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The District Engineer is soliciting comments on the 15 projects which have applied for funding through New Hampshire's In Lieu Fee (ILF) program, the Aquatic Resource Mitigation Fund (ARM Fund). The sponsor for the program is the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services. The program serves as an alternative form of compensation for impacts to aquatic resources authorized by the New England District Army Corps of Engineers (Corps) and/or the State of New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services (NHDES). These projects were submitted in response to an announcement requiring submittal of pre-proposals by April 30, 2012. Full proposals were due by August 10, 2012

The announcement includes the information required for a submission. The announcement, the current amount of funds available for release, and additional information can be found at the ARM Fund website: <http://des.nh.gov/organization/divisions/water/wetlands/wmp/index.htm>.

Any of the projects which involve restoration, enhancement, and/or creation will require Corps, state, or local permits and will be applying individually, not through this public notice.

Attached are the following:

- Summary sheet of projects and the service area in which they are located;
- Funds requested and the aquatic resource types which have been authorized to be impacted; and
- Project descriptions and locus maps for the 15 projects.

Funding available as of this notice, by service area, is:

Pemigawasset-Winnepesaukee:	\$300,000
Salmon Falls:	9,000
Lower Connecticut:	595,000
Middle Connecticut:	180,000
Merrimack:	<u>2,200,000</u>
TOTAL:	\$3,014,000

The decision whether to approve funding for projects will be based on an evaluation of each proposed activity and how and where it will compensate for aquatic resources lost through authorizations issued under Section 404 of the Clean Water Act and/or Section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act. The decision will reflect the national concern for no net loss of aquatic resources. The benefit which may reasonably accrue from each proposal must be balanced against its reasonably foreseeable detriments and/or its appropriateness considering the ecological needs of the service area in which it is located.

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The Corps of Engineers is soliciting comments from the public; Federal, state, and local agencies and officials; Indian Tribes; and other interested parties in order to determine the most appropriate projects to receive funding from the ARM Fund . Any comments received will be provided to the Site Selection Committee which makes recommendations to the New Hampshire Wetlands Council and the Interagency Review Team, including the Corps of Engineers, and will be considered in the evaluation of the projects and the determination of which will receive funding. To make this decision, comments are used to assess impacts on endangered species, historic properties, water quality, general environmental effects, and the other public interest factors. Comments are used in the preparation of an Environmental Assessment and/or an Environmental Impact Statement pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act. Comments are also used to determine the need for a public hearing and to determine the overall public interest of the proposed activity.

The Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act, as amended by the Sustainable Fisheries Act of 1996 (Public Law 104-267), requires all federal agencies to consult with the National Marine Fisheries Service on all actions, or proposed actions, permitted, funded, or undertaken by the agency, that may adversely affect Essential Fish Habitat (EFH).

The District Engineer has made a preliminary determination that the site-specific adverse effect will not be substantial. Further consultation with the National Marine Fisheries Service regarding EFH conservation recommendations is being conducted and will be concluded prior to the final decision.

The New Hampshire State Historic Preservation Office has been provided information on all projects which involve construction for review. However, based on his initial review, the District Engineer has determined that little likelihood exists for the proposed work to impinge upon properties with cultural or Native American significance, or listed in, or eligible for listing in, the National Register of Historic Places.

The New England District, Army Corps of Engineers, has reviewed the list of species protected under the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended, which might occur at the project sites. It is our preliminary determination that the proposed activity for which funding is being sought is designed, situated or will be operated/used in such a manner that it is not likely to adversely affect any Federally listed endangered or threatened species or their designated critical habitat. By this Public Notice, we are requesting that the appropriate Federal Agency concur with our determination.

The State of New Hampshire has an approved Coastal Zone Management Program. Although Coastal Zone Management consistency will be required for some of the individual proposals, by this public notice we are requesting the state provide any applicable comments at this time.

In order to properly evaluate the proposal, we are seeking public comment. Anyone wishing to comment is encouraged to do so. **Comments should be submitted in writing by the above date.** If you have any questions, please contact Ruth M. Ladd at (978) 318-8818, (800) 343-4789 or (800) 362-4367, if calling from within Massachusetts.

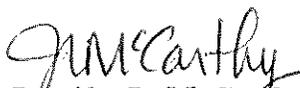
Any person may request, in writing, within the comment period specified in this notice, that a public hearing be held to consider the application. Requests for a public hearing shall specifically state the reasons for holding a

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public hearing. The Corps holds public hearings for the purpose of obtaining public comments when that is the best means for understanding a wide variety of concerns from a diverse segment of the public.

