the Air Traffic Control Tower, and there be low or no potential along any final approach path (2 miles from 50' above the landing threshold). These provisions do not apply to installations that are off-airport or at non-obligated airports (SEIA/Sandia 2013).

Project Site:

Cedarcrest's solar project is sited at the rear corner of the lot and is buffered from view by existing vegetation on most sides. The only nearby residential structures are the Parkwood Apartments, which are located to the south of the array, but are buffered by an existing row of carports and dense, tall pine trees along the property lines that are of a height sufficient to fully screen the view of the apartment buildings from the array location. No roadways are visible from the project location.

The modules used on this installation are manufactured by Q CELLS, and have an antireflective surface. The manufacturer publishes a statement addressing glare and angle of incidence (attached) and shows that solar panels are less reflective than other normally occurring features in the environment including window glass or standing water.

Due to these factors, the potential for the solar array to introduce a significant source of glare onto abutting structures during the course of the day and year is negligible.

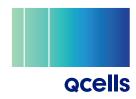
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Double glass module design enables extended lifetime with 12-year product warranty and improved 30-year performance warranty¹.



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Long-term yield security with Anti LID and Anti PID Technology², Hot-Spot Protect.



Frame for versatile mounting options

High-tech aluminum alloy frame protects from damage, enables use of a wide range of mounting structures and is certified regarding IEC for high snow (5400 Pa) and wind loads (3750 Pa)³.



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Optimal yields, whatever the weather with excellent low-light and temperature behavior.

¹See data sheet on rear for further information.

- ² APT test conditions according to IEC/TS 62804-1:2015 method B (-1500 V, 168 h) including post treatment according to IEC 61215-1-1 Ed. 2.0 (CD)
- ³ See Installation Manual for instructions



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STANDARD SPECIFICATIONS

Engineering: APA Drawings can be PE stamped for all 50 States and territories Grounding: Materials included Foundation: Helical, Ground Screw or Geoballast Tilt Angles: 20°, 25°, 30° or 35° Racking Coating: Galvanized; G90 Foundation Coating: Varies Wind Loading: Up to 140mph Snow Loading: Up to 100psf Mounting Orientation: 2-High in Portrait Warranty: 25 Years



CONCRETE FREE FOUNDATIONS

Our proprietary shallow helical, ground screw, and geoballast foundations allow us to be extremely versatile, managing all soil conditions while providing a stable foundation at a cost effective price. The helical and ground screw foundations can be installed using a skid loader and auger attachment, eliminating the need for specialized equipment. All of our foundations eliminate the need for concrete and allow installers to begin building the racking as soon as the foundation is installed, which drastically reduces installation times.

PRE-ENGINEERED KIT

The Ready Rack Kit[™] is specifically designed for small scale solar installations. All required components are included with the system, as well as approved engineering documentation. Just pick your site's parameters and go. The hardware design is a simple configuration that allows contractors to install the system lightning fast. The Ready Rack Kit is customizable in two module increments and adapts to virtually any module size. No need to go out and source additional materials, such as schedule 40 pipe - our racking includes all hardware needed, from foundations to module clamps, and everything in-between.

Ready Rack is a division of APA Solar, a leading provider of large commercial and utility scale solar racking systems.



50/60 kW, 1000 Vdc String Inverters for North America

The CPS 50/60 kW three-phase string inverters are designed for ground mount, rooftop and carport applications. The units are high performance, advanced, and reliable inverters designed specifically for the North American environment and grid. High efficiency at 98.8% peak and 98.5% CEC, wide operating voltages, broad temperature ranges, and a NEMA Type 4X enclosure enable this inverter platform to operate at high performance across many applications.

The CPS 50/60KTL products ship with either the Standard wire box or the Rapid Shutdown wire box, each fully integrated and separable with touch-safe fusing, monitoring, and AC and DC disconnect switches. The integrated PLC transmitter in the Rapid Shutdown wire box enables PVRSS certified module-level rapid shutdown when used with APS RSD-S-PLC/RSD-D products. The CPS FlexOM Gateway enables monitoring, controls, and remote product upgrades.

Key Features

- NEC 2017/2020 PVRSS certified for rapid shutdown
- 55 & 66 kVA rating allows max rated active power @ ±0.91 PF
- Selectable max. AC apparent power of 50/55 kVA and 60/66 kVA
- NEC compliant and UL listed arc-fault circuit protection
- 15-90° mounting orientation for low profile roof installs
- Optional FlexOM Gateway enables remote firmware upgrades
- Integrated AC and DC disconnect switches
- 3 MPPTs with 5 inputs each for maximum flexibility
- NEMA Type 4X outdoor rated enclosure
- UL 1741-SA certified to CA Rule 21, including SA8 SA18
- UL 1741-SB and IEEE 1547-2018 certified
- Separable wire-box design for fast service
- Standard 10-year warranty with extensions up to 20 years



CPS SCA50KTL-DO/US-480 CPS SCA60KTL-DO/US-480



50/60KTL Standard Wire Box



50/60KTL Rapid Shutdown Wire Box



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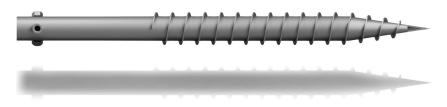


ROCKY SOIL CONDITIONS

Our ground screws are designed for sites with rock. The forged tip helps lead the screw straight and plumb. The threads of the screw bite and hold firmly into the soil without getting caught on rocks and cobble. The heavy walled tube and welded connections allow massive amounts of torque and downward pressure to be applied, helping the screw to advance in even the toughest soils.

SIMPLE INSTALL

Several types of equipment can be used to install ground screws. Skid loaders or mini excavators with an auger attachment are among the most common installation equipment. Many drilling contractors can use a simple adapter to drive ground screws without buying new equipment. Most pile driving rigs can be converted to rotary heads with little effort.



GROUND SCREW FOUNDATION

Our ground screws are manufactured for even the most challenging solar sites. We use heavy walled tubing for the main shaft of the screw. The tips of the screw are forged, making them extremely hard, helping them to penetrate into or pass by underground obstructions. The threads are welded with a patented automated welding process to provide a consistent and strong weld along the entire length of the thread. Ground screws come with a durable hot dipped galvanized coating that will protect them from long term corrosion.

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City of Keene, NH Hillside Protection Conditional Use Permit (CUP) Application

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Narrative

As part of the application for the City of Keene Earth Excavation Permit, the following are narrative descriptions detailing how each development standard outlined in Article 25.19.4.B, of the Land Development Code has been addressed:

1. The location, boundaries, and zoning district

The applicant and the property owner, G2 Holdings LLC, propose expansion at the existing Route 9 gravel pit located on Tax Map 215, lot 7. The expansion is proposed on Map 215; Lots 7 & 8 in the City of Keene and extends into the town of Sullivan on Map 5, lots 46 and 46-1. The lots within the City of Keene are situated in the Rural 'R' zoning district. Access to the existing operation is off NH Route 9. The proposed expansion will utilize the same access roadway.

2. Types of materials to be excavated and means

Bedrock will be the primary material excavated from the site. Eight overburden wells were drilled within the perimeter of the proposed excavation and determined that bedrock was shallow, less than 5' in most cases. 6 bedrock wells were then drilled within the perimeter to measure groundwater. Processing of the excavated materials (crushing, screening, sorting, and stockpiling) to create marketable construction materials will occur onsite. The construction material and equipment storage area will be relocated depending on the progress of the gravel operation. Said area will start at the upper limits of current excavation and systematically relocate as excavation progresses. Excavation activities are proposed between the hours of 7:00 am and 5:00 pm, Monday through Friday. The sale and loading of stockpiled materials are anticipated to occur from 8:00 am to 1:00 pm on Saturdays; however, no other excavation activities are proposed on Sundays, or legal holidays, except when prior written consent to temporarily operate during other hours is provided by the community development department due to a local or regional emergency.

3. Project duration and phasing

Based on discussion with the City on March 4, 2024, the project is proposed to be permitted in its entirety. The project will be broken out into eight (8) permit periods. Six months prior to a period being completed, the applicant will submit to the Planning Board for an amendment for the next phase.

Each period is based on a maximum "open area" of 5 acres. The breakout is a recommendation to the contractor and does not necessarily reflect the order in which the project will be completed. Phase 1 consisted of the original gravel pit that was previously permitted 2022, exceeded the 5-acre maximum, and received a waiver approval by the City of Keene Planning Board on August 22, 2022. Each period

as part of Phase 2 will expand upon that area and be reclaimed as it's exhausted. The estimated project timeline will exceed five years and is estimated at 13 years. The applicant must submit to the Department of Environmental Services and the city of Keene a written update of the project and revised plans documenting the project status every five years from the date of the Alteration of Terrain permit. Below is an anticipated breakout for each:

٠	Permit Period 1 – 4.99 AC, Volume – 358,800 CY	January 2025 – May 2027
•	Permit Period 2 – 4.10 AC, Volume – 271,000 CY	June 2027 – March 2029
•	Permit Period 3 – 2.14 AC, Volume – 16,450 CY	April 2029 – May 2029
•	Permit Period 4 – 0.39 AC, Volume – 939 CY	June 2029 – July 2029
	(Sullivan)	
٠	Permit Period 5 – 4.08 AC, Volume – 366,530 CY	August 2029 – January 2031
•	Permit Period 6 – 3.82 AC, Volume – 262,692 CY	Feb. 2031 – November 2032
•	Permit Period 7 – 4.06 AC, Volume – 306,210 CY	Dec. 2032 – December 2034
	(Sullivan)	
٠	Permit Period 8 – 7.62 AC, Volume – 496,500 CY	January 2035 – April 2038

Phasing notes:

- A. Sheet Existing Conditions plan reflects the current conditions of the earth excavation materials and processing area. The area will be used for material stockpiling, storage, rock crushing, cleaning, and processing for the project's entirety. There is a large sedimentation area in the western portion of the site that stormwater drains to and infiltrates. This area is also used to provide water for material processing and dust control devices. It will also provide infiltration from associated excavation areas during the excavation process.
- B. Period 1, located directly north of this area is where excavation will begin. Access will be off the existing gravel haul road located in the lower eastern portion of the site. As excavation begins, the contractor will excavate a sediment area in the southern portion of the pit area. This sediment area will be used to hold any stormwater runoff associated with the current pit phase. As the excavation footprint increases, so will the size and depth of the sediment retention area. The floor of the pit will slope to the south to the sediment pond located within the pit's floor. The sediment basin will be required to be dredged after accumulative sediment has reduced its ability to adequately infiltrate any stormwater it captures. In the event the pond does not have the ability to infiltrate, it will act as a sediment retention pond, and an outlet structure will be located within the floor of the pond. The stormwater will be held and released at a slow rate, and directed to the existing sediment retention pond to the south. Once Period 1 has been excavated to final grade, all limits of disturbance within the pit

will be reclaimed by being loamed and seeded. Sediment shall be removed from the retention pond prior to loaming and seeding.

- C. The proposed haul road and associated culverts will be constructed connecting phase 1 and 2 along with erosion control measures including stone lined ditches, check dams, silt fence, and erosion control blankets.
- D. Period 2 construction will commence like the procedures outlined for Period 1. A sediment retention pond will be constructed in the southern portion of the pit. As the pit is excavated, the floor will be sloped to capture runoff and detain it in the pond. If it becomes apparent that this pond is not able to infiltrate stormwater, then an outlet device will be installed and directed to the now completed and reclaimed sediment area in the previous phase.
- E. Once period 2 has been completed to finish grade, the area is to be reclaimed. Sediment shall be removed from the retention pond prior to loaming and seeding. The haul road that runs east to west and connects period 2 to the proposed haul road running north to south) will also be reclaimed. The 15" and 24" culverts, along with the ditch that was constructed along the west side of the existing haul road up to the start of period 3 must remain.
- F. Period 3 and 4 include the construction of the haul road that accesses the northern portion of the site that extends into the town of Sullivan, periods 5,6, and 7. Erosion control devices and culverts are to be installed.
- G. Period 5 involves construction of a sediment retention pond in the southern portion of the pit. As the pit is excavated, the floor will be sloped to capture runoff and detain it in the pond. If it becomes apparent that this pond is not able to infiltrate stormwater, then an outlet device will be installed and directed to the now completed and reclaimed sediment area in period 2. Once period 5 has been completed to finish grade, the area is to be reclaimed. An access through period 5 to access period 6 will remain open for truck movements to the haul road constructed in periods 3 and 4.
- H. Period 6 will be a continuation of Period 5. The pit floor will be sloped to the south, and temporary sediment basins will be used to control and minimize sediment transport from the excavation site to the reclaimed area of Period 5. Once Period 6 has been completed to finish grade, the area is to be reclaimed. An access through period 6 to access period 7 will remain open for truck movements to the haul road constructed in periods 3 and 4.
- I. Period 7 will be a continuation of Period 6. The pit floor will be sloped to the south, and temporary sediment basins will be used to control and minimize sediment transport from the excavation site to the reclaimed area of Period 6. Once Period 7 has been completed to finish grade, the entire excavation area is to be reclaimed.
- J. The haul road will be reclaimed. Associated ditches and culverts are to remain, however the gravel portion of the road will be loamed and seeded.

K. Period 8 is the final phase of the project. As the pit floor is excavated, the existing sediment area will remain and be used for control of stormwater. As the pit floor approaches the proposed final grade, the infiltration pond will be constructed, loamed and seeded. Stormwater directed to this pond will be captured in sediment traps and slowly released to this area while construction continues. Once final grades have been completed, all areas are to be reclaimed. The infiltration area will remain in place. The access road will be loamed and seeded.

4. The number of Acres impacted

The work area in the City of Keene is 26.75 Acres

5. Volume of earth material to be removed

Total volume removed is approximately 1,771,972 cubic yards at a rate of 102,000 cubic yards of material per year.

6. Description of maximum breadth, depth, and slope

- Permit Period 1 Average Breadth = 250' Depth = 66' +/- Slope = 1:2
- Permit Period 2 Average Breadth = 180' Depth = 70' +/- Slope = 1:2
- Permit Period 5 Average Breadth = 350' Depth = 60' +/- Slope = 1:2
- Permit Period 6 Average Breadth = 435' Depth = 80' +/- Slope = 1:2
- Permit Period 7 Average Breadth = 290' Depth = 80' +/- Slope = 1:2 (Sullivan)
- Permit Period 8 Average Breadth = 375' Depth = 32' +/- Slope = 2:1

7. Location and Access and perimeter visual barriers

Access to the existing operation is off NH Route 9. The proposed expansion will utilize the same access roadway and maintain the same visual barriers that were permitted during the previous phase of development. A NHDOT driveway permit was approved for this location and access has already been constructed. No glare or odor impacts are expected from the proposed gravel pit use. The project is remotely located, separated primarily from abutters with woodlands. The gravel pit observes the appropriate setbacks from property lines. The nearest property lines of parcels not owned by the applicant are as follows:

- North: 830 feet
- South: 300 feet
- East: 2,260 feet
- West: 455 feet

8. Elevation of estimated highest annual average groundwater table.

Eight overburden wells were performed within the excavation area and the water table was not found in these locations. Six bedrock monitoring wells were drilled within the proposed footprint of the excavation a minimum of 50' below the proposed pit bottom, and water was not found in those wells. Four test pits were dug within the

perimeter of the excavation area and the estimated seasonal high water table was found in two of the pits, at 20" and 32", with ledge directly below within five to six feet. The ESHWT observed in the test pits is interpreted to be the result of a very low residence time groundwater. The overburden is relatively thin across most of the site. As rain falls or snow melts, the water infiltrates into the ground. Due to the relatively high hydraulic conductivity of the sand and gravel overburden the groundwater doesn't stick around long. It moves downgradient to a discharge point, i.e. seep, creek, Otter Brook, and generally presents itself as surface water discharge. Additionally, some of this water is taken up through evapotranspiration.

9. Proposed methods of disposal of boulders, stumps, vegetation, and other debris Except for the exposed rock ledge face, all areas that have been affected by the excavation or otherwise stripped of vegetation shall be spread with topsoil or stripping, if any, but in any case, covered by soil capable of sustaining vegetation, and shall be planted with seedlings or grass suitable to prevent erosion. Areas visible from a public way, from which trees have been removed, shall be replanted with tree seedlings, set out in accordance with acceptable horticultural practices. Earth and vegetative debris resulting from the excavation shall be removed or otherwise lawfully disposed of. All slopes, except for exposed ledge, shall be graded to natural repose for the type of soil of which they are composed to control erosion or at a ratio of horizontal to vertical proposed by the owner and approved by the regulator. Changes of slope shall not be abrupt but shall blend with the surrounding terrain. Stumps, vegetation, and leaf debris will be stored, ground, and processed into mulch for use in perimeter erosion control measures as needed, or surface composted on site for use in enriching loam for site reclamation.

10. Proposed methods for controlling stormwater, drainage, erosion, and sedimentation

The elimination of any standing bodies of water created in the excavation project that may constitute a hazard to health and safety; and the topography of the land shall be left so that water draining from the site leaves the property at the original, natural drainage points and in the natural proportions of flow. For excavation projects that require a permit from the Department of Environmental Services pursuant to RSA 485-a:17, the provisions of that statute, and rules adopted under it, shall supersede this paragraph as to areas of excavation sites covered thereby. The excavator shall file a copy of permits issued under RSA 485-a:17 with the regulator. During construction, grading of pit floors will slope to the pit face, and stormwater will be directed to within the pit footprint, collected, retained, and infiltrated on-site. The surface water is collected, settled, and allowed for use in material processing, dust control, and rock cleaning. The proposed operation will be self-contained to retain all stormwater and prevent any potential erosion on site, within the limits of disturbance. Drainage shall be maintained so as to prevent the accumulation of freestanding water for prolonged periods. Excavation practices that result in continued siltation of surface waters or any degradation of water quality of any public or private

water supplies are prohibited. Construction shall proceed such that there is no runoff from the excavation area leaving the site at any time.

Large sediment retention areas have been designed within the floor of each pit area. The intent of these is to capture runoff, and sediment, associated with the excavation and contain it within the pit floor. As the pit expands, so too will the sediment retention areas. These retention areas hold back the stormwater and allow it to exit thru a small culvert, and slowly discharge to an existing infiltration area within the project. This area will be enlarged during the initial phase to eventually capture and infiltrate construction periods 1-7. During the final phase of the project, period 8, a large infiltration area will be excavated. The floor of this pond will be set above the estimated seasonal high water table. Stormwater will collect in this pond and eventually infiltrate into the ground. The sediment areas and infiltration areas have been sized to capture, contain, and infiltrate the 50-year, 24 hour rain event.

A stormwater analysis has been provided to include these calculations, along with culvert and stone rip rap calculations.

11. Means to avoid and/or mitigate adverse impacts caused by dust, noise, and traffic

The site shall operate in a manner that prevents fugitive dust emissions pursuant to New Hampshire Code of Administrative rules env-a 1002, fugitive dust. Dust control practices are outlined in the stormwater pollution prevention plans (SWPPP). Dust control activities and devices shall be incorporated into the excavation operation, on the site, and on the access driveway, in a manner that minimizes the generation of airborne dust or transportation of dust or mud off the site onto the adjacent roadways. Visual monitoring of airborne dust shall be done on an ongoing basis. Dust control measures such as applying water to access driveways and other areas within the excavation perimeter, washing dirt from truck tires, or other measures as may be deemed necessary, shall be employed to minimize the generation of airborne dust, and/or the transportation of dirt/mud off the site onto adjacent roadways. Dust control will be accomplished using a truck-mounted water tank and spray system as needed. Inspection of access driveway stabilized construction entrances and other erosion control measures, designed to eliminate the deposit of dust or mud onto public streets, shall be conducted on a weekly basis to ensure proper functioning. The maintenance of these entrances shall be performed as necessary and any dirt or mud deposited on public streets shall be removed. The applicant shall maintain a log documenting dust control activities, inspection and maintenance of dust and dirt control structures and devices and cleanup of dirt deposited on roadways leading from the site. The construction SWPPP shall be used for instructions of how to inspect and maintain erosion and sediment control practices.

Traffic: This project, while expanding on the previously permitted gravel pit, does not anticipate an increase in trucks operating at the site. An onsite speed limit of 15 mph has been established via signage. A stop sign has been added at the exit from the site, onto Route 9. As noted in the previous permit application by TFMoran, Inc. we note the following: As established in the TFMoran Traffic Memorandum submitted to the City of Keene on 2/18/2022, the proposed excavation is located on a State Highway, operations are not expected to negatively impact traffic conditions – 40 trucks per day represents less than a 1% increase compared to the 2019 AADT of 9,707 vehicles.

12. Precautions to be taken by the applicant to protect the safety and welfare of the persons on site

The access is gated to secure the site during after business hours. Signage is posted to include speed limit reductions, hard hat requirements, and personal safety equipment requirements for specified areas. All equipment is inspected daily and forms completed regarding backup alarms, brakes, tires, mirrors, etc. The crushing equipment has safety cables and buttons for emergency stopping procedures, guards on all pulleys, belts, etc. The shed contains an emergency first aid kit, fire extinguishers, body board, eye wash station, and MSDS sheets.

Stock pile areas have berms for safety. Proposed ledge face will be inspected daily, material will be used to create berms at the bottom, this will deter people from entering or getting within close proximity to the pit face. The property boundary will have signage stating private property, active blasting, do not enter. All stumps and brush will be put on the boundary of each phase to keep people outside of work areas. Once the pit area has been completely excavated and reclaimed, fencing will be installed along the top of all slopes greater than 2:1.

The work will be conducted by trained personnel, in accordance with OSHA and MSHA worksite safety standards. All staff is MSHA and first-aid certified. MSHA inspects the site annually for compliance.

13. The proposed methods for handling, transporting, and disposing of fuel and/or chemicals on site

No fuels, lubricants, or other toxic or polluting materials shall be stored on-site unless in compliance with state laws or rules pertaining to such materials. Spill protection equipment will be stored on site for immediate response to any potential spills. Any spillage shall be immediately rectified and disposed of in accordance with all local, state, and federal standards. All spills of greater than five (5) gallons will be reported to the Keene Fire Department and to NHDES.

14. The means by which earth materials are proposed to be transported from the excavation site, and the proposed load limits and number of vehicle trips per day Trucks utilized for transport of material will consist of tri-axles, 10-wheelers, and tractor-trailer dump trucks. The anticipated maximum number of vehicle trips per day based on the current pit operations is 40-60 trips per day.

15. Extent of blasting and the name and classification of any explosives

Based on the data from the 6 bedrock monitoring wells, blasting will be used for most of the excavation on the site. Blasting operations will be conducted by a well-versed contractor. The applicant shall identify drinking water wells located within 1/2 mile of the proposed blasting activities. Develop a groundwater quality sampling program to monitor for nitrate either in the drinking water supply wells or in other wells that are representative of the drinking water supply wells in the area. The plan must include pre and post-blast water quality monitoring and be approved by The City of Keene and NHDES prior to initiating blasting. The groundwater sample program must be implemented once approved by The City of Keene and NHDES. All activities related to blasting shall follow best management practices (bmps) to prevent contamination of groundwater including preparing, reviewing and following an approved blasting plan; proper drilling, explosive handling, and loading procedures; observing the entire blasting procedures; evaluating blasting performance; and handling and storage of blasted rock.



Waivers

The applicant requests the following waivers in accordance with Article 26.19.13:

1. Which Requirement:

Article 25.3.1.D – Surface Water Resource Setback – The excavation perimeter shall be set back at least 250 feet, and the access driveway shall be set back at least 150 feet from any surface water resource.

Please refer to the attached exhibit entitled "Surface Water Resources Setback Plan" for a graphic of this encroachment.

Why the waiver is needed:

There is an existing wetland 75' to the west of the excavation perimeter. To the east, there is another forested wetland 150' feet away. These two wetlands at their closest proximity area approximately 800' apart. The 250' setbacks from the two wetlands prohibits a significant amount of excavation material directly to the north of the gravel pit. The City of Keene Planning Board previously approved reduction in the surface water setback to 75' on August 22, 2022 in this area. The applicant is requesting further excavation to the north of the site, while maintaining the previously approved 75' setback. The surface water resource impacted would be around the small, isolated wetland to the west of the gravel operation. The existing wooded vegetation around the wetland will remain. This wetland is not connected to another surface water as it's an isolated wetland roughly 0.35 acres in size. This is considered a low value water resource due to its size and lack of connectivity to adjacent surface waters. This wetland forms a natural channel with steep slopes on both sides, captures runoff from adjacent areas and eventually dissipates. The runoff infiltrates into the soils, thus the wetland terminates prior to entering any drainage along NH Route 9. Due to the excess slopes and the entire eastern edge of this wetland currently being excavated as part of the permitted pit activity, this resource setback has limited, if any use, as a wildlife corridor. Please refer to the attached Wetland Functional Assessment report that was performed by EcoSystems Land Planning, which documents this wetland ranked low on most wetland functions and values criteria.

Alternative Standard:

The alternative to the proposed would result in significantly less excavation to the north. There is an naturally wooded earthen berm approximately 8 to 16 feet high between the wetland and the pit excavation. After the project has been reclaimed, this berm height would increase to over 35 feet high on its exaction height.

Not in Violation:

The granting of this waiver will not be in violation with NH RSA 155:E because the state regulation does not establish buffers for forested wetlands under 5 acres in size. This wetland is 0.35 acres. Granting of this waiver/exemption shall not cause violations to the intent of the City of Keene's Article 25. This waiver was previously approved by the Planning Board during the previous project phase.

Adverse Impacts:

Reduction in the setback will not have adverse impacts because both wetlands have natural wooded buffers and forested berms between them and the gravel excavation. Most of the wetland associated with the setback reduction is higher in elevation than the pit excavation.

Purpose and Intent:

The purpose of this regulation is to protect the buffers associated with wetlands. The 250' buffer for this wetland has been altered in a previous approval by the Board. The berm associated with the wetland remains and acts as its true buffer. The further explanation of the 250' wetland buffer but not closer than 75' is consistent with the purpose and intent of Article 25. The waiver was previously approved in this location by the Planning Board. The buffer will be reclaimed upon the conclusion of the gravel operation.

Not Unduly Injurious:

Granting this waiver will not be unduly injurious to public or environmental welfare because 75-foot wooded buffers will remain along the excavation perimeter. Wetlands will be further protected as the earth excavation is happening below the existing grade eliminating surface runoff of the gravel excavation into the wetland.

Unique Site Characteristics :

This area is unique in having only 800 feet between existing wetlands located east and west of the excavation area. The remaining wetlands on the site are separated by enough distance that the 250 setback can be maintained. This is the only area on the property seeking a waiver from the setback.

2. Which Requirement:

Article 25.3.13 – (Maximum Excavation Area) – The total of any unclaimed, inactive and active excavation areas shall not exceed 5-acres at any time.

Why the waiver is needed:

For a gravel pit to function properly, a significant amount of area is needed for material storage processing, equipment, vehicle movement, temporary stockpiles of rock for processing, etc. The applicant was not able to fully excavate all the material that was proposed in the previous approval without having an additional material and processing area somewhere else off-site. The area that is currently open to allow for material storage and processing is 6.8 acres. A waiver was previously approved by

the Planning Board for this project for an area of 7 acres. The applicant is requesting that this 6.8-acre area remain open, while material is being excavated from each period moving forward. Once the material has been removed from each phase, those areas will be reclaimed before moving on to the next phase. Given the 8 periods proposed, with period 2 being 4.99 acres, this would require a maximum area open during a given period of 12 acres.

Alternative Standard:

The alternative to the proposal would prohibit any additional earth excavation onsite. It would require hauling material to another site that can store and process this material. Trucking costs to haul the material to be stored and processed would increase truck traffic on state roads. Hauling materials would drive the cost of the product up and would result in a net increase in cost to the consumer.

Not in Violation:

The granting of this waiver will not be in violation of NH RSA 155:E. Temporary erosion control measures are to be maintained on-site during the time this area is active. Stormwater has been detained within this area via a sediment retention area. Most of this area is gravel surface, including the pit access road of NH Route 9, as well as the material handling and processing area. New Hampshire Department of Environment Service (NHDES) defines stable areas to include compacted graveled areas. During the construction of each phase, temporary erosion control measures will be in place, and during pit excavation, stormwater flows will be contained within the pit area.

Adverse Impacts:

Approving this 12-acre open area would not have adverse impacts. The BMP's onsite are designed to handle the flows and the sediment retention areas will ensure stormwater remains on-site. The 7-acre landing area is considered "stabile" by NHDES definition which has minimal erosion potential.

Purpose and Intent:

This proposal is consistent with the intent of Article 25 as it relates to stormwater and erosion control best management practices.

Not Unduly Injurious:

Granting this variance will not be unduly injurious to the public or environmental welfare. A majority of this area is considered stable by the state of NH, and the necessary erosion control measures and grading practices have been used to ensure stormwater management is maintained.

Unique Site Characteristics :

As previously mentioned, the area that was permitted during the previous planning board approval did not take into account an area on-site to store and process the material associated with the pit excavation. Given there are eight periods and over 31

acres of disturbance within the City of Keene and Town of Sullivan combined, the overall scale of this project makes it unique.

Sincerely,

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Justin Daigneault Project Manager



February 3, 2025

City of Keene Community Development Department – Planning and Zoning 3 Washington Street Keene, New Hampshire 03431

RE: G2 Holdings, LLC Tax Map 215 Lots 7 & 8 21 & 57 Route 9, Keene, NH GE Project No. 2302011

Dear Ms. Fortson,

We are in receipt of a staff report dated January 3, 2025, relative to the review of the Earth Excavation Permit and Hillside Conditional Use Permit applications, PB-2024-20, for the G2 Holdings, LLC project located at 21 & 57 Route 9. In addition to responses to your comments, please find the following material in support of the referenced project:

- Response to consultant review letter dated January 9th, 2025
- 3 Copies of the revised Earth Excavation Application
- 3 Copies of the revised Project Narrative
- 3 Copies of the revised waiver request
- 3 copies of the Wetland Functional Assessment
- 3 Copies of the Stormwater Report
- 3 Copies of the Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP)
- 3 Copies of the revised plans (22" x 34")

In response to the comments made by the City, we offer the following explanations and/or responses:

Planning Staff Comments:

1. Consultant Review of Application: Per Section 26.19.7.A of the Land Development Code (LDC), "Upon receipt of a completed Earth Excavation Permit application, the Planning Board shall retain a consultant, at the expense of the applicant, for the purpose of reviewing the application for completeness and compliance with NH RSA 155-E and the Earth Excavation Regulations in Article 24 of this LDC. This consultant shall review all aspects of the submittal."

- a. The City has already hired a third party consultant, Chad Branon of Fieldstone Land Consultants, to perform a review of the submittal materials in accordance with the standard stated above.
- b. Funds in the existing escrow account will be used to cover the cost of the consultant's review of the application and invoices will be forwarded to the property owner and their authorized agent as they are received by City Staff. Additional payment to cover the cost of the consultant's review of this application may be requested, if/when the funds in the existing escrow account are exhausted.
- c. Please be aware that the Earth Excavation Permit application will not be forwarded to the Planning Board for a determination of completeness until the Consultant's recommendations have been shared with staff.
- 2. Conservation Commission: Please be aware that, upon a finding by the Planning Board on application completeness, the application will be forwarded to the City of Keene Conservation Commission for review and comment. The Conservation Commission generally meets the third Monday of each month at 4:30 pm.
- 3. Posted Notice Requirement: Please be aware that, per Section 26.14.6 of the LDC, "An applicant for any conditional use permit shall, not less than 10 calendar days prior to the date of the public hearing on the application, post a sign obtained from the Community Development Department providing notice of the use applied for and the date and time of the public hearing, in a location on the premises visible to the public. This sign shall be removed by the applicant no later than 10 calendar days after completion of the public hearing and returned to the Community Development Department."
 - Please pick up a sign from the Community Development Department and post on the site a minimum of 10 calendar days prior to the scheduled public hearing. This sign will need to be returned to the Community Development Department after the public hearing.
- 4. Application Type: Please update the application to specify that the application submitted is for a Major Amendment and not a new Earth Excavation Permit application as is currently indicated.

A revised application has been provided.

5. Waiver Request: Please update the waiver requested from Section 25.3.1.D of the LDC to include information about how the value of the delineated wetlands to the west of the existing excavation area was determined.

The waiver request has been revised to include the functions and values of a wetland report prepared by a certified wetland scientist.

- 6. Plan Set: Please make the following modifications to the submitted plan set:
 - a. Update the Overview Plan on Sheet 1 of the plan set to include a note related to the property owner needing to return to the Planning Board for a Major Amendment 6-months prior to the commencement of work on the next permit period area.

The following note has been added to the Overview Plan: "An Earth Excavation Permit Renewal application shall be submitted to the City of Keene Community Development Department at least 6-months prior to the expiration of the approved permit period in accordance with Sec. 26.19.12 of the Land Development Code."

b. Update Sheet 1 of the plan set to include notes addressing the notice requirements for blasting, groundwater monitoring, and the annual noise monitoring protocol.

The following note has been added to the Overview Plan: "Refer to the details sheet "best management practices for blasting". The groundwater monitoring procedures are found in the 2024 hydrogeological investigation report and the 2024 acid mine drainage potential report. Refer to "noise impact control and monitoring notes" found on the impact control and monitoring plans."

c. Have the certified wetlands scientist stamp the Overview plan on Sheet 1 of the plan set.

A certified wetland stamp has been added to the Overview plan on sheet 1 of the plan set.

7. Rock Crushing Plant: Please submit information about the "rock-crushing plant" referred to under Note #8 in the "Operation Notes" section on Sheet 1 of the plan set.

More information regarding the rock-crushing plant has been added to Operation Note#8 on sheet 1.

8. Conditions of Approval: Please be aware that the following items may be included as conditions of approval in the recommended motion in the staff report for this application:

a. The submittal of an additional security for landscaping, sedimentation and erosion control, as-built plans, and restoration, if deemed necessary by the Community Development Director, or their designee, and the City Engineer.

If deemed necessary, additional security for the above mentioned items will be provided as part of final approval.

b. Blasting permits will need to be obtained by the Keene Fire Department throughout the life of the gravel pit's operation.

Blasting permits will be obtained by the Keene Fire Department prior to any blasting activities.

Engineering Staff Comments:

 Plan sheet 1 of 19, General Note#20 specifies that 'no excavation will be performed within 75' of the wetlands or 300' from an abutting property. Vegetation shall be maintained or provided within the peripheral areas previously listed.' It is not clear what area(s) are being referenced and what (if any) plantings are proposed. A landscaping plan should be provided, reviewed and approved in conjunction with this note/requirement.

This note has been revised for clarity. No plantings are proposed. All areas disturbed will be reclaimed with loam and seed.

2. Plan sheet 1 of 19, General Note#26 specifies that 'the estimated project time frame will exceed five years and is subject to change...' This project schedule is insufficiently detailed and should establish requirement deadlines for either completing and/or resubmitting and providing an update and request for extension for the completion of the project in conformance with the City of Keene Land Use Ordinances.

General Note#26 on sheet 1 has been updated to provide more detail on the project schedule and requirement deadlines and is now referenced as note #25. Operation Note #25 has been added and includes the following: "An Earth Excavation Permit Renewal application shall be submitted to the City of Keene Community Development Department at least 6-months prior to the expiration of the approved permit period in accordance with Sec. 26.19.12 of the Land Development Code."

3. Plan sheet 1 of 19, General Note#23 specifies that 'plowed snow from the operations shall be maintained on site within the contained area' The snow stockpile areas and associated maintenance should be specified on the plans for clarity.

Snow Storage areas and Deicing Notes have been shown on the Impact Control & Monitoring Plan.

4. Plan sheet 1 of 19, Operation Note #9 specifies that 'No fuels, lubricants or other toxic or polluting materials shall be stored on site...' Specify on the plans the proposed fueling areas and allowances for fueling on site.

Both the Excavation, Drainage, & Erosion Control, and the Impact Control & Monitoring Plan show areas where proposed fueling will be stored on site.

5. Plan sheet 3 of 19 shows wells within 1-mile of the proposed site. Is the intent to notify and monitor/test these wells in conjunction with a blasting permit for the proposed improvements? The intent is not clear.

The intent is to monitor and test these wells in conjunction with future blasting permits for the proposed improvements. This plan was provided as per the Earth Excavation Application Requirements.

6. The plans specify 'provide dust control on an as needed basis'; please provide additional details and requirements for dust control that will be used/permittable as part of the site improvements.

Refer to the Dust Control and Monitoring Notes found on the Impact Control & Monitoring Plan. The Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plans (SWPPP) have also been included.

7. Temporary turnarounds in conformance with City of Keene turnaround requirements should be provided for emergency vehicle response while the project is progressing prior to turnaround areas being constructed. We defer to the Keene Fire Department for their determination on the necessary spacing and frequency of turnarounds.

Turnaround areas with the gravel operation have been shown on the Excavation, Drainage & Erosion Control Plans. The Phasing notes have included these areas to remain until the completion of Period 7.

8. The project proposes 10 acres of phasing but only 5 acres are allowed to be disturbed at a time prior to restoration and vegetation established as specified in NHDES AoT Land Use Regulations. This requirement should be clarified and specified on the plans.

See General Note #19 on the Overview Plan regarding areas of disturbance.

9. The plans specify a 4' tall fence but the detail specifies a 3'-6" chain-link fence, this discrepancy should be corrected. Additionally, the fence is proposed at the up-hill side of slopes greater than 1:1 but is also recommended for downhill slopes of 2:1 or greater.

The fence detail has been revised to show a 4' tall fence. The detail has been revised to include additional fencing to the downhill slopes of 2:1 or greater.

10. The ditched rip rap, culverts, flared end section and drain headwalls shown in the Excavation Drainage & Erosion Control Plans should also be shown on the Impact Control and Monitoring plans for consistency and clarity.

The ditched rip rap, culverts, flared end section and drain headwalls have been shown on the Impact Control and Monitoring plans.

11. The headwall details show half of a mortar and rubble stone and half a precast concrete headwall detail. For clarity, a pre-cast concrete headwall is preferred and recommended in lieu of a mortar and rubble rock headwall.

The detail has been revised to only reflect a precast concrete headwall.

12. It is recommended that a rip rap ditch inlet be provided for inlet HW#4 to minimize culvert clogging from silt accumulation.

This culvert has been eliminated.

13. It is recommended that a minimum 15-inch open culverts be utilized (pending supporting sizing calculations) in lieu of 12-inch to minimize clogging during construction.

All 12" diameter driveway culverts have been changed to 15" diameter.

14. Based on the proposed elevations, it appears that there is insufficient cover over the culvert from HW#5A, a depth of cover equal to or greater than the manufacturer depth of cover is recommended.

Culvert elevations have been adjusted to provide adequate cover.

15. The proposed silt fence on plan sheet 5 of 19 should extend north into Sullivan to the north of the proposed limit of work in lieu of ending where the silt fence currently terminates on the plans, due north of the Keene/Sullivan municipal line.

The silt fence located on the right side of the proposed haul road has been extended approximately 50' to the extent of the fill. Beyond that, the haul road is in a cut section.

16. Hours of operation are specified on the plans that include loading times on Saturday from 8 AM to 1 PM and weekdays from 7 AM to 5 AM. These times should be reviewed by NHDOT for them to confirm that additional restrictions aren't required.

There is not a proposed change to the current hours of operation that are currently in place for the approved pit excavation, which received an NHDOT Driveway Permit.

17. Plan sheets 14 and 15 of 19 provides a cost estimate for loam and seed. However, current NHDOT average unit prices for loam are closer to \$85/CY installed in lieu of the submitted \$50/CY. The cost estimates also fail to consider items like mobilization, escalation, contingency, record drawings, fencing, erosion controls, etc.

The loam unit prices have been revised to show \$85 /CY installed.

18. No drainage report was provided with the application. A drainage report and associated calculations are required to confirm the sizing of the proposed rip rap, ditches, culverts and rip rap outlets are sufficiently sized to convey and prevent erosion from the 25-year storm event.

A drainage report and associated calculations have been provided to confirm the drainage features and structures are sufficiently sized to convey and prevent erosion from the 25-year storm event.

We trust the noted plan revisions and/or explanations will adequately address the conditions listed above. Should you have any further questions or comments, please do not hesitate to contact this office.

Best Regards,

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Justin Daigneault Project Manager



February 3, 2025

City of Keene Community Development Department – Planning and Zoning 3 Washington Street Keene, New Hampshire 03431

RE: G2 Holdings, LLC Tax Map 215 Lots 7 & 8 21 & 57 Route 9, Keene, NH GE Project No. 2302011

Dear Ms. Fortson,

We are in receipt of a consultant review report, dated January 9, 2025, relative to the completeness review of the Earth Excavation Permit application, PB-2024-20, for the G2 Holdings, LLC project located at 21 & 57 Route 9. In response to the comments made by Fieldstone Land Consultants, PLLC, we offer the following explanations and/or responses:

Section 26.19.4 Earth Excavation Submittal Requirements - Completeness Review:

1. Section 26.19.4.B.8: The elevation of the estimated highest annual average groundwater for overburden is not detailed within the narrative. The bedrock wells did not observe water but test pits and other soils information represents that there will be excavations below the seasonal highwater table.

Note 8 of the narrative has been revised to include the overburden wells and test pits performed within the excavation area. Section 4.1 of the Hydrogeological Investigation Report outlines that groundwater was not found at these locations. Section 5 of the Hydrogeological Investigation Report details the 8 bedrock wells, and that of the 8 wells installed, only two encountered groundwater, and these wells are located outside the excavation footprint.

2. Section 26.19.4.B.10: The submission does not detail appropriately the proposed methods for controlling stormwater, drainage, erosion, and sedimentation during the excavation project. The submission did not include a stormwater management report, did not provide calculations for sizing of drainage or erosion. The narrative and the grading on the plans appear to create ponding in work zones and it is unclear how these areas will be dewatered or managed. A dewatering plan should be submitted for review. Surface water quality should also be considered.

Large sediment retention areas have been designed within the floor of each pit area. The intent of these is to capture runoff, and sediment, associated with the excavation and contain it within the pit floor. As the pit expands, so too will the sediment retention areas. These retention areas hold back the stormwater and allow it to exit through a small culvert, and slowly discharge to an existing infiltration area within the current material storage, processing, and equipment area at the southerly end of the project. This area will be enlarged during the initial phase to eventually capture and infiltrate construction periods 1-7. During the final phase of the project, period 8, a large infiltration area will be excavated. The floor of this pond will be set above the estimated seasonal high water table. Stormwater will collect in this pond and eventually infiltrate into the ground. The sediment areas and infiltration areas have been sized to capture, contain, and infiltrate the 50-year, 24-hour rain event. A stormwater analysis has been provided to include these calculations, along with culvert and stone rip rap calculations.

Refer to section 8.0 of the Hydrogeological Investigation Report for proposed groundwater quality monitoring procedures. Refer to section 6.0 of the 2024 Acid Mine Drainage Potential Report for proposed water quality monitoring procedures.

3. Section 26.19.4.B.11: The means by which the project will avoid and/or mitigate adverse impacts caused by dust and noise appear to be missing please clarify.

A Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP) has been included to outline procedures dealing with dust. See noise impact control notes and dust control and monitoring notes found on the Impact Control and Monitoring Plan.

4. Section 26.19.4.B.12: The narrative should touch on how the project will secure slopes to protect the safety and welfare of persons on the site.

Narrative note 12 has been revised to address safety concerns on the site.

5. Section 26.19.4.B.13: The narrative does not adequately address fueling of construction equipment on-site. Typically, these types of projects have a Spill Prevention, Control and Countermeasure (SPCC) plan. We would recommend that this be prepared for this project. The narrative and plans reference that many of these details are addressed in the Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plans so please provide this document for review too.

Notes have been added to the Excavation, Drainage & Erosion Control Plan. Fueling will consist of two- 560 gallon fuel tanks, true north steel, STI F-941 fireguard double-wall above ground storage tank. This tank will comply with ENV-WQ 1510.08, and EPA Mine Safety and Health Administration (MSHA) regulations. This tank will comply with all UL 142 standards, including NFPA 30, NFPA 30A, NFPA 31, NFPA 37, NFPA 1, and the International Fire Code. This fueling tank will not need to meet EPA Requirements for a Spill Prevention, Control, and Countermeasure (SPCC) Regulations, however above ground fuel tank containment has been provided that meets EPA 40 CFR 264.175 requirements and a detail has been included. A Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP) has also been included.

6. Section 26.19.4.D.2: The phasing plans need to meet the detail and note requirements outlined in this section. It is difficult to decipher what improvements are required for each phase. The phasing plans should detail what needs to be completed in each phase and it might be beneficial for the plans to show the how phases will transition by showing two phases in each view.

Phasing notes have been included on the Excavation, Drainage & Erosion Control Plan, and a more detailed description of the phasing sequence has been included in the narrative. An additional sheet has been added to the site plans to more clearly depict the sequencing of work.

7. Section 26.19.4.D.3: The context map does not show the excavation perimeter or abutter names and parcel numbers. This information is detailed on other plans so we believe the intent of this regulation is met.

The Contex map provided showed the excavation perimeter and the direct abutter names and addresses.

8. Section 26.19.4.D.4: The existing conditions plans provided with the submission package do not detail all of the items required in this section of the Land Development Code. The existing conditions of Phase 1 is not detailed. The plans show the proposed design details for Phase 1. For this project Phase 1 should be detailed with as-built conditions to ensure this phase was completed per plan and to verify that stormwater, erosion and sedimentation controls are in place, per plan and functioning appropriately. Existing condition details missing include but are not limited to the detailing of access into the site, barriers, drainage, grading, natural features, surface waters, rock outcroppings, vegetative cover, tree lines, utilities, edges of pavement, gravel limits, stonewalls, cellar holes, structures, etc.. The plan should detail how it was

created. Is this plan based on an on-site topographic survey or is it relying on available LIDAR data?

An updated existing conditions plan has been included to show the current conditions of the existing, previously permitted pit area, in which this project will start.

9. Section 26.19.4.D.5: The excavation site maps do not address all of the design criteria outlined in this section. The plans do not depict processing areas, details of processing to be done on-site (screening, washing, crushing, etc.) stockpile areas and types of materials, fuel storage or fueling areas, equipment storage and maintenance areas, traffic controls for the site entrance and exits and location of dust control structures, devices and processes.

Fuel storing areas, processing areas and stockpile areas are shown on The Impact Control & Monitoring Plan, dust control notes and fueling notes are also shown on these plans. A Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP) has been included. There is no traffic controls proposed for the site entrance other than what currently exist. This project proposes to use the existing NHDOT permitted entrance previously constructed.

10. Section 26.19.4.D.6: The submission package does not address all of the criteria outlined under this section. The submission package does not verify that stormwater volumes and velocities are being maintained. A stormwater management report should be provided to detail how stormwater management will be handled. The narrative states that the project will be self-contained but the materials on-site don't seem to support this. The site will require more management for dewatering to ensure work zones are not flooding. Surface water quality is also a concern with the current design and a stormwater management report will help address these concerns as well as ensuring that culverts and erosion control measures are sized appropriately.

See response to item #2.

11. Section 26.19.4.D.8: The reclamation plans state that bedrock is excluded in one of the notes. The City would like to see all exposed bedrock areas reclaimed as this the intent of this section is to restore the site to pre-excavation conditions.

Narrative note 9 and general note 12A on the overview plan has been revised to include that the only areas to remain unclaimed are the vertical ledge pit face. It should be noted that section 25.4.2 states the following: "At the time of reclamation, all lands that are no longer being used for excavation activities, including excavation areas, processing areas, stockpiling areas, and stormwater management areas, except for exposed ledge, shall be reclaimed."

12. Section 26.19.4.E.5: The submission did not include an Analysis of Important Habitat as required. Since the Natural Heritage Database showed a wood turtle within the project boundaries part a. under this section requires an inventory for vegetation and wildlife by a forest ecologist, wildlife biologist or qualified professional.

The NHB's database has been searched for records of rare species and exemplary natural communities. There were no records of endangered or threatened species. The Wood Turtle (Glyptemys insculpta) was a species to be of special concern. Although not a recommendation for species of special concern, incorporation of NHFG recommendations have been addressed. Based upon review by NH Fish and Game, Patrick Fitzgibbons recommended Wildlife Protection notes for Species of Special Concern to be included on the plan set. These notes have been added. This correspondence has been included along with the project narrative that was provided for their review.

We trust the noted plan revisions and/or explanations will adequately address the conditions listed above. Should you have any further questions or comments, please do not hesitate to contact this office.

Best Regards,

Justin Daigneault Project Manager



Photo #1



Existing Site Entrance from NH Route 9, Looking East December 12, 2024

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Existing Access Road from NH Route 9, Looking North December 12, 2024

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Existing Woodland Buffer from NH Route 9, Looking West December 12, 2024

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Existing Material and Processing Area, Looking North December 12, 2024

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Existing Material and Processing Area, Looking West December 12, 2024

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Looking at Current Gravel Operation August 3, 2024

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Looking Uphill at Period 1 from Current Landing Area Previously Permitted August 3, 2024

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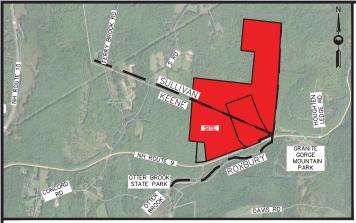
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Looking at Existing Logging Road August 3, 2024

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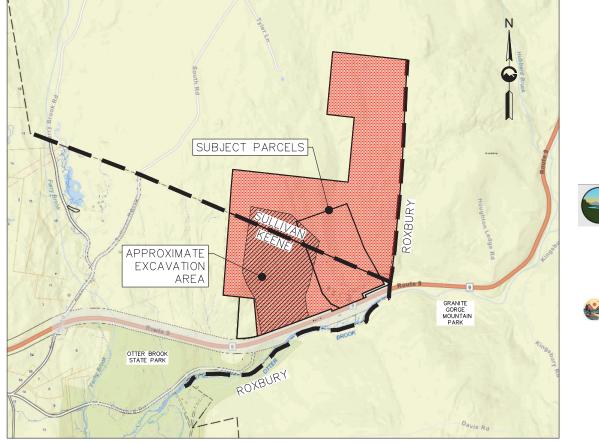


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G2 HOLDINGS, LLC

KEENE TAX MAP 215 LOTS 7 & 8 **SULLIVAN TAX MAP 5 LOTS 46 & 46-1 57 ROUTE 9 KEENE, NEW HAMPSHIRE CHESHIRE COUNTY**



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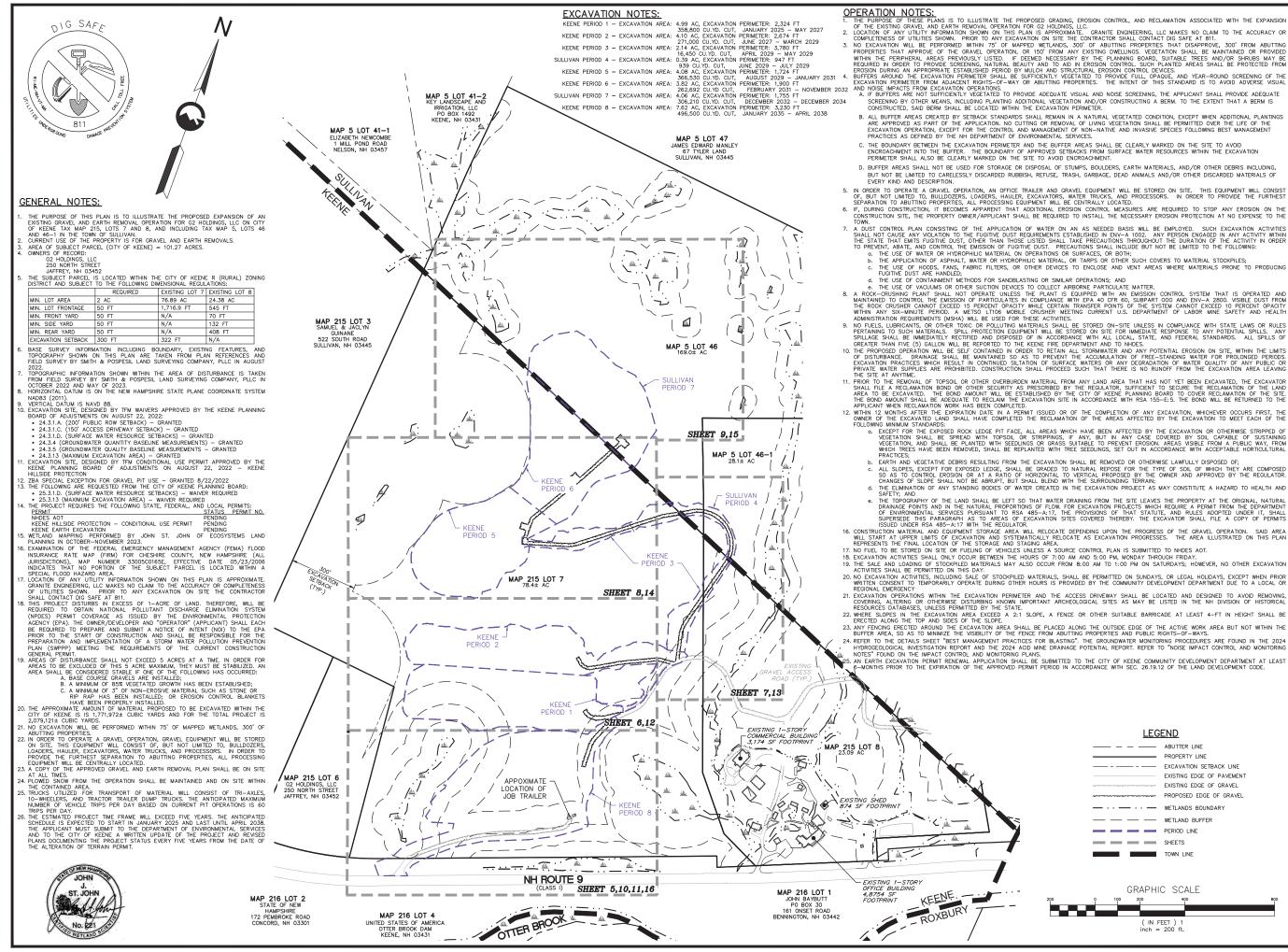


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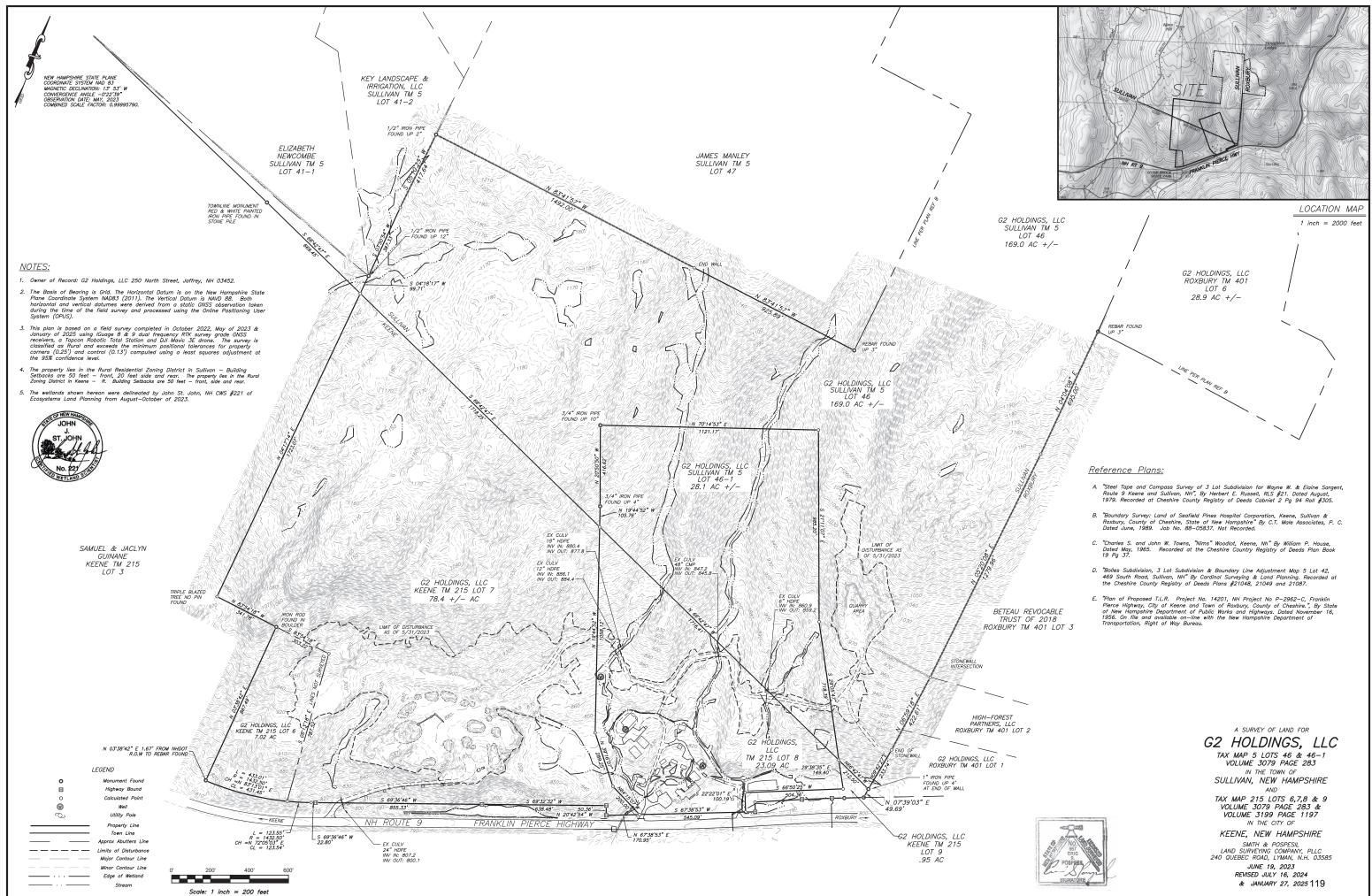
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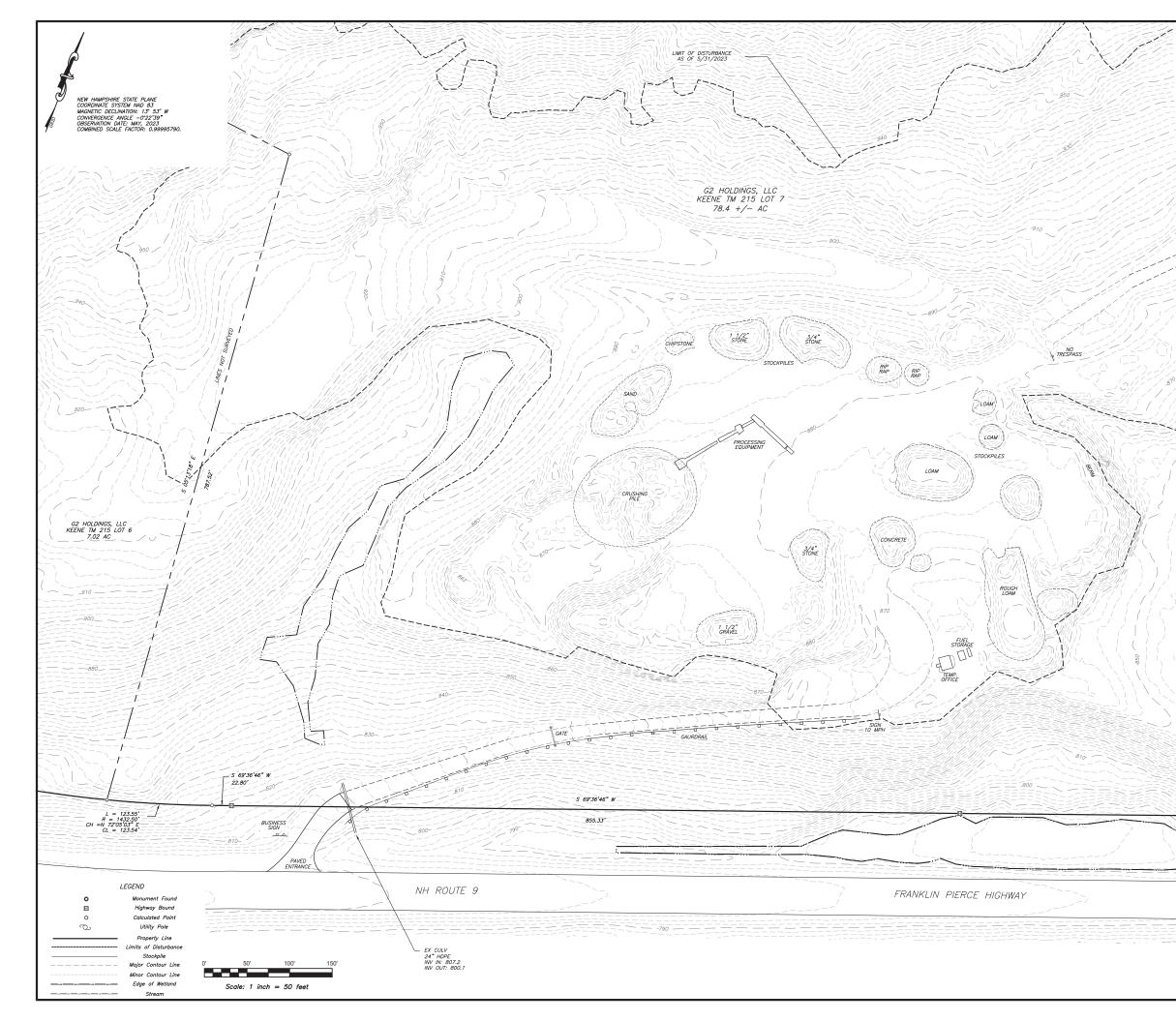