The initial determinations made herein will be reviewed in light of facts submitted in response to this notice. All comments will be considered a matter of public record.

THIS NOTICE IS NOT AN AUTHORIZATION TO DO ANY WORK.


Jennifer L. McCarthy
Chief, Regulatory Division

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PEMIGEWASSET-WINNIPESAUKEE (Available funding \$300,000)

PROJECT NAME/ APPLICANT	TOWN	FUNDS REQUESTED	IMPACTED WETLAND RESOURCES
Hazelton Farm/ Society for the Protection of NH Forests	Hebron	\$100,000	PFO4/1B, PSS1/EM1C, R3UB1, R4SB1

Hazelton Farm, Hebron

The Hazelton Farm consists of 275 acres of land that abuts and enlarges other conservation lands. It has over a 2/3 of a mile of frontage on the Cockermouth River (4th order) and approximately 1.5 miles of frontage along Wise Brook, one of Hebron’s “designated” brooks for buffer protection. It has approximately 22 acres of wetlands and 35 acres of agricultural fields which have important agricultural soils, and have been managed for hay for many years. The Society for the Protection of NH Forests proposes to purchase an easement that will guarantee public access for year-round recreation, including an existing snowmobile trail that follows Tenney Lane. Hazelton Farm lies within a focus area of the Quabbin to Cardigan Conservation Initiative (SPNHF et al), the Lakes Region Conservation Plan (SPNHF, LRCT et al), and is a priority area for the Hebron Conservation Commission, the NLRA Watershed Master Plan (2009), and the NLRA Land and Watershed Committee. The property overlies a stratified drift aquifer and helps to protect the water quality of Newfound Lake. The parcel is 75% managed forest, 20% open field, and 5% wetlands and streams. Approximately 30% of the property’s soils are ranked as “prime”, “statewide importance”, or “local importance” for agriculture; and, 85% of the property’s soils are ranked among the highest suitability category (Group I) for forest products. 98% of the land is ranked as Tier I or the highest ranked wildlife habitat in the State according to the NH Fish & Game’s Wildlife Action Plan. The farm includes 2/3 of a mile of frontage on the Cockermouth River (4th order) and approximately 1.5 miles of frontage along Wise Brook. There are no restoration opportunities to pursue on the property.

SALMON FALLS - PISCATAQUA RIVERS (Available funding \$9,000)

PROJECT NAME/ APPLICANT	TOWN	FUNDS REQUESTED	IMPACTED WETLAND RESOURCES
Thompson Brook Restoration/Great Bay Trout Unlimited	Greenland	\$9,000	Wetland resources have been compensated for and the remaining funds have been carried over.

Thompson Brook Restoration, Greenland

The project will ultimately result in the reconnection of a tributary, fragmented by a perched culvert, shown to support a small population of wild brook trout and historically utilized by river herring, American eel and sea lamprey, to the tidal waters of the Great Bay estuary. This project will also enhance the riverine habitat of that tributary utilizing wood loading, riparian planting, amelioration of impoundments and substrate augmentation, to maximize full utilization of that habitat by the fish species noted above. Thompson Brook is one of the lower watershed tributaries of the Winnicut River which is one of seven major tributary rivers of the Great Bay Estuary of New Hampshire. At minimum, 1.17 miles of potential fish habitat will be opened up by the new culvert construction. Plans are underway to accomplish these goals with the help of a variety of partners including key land abutters.

The Piscataqua Region Estuaries Partnership, a National Estuary Program for the Great Bay and

Hampton-Seabrook estuaries, published their updated Comprehensive Conservation Management Plan (CCMP) in 2010. The Thompson Brook culvert replacement project is within this watershed area and directly implements several of the highest priority Action Plans in the CCMP. In addition, the New Hampshire Fish & Game Department is an active participant in the Eastern Brook Trout Joint Venture.

LOWER CONNECTICUT (Available funding \$595,000)

PROJECT NAME/ APPLICANT	TOWN	FUNDS REQUESTED	IMPACTED WETLAND RESOURCES
Beaver Brook Wetland & Stream Restoration/City of Keene	Keene	\$190,227	PEM1E, PFO1E, L1UBH, PEM1, PSS1, R4SB5, PFO1A
Stream Restoration at Monadnock Park & Sugar River/City of Claremont	Claremont	\$160,000	
Hanchetts Brook Forest & Black Forest/Upper Valley Land Trust	Plainfield	\$297,800	

Beaver Brook Wetland & Stream Restoration, Keene

The proposed project includes restoration of approximately 1 acre of historically filled wetlands and a portion of stream restoration activity within the Beaver Brook watershed in the City of Keene. The objectives of the proposed wetland and stream restoration include: advancement of the on-going effort to restore Beaver Brook; augmentation of flood storage in this area of the City; and creation of additional scientific and educational opportunities that complement on-going projects within the Beaver Brook Watershed.