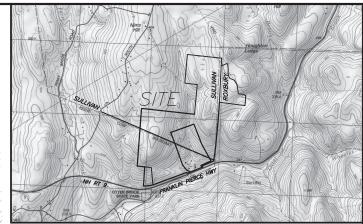


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Reference Plans:

- A. "Steel Tape and Compass Survey of 3 Lot Subdivision for Wayne W. & Elaine Sargent, Route 9 Keene and Sullivan, NH", By Herbert E. Russell, RLS #21. Dated August, 1979, Recorded at Cheshire County Registry of Deeds Cabniet 2 Pg 94 Roll #305.
- B. "Boundary Survey: Land of Seafield Pines Hospital Corporation, Keene, Sullivan & Roxbury, County of Cheshire, State of New Hampshire" By C.T. Male Associates, P. C. Dated June, 1989. Job No. 88–05837. Not Recorded.
- C. "Charles S. and John W. Towns, "Nims" Woodlot, Keene, Nh" By William P. House, Dated May, 1965. Recorded at the Cheshire Country Registry of Deeds Plan Book 19 Pg 37.
- D. "Bolles Subdivision, 3 Lot Subdivision & Boundary Line Adjustment Map 5 Lot 42, 469 South Road, Sullivan, NH" By Cardinal Surveying & Land Planning. Recorded at the Cheshire County Registry of Deeds Plans #21048, 21049 and 21087.
- E. "Plan of Proposed T.L.R. Project No. 14201, NH Project No P-2962-C, Franklin Pierce Highway, City of Keene and Town of Roxbury, County of Cheshire.", "By State of New Hampshire Department of Public Works and Highways. Dated November 16, 1956. On file and available on-line with the New Hampshire Department of Transportation, Right of Way Bureau.

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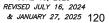
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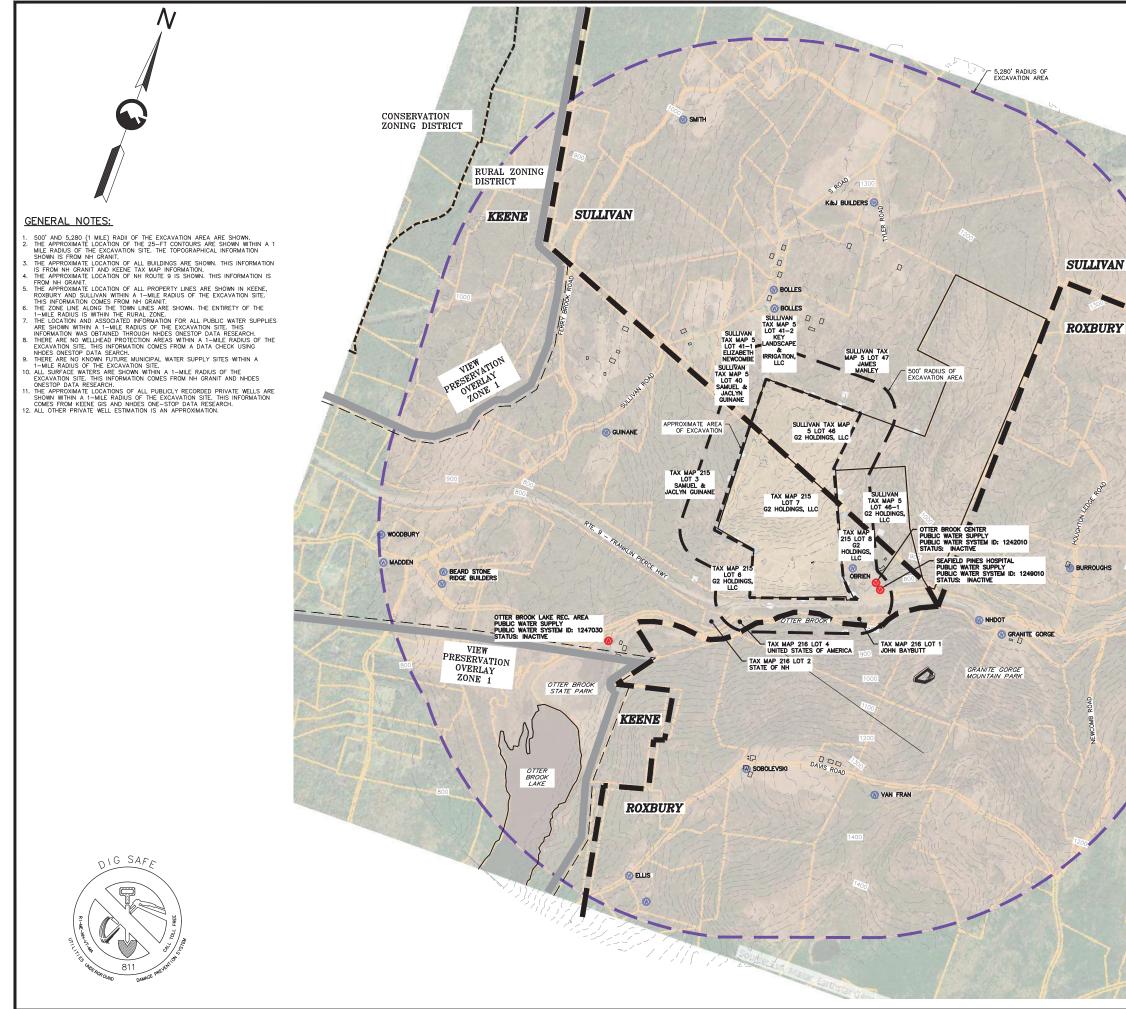
- 1. Owner of Record: G2 Holdings, LLC 250 North Street, Jaffrey, NH 03452.
- 2. The Basis of Bearing is Grid. The Horizontal Datum is on the New Hampshire State Plane Coordinate System NAD83 (2011). The Vertical Datum is NAVD 88. Both horizontal and vertical datumes were derived from a static GNSS observation taken during the time of the field survey and processed using the Online Positioning User System (OPUS).
- 3. This plan is based on an updated field survey completed in January of 2025 using lGuage dual frequency RTK survey grade GNSS receivers, and a DJI Mavic 3E Drone. The survey is classified as Rural and exceeds the minimum positional tolerances for property corners (0.25) and control (0.13) computed using a least squares adjustment at the 95% confidence level.
- 4. The property lies in the Rural Residential Zoning District in Sullivan Building Setbacks are 50 feet – front, 20 feet side and rear. The property lies in the Rural Zoning District in Keene – R. Building Setbacks are 50 feet – front, side and rear.
- The wetlands shown hereon were delineated by John St. John, NH CWS #221 of Ecosystems Land Planning from August-October of 2023.
- . The purpose of this plan sheet is to show the current conditions of Phase I excavation as of January 22, 2025.



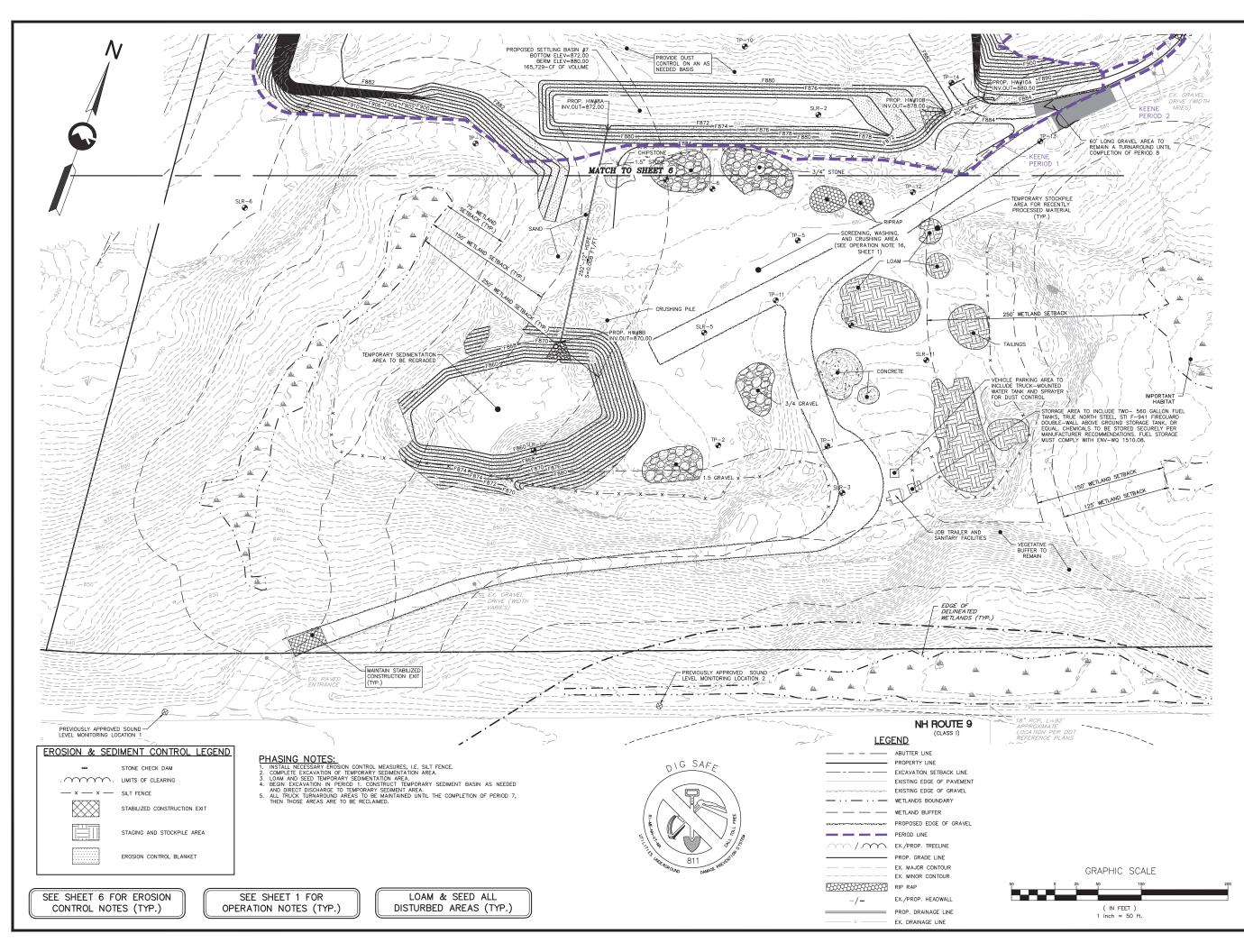


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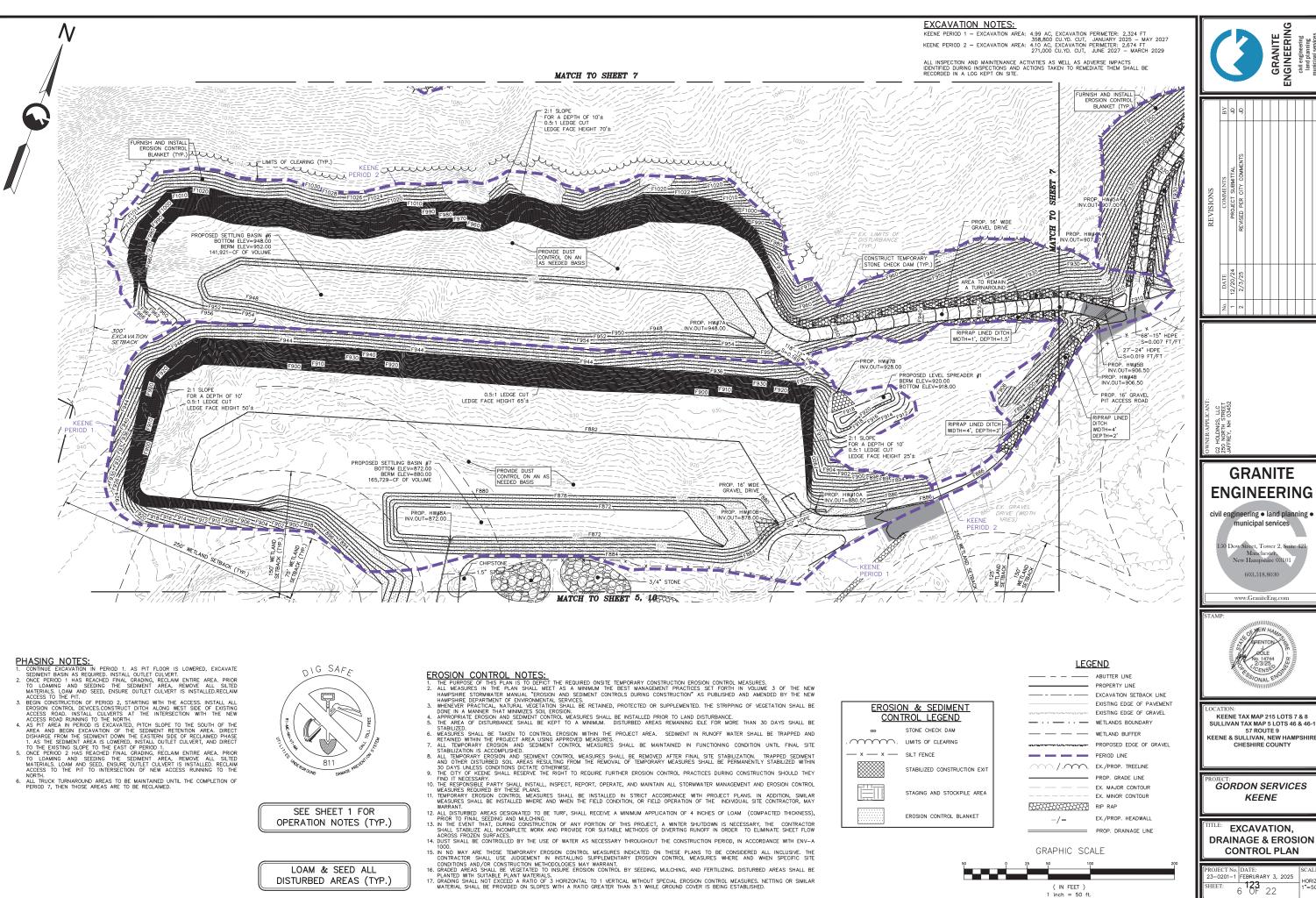


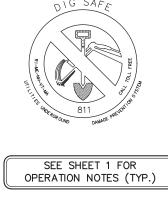


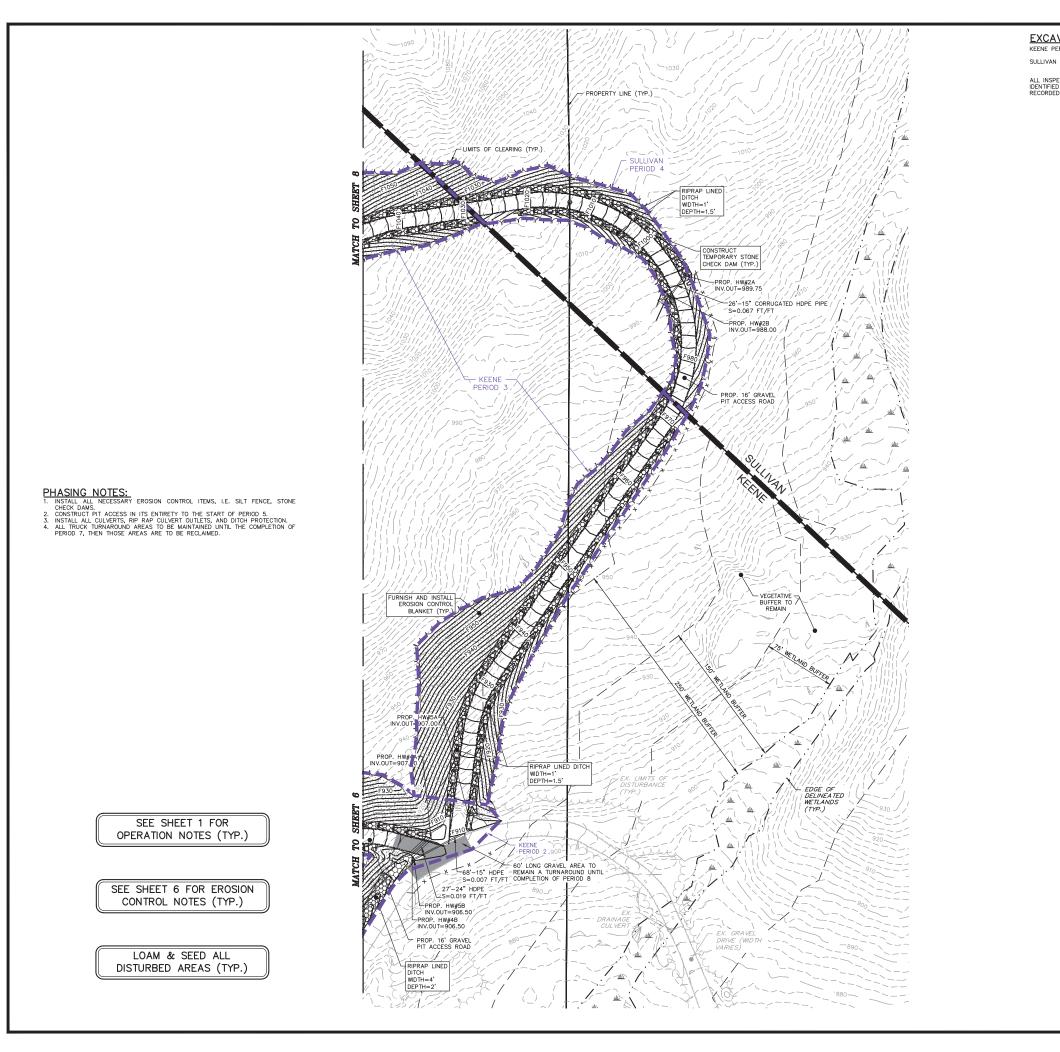
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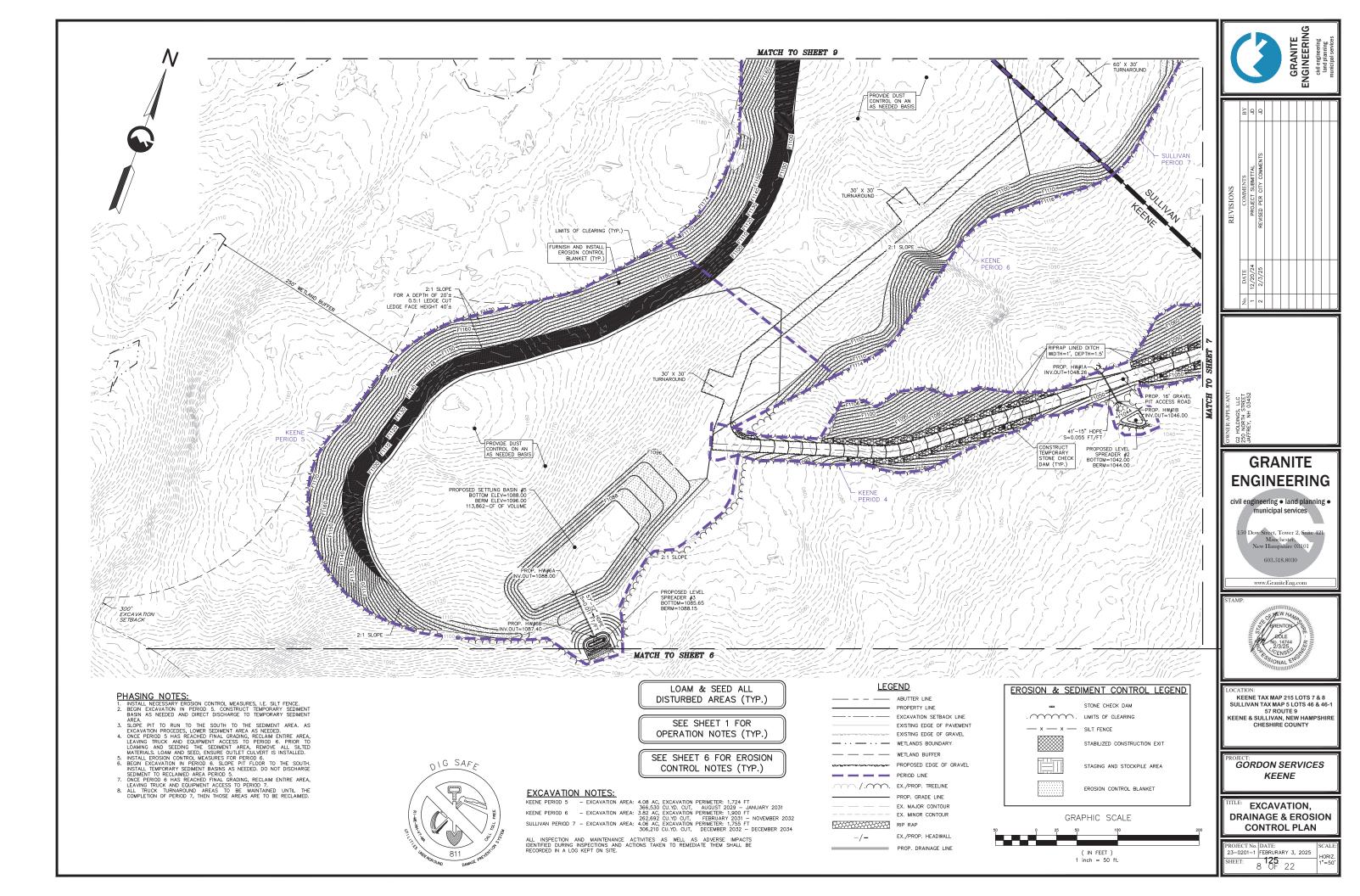
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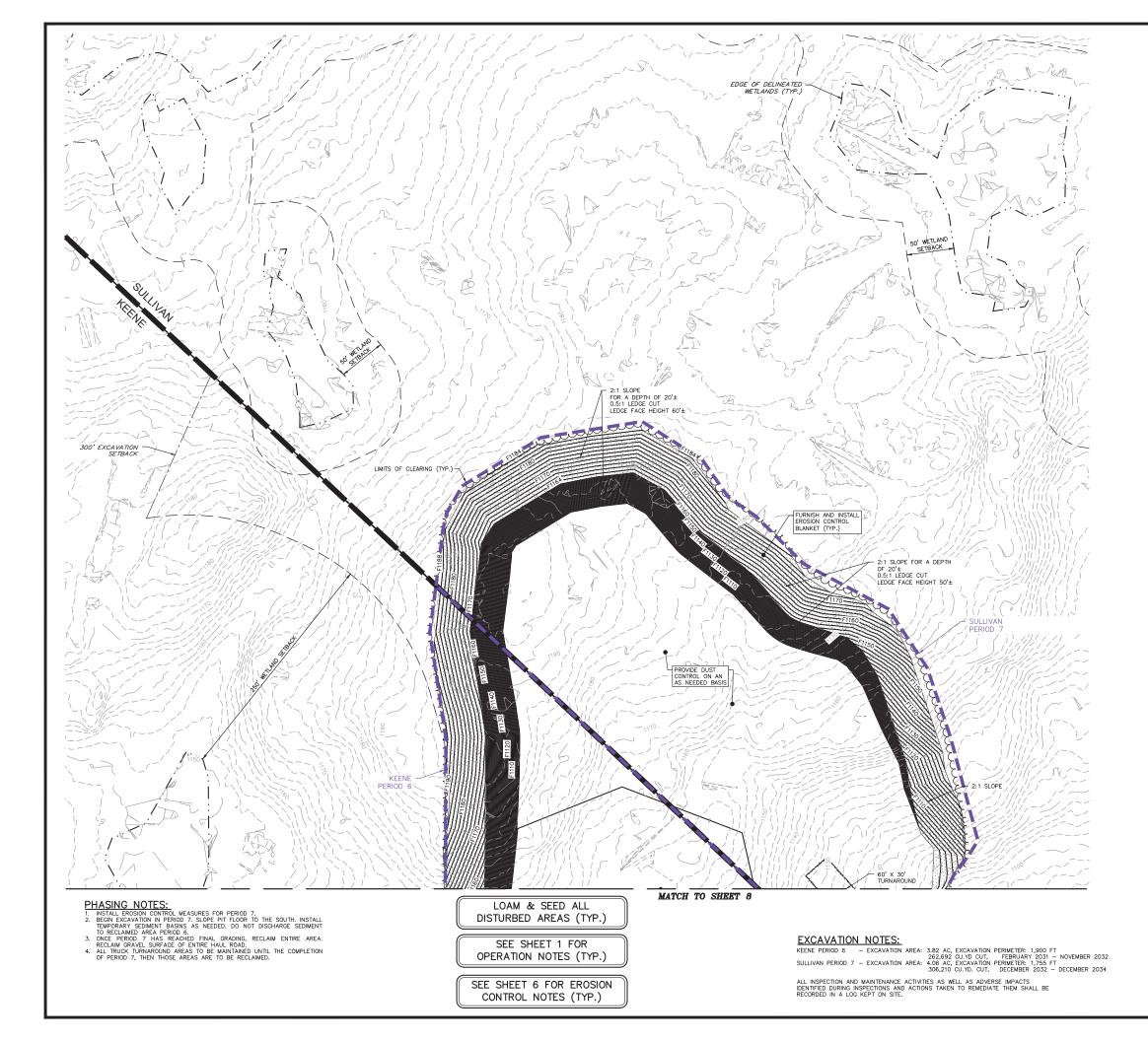
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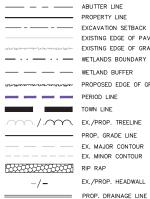
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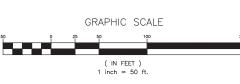
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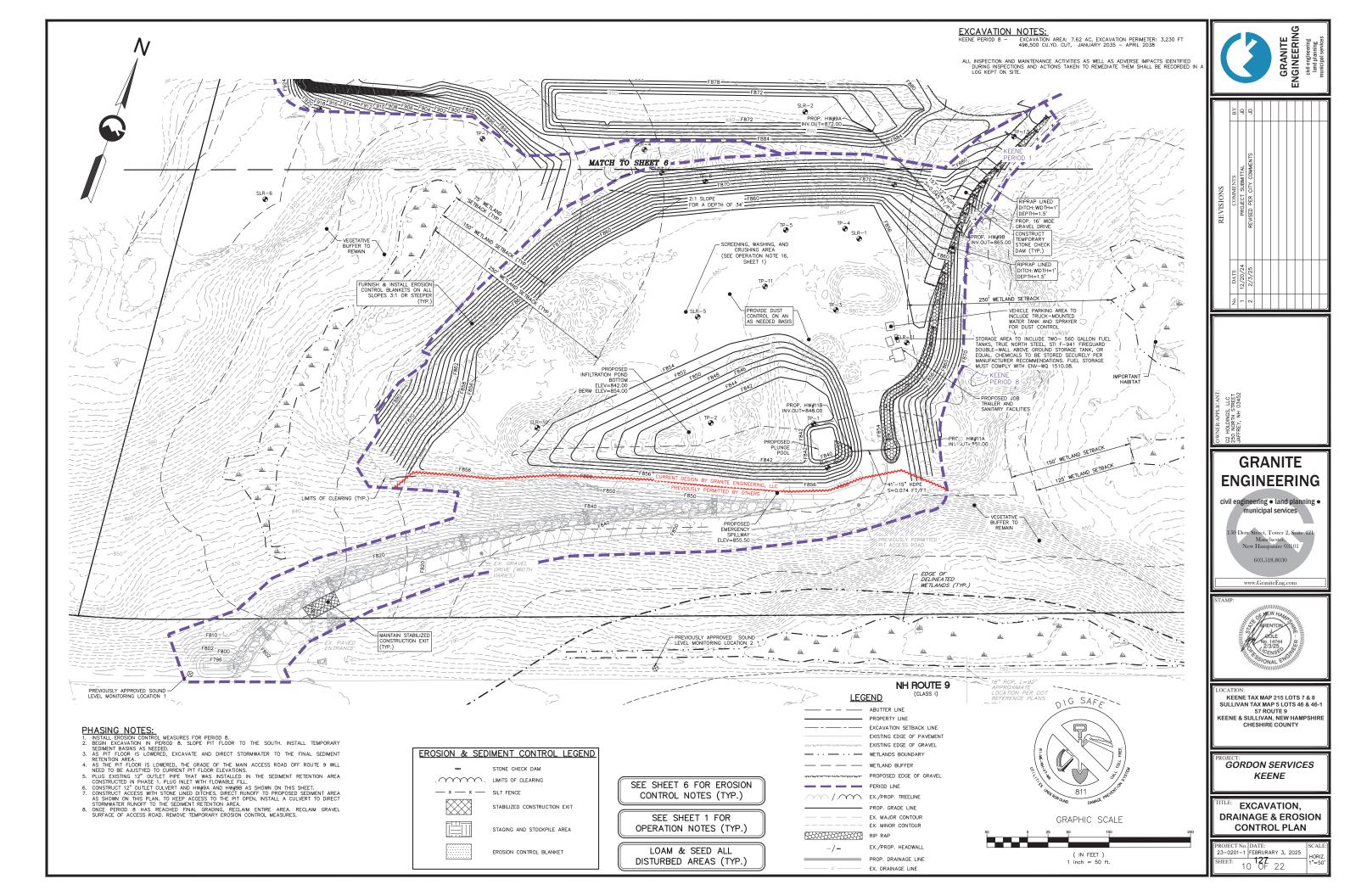
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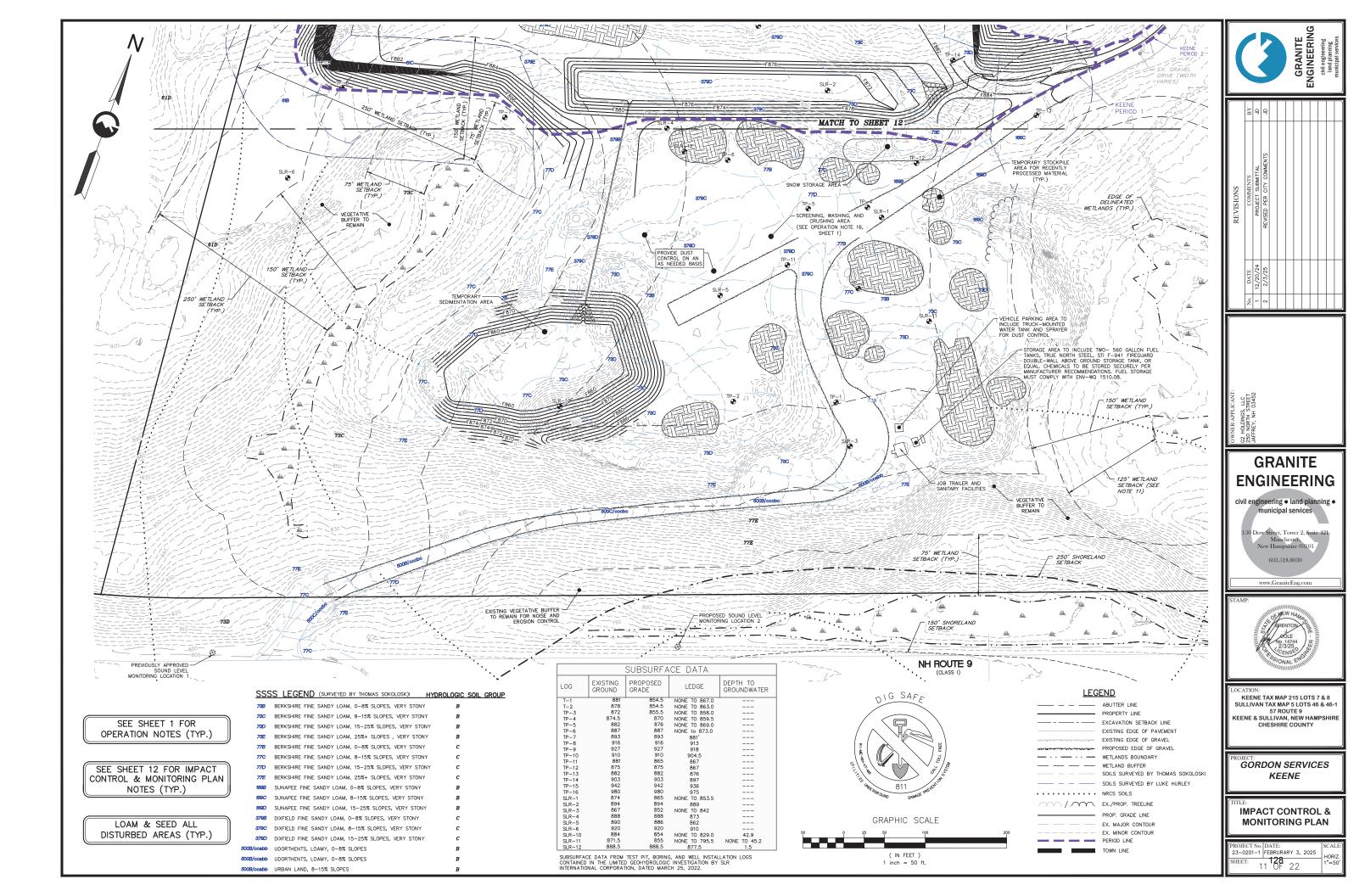
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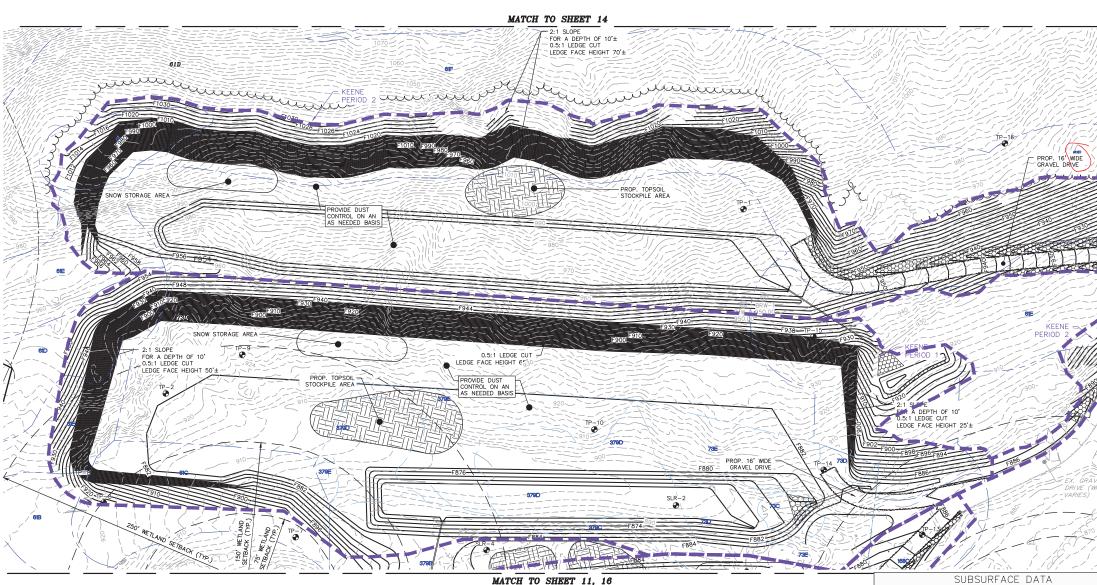




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- 'L(MAX'). MONITORING DEVICES. ALL SOUND LEVEL MONITORING DEVICES SHALL MEET AMERICAN NATIONAL STANDARDS INSTITUTE S 1.4 TYPE 1 OR 2 STANDARDS, WITH THE DEVICE SET TO FAST RESPONSE. MONITORING DEVICES SHALL BE PROPERLY CALIBRATED AND MAINTAINED IN GOOD WORKING ORDER. MONITORING DEVICES SHALL INCLUDE DATA RECOMDING CAPABILITIES THAT ENABLE CONTINUOUS DOCUMENTATION OF SOUND LEVELS
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- B. AS NOISE-CENERATING EQUIPMENT IS RELOCATED WITHIN THE APPROVED EXCAVATION PERIMETER, NEW MONITORING LOCATIONS MAY BE SELECTED TO HELP ENSURE CONTINUED COMPLIANCE WITH THE NOISE STANDARD.
- ENSURE CONTINUED COMPLIANCE WITH THE MOISE STANDARD. C. THE EXCAVATION OPERATOR SHALL MAINTAIN A LOG OF ALL MONITORING ACTIVITIES INDICATING THE DATE. TIME PERIOD AND LOCATION OF THE RECORDED MEASUREMENTS: THE OPERATIONS BEING PERFORMED ON THE SITE AT THE TIME OF MONITORING: THE WEATHER CONDITIONS AT THE TIME OF THE MEASUREMENT, INCLUDING TEMPERATURE, WIND DIRECTION, WIND SPEED, CLOUD COVER AND PPECIPITIATION: AND THE RESULTS OF THE MONITORING, INCLUDING A GRAPH OF THE CONTINUOUS MONITORING RECORD, THE CALCULATED A WEIGHTED SOUND PPECIPITIATION: AND THE RESULTS OF THE MONITORING, INCLUDING A GRAPH OF THE CONTINUOUS MONITORING RECORD, THE CALCULATED A WEIGHTED SOUND PPECIPITIAND: AND THE CALCULATED MAXIMUM DB(A) SOUND LEVEL (HEREINAFTER 'DB(A) L(90)') AND THE CALCULATED MAXIMUM DB(A) SOUND LEVEL (HEREINAFTER 'L(MAX)').
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- B. THE APPLICANT/OPERATOR MAY REQUEST THAT THE BACKGROUND SOUND LEVEL BE RE-MEASURED. SUCH RE-MEASUREMENT SHALL BE DONE AT A TIME SELECTED BY THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR IN CONSULTATION WITH THE APPLICANT AND A CONSULTANT HIRED BY THE PLANNING BOARD TO PERFORM THE MEASUREMENT AT THE APPLICANT'S EXPENSE.
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- ACTIVITES. D. IN THE EVENT THAT THE MEASUREMENTS EXCEED THE NOISE STANDARDS IN THIS ARTICLE, THE APPLICANT SHALL BRING THE OPERATION INTO COMPLIANCE BY REDUCING THE NUMBER OF SOUND SOURCES CONTRIBUTING OT THE SOUND LEVEL, BY REDUCING THE NUMBER EQUIPMENT, OR BY TAKING WHATEVER OTHER ACTIONS MAY BE NECESSARY TO BRING THE OPERATION INTO COMPLIANCE.
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- b)ADDITIONAL NOISE LEVELS SHALL BE MONITORED FOR NO LESS THAN 5 CONSECUTIVE DAYS AFTER THE CORRECTIVE ACTION IS TAKEN.

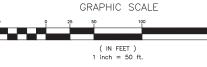
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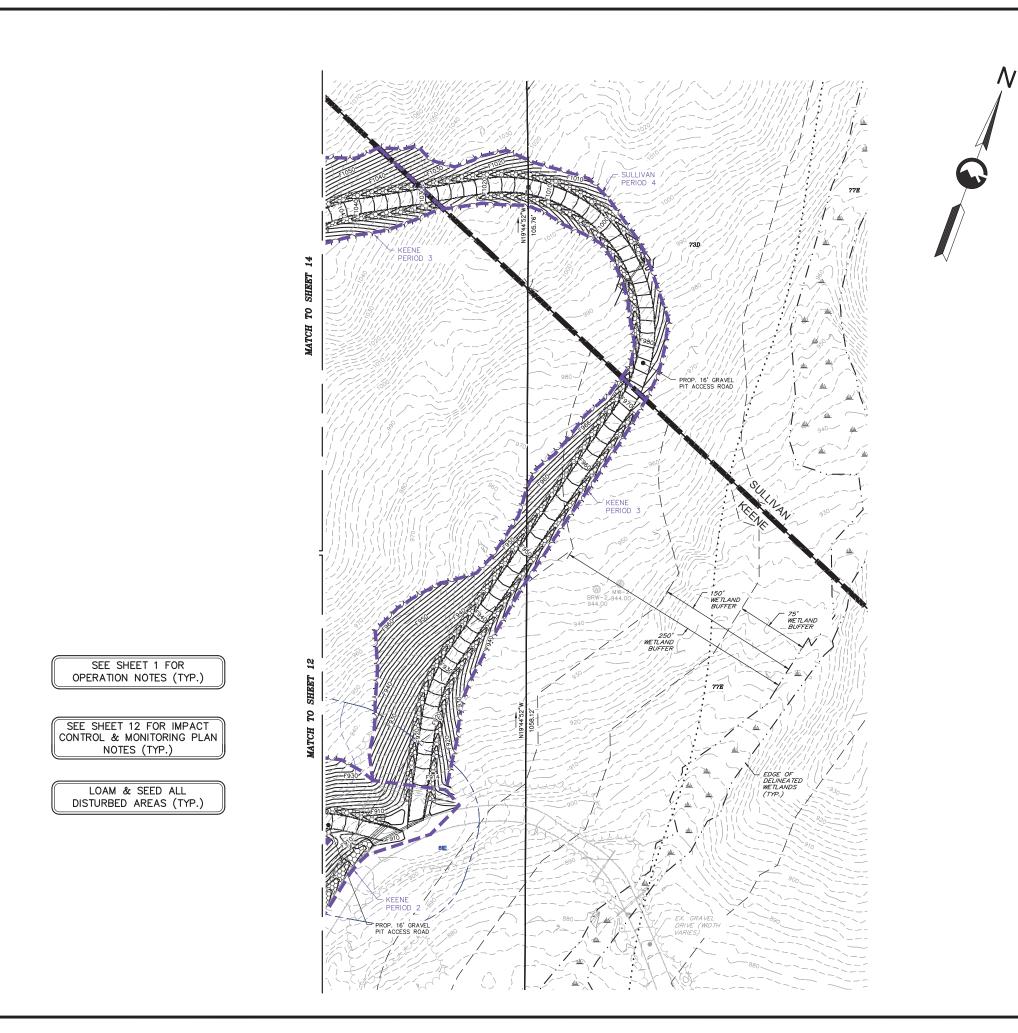
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- DIRT/MUD OFF THE SITE ONTO ADJACENT ROADWAYS. C. DUST CONTROL WILL BE ACCOMPLSHED USING A TRUCK-MOUNTED WATER TANK AND
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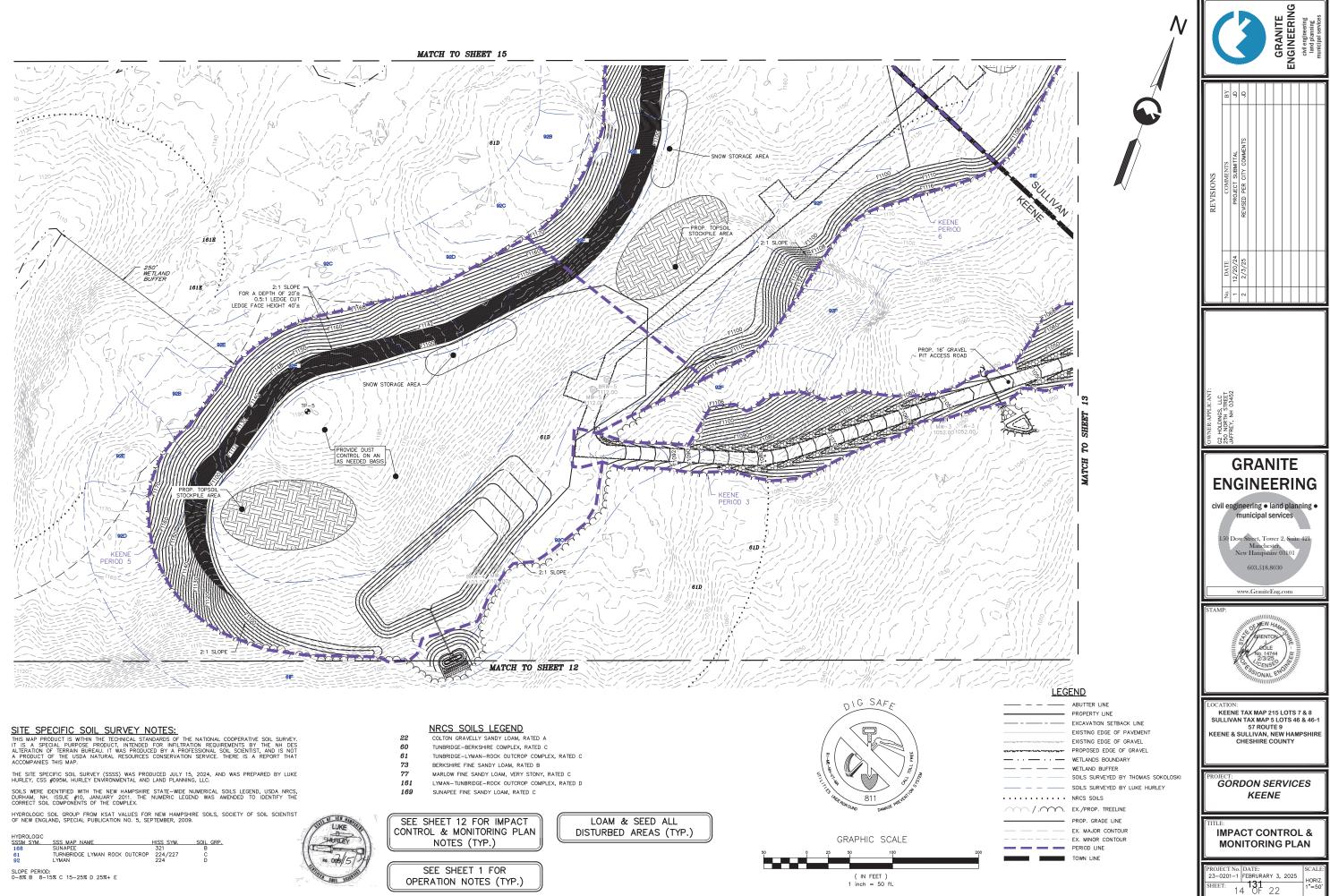
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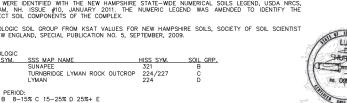
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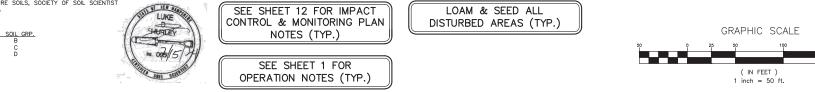


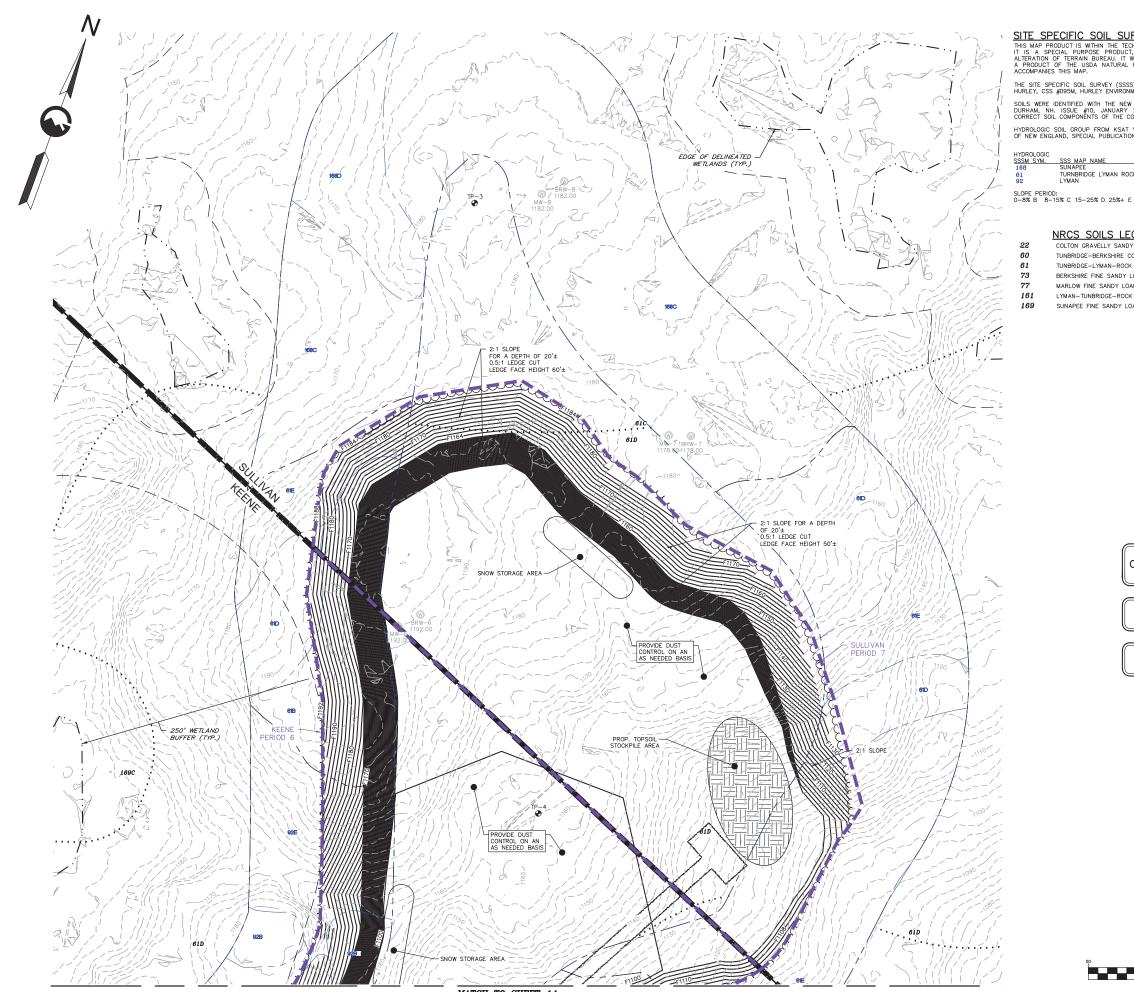
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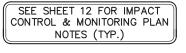
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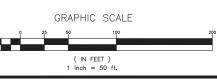


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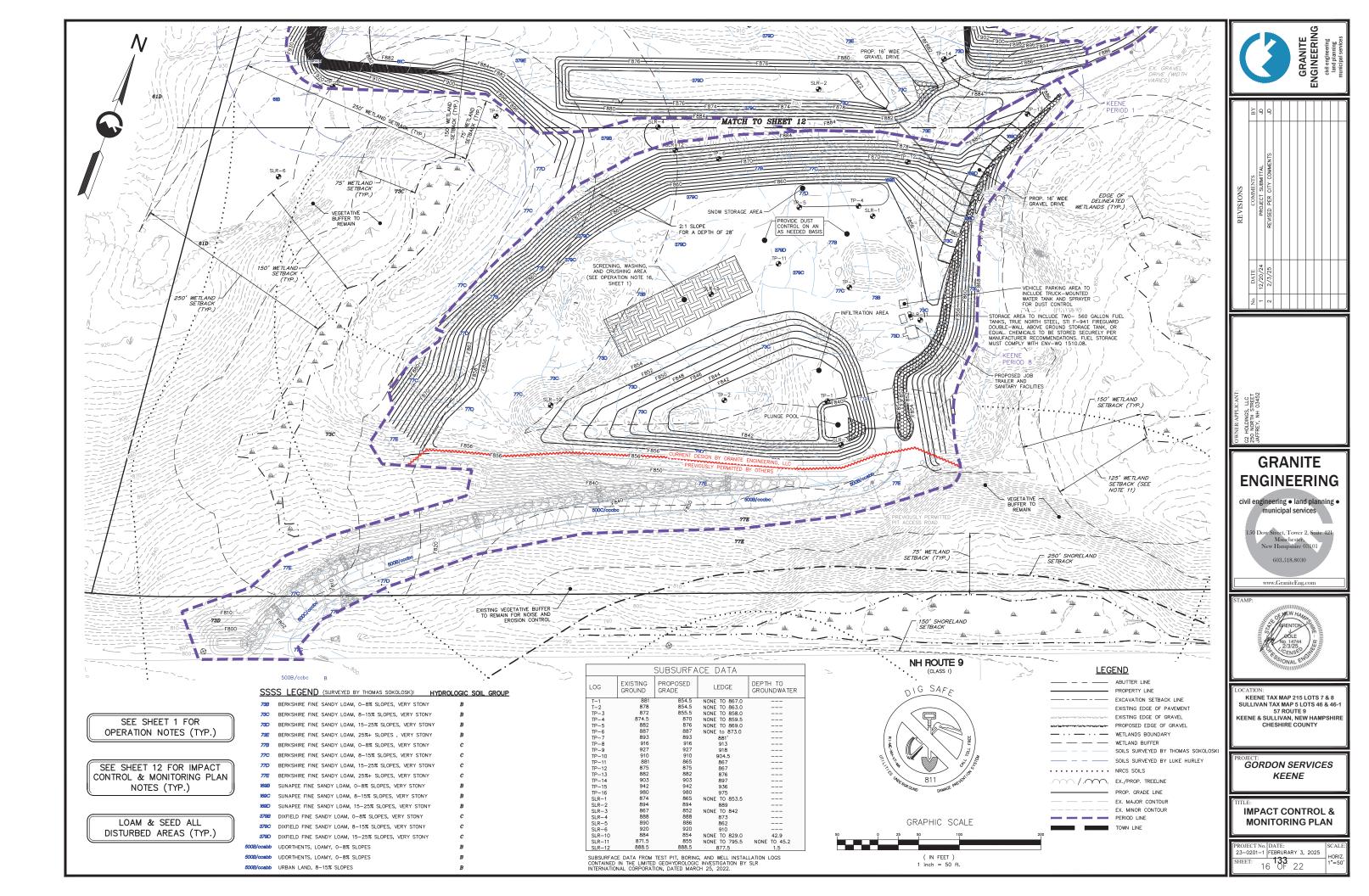
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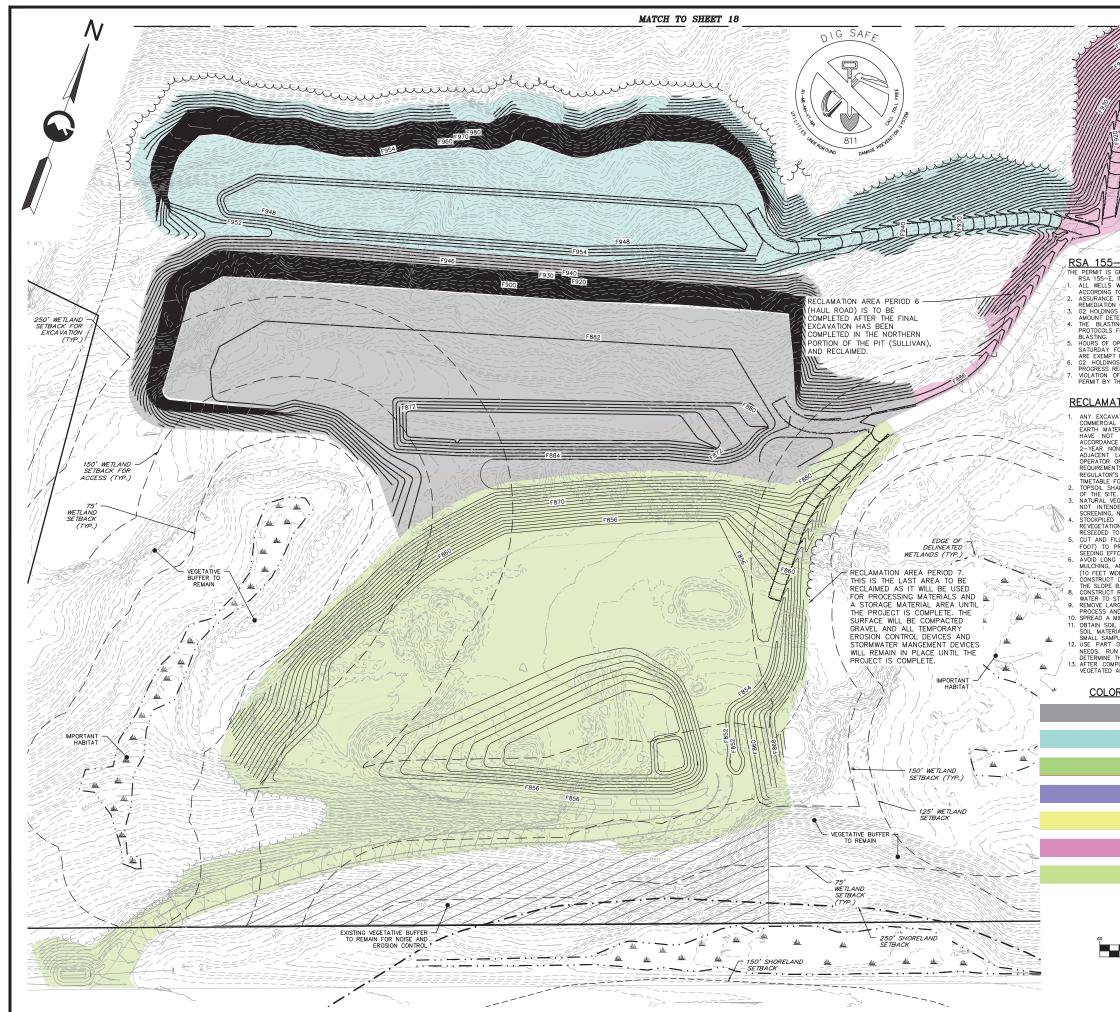
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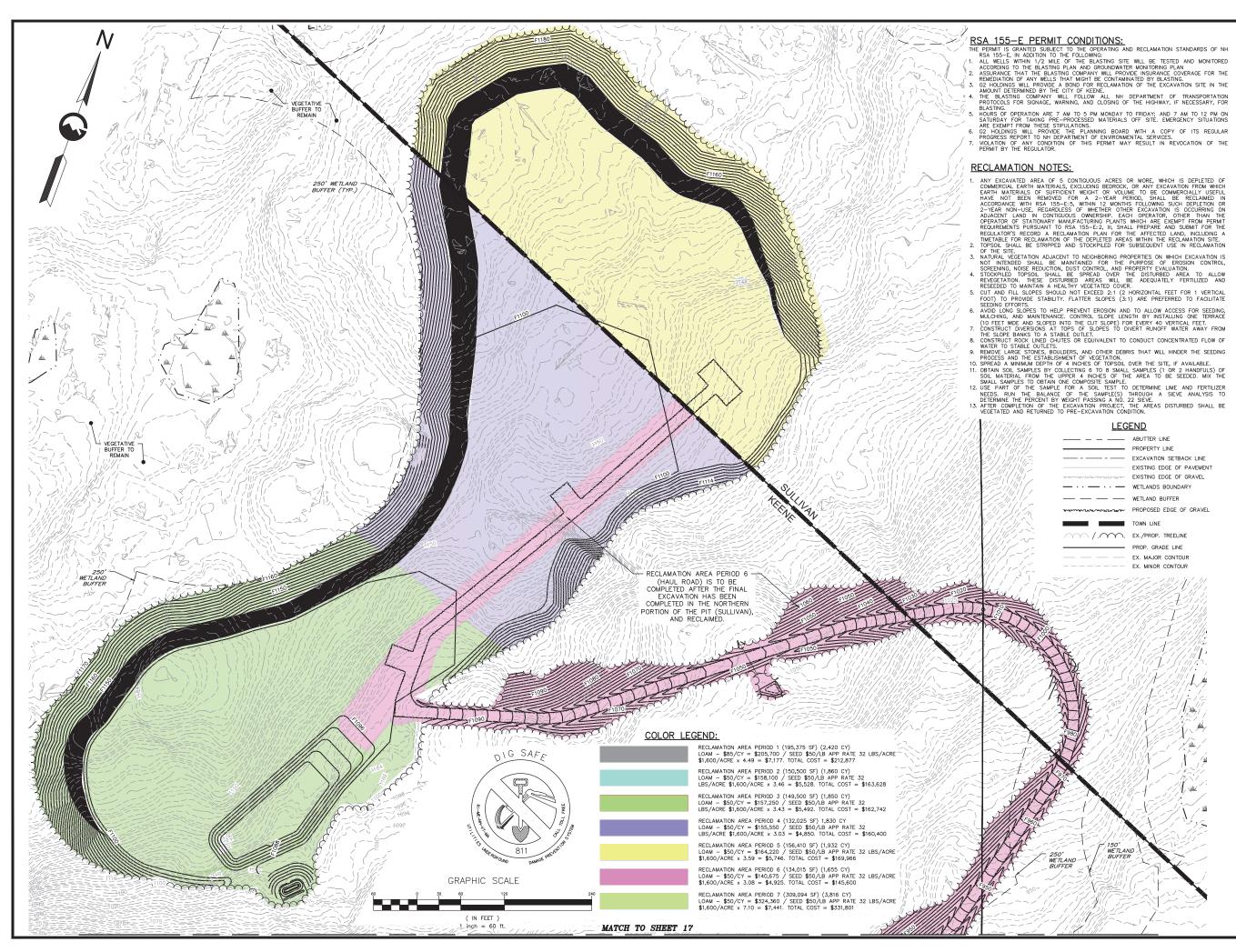
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RECLAMATION AREA PERIOD 2 (150,500 SF) (1,860 CY) LOAM - \$50/CY = \$158,100 / SEED \$50/LB APP RATE 32 LBS/ACRE \$1,600/ACRE × 3.46 = \$5,528. TOTAL COST = \$163,628
RECLAMATION AREA PERIOD 3 (149,500 SF) (1,850 CY) LOAM - \$50/CY = \$157,250 / SEED \$50/LB APP RATE 32 LBS/ACRE \$1,600/ACRE × 3.43 = \$5,492. TOTAL COST = \$162,742
RECLAMATION AREA PERIOD 4 (132,025 SF) 1,830 CY LOAM - \$50/CY = \$155,550 / SEED \$50/LB APP RATE 32 LBS/ACRE \$1,600/ACRE × 3.03 = \$4,850. TOTAL COST = \$160,400
RECLAMATION AREA PERIOD 5 (156,410 SF) (1,932 CY) LOAM - \$50/CY = \$164,220 / SEED \$50/LB APP RATE 32 LBS/ACRE \$1,600/ACRE x 3.59 = \$5,746. TOTAL COST = \$169,966
RECLAMATION AREA PERIOD 6 (134,015 SF) (1,655 CY) LOAM - \$50/CY = \$140,675 / SEED \$50/LB APP RATE 32 LBS/ACRE \$1,600/ACRE x 3.08 = \$4,925. TOTAL COST = \$145,600
RECLAMATION AREA PERIOD 7 (309,094 SF) (3,816 CY) LOAM - \$50/CY = \$324,360 / SEED \$50/LB APP RATE 32 LBS/ACRE \$1,600/ACRE x 7.10 = \$7,441. TOTAL COST = \$331,801
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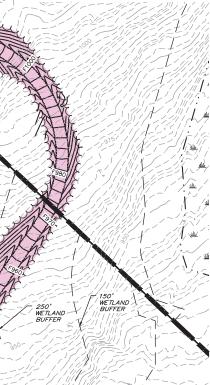
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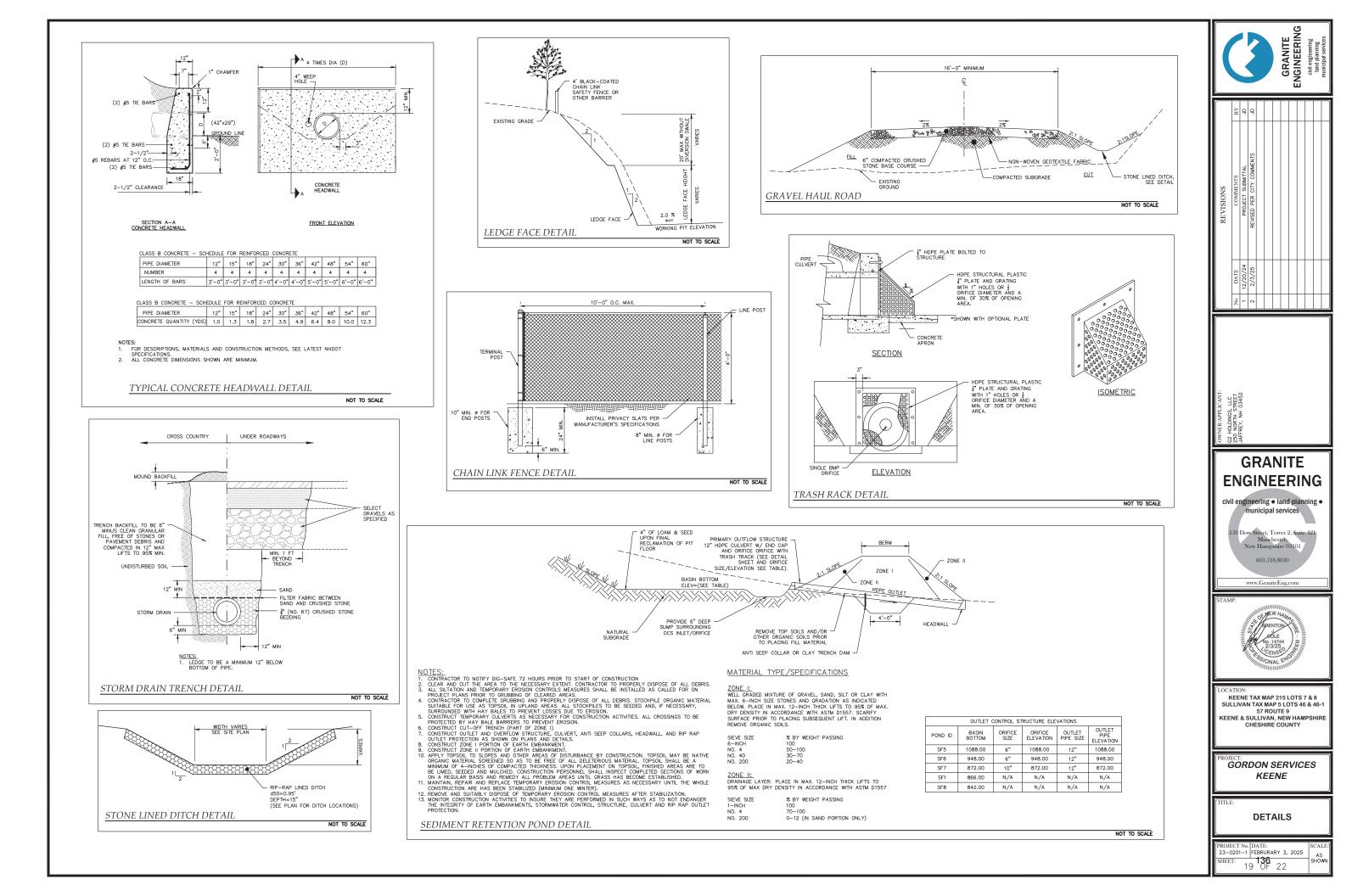
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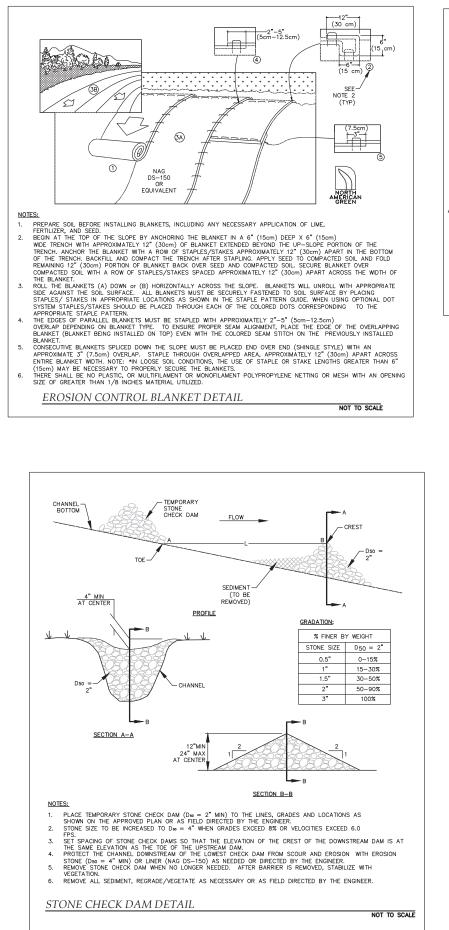
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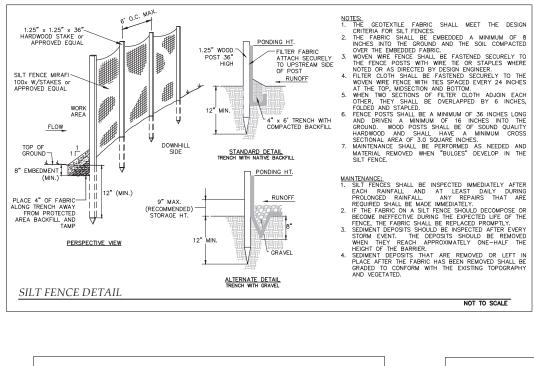
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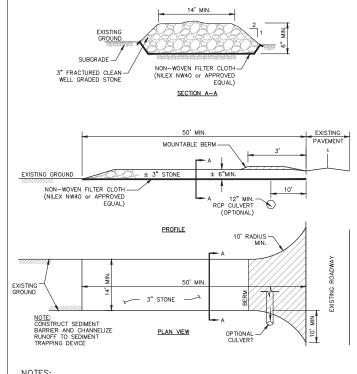


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   THE INCRITH OF THE STABILIZED EXIT SHALL NOT BE LESS THAN 50 FEET, EXCEPT FOR A SINGLE RESIDENTIAL LOT WHERE A 30 FOOT MINIMUM LENGTH WOULD APPLY.
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   GEOTEXTILE FILTER CLOTH SHALL BE PLACED OVER THE ENTITE AREA PRIOR TO PLACING THE STONE. FILTER CLOTH IS NOT REQUIRED FOR A SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENCE LOT.
   ALL SURFACE WATER THAT IS FLOWING TO OR DIVERTED TOWARD THE CONSTRUCTION EXIT SHALL BE PHED BENEATH THE EXIT. IF PHONE IS IMFRACINCAL, A BERM WITH 51 SLOPES THAT CAN BE CROSSED THE CONSTRUCTION EXIT SHALL DO N ALCONTION THAT WILL PREVENT TRACKING OR FLOWING OF SEDIMENT ONTO PUBLIC RIGHTS-OF-WAY. THIS MAY REQUIRE PERIODIC TOPRESSING WITH ADDITIONAL STONE AS CONDITIONS DEMAND AND REPAR AND/OR CLEANOUT OF ANY MEASURES USED TO TRAP SEDIMENT. ALL SEDIMENT SPILLED, WASHED ON TRACKED ONTO PUBLIC RIGHTS-OF-WAY. WIES SHAR AND/OR CLEANOUT OF PUBLIC RIGHTS-OF-WAY. WIES SHAR AND/OR CLEANOUT OF DUBLIC RIGHTS-OF-WAY. WHEN SHAR AND/OR CLEANOUT OF DUBLIC RIGHTS-OF-WAY. WIES SHAR AND/OR CLEANOUT OF PUBLIC RIGHTS-OF-WAY. WIES SHAR AND/OR CLEANOUT OF DUBLIC RIGHTS-OF-WAY. WIES SHAR AND/OR CLEANOUT OF PUBLIC RIGHTS-OF-WAY. WIES SHAR AND/OR CLEANOUT OF PUBLIC RIGHTS-OF-WAY. WIEN WASHING IS REQUIRED. TO TRAPE ONTO PUBLIC RIGHTS-OF-WAY. WIEN WASHING IS REQUIRED, IT SHALL BE DONE ON AN AREA STABILIZED WITH STONE WHICH DRAINS INTO AN APPROVED SEDIMENT TRAPENT. ALL SEDIMENT THAT AND AND REPAR AND/OR CLEANOUT OF PUBLIC RIGHTS-OF-WA

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STABILIZED CONSTRUCTION EXIT DETAIL

10.0 FT MIN PIPE FLOW HANNEL LIMIT  $\sim$ PLAN PIPE 2% MIN SLOPE 10" MIN FES FLOW ~~~ NON-WOVEN FILTER FABRIC (NILEX NW40 or APPROVED FOUAL) SECTION - B

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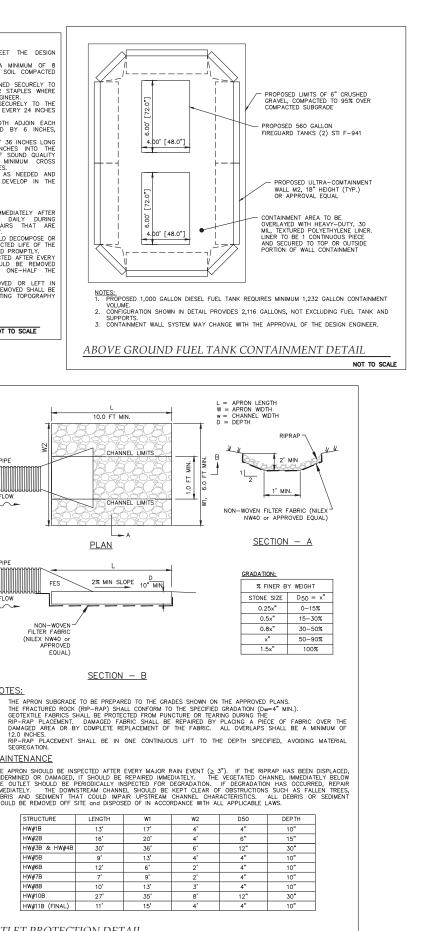
#### MAINTENANCE

NOTES:

THE APRON SHOULD BE INSPECTED AFTER EVERY MAJOR RAIN EVENT ( $\geq$  3"). IF THE RIPRAP HAS BEEN DISPLACED, UNDERMINED OR DAMAGED, IT SHOULD BE REPAIRED IMMEDIATELY. THE VEGETATED CHANNEL IMMEDIATELY BELOW THE OUTER'S SHOULD A PERIODICALLY INSPECTED FOR DEGRADATION. IF DEGRADATION HAS OCCURRED, REPAIR IMMEDIATELY, THE DOWNSTREAM CHANNEL SHOULD BE KEPT CLEAR OF OBSTRUCTIONS SUCH AS FALLEN TREES, DEBRIS AND SEDIMENT THAT COULD IMPAIR UPSTREAM CHANNEL CHARACTERISTICS. ALL DEBRIS OR SEDIMENT SHOULD DER KEPT CLEAR OF SITUETONS' AND SEDIMENT THAT COULD IMPAIR UPSTREAM CHANNEL CHARACTERISTICS. ALL DEBRIS OR SEDIMENT SHOULD BE KEMOVED OFF SITE OND DISPOSED OF IN ACCORDANCE WITH ALL APPLICABLE LAWS.

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HW#1B	13'	17'	4
HW#2B	16'	20'	4
HW#3B & HW#4B	30'	36'	6
HW#5B	9'	13'	4
HW#6B	12'	6'	2
HW#7B	7'	9'	2
HW#8B	10'	13'	3
HW#10B	27'	35'	6
HW#11B (FINAL)	11'	15'	4

#### OUTLET PROTECTION DETAIL



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IF MORE THAN 5000 CUBIC YARDS ARE BLASTED: IDENTIFY DRINKING WATER WELLS LOCATED WITHIN 1/2 MILE OF THE PROPOSED BLASTING ACTIVITIES. DEVELOP A GROUNDWATER QUALITY SAMPLING PROGRAM TO MONITOR FOR NITRATE EITHER IN THE DRINKING WATER SUPPLY WELLS OR IN OTHER WELLS THAT ARE REPRESENTATIVE OF THE DRINKING WATER SUPPLY WELLS IN THE AREA. THE PLAN MUST INCLUDE PRE AND POST BLAST WATER QUALITY MONITORING AND BE APPROVED BY NHDES PRIOR TO INITIATING BLASTING. THE GROUNDWATER SAMPLE PROGRAM MUST BE IMPLEMENTED ONCE APPROVED BY NHDES.

ALL ACTIVITIES RELATED TO BLASTING SHALL FOLLOW BEST MANAGEMENT PRACTICES (BMPS) TO PREVEN ALL ACTIVITES REALED TO BLASTING SHALLF OLLOW BEST MARAGEMENT FRACTICES (BARD) TO FREVENT CONTAINATION OF GROUNDWATER INCLUING REPEARING, REVIEWING AND FOLLOWING AN APPROVED BLASTING PLAN; PROPER DRILLING, EXPLOSIVE HANDING AND LOADING PROCEDURES; OBSERVING THE ENTRE BLASTING PROCEDURES; EVALUATING BLASTING FERFORMANCE; AND HANDLING AND STORAGE OF BLASTED ROCK.

- - DE IONA IION SHOULD BE POSIFIONED. LOADING EQUIPMENT SHALL BE CLEANED IN AN AREA WHERE WASTEWATER CAN BE PROPERLY CONTAINED AND HANDLED IN A MANNER THAT PREVENTS RELEASE OF CONTAMINANTS TO (e)
- THOPENEL CONTAINED AND FINITED IN A MAINTAIN FOR THE PARTY RELEASE COMMENT.
   (f) EXPLOSIVES SHALL BE LOADED TO MAINTAIN GOOD CONTINUITY IN THE COLUMN LOAD TO PROMOTE COMPLETE DETONATION. INDUSTRY ACCEPTED LOADING PRACTICES FOR PRIMING, STEMMING, DECKING AND COLUMN RISE NEED TO BE ATTENDED TO.
   (2) EXPLOSIVE SELECTION. THE FOLLOWING BMPS SHALL BE FOLLOWED TO REDUCE THE POTENTIAL FOR GROUNDWATER CONTAMINATION WHEN EXPLOSIVES ARE USED:
   (a) EXPLOSIVE PRODUCTS SHALL BE SELECTED THAT ARE APPROPRIATE FOR SITE CONDITIONS AND SAFE BLAST EVENTIME.

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   (b) EXPLOSIVE PRODUCTS SHALL BE SELECTED THAT HAVE THE APPROPRIATE WATER RESISTANCE FOR THE SITE CONDITIONS PRESENT TO MINIMIZE THE POTENTIAL FOR HAZARDOUS EFFECT OF THE PRODUCT UPON GROUNDWATER.
   (3) PREVENTION OF MISTRIES. APPROPRIATE PRACTICES SHALL BE DEVELOPED AND IMPLEMENTED TO PREVENT MISTRES.
   (4) MUCK PILE MANAGEMENT. MUCK PILES (THE BLASTED PIECES OF ROCK) AND ROCK PILES SHALL BE MANAGED IN A MANNER TO REDUCE THE POTENTIAL FOR CONTAMINATION BY IMPLEMENTING THE FOLLOWING MEASURES:
   (c) DEMONE THE MUCK PILE EFOND THE PLACT ABEA AS SOON AS DEASONADELY DOSIDIE
  - REMOVE THE MUCK PILE FROM THE BLAST AREA AS SOON AS REASONABLY POSSIBLE.

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   (a) REMOVE THE MUCK PILE FROM THE BLAST AREA AS SOON AS REASONABLY POSSIBLE.
   (b) MANAGE THE INTERACTION OF BLASTED ROCK PILES AND STORMWATER TO PREVENT CONTAMINATION OF WATER SUPPLY WELLS ON SURFACE WATER.
   (c) REMOVE THE INTERACTION OF BLASTED ROCK PILES AND STORMWATER TO PREVENT CONTAMINATION OF WATER SUPPLY WELLS ON SURFACE WATER.
   (c) THE VIEL STORAGE REQUIREMENTE TO PREVENT THE RELEASE OF FUEL AND OTHER RELATED SUBSTANCES TO THE ENVEROMENT. THE MEASURES SHALL INCLUDE AT A MINIMUM.
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   3. LABEL RECULATED CONTINUERS OLEARLY AND VISIBLY.
   4. INSPECT STORAGE AREAS AGAINANCHED CONTAINERS THAT ARE STORED OUTSIDE MORE THAN 50 FEET FROM PUBLIC WELLS.
   6. OVER REGULATED CONTAINERS IN OUTSIDE STORAGE AREAS.
   6. WHEREVER POSSIBLE, KEEP REGULATED CONTAINERS THAT ARE STORED OUTSIDE MORE THAN 50 FEET FROM PUBLIC WELLS.
   7. SECONDARY CONTAINMENT IS REQUIRED FOR CONTAINERS CONTAINING REGULATED SUBSTANCES STORED OUTSIDE, KEEP FOON PREMISE USE HEATING FUELTANS, OR ABOVEGROUND OR UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANKS OTHERWISE REQULATED SUBSTANCES CLOSED AND EXAMPLE SUBSTANCES CLOSED AND EXAMPLE SUBSTANCES CLOSED AND EXAMPLE SUBSTANCES CLOSED AND EXAMPLE AND DURER SPOONSE.
   (d) THE FUEL HANDLING REQUURERENTS SARE CONTAINENT EQUIPMENT READILY AVAILABLE IN ALL WORK AREAS.
   4. USE FUNNELS AND DRE SPIGOTS, VALVES, AND PUMPS.
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#### BEST MANAGEMENT PRACTICES FOR BLASTING

- CONTACT DIG SAFE AT LEAST 72 HOURS BEFORE ANY EXCAVATION WORK. CUT AND CLEAR TREES AND BRUSH WITHIN LIMITS OF CLEARING SHOWN ON PLAN. INSTALL ALL APPLICABLE TREMPORARY FORSION CONTROL MEASURES PRIOR PRIOR TO COMMENCEMENT OF ANY EARTHMOVING OPERATIONS. THE STABILIZED CONSTRUCTION EXIT SHALL BE IN PLACE AS SHOWN ON THE EPOLECT DLANS. ANY EARTHMOVING OPERATIONS. THE STABILIZED CONSTRUCTION EXIT SHALL BE IN PLACE AS SHOWN ON THE PROJECT PLANS. REMOVE STUMPS FROM THE SITE FOR SITE GRADING TO COMMENCE. ALL STUMPS AND SIMILAR ORGANIC DEBRIS SHALL BE PROPERLY DISPOSED OF BY THE CONTRACTOR UNLESS A STUMP DUMP IS NOTED ON THE PLAN. NATIVE ORGANIC SOIL MATERIALS SUITABLE FOR USE AS TOPSOIL SHALL BE STOCKPILES SHALL BE TEMPORARILY SEEDED WITH WINTER RYE AND BE SURROUNDED BY PERIMETER CONTROLS TO PREVENT REGSION. THIS PROJECT IS TO BE MANAGED IN A MANOR THAT MEETS THE REQUIREMENTS AND INTENT OF RSA 430:53 AND CHAPTER AGR.300 CRELATIVE TO INVASIVE SPECIES. ALL PERMANENT EROSION CONTROL MEASURES AND DETENTION FACILITIES SHOULD BE INSTALLED PRIOR TO GRADING FOR PROJECT. 4.30:53 AND CHAPTER AGR 3900 RELATIVE TO INVASIVE SPECIES.
  6. ALL FERMARENT EROSION CONTROL MEASURES AND DETENTION FACILITIES SHOULD BE INSTALLED PRIOR TO GRADING FOR PROJECT.
  COMMENCE CAST SYSTEMPERATIONS.
  8. ORADE. INCOMPLETE WORK SHALL BE PROTECTED FROM SILTATION BY THE USE OF PERIMETER CONTROLS UNTIL THE SITE HAS BECOME FULLY STABILIZED.
  9. AN AREA SHALL BE CONSIDERED STABLE IF ONE OF THE FOLLOWING HAS OCCURRED:
  A. ANIMUM OF 85% VEGETATED GROWTH HAS BEEN ESTABLISHED;
  B. A MINIMUM OF 35% VEGETATED GROWTH HAS BEEN ESTABLISHED;
  C. A. MINIMUM OF 35% VEGETATED GROWTH HAS BEEN ESTABLISHED;
  J. F. DURING CONSTRUCTION, IT BECOMES APAPARENT THAT ADDITIONAL EROSION AND SEDIMENT CONTROL DEVICES ARE REQUIRED, THE OWNERS SHALL BE REQUIRED TO INSTALLED; OR EROSION CONTROL BLANKETS HAVE BEEN PROPERLY INSTALLED;
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  10. ALL STORMWATER FLOWS SHALL NOT BE DIRECTED TO THE STORMWATER MEASURES UNTIL ALL CONTROLUZED PRIOR TO DIRECTING RUNOFF TO THEM.
  11. COMPLETE GRADING ARAVE BEEN DERDES STABLE AND SWALES SHALL BE STABLIZED PRIOR TO DIRECTING RUNOFF TO THEM.
  11. COMPLETE GRADING ACTIVITES AND WHEN COMPLETE, BEGIN TOPSOLING PROPOSED TURF AREAS USING STOCKPRILED.
  12. OWNELETE GRADING ARAVE BEIND EXALLED TO THE STORMWATER MEASURES UNTIL ALL CONTROLUZED PRIOR TO DIRECTING RUNOFF TO THEM.
  13. COMPLETE GRADING ACTIVITES AND WHEN COMPLETE, BEGIN TOPSOLING PROPOSED TURF AREAS USING STOCKPRILED LAM SUPPLEMENTED WITH BORROW LOAM, IF NEOCESARY, TO LEAVE THE SPECIFIED THICKNES.

- THICKNESS. I. FINE GRADE ALL TURF AREAS AND COMPLETE PERMANENT SEEDING AND LANDSCAPING BY HYDROSEEDING WITH THE SPECIFIED SEED MIXTURE IMMEDIATELY AFTER FINE GRADING IS COMPLETED. ALL AREAS SHALL BE STABILIZED WITHIN 72 HOURS OF ACHIEVING FINIS HRADE. J. REMOVE TEMPORARY EROSION CONTROL MEASURES AFTER SEEDED AREAS HAVE ESTABLISHED THEMSELVES.
- CONSTRUCTION SEQUENCE

- ALL MEASURES IN THE PLAN SHALL MEET AS A MINIMUM THE BEST MANAGEMENT PRACTICES SET FORTH IN VOLUME 3 OF THE NEW HAMPSHIRE STORMWATER MANUAL "EROSION AND SEDIMENT CONTROLS DURING CONSTRUCTION" AS PUBLISHED AND AMENDED BY THE NEW HAMPSHIRE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES. THIS PROJECT IS TO BE MANAGED IN A MANOR THAT MEETS THE REQUIREMENTS AND INTENT OF RSA 430:53 AND CHAPTER AGR 3800 RELATIVE TO INVASIVE SPECIES. WHENEVER PRACTICAL, NATURAL VEGETATION SHALL BE RETAINED, PROTECTED OR SUPPLEMENTED. THE STRIPPING OF VEGETATION SHALL BE DONE IN A MANNER THAT MINIMIZES SOIL EROSION. APPROPRIATE EROSION AND SEDIMENT CONTROL MEASURES SHALL BE INSTALLED PRIOR TO LAND DISTURBANCE. THE AREA OF DISTURBANCE SHALL BE KEPT TO A MINIMUM. DISTURBED AREAS REMAINING IDLE FOR MORE THAN 30 DAYS SHALL BE STABILIZED.

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- THE TOWN OF MIDFOR STALL RESERVE THE NIGHT TO REUGHE FORTHER ENDING CONTRUCT PARCILES JOINING CONTRUCTION THE LOWING OF MIDFOR STALL INSTALL INSTALL INSTECT, REPORT, OPERATE, AND MAINTAIN ALL STORWARTER MANAGEMENT AND EROSION CONTROL MEASURES FROURED BY THESE PLANS.
   TEMPORARY EROSION CONTROL MEASURES SHALL BE INSTALLED IN STRUCT ACCORDANCE WITH PROJECT PLANS. IN ADDITION, SMILAR MEASURES SHALL BE INSTALLED WHERE AND WHEN THE FIELD CONDITION, OR FIELD OPERATION OF THE INDIVIDUAL SITE CONTRACTOR, MAY WARRANT.
   ALL DISTURBED AREAS DESIGNATED TO BE TURF, SHALL RECEIVE A MINIMUM APPLICATION OF 4 INCHES OF LOAM (COMPACTED THICKNESS), PRIOR TO FINAL SECTION AND MULCHING.
   IN THE EVENT THAT, DURING CONSTRUCTION OF ANY PORTION OF THIS PROJECT, A WINTER SHUTDOWN IS NECESSARY, THE CONTRACTOR SHALL ISTBUIZE ALL INCOMPLETE WORK AND PROVIDE FOR SUITABLE METHODS OF DIVERTING RUNOFF IN ORDER TO ELIMINATE SHEET FLOW ACROSS FROZEN SURFACES.
   DUST SHALL BE CONTROLLED BY THE USE OF WATER AS NECESSARY THROUGHOUT THE CONSTRUCTION PERIOD, IN ACCORDANCE WITH ENV-A 1000.
   IN NO WAY ARE THOSE TEMPORARY EROSION CONTROL MEASURES INDICATED ON THESE PLANS TO BE CONSIDERED ALL INCLUSIVE. THE CONTRACTOR SHALL USE JUDGEMENT IN INSTALLING SUPPLEMENTARY EROSION CONTROL MEASURES WHERE AND WHEN SPECIFIC SITE CONTRACTOR SHALL USE JUDGEMENT IN INSTALLING SUPPLEMENTARY EROSION CONTROL MEASURES WHERE AND WHEN SPECIFIC SITE CONTROL OF A PERIOD OF TIME EXCEEDING THERY (30) CALENDAR DAYS.
   THES SHALL BE LIMITED TO THE AREAS SWITHIN THE LIMITS OF CLEARING AS SHOWN ON THE PLAN. AT NO TIME SHALL MORE THAN TIVE (5) ACRES OF SITE AREA BE IN AN UNSTABLIE CONDITION. NO GIVEN AREA OF THE SITE SHALL BUEFT IN AN UNSTABILIZED CONDITION FOR A PERIOD OF TIME EXCEEDING THIRTY (30) CALENDAR DAYS.
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BE FULLY STABILIZED PRIOR TO RECEIVING STORMWATER. PERIODIC INSPECTION AND MAINTENANCE TO MAINTAIN DESIGN INTENT IS REQUIRED.
21. ALL DISTURBED AREAS DESIGNATED TO BE TURF, SHALL RECEIVE THE REQUIRED AMOUNT OF LOAM (COMPACTED THICKNESS), PRIOR TO FINAL SEEDING AND MULCHING.
22. IF DURING CONSTRUCTION A WINTER SHUTDOWN IS NECESSARY. THE CONTRACTOR SHALL STABILIZE ALL INCOMPLETE WORK AND PROVIDE FOR SUITABLE METHODS OF DIVERTING RUNOFF IN ORDER TO ELIMINATE SHEET FLOW ACROSS FROZEN SURFACES.
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23. ALL DUST SHALL BE CONTROL BLANKETS HAVE BEEN PROPERLY INSTALLED.
23. ALL DUST SHALL BE CONTROLLED BY THE USE OF WATER IN ACCORDANCE WITH ENV-A 1000.
24. IF, DURING CONSTRUCTION. IT DECOMES APPARENT THAT ADDITIONAL ERGSION AND SEDIMENT CONTROL DEVICES ARE REQUIRED, THE OWNER SHALL BE CONTROLLED BY THE USE OF WATER IN ACCORDANCE WITH ENV-A 1000.
23. JUE MATTING INSTALLED. TO INSTALL THE RECOMMENDED BEST MANARGEMENT PRACTICE OUTLINED IN VOLUME 3 OF THE NEW HAMPSHIRE STORMWATER MANUAL ERGSION AND SEDIMENT CONTROL DEVICES ARE REQUIRED, THE OWNER SHALL BE CONTROLLED BY THE NECOMMENDED BEST MANARGEMENT PRACTICE OUTLINED IN VOLUME 3 OF THE NEW HAMPSHIRE STORMWATER MANUAL ERGSION AND SEDIMENT CONTRUCTION. TO RECOME SHALL BE CONTROLED BEST MANARGEMENT PRACTICE OUTLINED IN VOLUME 3 OF THE NEW HAMPSHIRE STORMWATER MANUAL ERGSION AND SEDIMENT CONTRUCTION" ON ALL 3:1 SLOPES OR GREATER.
26. ALL ROADWAYS AND PARKING AREAS SHALL BE STABILIZED MITHIN 72 HOURS.
27. ALL CUT AND FILL SLOPES SHALL BE SEEDED AND MULCHED WITHIN 72 HOURS.

ALL PROPOSED POST-DEVELOPMENT VEGETATED AREAS WHICH DO NOT EXHIBIT A MINIMUM OF 85% VEGETATIVE GROWTH BY OCTOBER 15TH, OR WHICH ARE DISTURBED AFTER OCTOBER 15TH, SHALL BE STABILIZED BY SEEDING AND INSTALLING EROSION CONTROL BLANKETS ON SLOPES GREATER THAN 3:1, AND SEEDING AND PLACING 3 TO 4 TONS OF MULCH PER ACRE, SECURED WITH ANCHORED NETTING ELSEWHERE. THE PLACING 3 TO 4 TONS OF MULCH PER ACRE, SECURED WITH ANCHORED NETTING UNE OVER ACCUMULATED SNOW OR ON FROZEN GROUND AND SHALL BE COMPLETED IN ADVANCE OF THAW OR SPRING MELT EVENTS.
 ALL DITCHES OR SWALLES WHICH DO NOT EXHIBIT A MINIMUM OF 85% VEGETATIVE GROWTH BY OCTOBER 15TH, OR WHICH ARE DISTURBED AFTER OCTOBER 15TH, SHALL BE STABILIZED WITH STONE OR EROSION CONTROL BLANKETS APPRORTATE FOR THE DESIGN FLOW CONDITIONS.
 AFTER OCTOBER 15TH, INCOMPLETE ROAD SHALL BE PROTECTED WITH A MINIMUM OF 3 INCHES OF CRUSHED GRAVEL (MHONT 304.3).

GENTLE SLOPES

OVERLAND FLOW (SEE NOTE 1)

NOT TO SCALE

MOBILE FUELING NOTES

GENTLE

EROSION CONTROL NOTES

NOTES: 1. MAXIMUM AREA FOR OVERFLOW SEDIMENT TRAP IS USUALLY 1 ACRE. MUST HAVE GENTLE SLOPES (LESS THAN 2% GRADUALLY) AND PREDOMINATELY OVERLAND SHEET FLOW. WET DEPTH IS 2. FEET. 2. MAXIMUM PERMANENT TRAPS MAY NOT BE EFFECTIVE OVERFLOW SEDIMENT TRAPS MAY NOT BE EFFECTIVE OVERFLOW SEDIMENT.

SEDIMENT TRAP DETAIL

CRUSHED GRAVEL (NHDOT 304.3)

WINTER CONSTRUCTION NOTES

SEE NOTE 3

ALL AREAS TO BE SEEDED SHALL BE PREPARED TO PROVIDE A REASONABLY FIRM BUT FRIABLE SEED BED. SLOPED AREAS SHALL NOT BE LEFT TOO SMOOTH; THE SURFACE SHALL BE LEFT IN A RUFFLED CONDITION SUCH AS MAY BE PRODUCED BY THE USE OF TRACKED VEHICLES INU UP AND DOWN THE SLOPES. SMOOTH, COMPACTED SLOPES, SUCH AS FROM BLADING, WHICH MICHT ALLOW THE FREE FLOW OF WATER DOWN THEM SHALL BE DISKED, HARROWED, DRAGED WITH A CHAIN OR MAT, MACHINE-RAKED, OR HAND-WORKED TO GIVE THE EFFECT OF MINIATURE TERRACES, PARTICULARLY IN SILTY OR CLAYEY SOILS. THE SLOPES SHALL BE LIFT SMOOTH FONDICHT DENABLE MOWING

THE EFFECT OF MINATURE TERRACES, PARTICULARLY IN SILTY OR CLAYEY SOLS. THE SLOPES SHALL BE LEFT SMOOTH ENOUGH TO ENABLE MOWING. LAWM AREAS, SUCH AS WHERE LOAM HAS BEEN SPREAD, SHALL BE PREPARED FOR SEEDING. THE LOAM SHALL BE SPREAD UPON THE PREVIOUSLY PREPARED SUBGRADE SURFACE TO THE DEPTH OF  $4^+\pm 1/2^-$ UNLESS OTHERWISE SPECIFIED AND SHALL BE RAKED CAREFULLY TO REMOVE ALL OBLECTIONABLE MATERIALS. LOAM SHALL BE SPREAD UPON IN SUCH A MANNER AS TO ESTABLISH A LOOSE, FIRABLE SEEDERD. IN ORDER TO MAINTAIN A CONSISTENT GRADE, LOAM PLACED ADJACENT TO LAWNS OR WHERE DIRECTED SHALL BE COMPACTED WITH A ROLLER WEIGHING APPROXIMATELY 100 PEONDS PER FOOT OF ROLLER WOTH. ALL DEPRESSIONS EXPOSED DURING THE ROLLING PROCEDURE SHALL BE FILLED WITH ADDITIONAL LOAM, AND POILED.

DEPRESSIONS EXPOSED DURING THE NULLING THOULDING STRUCTURE OF REFUSE OR MATERIAL TOXIC TO PLANT GROWTH. LOAM SHALL BE FREE OF VABLE PARTS OF PROHIBITED INVASIVE PLANTS LISTED IN TABLE 3800.1 OF PART AGR 3800. LOAM SHALL BE GENERALLY FREE FROM STONES, LUMPS, STUMPS, OR SMILAR OBJECTS LARGER THAN 21'N GREATEST DIAMETER, SUBSOIL, ROOTS, AND WEEDS. THE MINIMUM AND MAXIMUM PH VALUE SHALL BE FROM 5.5 TO 7.6. LOAM SHALL BORTAIN A MINIMUM OF 3 PERCENT AND A MAXIMUM PH VALUE SHALL BE FROM 5.5 TO 7.6. LOAM SHALL CONTAIN A MINIMUM OF 3 PERCENT AND A MAXIMUM PH VALUE SHALL BE FROM 5.5 TO 7.6. LOAM SHALL CONTAIN A MINIMUM OF 3 PERCENT AND A MAXIMUM PH VALUE SHALL BE FROM 5.5 TO 7.6. LOAM SHALL CONTAIN A MINIMUM OF 3 PERCENT AND A MAXIMUM PH VALUE SHALL BE ROM 5.5 TO 7.6. LOAM SHALL CONTAIN A MINIMUM OF 3 PERCENT AND A MAXIMUM PH VALUE SHALL BE ROM 5.5 TO 7.6. LOAM SHALL CONTAIN A MINIMUM OF 3 PERCENT SHALL PASS A NO. 200 SIEVE AS DETERMINED BY LOSS BY ICONTON. NOT MORE THAN AS PERCENT SHALL PASS A NO. 200 SIEVE AS DETERMINED BY LOSS BY ICONTON. NOT MORE THAN DA STAND NO INSTANCE SHALL MORE THAN 20% OF THAT MATERIAL PASSING THE NO. 4 SIEVE CONSIST OF CLAY SIZE PARTICLES.

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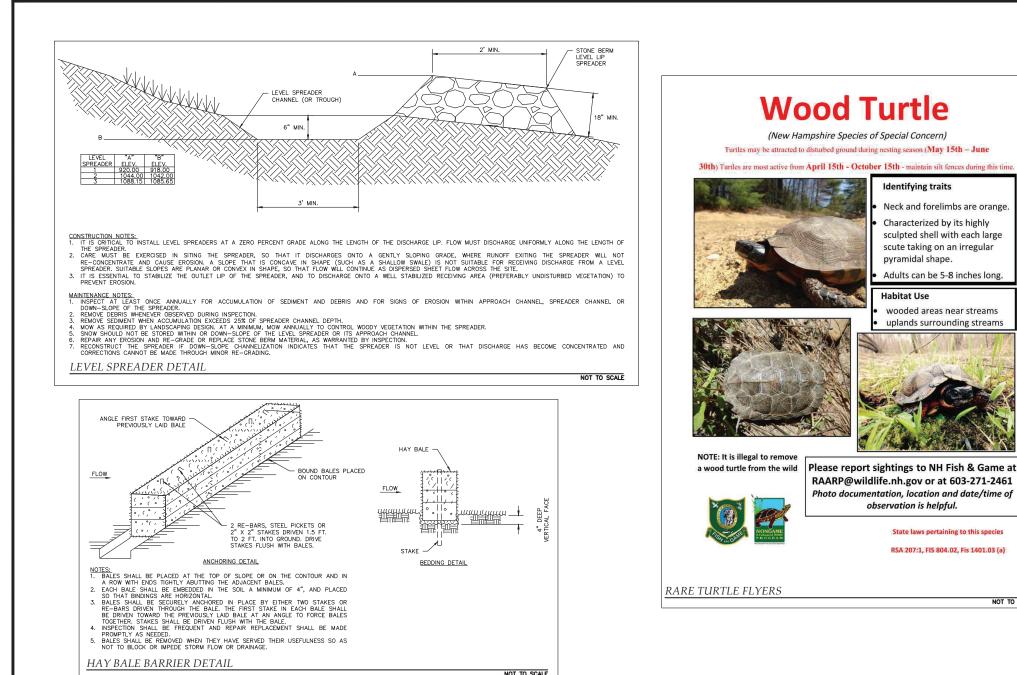
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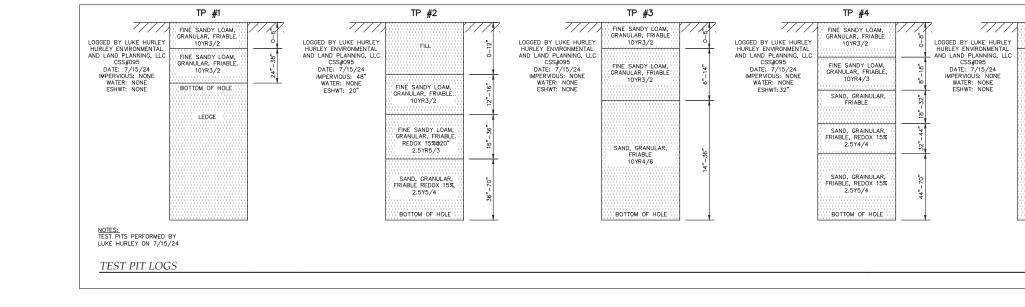
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#### PROTECTED SPECIES INFORMATION:

WOOD TURTLE (GLYPTEMYS INSCULPTA)

NH <u>CONSERVATION STATUS:</u> SPECIES OF SPECIAL CONCERN, WILDLIFE ACTION PLAN SPECIES IN GREATEST NEED OF CONSERVATION. LEGALLY PROTECTED IN NEW HAMPSHIRE: POSSESSION, SALE, IMPORT, AND TAKE (HARM, HARASS, INJURING, KILLING) IS ILLEGAL.

STATE RANK STATUS: VULNERABLE TO EXTIRPATION AND EXTINCTION.

DISTRIBUTION: THROUGHOUT NH EXCEPT REGIONS OF HIGH ELEVATION.

DESCRIPTION: A 5-8 INCH TURTLE CHARACTERIZED BY ITS HIGHLY SCULPTED SHELL WHERE EACH LARCE SCUTE TAKES AN IRREGULAR PYRAMIDAL SHAPE. THE NECK AND FORELIMES ARE ORANGE.

COMMONLY CONFUSED SPECIES: JUVENILE SNAPPING TURTLES.

HABITAT. FOUND IN SLOW-MOVING STREAMS AND CHANNELS WITH SANDY BOTTOMS. EXTENSIVE USE OF TERRESTRIAL HABITATS DURING SUMMER, INCLUDING FLOODPLAINS, MEADOWS, WOODLANDS, FIELDS, AS WELL AS WELLANDS.

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CONSERVATION THREATS: ROAD MORTALITY, HABITAT LOSS AND FRAGMENTATION, STREAM ALTERATION, HUMAN COLLECTION, AND INCREASED ABUNDANCE OF SUBSIDIZED PREDATORS.

SOURCE: NEW HAMPSHIRE FISH AND GAME DEPARTMENT © HTTPS: //WILDLIFE.STATE.NH.US/WILDLIFE/PROFILES/WOOD-TURTLE.HTML

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 ALL OBSERVATIONS OF THREATENED OR ENDANGERED SPECIES SHALL BE REPORTED IMMEDIATELY TO THE NEW HAMPSHIRE FISH AND GAME DEPARTMENT NONGAME AND ENDANGERED WILDLIFE ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW PROGRAM BY PHONE AT 633-271-2461 AND BY EMAIL AT INFERVIEW PROGRAM BY SUBJECT LINE: NHB22-1680, NHB21-0316, KEENE SAND AND GRAVEL, WILDLIFE SPECIES OBSERVATION.
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- To: Jeffrey Merritt, Granite Engineering, LLC 150 Dow Street Suite 421 Manchester, NH 03101 jmerritt@graniteeng.com
- From: NHB Review NH Natural Heritage Bureau Main Contact: Ashley Litwinenko - <u>nhbreview@dncr.nh.gov</u>
- cc: NHFG Review

Date: 02/06/2024 (valid until 02/06/2025)
 Re: DataCheck Review by NH Natural Heritage Bureau and NH Fish & Game
 Permits: MUNICIPAL POR - Keene, Sullivan, NHDES - Alteration of Terrain Permit, NHDES - Wetland Standard
 Dredge & Fill - Minor, USEPA - Stormwater Pollution Prevention

## NHB ID: NHB24-0314

Town:Keene and SullivanLocation:Route 9

**Project Description:** This project proposes the expansion of the existing gravel operations taking place on Keene Tax Map 215 Lot 7 along Route 9. The gravel operations will expand into Sullivan Tax Map 5 Lot 46 and consist of 8 phases. Existing stream crossings along the access road that connects Keene lots 7 and 8, and Sullivan lots 46 and 46-1 will be repaired and permitted. Stream crossing work will only take place on the northern portion of Keene Map 215 Lot 8.

This project is associated with 2 previously submitted NHBs, NHB#23-2849 and NHB#22-3432.

## **Next Steps for Applicant:**

NHB's database has been searched for records of rare species and exemplary natural communities. Please carefully read the comments and consultation requirements below.

**NHB Comments:** No comments at this time.

NHFG Comments: Please refer to NHFG consultation requirements below.

### **NHB Consultation**

If this NHB DataCheck letter includes records of rare plants and/or natural communities/systems, please contact NHB and provide any requested supplementary materials by emailing <a href="https://nheaview@dncr.nh.gov">nheaview@dncr.nh.gov</a>.



### NHB DataCheck Results Letter NH Natural Heritage Bureau Please note: maps and NHB record pages are **confidential** and shall be redacted from public documents.

If this NHB DataCheck letter DOES NOT include any records of rare plants and/or natural communities/systems, no further consultation with NHB is required.

### **NH Fish and Game Department Consultation**

If this NHB DataCheck letter DOES NOT include <u>ANY</u> wildlife species records, then, based on the information submitted, no further consultation with the NH Fish and Game Department pursuant to Fis 1004 is required.

If this NHB DataCheck letter includes a record for a threatened (T) or endangered (E) wildlife species, consultation with the New Hampshire Fish and Game Department under Fis 1004 may be required. To review the Fis 1000 rules (effective February 3, 2022), please go to <a href="https://www.wildlife.nh.gov/wildlife-and-habitat/nongame-and-endangered-species/environmental-review">https://www.wildlife.nh.gov/wildlife-and-habitat/nongame-and-endangered-species/environmental-review</a>. All requests for consultation and submittals should be sent via email to <a href="https://www.wildlife.nh.gov/wildlife.nh.gov">NHFGreview@wildlife.nh.gov</a> or can be sent by mail, and **must include the NHB DataCheck results letter number and "Fis 1004 consultation request" in the subject line**.

If the NHB DataCheck response letter does not include a threatened or endangered wildlife species but includes other wildlife species (e.g., Species of Special Concern), consultation under Fis 1004 is not required; however, some species are protected under other state laws or rules, so coordination with NH Fish & Game is highly recommended or may be required for certain permits. While some permitting processes are exempt from required consultation under Fis 1004 (e.g., *statutory permit by notification, permit by rule, permit by notification, routine roadway registration, docking structure registration, or conditional authorization by rule*), coordination with NH Fish & Game may still be required under the rules governing those specific permitting processes, and it is recommended you contact the applicable permitting agency. For projects <u>not</u> requiring consultation under Fis 1004, but where additional coordination with NH Fish and Game is requested, please email <u>NHFGreview@wildlife.nh.gov</u>, and include the NHB DataCheck results letter number and "review request" in the email subject line.

Contact NH Fish & Game at (603) 271-0467 with questions.



#### **NHB Database Records:**

The following record(s) have been documented in the vicinity of the proposed project. Please see the map and detailed information about the record(s) on the following pages.

Vertebrate species	State ¹	Federal	Notes
Wood Turtle (Glyptemys	SC		Contact the NH Fish & Game Dept (see below).
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¹Codes: "E" = Endangered, "T" = Threatened, "SC" = Special Concern, "--" = an exemplary natural community, or a rare species tracked by NH Natural Heritage that has not yet been added to the official state list.

An asterisk (*) indicates that the most recent report for that occurrence was 20 or more years ago.

For all animal reviews, refer to 'IMPORTANT: NHFG Consultation' section above.

<u>Disclaimer</u>: NHB's database can only tell you of <u>known</u> occurrences that have been reported to NHFG/NHB. Known occurrences are based on information gathered by qualified biologists or members of the public, reported to our offices, and verified by NHB/NHFG.

However, many areas have never been surveyed, or have only been surveyed for certain species.

NHB recommends surveys to determine what species/natural communities are present onsite.



# GORDON SERVICES – KEENE PIT 2024 ACID MINE DRAINAGE POTENTIAL REPORT



57 Route 9, Keene, New Hampshire City of Keene Tax Map 215 Block 7 Town of Sullivan Tax Map 583 Lot 46 & 46-1

**Prepared For:** 

Gordon Services 250 North Street Jaffrey, New Hampshire 03452

## **Prepared By:**

FRONTIER GEOSERVICES 127 OLD WARNER ROAD BRADFORD, NEW HAMPSHIRE 03221

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December 18, 2024 Frontier Project No. 2024012



## 1.0 INTRODUCTION

Frontier Geoservices, LLC. (Frontier) has completed a acid mine drainage potential investigation at the property located at 57 Route 9, in the City of Keene, Cheshire County, New Hampshire The parcels comprising the Site are identified by the City of Keene's Assessor's office on Tax Map 215 as Block 7 (102.7-acres) and the Town of Sullivan, New Hampshire, Assessor's office on Tax Map 5 Lot 46 (172-acres) and 46-1 (25.82-acres.) The Site is currently owned by G2 Holdings, LLC. of 250 North Street, Jaffrey, New Hampshire. Please refer to **Figure 1** for a **Site Location Map**.

Currently, the Site operates as a gravel and earth removal operation for Gordon Services. The current operations are permitted to only encompass one area, Phase 1, of the Site. Gordon Services wishes to expand their current operations to include additional excavation in Period 8 and new excavations in Periods 1 - 7. Please refer to **Figure 2** for a **Site Plan**.

Applicants proposing Earth Excavation are required to provide the information requested in The City of Keene's Article 25 Earth Excavation Regulation. This report provides the information requested in the City of Keene's Article 25.3.6 Toxic or Acid Forming Materials. Investigation activities included the sampling of materials from eight (8) bedrock monitoring wells.

## 2.0 SITE GEOLOGICAL SETTING

Based on review of the *Bedrock Geologic Map of New Hampshire*, 1997, bedrock in the vicinity of the target property is classified as the Silurian-aged Rangeley Formation which is rusty weathering schist, and gray quartz-biotite, muscovite-plagioclase schist that contain local calc-silicate layers. It also has rare quartz-rich layers that appear sandy. A **Bedrock Geologic Map** is included in **Appendix A**.

## 3.0 OCTOBER 2024 BEDROCK MONITORING WELL INSTALLATION AND SAMPLING

Bedrock groundwater monitoring wells were installed at eight (8) locations on October 17 and 18, 2024. Monitoring wells were installed using a 3-inch diameter air hammer to a depth that was greater than or equal to 50-feet below the proposed pit elevation at the respective location. Lithology, water content and fracture occurrence were logged for each bedrock well while drilling. Samples were collected from the drill cuttings at each location for laboratory analysis of acid mine drainage potential which included acid base accounting and shake-flask extraction. Laboratory analysis was performed by SGS Canada, Inc. of Lakefield, Ontario.

Pleaser refer to Figure 2 for a Monitoring Well Location Map.

## 3.1 Bedrock Well Installation

## BRW-1

Monitoring well BRW-1 was installed in the on the boundary between proposed Period 1 and 2 adjacent to MW-1. Bedrock was encountered at a depth of 3.3-feet bgs. The bedrock well was installed as an open borehole to a depth of 54-feet bgs. The ground elevation at this location is 950-feet AMSL. The bottom of the borehole is at an elevation of 896-feet AMSL. The proposed pit floor elevation at this location is 950-feet AMSL. No fractures or water bearing zones were encountered at this location.

#### BRW-2

Monitoring well BRW-2 was installed east of the central portion of Period 3 adjacent to the proposed quarry access road. Bedrock was encountered at a depth of 12.0-feet bgs. The bedrock well was installed as an open borehole to a depth of 62-feet bgs. The ground elevation at this location is 944-feet AMSL. The bottom of the borehole is at an elevation of 882-feet AMSL. The proposed pit floor elevation at this location is 940-feet AMSL. No fractures or water bearing zones were encountered at this location.

#### BRW-3

Monitoring well BRW-3 was installed in the western portion of Period 3 along the proposed quarry access road. Bedrock was encountered at a depth of 14.0-feet bgs. The bedrock well was installed as an open borehole to a depth of 51-feet bgs. The ground elevation at this location is 1,052-feet AMSL. The bottom of the borehole is at an elevation of 1,001-feet AMSL. The proposed pit floor elevation at this location is 1050-feet AMSL. No fractures or water bearing zones were encountered at this location.

#### BRW-4

Monitoring well BRW-4 was installed in the southeastern portion of Period 5. Bedrock was encountered at a depth of 5.0-feet bgs. The bedrock well was installed as an open borehole to a depth of 141-feet bgs. The ground elevation at this location is 1,103-feet AMSL. The bottom of the borehole is at an elevation of 962-feet AMSL. The proposed pit floor elevation at this location is 1,098-feet AMSL. No fractures or water bearing zones were encountered at this location.

#### BRW-5

Monitoring well BRW-5 was installed in the northeastern portion of Period 5. Bedrock was encountered at a depth of 3.0-feet bgs. The bedrock well was installed as an open borehole to a depth of 141-feet bgs. The ground elevation at this location is 1,112-feet AMSL. The bottom of the borehole is at an elevation of 971-feet AMSL. The proposed pit floor elevation at this location is 1,098-feet AMSL. No fractures or water bearing zones were encountered at this location.

#### BRW-6

Monitoring well BRW-6 was installed in the northwestern portion of Period 6. Bedrock was encountered at a depth of 1.0-feet bgs. The bedrock well was installed as an open borehole to a depth of 142-feet bgs. The ground elevation at this location is 1,192-feet AMSL. The bottom of the borehole is at an elevation of 1,050-feet AMSL. The proposed pit floor elevation at this location is 1,098-feet AMSL. No fractures or water bearing zones were encountered at this location.

#### BRW-7

Monitoring well BRW-7 was installed upgradient of the central portion of Period 7. This well is located outside of the proposed project area. Bedrock was encountered at a depth of 1.9-feet bgs. The bedrock well was installed as an open borehole to a depth of 141-feet bgs. The ground elevation at this location is 1,178-feet AMSL. The bottom of the borehole is at an elevation of 1,037-feet AMSL. The proposed pit floor elevation in Period 7, located approximately 70-feet to the south of BRW-7 is 1,098-feet AMSL. A water bearing fracture was encountered at a depth of 5.0' bgs. The fracture produced less than 5-gpm based on airlift testing conducted during drilling. A water level of 0.96-feet bgs was recorded on the day of drilling. No other fractures or water bearing zones were encountered below a depth of 5.0-feet bgs.

#### BRW-8

Monitoring well BRW-8 was installed upgradient of the northern portion of Period 7. This well is located outside of the proposed project area. Bedrock was encountered at a depth of 1.0-feet bgs. The bedrock well was installed as an open borehole to a depth of 141-feet bgs. The ground elevation at this location is 1,182-feet AMSL. The bottom of the borehole is at an elevation of 1,041-feet AMSL. The proposed pit floor elevation in Period 7, located approximately 125-feet to the southwest of BRW-8 is 1,098-feet AMSL. A water bearing fracture was encountered at a depth of 9.0' bgs. The fracture produced less than 5-gpm based on airlift testing conducted during drilling. A water level of 0.84-feet bgs was recorded on the day of drilling. No other fractures or water bearing zones were encountered below a depth of 9.0-feet bgs.

Below is a table summarizing the bedrock elevations, depths, and proposed pit floor elevations.

Well	Ground	Bedrock	Depth/Bottom	Proposed Pit
	Elevation	Depth	Elevation	Floor
	(ft AMSL)	(feet)	(feet/ ft	Elevation
			AMSL)	(ft AMSL)
BRW-1	950	3	54/896	950
BRW-2	944	12	62/882	940
BRW-3	1052	14	51/1,001	1,050
BRW-4	1,103	3	81/1,022	1,098
BRW-5	1,164	3	141/1,023	1,098
BRW-6	1,162	1	122/1,040	1,098
BRW-7	1,178	1.9	141/1,037	1,098*
BRW-8	1,180	1	1,039	1,098*

*Well is located outside of the project area. The pit floor elevation that is noted is the proposed elevation of the nearest excavation.

Please refer to Appendix B for Bedrock Boring and Monitoring Well Construction Logs.

#### 3.0 ACID MINE DRAINAGE POTENTIAL OVEVIEW

Acid Mine Drainage (AMD) occurs when water reacts with sulfur bearing minerals creating sulfuric acid. The acidic water can contain high concentrations of metals dissolved from the rock including arsenic, copper, iron, manganese, nickel and lead depending upon the parent-bedrock.

A variety of chemical reactions can contribute to AMD, however oxidation of pyrite ( $FeS_2$ ) is the common driver for contributing to acid mine drainage. The chemical equation for this process is:

$$2 \text{ FeS}_2 + 7 \text{ O}_2 + 2 \text{ H}_2\text{O} \rightarrow 2 \text{ Fe}^{2+} + 4 \text{ SO}_4^{2-} + 4 \text{ H}^+$$

Oxidation of the pyrite solubilizes ferrous iron which then oxidizes to ferric iron. The chemical equation for this process is:

4 Fe²⁺ + O₂ + 4 H⁺
$$\rightarrow$$
 4 Fe³⁺ + 2 H₂O

Ferric cations produced in the above reaction have the potential to oxidize additional pyrite which is reduced into ferrous ions. The chemical equation for this process is:

$$FeS_2$$
 + 14  $Fe^{3+}$  + 8  $H_2O \rightarrow$  15  $Fe^{2+}$  + 2  $SO_4^{2-}$ + 16  $H^+$ 

The overall result of the chemical reactions is the release of  $H^+$ . This lowers the pH of the water and retains the solubility of ferric ion.

Additionally, low pH waters at mining sites can contain high levels of toxic metals specifically arsenic, copper, iron, manganese, nickel and lead. The potential for the existence of these metals is dependent upon the consistency of the parent-bedrock.

To predict the potential for acid mine drainage at a Site, bedrock samples are laboratory analyzed for their acid producing potential and metals content.

#### 4.0 ACID PRODUCING POTENTIAL ANALYSIS

Acid based accounting (ABA) is a widely used method in predicting the potential for acid mine drainage. ABA analysis measures the reactive sulfur in a sample to determine the Maximum Potential Acidity (MPA) and the content of reactive carbonate to determine the Neutralizing Potential (NP). The MPA of a sample is calculated by multiplying the percent mass of SO₄ in a sample by a constant of 31.25. This constant is derived from the understanding that it requires 31.25 metric tons of CaCO₃ to neutralize 1,000 metric tons of rock containing 1% sulfur. The NP of a sample is calculated by multiplying the percent mass of 83.34 to convert the CaCO₃ percent mass into units of kg CaCO3/ton. The ratio of the NP/MPA predicts the potential for the sample to produce acid mine drainage. Research conducted by diPretoro and Rauch (1988) demonstrated that NP/MPA ratios of <2.4 typically resulted in acid mine drainage and ratios of >2.4 resulted in alkaline discharge.

#### 4.1 ACID BASED ACCOUNTING RESULTS

#### BRW-1

The percent mass of SO₄ in the sample collected from BRW-1 was calculated to be 27.3% and the percent mass of CaCO₃ was calculated to be 11.99%. The calculated MPA of the sample was 8.53 kg SO₄/ton. The calculated NP of the sample was 9.95 kg CaCO₃/ton. The ratio of NP/MPA was calculated to be 1.17. Based on these results this location has the potential to produce acid mine drainage.

#### BRW-2

The percent mass of SO₄ in the sample collected from BRW-2 was calculated to be 29.1% and the percent mass of CaCO₃ was calculated to be 9.11%. The calculated MPA of the sample was 9.11 kg SO₄/ton. The calculated NP of the sample was 2.56 kg CaCO₃/ton. The ratio of NP/MPA was calculated to be 0.28. Based on these results this location has the potential to produce acid mine drainage.

#### BRW-3

The percent mass of SO₄ in the sample collected from BRW-3 was calculated to be 31.4% and the percent mass of CaCO₃ was calculated to be 3.0%. The calculated MPA of the sample was 9.81 kg SO₄/ton. The calculated NP of the sample was 2.49 kg CaCO₃/ton. The ratio of NP/MPA was

calculated to be 0.25. Based on these results this location has the potential to produce acid mine drainage.

#### BRW-4

The percent mass of SO₄ in the sample collected from BRW-4 was calculated to be 36.1% and the percent mass of CaCO₃ was calculated to be 8.7%. The calculated MPA of the sample was 11.27 kg SO₄/ton. The calculated NP of the sample was 7.25 kg CaCO₃/ton. The ratio of NP/MPA was calculated to be 0.64. Based on these results this location has the potential to produce acid mine drainage.

#### BRW-5

The percent mass of SO₄ in the sample collected from BRW-5 was calculated to be 9.1% and the percent mass of CaCO₃ was calculated to be 48.0%. The calculated MPA of the sample was 2.83 kg SO₄/ton. The calculated NP of the sample was 40.02 kg CaCO₃/ton. The ratio of NP/MPA was calculated to be 14.12. Based on these results this location does not have the potential to produce acid mine drainage.

#### BRW-6

The percent mass of SO₄ in the sample collected from BRW-6 was calculated to be 39.0% and the percent mass of CaCO₃ was calculated to be 10.0%. The calculated MPA of the sample was 12.18 kg SO₄/ton. The calculated NP of the sample was 8.33 kg CaCO₃/ton. The ratio of NP/MPA was calculated to be 0.68. Based on these results this location has the potential to produce acid mine drainage.

#### BRW-7

The percent mass of SO₄ in the sample collected from BRW-7 was calculated to be 56.4% and the percent mass of CaCO₃ was calculated to be 0.08%. The calculated MPA of the sample was 17.63 kg SO₄/ton. The calculated NP of the sample was 0.67 kg CaCO₃/ton. The ratio of NP/MPA was calculated to be 0.04. Based on these results this location has the potential to produce acid mine drainage.

It should be noted that this location is outside of the proposed project area.

#### BRW-8

The percent mass of SO₄ in the sample collected from BRW-8 was calculated to be 66.1% and the percent mass of CaCO₃ was calculated to be 1.1%. The calculated MPA of the sample was 20.67 kg SO₄/ton. The calculated NP of the sample was 0.92 kg CaCO₃/ton. The ratio of NP/MPA was calculated to be 0.04. Based on these results this location has the potential to produce acid mine drainage.

It should be noted that this location is outside of the proposed project area.

Please refer to Appendix C for Tabulated Summary of Acid Based Accounting Results.

# 5.0 BEDROCK METALS CONCENTRATION ANALYSIS

The shake flask extraction laboratory method is a commonly used analysis to determine the potential for metals to leach from a bedrock sample. In this method the sample is saturated in water or a weak acid and shook to dissolve the metals into solution. The solution is then analyzed to determine the

concentrations of dissolved metals. This method is used to predict the potential how much of a particular metal may be released under acid mine drainage conditions. For this report metals including; arsenic, copper, iron, manganese, nickel and lead were found to be the primary potential contaminants associated with AMD.

#### 5.1 Shake Flask Extraction Results

#### BRW-1

The sample collected from BRW-1 had reported concentrations of arsenic at 1.4  $\mu$ g/g, copper at 69  $\mu$ g/g, iron at 61,000  $\mu$ g/g, manganese at 510  $\mu$ g/g, nickel at 54  $\mu$ g/g and lead at 20  $\mu$ g/g.

# BRW-2

The sample collected from BRW-2 had reported concentrations of arsenic at 1.0  $\mu$ g/g, copper at 67  $\mu$ g/g, iron at 62,000  $\mu$ g/g, manganese at 850  $\mu$ g/g, nickel at 57  $\mu$ g/g and lead at 18  $\mu$ g/g.

#### BRW-3

The sample collected from BRW-3 had reported concentrations of arsenic at 1.2  $\mu$ g/g, copper at 77  $\mu$ g/g, iron at 65,000  $\mu$ g/g, manganese at 730  $\mu$ g/g, nickel at 56  $\mu$ g/g and lead at 17  $\mu$ g/g.

# BRW-4

The sample collected from BRW-4 had reported concentrations of arsenic at 1.4  $\mu$ g/g, copper at 63  $\mu$ g/g, iron at 62,000  $\mu$ g/g, manganese at 710  $\mu$ g/g, nickel at 56  $\mu$ g/g and lead at 19  $\mu$ g/g.

#### BRW-5

The sample collected from BRW-5 had reported concentrations of arsenic at 0.6  $\mu$ g/g, copper at 6.6  $\mu$ g/g, iron at 7,700  $\mu$ g/g, manganese at 210  $\mu$ g/g, nickel at 8.9  $\mu$ g/g and lead at 45  $\mu$ g/g.

# BRW-6

The sample collected from BRW-6 had reported concentrations of arsenic at 1.2  $\mu$ g/g, copper at 59  $\mu$ g/g, iron at 59,000  $\mu$ g/g, manganese at 560  $\mu$ g/g, nickel at 53  $\mu$ g/g and lead at 24  $\mu$ g/g.

# BRW-7

The sample collected from BRW-7 had reported concentrations of arsenic at 1.3  $\mu$ g/g, copper at 64  $\mu$ g/g, iron at 60,000  $\mu$ g/g, manganese at 570  $\mu$ g/g, nickel at 63  $\mu$ g/g and lead at 22  $\mu$ g/g.

It should be noted that this location is outside of the proposed project area.

# BRW-8

The sample collected from BRW-8 had reported concentrations of arsenic at 1.5  $\mu$ g/g, copper at 40  $\mu$ g/g, iron at 33,000  $\mu$ g/g, manganese at 330  $\mu$ g/g, nickel at 19  $\mu$ g/g and lead at 26  $\mu$ g/g.

It should be noted that this location is outside of the proposed project area.

# Please refer to Appendix D for Tabulated Summary of Shake Flask Extraction Results.

#### 6.0 PROPOSED WATER QUALITY MONITORING

Due to the potential for water at the Site to be affected by acid mine drainage it is proposed that wells SRL-10, SRL-12, BRW-7 and BRW-8 be monitored on a bi-annual basis in the months of April and October. Additionally, samples will be collected from surface water infiltration features constructed throughout the project. All surface water being conveyed from the proposed excavation is to be directed into a surface water infiltration basin. The construction and placement of surface water infiltration features will be iterative based on project progression. Currently there is one surface water infiltration feature located in the western area of Period 8. As new infiltration features are constructed at the Site they will be added to the sampling program. Field parameters including pH, specific conductance, oxidation reduction potential, dissolved oxygen and turbidity and laboratory analysis of dissolved and total metals including; arsenic, copper, iron, manganese, nickel and lead will be performed at each sampling location. Baseline, pre-excavation monitoring will consist of the collection of two (2) rounds of samples collected a minimum of 14 calendar days apart. Results will be reviewed in comparison to the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services (NHDES) Ambient Groundwater Quality Standards (AGQS). All results will be forwarded to the City of Keene Community Development Department within 45 days of sample collection.

#### Please refer to Figure 3 for a Proposed Water Quality Monitoring Location Map.

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# GORDON SERVICES – KEENE PIT 2024 HYDROGEOLOGIC INVESTIGATION REPORT



57 Route 9, Keene, New Hampshire City of Keene Tax Map 215 Block 7 Town of Sullivan Tax Map 583 Lot 46 & 46-1

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#### 1.0 INTRODUCTION

Frontier Geoservices, LLC. (Frontier) has completed a hydrogeological investigation at the property located at 57 Route 9, in the City of Keene, Cheshire County, New Hampshire The parcels comprising the Site are identified by the City of Keene's Assessor's office on Tax Map 215 as Block 7 (102.7-acres) and the Town of Sullivan, New Hampshire, Assessor's office on Tax Map 5 Lot 46 (172-acres) and 46-1 (25.82-acres. The Site is currently owned by G2 Holdings, LLC. of 250 North Street, Jaffrey, New Hampshire. Please refer to **Figure 1** for a **Site Location Map**.

Currently, the Site operates as a gravel and earth removal operation for Gordon Services. The current operations are permitted to only encompass one area, Period 8, of the Site. Gordon Services wishes to expand their current operations to include additional excavation in Period 8 and new excavations in Periods 1 - 7. Please refer to **Figure 2** for a **Site Plan/Monitoring Well Location Map**.

Applicants proposing Earth Excavation are required to provide the information requested in The City of Keene's Article 25 Earth Excavation Regulation. This report provides the information required to fulfill The City of Keene's Article 25.3.4 Groundwater Quantity. Site activities included the installation of eight (8) overburden monitoring wells and eight (8) bedrock monitoring wells. Monitoring groundwater elevations in the wells was conducted over a minimum of a 2-week period. Additional information was provided through a Limited Hydrogeologic Investigation Report completed by SLR International Corporation of Bedford, New Hampshire, dated March 25, 2022.

It should be noted that based on the results of this investigation and the previous, dewatering of the proposed excavation is not required.

# 2.0 SITE SETTING

The Site consists of a total of 300.52 acres of undeveloped land. The Site has a central latitude of 42°58'27.03" north and longitude of 72°13'34.66" west. The Site currently operates as a gravel and earth removal operation for Gordon Services. As previously mentioned, the Site currently only operates within the limits of Period 8 as shown on the Site Plan.

# 2.1 Description of Structures, Roads and other Improvements

The Site is accessed from the northern side of Route 9 in Keene, New Hampshire via a gravel driveway. The gravel driveway directs traffic to the east and west when entering the pit area. Prior to entering the pit area there is a fueling area, storage shed, and porta-potty located to the east. The current pit area has an elevation of 880-ft above mean sea level (AMSL). Earth removal and processing equipment is staged on the pit floor. Surface water drainage is currently directed to an infiltration basin located on the western side of the current Period 8 excavation. The proposed project area is accessed via former logging roads which were recently cleared.

# 2.2 Current Use of Adjoining Properties

South of the Site is New Hampshire State Route 9. To the east of the Site is a property which consists of various buildings which are occasionally used by the Habitat for Humanity. This property is also owned by G2 Holdings, LLC. There are no other developed properties located to the east of the Site. Several residential properties exist approximately 1,000-feet northwest of the northern property boundary. There are no developed parcels abutting to the east of the Site.

# 2.3 Site Physical Setting

The target property is depicted on the Marlborough, New Hampshire United States Geological Survey (USGS) 7.5 Minute Topographic Map dated 2018 at approximately 42°58'27.03" north and 72°13'34.66" west with a current pit floor elevations of 880-feet above the North American Datum (NAD) of 1983.

Based on review of the *Bedrock Geologic Map of New Hampshire*, 1997, bedrock in the vicinity of the target property is classified as the Silurian-aged Rangeley Formation which is a rusty weathering schist, gray quartz-biotite and muscovite-plagioclase schist that contain local calc-silicate layers. It also has rare quartz-rich layers that appear sandy. A **Bedrock Geologic Map** is included in **Appendix A**.

According to the United States Department of Agriculture's Natural Resource Conservation Service (NRCS) Web Soil Survey (http://websoilsurvey.sc.egov.usda.gov/App/WebSoilSurvey.aspx), soil beneath the target property consists of eight (8) soil types; the Colton gravelly sandy loam, 8 to 15 percent slopes, the Turnbridge-Berkshire complex, 15 to 25 percent slopes, very stony, the Turnbridge-Lyman-rock outcrop complex 8 to 15 percent slopes, the Turnbridge-Lyman-rock outcrop complex 25 to 60 percent slopes, the Berkshire fine sandy loam 15 to 25 percent slopes, the Marlow fine sandy loam 25 to 50 percent slopes, the Sunapee fine sandy loam 8 to 15 percent slopes. The soils identified at the Site are described as being excessively drained to well drained and having a depth to water of greater than 80-inches. Soil types at the Site are depicted in the **NRCS Soil Map** included in **Appendix A** which includes the **NRCS Soil Descriptions**.

The target property is located on the National Flood Insurance Program Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM) – Map Number 33005C0280E, effective May 23, 2006. The **FIRM Image** was available in the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) online database and was reviewed as part of this assessment and is included in **Appendix A**. The map depicts the Site in an area of Minimal Flood Hazard.

# 3.0 PREVIOUS HYDROGEOLOGIC INVESTIGATIONS

As previously mentioned, SLR International of Bedford, New Hampshire completed a Limited Hydrogeologic Investigation Report dated March 25, 2022. The investigation documented the completion of sixteen (16) test pits (TP-1 through TP-16), six (6) soil borings (SRL-1 through SLR-6) and the installation of three (3) groundwater monitoring wells (SRL-10 through SRL-12).

The test pits were excavated to depths ranging from a maximum of 15.5-feet below ground surface (bgs) at TP-4 to a minimum of 3-feet bgs at TP-8. Probable bedrock was encountered in test pits TP-7, TP-8, TP-9 and TP-10. The primary purpose of the test pits was to collect samples for gradation analyses performed in accordance with ASTM D442/D1140. Materials encountered in test pits TP-1, TP-2, TP-3, TP-5, TP-6, TP-7, TP9, TP-10, TP-13 and TP-14 were classified as glacial till. Materials encountered in test pits TP-4 and TP-12 were classified as glacial outwash. Samples were not collected from test pits TP-8, TP-11, TP-15 and TP-16. None of the test pits encountered saturated groundwater conditions.

Soil borings SRL-1 through SRL-6 were advanced to depths ranging from a maximum of 28-feet bgs at SRL-5 to a minimum of 2-feet bgs at SRL-2. Probable bedrock was encountered in soil borings

SRL-1, SRL-2, SRL-4, SRL-5 and SRL-6. The primary purpose of the soil borings was to collect samples for gradation analyses performed in accordance with ASTM D6913. Materials encountered in soil boring SRL-1 were classified as glacial till. Materials encountered in soil borings in soil borings SRL-4 and SRL-6 were classified as glacial outwash. SRL-5 materials had a combined consistency of glacial till and glacial outwash. Samples were not collected from SRL-2 and SRL-3. None of the soil borings encountered saturated groundwater conditions. SRL-6 did have "wet" materials at the bottom of the soil boring at 10-feet bgs. However, it should be noted that this boring was completed outside of the proposed project area.

Monitoring well SRL-10 was installed in the southwest corner of Period 8 to a depth of 55-feet bgs in overburden materials. Bedrock was not encountered at this location. The screened interval of the well was from 5-feet to 55-feet bgs. A water level of 42.9-feet bgs was recorded on March 22, 2022. This is interpreted to be the seasonal high for well SRL-10. More recently, a water level of 52.85-feet bgs was recorded on December 12, 2024.

Monitoring well SRL-11 was installed in the eastern section of the Period 8 area to a depth of 45.2feet bgs in overburden materials. The advanced prior to the installation of the monitoring well was advanced to a depth of 76-feet bgs. Bedrock was not encountered at this location. The screened interval of the well was from 5-feet to 45.2-feet bgs. Groundwater was not encountered in the soil boring or observed during the March 22, 2022 gauging event. This well has since been destroyed.

Monitoring well SRL-12 was installed in bedrock in the north-central section of the Period 8 to a depth of 39.5-feet bgs. Bedrock was encountered at a depth of 11-feet bgs. The screened interval of the well was from 4.5-feet to 39.5-feet bgs. It should be noted that this well is cross-screened between the overburden and bedrock materials. A water bearing fracture was reportedly encountered at 28-feet bgs. A water level of 1.5-feet bgs was recorded on March 22, 2022. This is interpreted to be the seasonal high for well SRL-12. More recently, a water level of 7.5-feet bgs was recorded on December 12, 2024.

Please refer to **Appendix B** for a copy of the **SLR International Limited Hydrogeologic Investigation Report**.

# 4.0 JULY 2024 OVERBURDEN MONITORING WELL INSTALLATION

A total of eight (8) overburden locations were investigated for the potential of installation of a groundwater monitoring well on July 22 and 23, 2024. Prior to installation of a monitoring well a soil boring was conducted to refusal depth. Soils retrieved from the boring were logged for their lithologic and water content and also screened for volatile organic compounds (VOCs) using a MiniRae 3000 photo-ionization detector (PID). Monitoring wells were installed by advancing 4-inch diameter steel casing at the boring location. The casing was then "washed" using clean water. 2-inch diameter polyvinyl chloride (PVC) screen and riser of varying lengths were used in construction of the wells. The annulus surrounding the screen portion of the monitoring wells was filled using clean silica sand to a level of 1-foot above the screen/riser interface. Bentonite chips were emplaced around the riser to a depth of 1-foot bgs and the remaining portion of the borehole was filled with native materials.

# Please refer to **Figure 2** for a **Monitoring Well Location Map**.

#### 4.1 Overburden Monitoring Well Installations

#### MW-1

Monitoring well MW-1 was installed in the on the boundary between proposed Period 1 and 2. Overburden materials consisted of dry, brown, sandy gravel. Bedrock was encountered at a depth of 3.3-feet bgs. A monitoring well was installed to a depth of 3.3-feet bgs and constructed using approximately 2-feet of PVC screen and 1.5-feet of solid riser. Groundwater was not encountered at this location.

#### MW-2

Monitoring well MW-2 was installed east of the central portion of Period 3 adjacent to the proposed quarry access road. Overburden materials consisted of dry, brown, sandy gravel. Bedrock was encountered at a depth of 12.0-feet bgs. A monitoring well was installed to a depth of 12.0' bgs and constructed using approximately 10-feet of PVC screen and 2-feet of solid riser. Groundwater was not encountered at this location.

#### MW-3

Monitoring well MW-3 was installed in the western portion of Period 3 along the proposed quarry access road. Overburden materials consisted of dry, brown, sandy gravel with occasional cobbles. Bedrock was encountered at a depth of 14.2-feet bgs. A monitoring well was installed to a depth of 14.2-feet bgs and constructed using approximately 10-feet of PVC screen and 5-feet of solid riser. Groundwater was not encountered at this location.

#### MW-4

Monitoring well MW-4 was installed in the southeastern portion of Period 5. Overburden materials consisted of dry, brown, sandy gravel. Bedrock was encountered at a depth of 3-feet bgs. A monitoring well was installed to a depth of 3-feet bgs and constructed using approximately 2-feet of PVC screen and 1-foot of solid riser. Groundwater was not encountered at this location.

#### MW-5

Monitoring well MW-5 was installed in the northeastern portion of Period 5. Overburden materials consisted of dry, brown, sandy gravel. Bedrock was encountered at a depth of 5-feet bgs. A monitoring well was installed to a depth of 5-feet bgs and constructed using approximately 4-feet of PVC screen and 1-foot of solid riser. Groundwater was not encountered at this location.

#### MW-6

Monitoring well MW-6 was installed in the northwestern portion of Period 6. Overburden materials consisted of dry, brown, silty sand, sand, gravel and fragmented bedrock. Bedrock was encountered at a depth of 0.9-feet bgs. A monitoring well was not installed at this location.

#### MW-7

Monitoring well MW-7 was installed upgradient of the central portion of Period 7. Overburden materials consisted of dry, brown, silty sand, sand, gravel and fragmented bedrock. Bedrock was encountered at a depth of 1.9-feet bgs. A monitoring well was not installed at this location.

#### MW-8

Monitoring well MW-8 was installed upgradient of the northern portion of Period 7. Overburden materials consisted of dry, brown, silty sand, sand, gravel and fragmented bedrock. Bedrock was encountered at a depth of 1.0-feet bgs. A monitoring well was not installed at this location.

Please refer to Appendix C for Overburden Boring and Monitoring Well Construction Logs.

#### 4.1 Overburden Monitoring Well Groundwater Levels

Groundwater levels were measured on July 23, 2024, August 5, 2024 and October 17, 2024. Groundwater was not observed in any of the overburden groundwater monitoring wells.

#### 5.0 OCTOBER 2024 BEDROCK MONITORING WELL INSTALLATION

Bedrock groundwater monitoring wells were installed at eight (8) locations on October 17 and 18, 2024. Monitoring wells were installed using a 3-inch diameter air hammer to a depth that was greater than or equal to 50-feet below the proposed pit elevation at the respective location. Lithology, water content and fracture occurrence were logged for each bedrock well. Samples were collected from the drill cuttings at each location for laboratory analysis of acid mine drainage potential which included acid base accounting and shake flask extraction. The results from the acid mine drainage potential analyses are included in a separate report titled "Gordon Services – Keene – Acid Mine Drainage Potential Report", dated December 18, 2024.

#### Please refer to Figure 2 for a Monitoring Well Location Map.

#### 5.1 Bedrock Well Installation

#### BRW-1

Monitoring well BRW-1 was installed in the on the boundary between proposed Period 1 and 2 adjacent to MW-1. Bedrock was encountered at a depth of 3.3-feet bgs. The bedrock well was installed as an open borehole to a depth of 54-feet bgs. The ground elevation at this location is 950-feet AMSL. The bottom of the borehole is at an elevation of 896-feet AMSL. The proposed pit floor elevation at this location is 950-feet AMSL. No fractures or water bearing zones were encountered at this location.

# BRW-2

Monitoring well BRW-2 was installed east of the central portion of Period 3 adjacent to the proposed quarry access road. Bedrock was encountered at a depth of 12.0-feet bgs. The bedrock well was installed as an open borehole to a depth of 62-feet bgs. The ground elevation at this location is 944-feet AMSL. The bottom of the borehole is at an elevation of 882-feet AMSL. The proposed pit floor elevation at this location is 940-feet AMSL. No fractures or water bearing zones were encountered at this location.

#### BRW-3

Monitoring well BRW-3 was installed in the western portion of Period 3 along the proposed quarry access road. Bedrock was encountered at a depth of 14.0-feet bgs. The bedrock well was installed as an open borehole to a depth of 51-feet bgs. The ground elevation at this location is 1,052-feet AMSL. The bottom of the borehole is at an elevation of 1,001-feet AMSL. The proposed pit floor elevation at this location is 1050-feet AMSL. No fractures or water bearing zones were encountered at this location.

# BRW-4

Monitoring well BRW-4 was installed in the southeastern portion of Period 5. Bedrock was encountered at a depth of 5.0-feet bgs. The bedrock well was installed as an open borehole to a depth

of 141-feet bgs. The ground elevation at this location is 1,103-feet AMSL. The bottom of the borehole is at an elevation of 962-feet AMSL. The proposed pit floor elevation at this location is 1,098-feet AMSL. No fractures or water bearing zones were encountered at this location.

#### BRW-5

Monitoring well BRW-5 was installed in the northeastern portion of Period 5. Bedrock was encountered at a depth of 3.0-feet bgs. The bedrock well was installed as an open borehole to a depth of 141-feet bgs. The ground elevation at this location is 1,112-feet AMSL. The bottom of the borehole is at an elevation of 971-feet AMSL. The proposed pit floor elevation at this location is 1,098-feet AMSL. No fractures or water bearing zones were encountered at this location.

#### BRW-6

Monitoring well BRW-6 was installed in the northwestern portion of Period 6. Bedrock was encountered at a depth of 1.0-feet bgs. The bedrock well was installed as an open borehole to a depth of 142-feet bgs. The ground elevation at this location is 1,192-feet AMSL. The bottom of the borehole is at an elevation of 1,050-feet AMSL. The proposed pit floor elevation at this location is 1,098-feet AMSL. No fractures or water bearing zones were encountered at this location.

# BRW-7

Monitoring well BRW-7 was installed upgradient of the central portion of Period 7. This well is located outside of the proposed project area. Bedrock was encountered at a depth of 1.9-feet bgs. The bedrock well was installed as an open borehole to a depth of 141-feet bgs. The ground elevation at this location is 1,178-feet AMSL. The bottom of the borehole is at an elevation of 1,037-feet AMSL. The proposed pit floor elevation in Period 7, located approximately 70-feet to the south of BRW-7 is 1,098-feet AMSL. A water bearing fracture was encountered at a depth of 5.0' bgs. The fracture produced less than 5-gpm based on airlift testing conducted during drilling. A water level of 0.96-feet bgs was recorded on the day of drilling. No other fractures or water bearing zones were encountered below a depth of 5.0-feet bgs.

# BRW-8

Monitoring well BRW-8 was installed upgradient of the northern portion of Period 7. This well is located outside of the proposed project area. Bedrock was encountered at a depth of 1.0-feet bgs. The bedrock well was installed as an open borehole to a depth of 141-feet bgs. The ground elevation at this location is 1,182-feet AMSL. The bottom of the borehole is at an elevation of 1,041-feet AMSL. The proposed pit floor elevation in Period 7, located approximately 125-feet to the southwest of BRW-8 is 1,098-feet AMSL. A water bearing fracture was encountered at a depth of 9.0' bgs. The fracture produced less than 5-gpm based on airlift testing conducted during drilling. A water level of 0.84-feet bgs was recorded on the day of drilling. No other fractures or water bearing zones were encountered below a depth of 9.0-feet bgs.

Below is a table summarizing the bedrock elevations, depths, groundwater levels and proposed pit floor elevations.

Well	Ground	Bedrock	Depth/Bottom	Proposed Pit	Groundwater
	Elevation	Depth	Elevation	Floor	Elevation
	(ft AMSL)	(feet)	(feet/ ft	Elevation	(ft AMSL)
			AMSL)	(ft AMSL)	
BRW-1	950	3	54/896	950	DRY
BRW-2	944	12	62/882	940	DRY
BRW-3	1052	14	51/1,001	1,050	DRY
BRW-4	1,103	3	81/1,022	1,098	DRY
BRW-5	1,112	3	141/971	1,098	DRY
BRW-6	1,192	1	142/1,050	1,098	DRY
BRW-7	1,178	1.9	141/1,037	1,098*	1,177.04
BRW-8	1,182	1	141/1,041	1,098*	1,179.16

*Well is located outside of project area. The pit floor elevation that is noted is the proposed elevation of the nearest excavation.

#### Please refer to Appendix D for Bedrock Boring and Monitoring Well Construction Logs.

#### 5.1 Bedrock Monitoring Well Groundwater Levels

Groundwater levels were measured on October 18, 2024, November 1, 2024 and November 8, 2024. All bedrock wells were found to be dry with the exception of wells BRW-7 and BRW-8. Water levels recorded at those locations during each sampling event were all less than 1-foot below ground surface.

#### 6.0 HYDROGEOLOGICAL CONCEPTUAL MODEL

A hydrogeologic conceptual model has been developed based on the previous hydrogeologic investigation report and results from the installation and monitoring of the eight (8) overburden monitoring wells and eight (8) bedrock wells installed for the proposed project.

None of the overburden monitoring wells installed for this project had any observable groundwater. Previously installed overburden monitoring well SRL-10, located in Period 8 of the project area most recently had a groundwater elevation of 831.85 ft AMSL. An elevation of 841.8 ft AMSL.

It is interpreted that recharge to the overburden aquifer is limited at the Site due to the relatively steep topography. Much of the atmospheric water which falls on the Site either runs off as surface water drainage or taken up through plant water uptake (transpiration). Furthermore, the materials encountered in the soil borings advanced prior to the installation of the overburden monitoring wells consisted primarily of a sand and gravel assortment. These materials are generally of very high hydraulic conductivity, suggesting that they have a high capacity to transmit water. Water which does infiltrate into the subsurface has a low residence time due to the steep topography and sloping bedrock interface. Water which may infiltrate into the overburden materials is transported relatively quickly to a base elevation for overburden groundwater which is interpreted to be demonstrated by the water levels observed in SRL-10.

Bedrock groundwater at the Site is controlled by fracture flow due to the crystalline nature of the bedrock which does not have any pore space. Fractures or groundwater bearing zones were not encountered at monitoring wells BRW-1 through BRW-6. A water bearing fracture was encountered during the previous hydrogeologic investigation at SRL-12 at a depth of 28-feet bgs, elevation 862-feet AMSL. The proposed grading in Period 1 does not encounter this elevation. The proposed grading from Period 1 to Period 8 located to the south maintains a separation of approximately 150-feet from the fracture. Water levels observed in SRL-12 are suspect to interference between overburden groundwater and bedrock groundwater due to the cross-screening of the overburden/bedrock interface. However, the proposed grading of the project does not call for excavation into the area of SRL-12 and therefore groundwater is unlikely to be encountered in Period 1.

Bedrock monitoring wells BRW-7 and BRW-8 encountered fractures at shallow depth of 5-feet and 9-feet respectively. These fractures yielded less than 5 gallons per minute. These wells are in an area where the topography slopes to the north, as opposed to the rest of the Site which slopes to the south. It is interpreted that groundwater flow from these wells is to the north, towards the adjacent wetlands.

# 7.0 PROPOSED WATER LEVEL MONITORING

Based on the results of the previous hydrogeologic investigation and the most recent it is proposed that groundwater level monitoring be conducted monthly at the Site in accordance with the City of Keene's Article 25.3.4C, although no groundwater dewatering is proposed at the Site. Overburden groundwater level monitoring is to be conducted at Site wells including; SRL-10, SRL-12, MW-2 and MW-4. Bedrock groundwater level monitoring is proposed to be conducted SRL-12, BRW-7 and BRW-8. Surface water levels are proposed to be collected from the six (6) wetland areas located adjacent to the project area. Additionally, precipitation data will be collected from a central location at the Site.

# Please refer to Figure 3 for a Proposed Water Level Monitoring Location Map.

Water levels will be reviewed in comparison to the precipitation data and noted for anomalous readings which do not align with the conceptual hydrogeologic model of the Site. Results from water level monitoring will be forwarded to the City of Keene on an annual basis in January of each calendar year. If anomalous groundwater levels are encountered the City of Keene will be notified with 24-hours and groundwater level monitoring of all domestic wells within ½-mile of the Site will be initiated. If water quantity disruptions have been observed in a domestic water supply well with 1/2-mile of the Site as a result of excavation activities, a licensed New Hampshire Well Contractor will be immediately retained for installation of a new water supply well in an unaffected area.

# 8.0 PROPOSED SITE GROUNDWATER QUALITY MONITORING

Due to the potential for groundwater at the Site to be affected by blasting activities, it is proposed that wells SRL-10, SRL-12, BRW-7 and BRW-8 be monitored on a bi-annual basis in the months of April and October for field parameters including; pH, specific conductance, oxidation reduction potential, dissolved oxygen and turbidity and laboratory analysis of volatile organic compounds and nitrate. Baseline, pre-excavation monitoring will consist of the collection of two (2) rounds of samples collected a minimum of 14 calendar days apart. Results will be reviewed in comparison to the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services (NHDES) Ambient Groundwater Quality

Standards (AGQS). All results will be forwarded to the City of Keene Community Development Department within 45 days of sample collection.

# 9.0 PROPOSED OFF-SITE GROUNDWATER QUALITY MONITORING

In accordance with Article 25.3.5 all landowners with ½ -mile of the Site will be offered groundwater quality monitoring. Notification will be made to all landowners via United States Postal Service Certified Mail. The notification will include a description of the requirement to offer sampling and analysis of the landowner's domestic drinking water supply well and an option to decline the offer. It should be noted that landowners may opt in or opt out for sampling at any time during the term of the permit.

Baseline, pre-excavation monitoring of participating landowner wells will consist of the collection of two (2) rounds of drinking water samples collected a minimum of 14 calendar days apart. The samples will be analyzed for volatile organic compounds and nitrate. Sample results will be provided to the landowner via standard United State Postal Service mailing. Additionally, baseline results will be forwarded to the City of Keene Community Development Department within 45 days of sample collection.

On-going, post-excavation monitoring of participating landowner wells will consist of the collection of drinking water samples on a bi-annual basis during the term of the permit and 2 years following the cease of operations at the Site and reclamation. Results will be forwarded to landowners and the City of Keene Community Development Department similarly as noted above.

Drinking water results will be compared to the NHDES AGQS. If adverse impacts are noted, the applicant will immediately be notified to cease bedrock excavation. Additionally, NHDES and the City of Keene will be notified. If monitoring indicates that the excavation activities caused the identified contamination, a licensed New Hampshire Well Contractor will be immediately retained for installation of a new water supply well in an area that has not been impacted by contamination.

# 10.0 PROPOSED GROUNDWATER OCCURRENCE MONITORING

As previously mentioned, bedrock groundwater at the Site is controlled by fracture flow due to the crystalline nature of the bedrock. The blast hole driller shall maintain a log of all boreholes at the Site and note the location of the borehole, depth of the borehole and any fractures or water bearing zones encountered. If a fracture or water bearing zone is encountered in a borehole no blasting shall occur at that location.

# STORMWATER MANAGEMENT REPORT



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# **GORDON SERVICES - KEENE**

Keene: Map 215; Lots 7 & 8 Sullivan: Map 5; Lots 46 & 46-1 57 Route 9 Keene & Sullivan, New Hampshire January 22, 2025

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GE Project No. 23-0201-1

#### I. INTRODUCTION

#### A. Project Description

The subject properties propose the expansion of an existing gravel and earth removal operation for G2 Holdings, LLC. The properties are located at 57 Route 9 in Keene and Sullivan, New Hampshire. The majority of the site is located within the Keene R (Rural) Zoning District. A proposed gravel road will be constructed to access various points on the site. Stormwater runoff will be managed through a series of sediment basins that connect to an existing infiltration pond.

#### B. Existing Site Conditions

Keene Tax Map 215 Lot 7 is approximately 78.4 acres in area. Keene Tax Map 215 Lot 8 is approximately 23.1 acres in area. Sullivan Tax Map 5 Lot 46 is approximately 169.0 acres in area. Tax map 5 Lot 46-1 is approximately 28.1 acres in area. The total area of all four subject properties is therefore 298.6 acres in area. The property is currently developed with a gravel removal operation. There are wetlands on the properties to the north and east. There is an existing, previously permitted, stormwater basin located to the south of the property, closest to Route 9.

According to the Site Specific Soil Survey, the predominant onsite soil types are Sunapee, Tunbridge Lyman Rock Outcrop, and Lyman.

Please refer to sections three (3) and eight (8) of this stormwater report for project specific NRCS soils and SSSS report information.

#### II. STORM DRAINAGE ANALYSIS & DESIGN

#### A. Methodology

The purpose of this analysis was to determine if the proposed sediment ponds could capture, detail, and release the stormwater flows through small, controlled, outlet pipes to both the existing infiltration area located currently on-site, as well as the proposed infiltration area to be completed during the final phase of the project (Period 8).

In accordance with generally accepted engineering practice, the 50-year frequency storm has been used in the various aspects of analysis and design of stormwater management considerations for the subject site. Stormwater-treatment provisions and all drainage facilities have been designed to be fully functional during a 50-year return frequency storm.

In appreciation of the benefits and limitations related to each of the various methods available to design professionals for estimating peak stormwater discharge rates for use in analysis and design, the TR-20 computer model was used. Values for Time of Concentration used in the analysis were estimated using the methodology contained within USDA-S.C.S. publication Urban Hydrology for Small Watersheds Technical Release No. 55 (TR 55).

All proposed stormwater inlet structures were designed to remain under inlet control throughout a design storm of the return frequency noted. Outlet protection for each discharging culvert was designed in accordance with the methodology for the "best management practice", in accordance with a publication entitled New Hampshire Stormwater Manual Volume 2: Post-Construction Best Management Practices Selection and Design. In addition, this publication served as the primary reference for the numerous temporary and permanent erosion control methods incorporated into the design of this project.

All design and analysis calculations performed using the referenced methodologies are attached to this report. The minimum time of concentrations used for the analysis is 6 minutes. These calculations document each catchment area, a breakdown of surface type, time of concentration, rainfall intensity, peak discharge volume, Manning's "n" value, peak velocity, and other descriptive design data for each watershed and pipe segment evaluated. In addition, the "Post Development Drainage Area Plans" graphically define and illustrate the extent of each watershed or catchment area investigated.

#### B. Post-Development Drainage Conditions

In order to evaluate the impact of the proposed development, one (1) Point of Analysis (POA) was analyzed to demonstrate that the peak rates of runoff would not increase from the site improvements.

The primary POA, Link A, is located at the outlet of the existing stormwater basin, toward the southern end of the property, closest to Route 9.

Stormwater from these areas is managed by multiple sediment basins/detention ponds around each work area. These detention ponds are represented in the HydroCAD model and are denoted as SF 5, SF6, SF7, and SF8. The intent of the grading of the pit areas, as well as the haul roads, was to keep the stormwater self contained, with no runoff during a 50-year, 24-hour storm event. The proposed infiltration area was designed to use exfiltration though the native soils as its only means of outlet. Infiltration rates for the infiltration ponds were calculated by the default method as set forth in Env-Wq 1054.14. The practice is located in an area identified in the

Soil Series Survey as Berkshire, Fine Sandy Loam Soils. Using Ksat values for New Hampshire Soils, Soil Scientists of Northern New England, Special Publications No. 5, September 2009, the lowest value associated with Berkshire soils is 0.6 inches per hour. Using a safety factor of 2, the infiltration rate utilized in the drainage analysis is 0.3 inches per hour.

Test pit data performed by TF Moran was used to determine the floor elevation of the pond, keeping it above the estimated seasonal high water table.

The results of the drainage analysis determined that the stormwater was infiltrated in its entirety during a 50-year, 24-hour storm event. This was done through capturing stormwater in large sediment basins with small, controlled outlet devices to release stormwater in a controlled manner and by directing stormwater to the infiltration area.

For a more visual description of the information presented in this section, please refer to the attached "Post-Development Drainage Areas Plan" attached in the appendix of this report.

All of these ponds provide adequate storage to offset the peak rates of runoff for the design storms. The detailed hydrologic and hydraulic relationship of each sub-catchment is described within the HydroCAD stormwater modeling, also contained in the appendix of this report.

The peak stormwater runoff rate for the specific storm frequency is presented and analyzed in the subsequent summary section of this report, for the point of analysis (Table 1).

C. <u>Summary:</u>

TABLE 1: PEAK RUNOFF (ENV-WQ 1507.06)

Site Post Development (Peak Discharge Rate in cfs)				
Description	50-Year			
24-hr Rainfall	5.86"			
	Post - Interim	Post - Final		
A	0.00	0.00		

#### TABLE 2: PEAK STORMWATER POND ELEVATION

Site Post Development (Peak Pond Elevation)				
Description	50-Year			
	Post - Interim	Final		
Stormwater Basin Berm Elevation	874.00	854.00		
Peak 50-Year Storm Elevation	873.69	852.63		

#### III. EROSION & SEDIMENTATION CONTROL PROVISIONS

#### A. <u>Temporary Erosion Control Measures</u>

Temporary erosion and sediment control measures are indicated on the design plans, construction details, general notes and within the drainage report. Although not integral with this stormwater report, due to the size of the proposed development both temporary and permanent erosion control measures will also be specified within the project's Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP). All erosion control measures specified are designed to reduce or eliminate potential soil migration and water quality degradation, both during and after the construction period.

The following temporary erosion control measures will be implemented;

- Silt Fence and/or Silt Logs
- Erosion Control Blankets on slopes 3:1 and steeper
- Riprap Aprons & Spillway Stabilization
- Turf Establishment Hydroseeding with mulch and tackifiers
- Stone Check Dams
- Temporary Sediment Basins

These temporary erosion control measures are also discussed in the projects. Operation and Maintenance plan contained in the appendices of this report.

In addition to the above-listed erosion control measures, references are made throughout the project documents to the <u>New Hampshire Stormwater</u> <u>Manual; Volume 3: Erosion and Sediment Temporary Controls During</u> <u>Construction</u> for additional measures, as necessary.

#### B. Construction Sequence

A site-specific construction sequence sensitive to limiting soil loss due to erosion and associated water quality degradation was prepared specifically for this project and is shown on the project plans. As pointed out in the erosion control notes, it is important for the contractor to recognize that proper judgment in the implementation of work will be essential if erosion is to be limited and protection of completed work is to be realized. Moreover, any specific changes in sequence and/or field conditions affecting the ability of specific erosion control measures to adequately serve their intended purpose should be reported to this office by the contractor. Furthermore, the contractor is encouraged to supplement specified erosion control measures during the construction period where and when in his/ her best judgment, additional protection is warranted.

#### C. <u>Permanent Erosion Control Measures</u>

Similar to temporary erosion control measures, all permanent erosion control measures are indicated on the design plans, construction details, general notes, drainage report, SWPPP and O & M project documents.

The following permanent erosion control measures will be implemented;

- Stone-lined ditches
- Inlet & Outlet Protection Riprap Stabilization
- Stormwater Basins with multi-stage outlets
- Turf Establishment Hydroseeding with mulch and tackifiers

Each of the above-mentioned permanent erosion control measures are designed in a project-specific manner within both state and local regulatory compliance standards.



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# TRAFFIC MEMORANDUM

Date: February 18, 2022

To: City of Keene 3 Washington Street Keene, NH 03431

From: Robert Duval, PE

Re: Proposed Gravel Pit Route 9, Keene, NH TFM Project No. 82549-00

#### INTRODUCTION

TFMoran has prepared this traffic memo on behalf of G2 Holdings, LLC to describe trip generation and the existing roadway network associated with a proposed gravel pit in Keene, NH. The site (Map 215 Lot 7) is located within the Rural Zoning District on the north side of Franklin Pierce Highway (NH 9).

The parcel currently has a gravel access drive into a small clearing. G2 Holdings, LLC is currently using the clearing as a laydown area for their landscape and sitework business. The remaining site consists of woods, steep slopes, and wetlands.

#### PROPOSAL

G2 Holdings, LLC is proposing to construct and operate a 10 +/- acre gravel pit located on The initial phase of the operation will be approximately 5 acres. The gravel driveway will be widened and brush trimmed as necessary to accommodate two-way traffic with adequate sight distance in both directions to support the operation.

#### **DESCRIPTION OF ROADWAYS AND INTERSECTIONS**

#### Franklin Pierce Highway (NH 9)

- Classification. Franklin Pierce Highway is a State-maintained principal arterial that provides east-west travel across the state from Vermont to Maine.
- Lane widths and usage. In the project vicinity, the roadway provides one 12' travel lane in each direction, with 7-8' paved shoulders.
- Pedestrian facilities. There are no sidewalks in the study area.
- Signage and markings. The posted speed limit is 55 mph. Adjacent to the existing driveway is an intersection warning sign. The road has white shoulder markings on both sides. An

eastbound passing zone begins about 300' to the west and extends about 600' east of the driveway, followed by a two-way passing zone.

- Lighting. No roadway lighting is provided in the study area.
- Sight Distance: The existing driveway is located on a straight segment of Franklin Pierce Highway with a gentle curve right approximately 250' west of the site and remains straight approximately 2,000' to the east. The alignment is relatively flat and provides sufficient sight distance in both directions.
- Road conditions. The roadway has moderate grade change, open drainage, and normal crown. The pavement is in good condition with minimal to no cracking, little or no ruts, soft spots, potholes, or other structural defects evident.
- There are minimal other developments in the area. Adjacent uses and driveways consist of:
  - Approximately 350' to the west on the opposite side of the road is the entrance to Otter Brook Beach State Park. No other driveways are present until Sullivan Road, approximately 4,350' from the existing site driveway.
  - Approximately 2100' to the east is a driveway to small commercial home/office development. Another 1500' east of the office development is the entrance to Granite Gorge Ski Area.
- There are no other intersections in the study area.

# TRIP GENERATION

Trip generation was calculated based on the applicant's anticipated pit operation schedule. Site operations will be 7am-5pm Monday through Friday, with Saturday operations 7am-12pm. The site will be occupied by 3 employees. All employees will arrive prior to AM peak hours (7-9am) and leave during PM peak hours (4-6pm).

Trucking operations are expected at 40 trucks per day or less, with arrivals on average at fifteen minute intervals. While one truck is arriving, the previous will be leaving. The last load out will typically leave around 330pm (1130am on Saturday). Employees will leave after site cleanup and equipment shutdown.

	Employee	Emple	oyee					
Time	In	Οι	it	Truc	k In	Truck (	Out	Total Trips
Before 7 AM	3							3
7 AM – 8 AM				4		3		7
8 AM – 9:AM				4		4		8
9 AM – 10 AM				4		4		8
10 AM – 11 AM				4		4		8
11 AM – 12 PM				4		4		8
12 PM – 1 PM				4		4		8
1 PM – 2 PM				4		4		8
2 PM – 3 PM	2 PM – 3 PM			4		4		8
3 PM – 4 PM				2		3		5
After 4 PM		3						3
Total Peak Hour Trips (Adjacent Street)			Trip	os In Trips Out		Г	Total Trips	
Weekday AM (7-9am)			4	4			8	
Weekday PM (4-6pm)			0	3			3	
SAT (11am-1pm)			2	3			5	

#### Employee & Truck Schedule

#### **CONCLUSION**

Based on the minimal scale of operations described above, traffic impacts associated with the project will be negligible. The traffic from this development will add 8 trips or less during all peak hours. Total weekday trips are expected to be on the order of 80 to 90 trips per day (40 - 50 on a Saturday). Most of these trips occur outside peak travel times.

The AADT of NH 9 in 2019 was 9,707 vehicles. Thus the percentage increase is less than 1%, with typically 15 minutes between successive arrivals and departures. The roadway alignment and wide shoulders will facilitate safe access and egress from the site.

We therefore find the traffic associated with this proposal can be safely accommodated by the adjacent roadway without need for improvements. Please let me know if you have any questions in regard to these items.

TFMORAN, INC.

Robert Duval, PE Chief Engineer



# Wetland Functional Assessment

WETLAND AREA 1 G2 HOLDINGS, LLC Map 215, Lot 7 KEENE, NH

# 1.0 INTRODUCTION

# 1.1 ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

Ecosystems Land Planning was commissioned by Granite Engineering to provide this Functions and Values Assessment of Wetland Area 1, to support a request of a waiver to Article 25.3.1.D – Surface Water Resource Setback. Wetland boundaries were originally delineated by Chris Danforth, CWS # 077, in August of 2022, and confirmed on-site by John St. John CWS #222 in July of 2024. This work is based upon information gathered in August of 2024 and in January of 2025.

# 1.2 TERMS

Wetland functions and values refer to the roles and importance of a wetland, determined by its characteristics and surrounding watershed. Functions are inherent to the wetland ecosystem, while values are based on its significance to society.

# 2.0 ASSESSMENT PROCEDURES

The "The Highway Methodology Workbook Supplement: Wetland Functions and Values -A Descriptive Approach" by the US Army Corps of Engineers New England District in September 1999, referred to here as "The Highway Method," was used to assess wetland functions and values of Wetland Area 1, on the above referenced parcel. This method uses qualitative characteristics to determine if a wetland is suitable for specific functions and values. A set list of considerations from The Highway Methodology guided the evaluation process.

Functions and values are designated as "Suitable" if they exhibit some of the qualifying characteristics listed in the method. However, a wetland may be deemed "Not Suitable" the if wetland shows only a few or weak qualifiers of the function or value.

Functions and values are designated as "Principal" if they are crucial to a wetland ecosystem or hold special societal value. The decision on principal functions or values was made using professional judgment without numerical weightings, rankings, or averaging to avoid bias. The Highway Method evaluates 13 of the 14 functions and values required to be assessed by New Hampshire State Law RSA 482A:2. The considerations for assessing each potential function or value are detailed in an excerpt from the "The Highway Methodology Workbook Supplement".

For determinations regarding "Ecological Integrity", as required by RSA 482-A:2, XI:, the "Method for Inventorying and Evaluating Freshwater Wetlands In New Hampshire" (NH Method) was used. See <u>www.nhmethod.org</u>. for additional details.

Please note: the NH Method establishes numerical values only. And, does not ascribe terms such as "Suitable" or "Principle" to wetland functions and values.

# 2.1 GENERAL SITE DESCRIPTION

Soils and Hydrology

Most of the surrounding area consists of upland soils such as Berkshire and Dixfield Fine Sand Loams. These soils are well-drained, with slopes between 0-25%.

Wetland Area 1 has shallow, poorly drained soils which range from 0-15% slopes. Wetland Hydrology is derived from hillslope seepage at the northern end of the valley. Soils are generally saturated due to a restrictive layer near the surface. Surface water and saturation generally decreases from north to south, infiltrating deep underground, causing conditions to revert to upland before reaching the access road to the south.

#### Plant Community

The primary tree species in the wetland area consist of eastern Hemlock, Red Maple, and Beech. The shrub/sapling layer includes Red Maple, Eastern Hemlock, and Beech. The dominant herbaceous vegetation consists of Sensitive Fern in most areas, with a small patch of Cattail in the northernmost area.

# 2.2 FUNCTIONS AND VALUES ASSESSMENT

Overall, this wetland got low scores in most of the wetland functions and values criteria. As a small, isolated hill side seepage wetland, that is located at the bottom of a steep ravine, that is partially surrounded by a berm, that is to be expected. The surrounding land use and altered topology further reduces the value of this wetland to wildlife as habitat and restricts human access.

The highest scores for this wetland were associated with Groundwater Recharge and Ecological Integrity. These scores are due primarily due to the lack of encroachment and despoliation within the wetland boundary.

This wetland also exhibits weak characteristics normally attributed for the function of "Sediment Trapping". However, the existing contours of the land greatly (intentionally) restricts surface water flow into this wetland. And the high permeability of surrounding area all but eliminates the possibility this wetland would receive sediment laden surface water necessary for this function to occur.

Detailed characteristics and analysis of this wetland relative to the 14 functions and values listed in RSA 482:A are detailed in the Functions and Values Assessment Form, below.