The proposed restoration parcel is contiguous with Robin Hood Park, which is a 110-acre conservation parcel. The proposed project includes the removal of approximately 6,000 cubic yards of fill and the restoration of an emergent/scrub-shrub wetland. In addition, the proposed project includes restoration activity along a tributary of Beaver Brook by redirecting flow from the stone block channel into the wetland south of Woodlawn Cemetery. Invasive species will be removed, mainly a large Japanese knotweed colony. Fill will be removed and appropriate sedimentation and erosion controls will be installed at the limits of the fill in order to prevent sedimentation into the surrounding wetland area. Stream restoration activities are proposed and an area of stream will be redirected from the channel into the wetland by excavating a small streambed that allows water to flow into the wetland area. The densely vegetated wetland that will be receiving the stream flow is fairly level with an outlet at the northwest corner that extends under a cemetery access road where flows eventually connect with Beaver Brook.

Stream Restoration at Monadnock Park & Sugar River, Claremont

The project is to improve the water quality of the Sugar River and the unnamed perennial stream that flows into the Sugar River in and around Monadnock Park. The drainage for Monadnock Park flows into a drainage stream to the west and north and a perennial stream along the south side of the park. Both streams discharge into the Sugar River. The proposed work includes the following: Sediment and debris removal from perennial stream; removal of invasive species, including the considerable expanse of Japanese Knotweed throughout site areas, especially along the stream banks; stormwater improvements for existing sediment ponds; conversion to rain

garden or other wetland infiltration retention/treatment system; and creation of a permanent buffer along both sides of stream and potentially along the Sugar River, to be used to replant with native riparian species and create trail access. Native riparian species typical for the site area would be planted alongside the stream, and the invasive species and sediment pollution would be removed. An educational component would be the creation of a trail along the buffer zone that will include signage describing different aspects of the wetland areas, stormwater treatment, wildlife habitat, plant species, and other significant information.

Hanchetts Brook Forest & Black Forest, Plainfield

The proposal is to protect approximately 400 acres of undeveloped land through a conservation easement to be held by the Upper Valley Land Trust. These lands include habitats of the highest quality in their eco-region according to the NH Wildlife Action Plan (WAP) and identified as state conservation priorities. Goals for Hanchetts Brook is to permanently protect frontage (1,750 feet of brook traverses the parcel) and wetlands (0.5± acres observed) along Hanchetts Brook, which frontage is among the Highest Ranked Habitat (WAP). Hanchetts Brook flows from Sky Ranch Pond, a deep emergent marsh with surrounding shrub marsh encompassing about 10 acres. Much of the Sky Ranch Pond watershed is under the protection of a UVLT held LCHIP easement, however that easement does not include a riparian buffer around the shore. The owner of the pond is willing to donate additional restrictions around the pond to leverage this project. Hanchetts Brook flows approximately 5,870 feet from Sky Ranch Pond to the Connecticut River. Around the confluence of these water bodies, the NHB identifies multiple Element Occurrences. The protection of a significant portion of Hanchetts Brook will benefit water quality in the area and may serve to benefit these endangered species.

Goals for Black Hill are to protect 101 acres of upland forest adjacent to the brook with 13.2 acres of wetland resources. Both properties buffer and provide over-land connections among and between multiple aquatic resource areas which are also protected, and both protect land within a large unfragmented block relative to the HUC 8 watershed and in close proximity to the impacted resources. No-cut buffers and upland forestry restrictions on the Black Hill Forest parcel, in particular, where prior logging has been intense, will serve to improve nearby aquatic resources.

MIDDLE CONNECTICUT (Available funding \$180,000)

PROJECT NAME/ APPLICANT	TOWN	FUNDS REQUESTED	IMPACTED WETLAND RESOURCES
Mink Brook Nature Preserve In-Holding Acquisition & Restoration/Hanover Conservancy	Hanover	\$49,800	PEM/SS1Ed, PEM1Ed, PFO/SS1E
Mink Brook Restoration/CT River Watershed Council	Etna	\$4,000	

Mink Brook Nature Preserve In-Holding Acquisition & Restoration, Hanover

This project proposes to protect and restore a three lot in-holding in the Mink Brook preserve. The project consists of three lots totaling 1.8 acres, includes almost 600 feet of shoreline on Mink Brook, riparian buffer, and adjacent upland, identified as a priority in Hanover’s 2000 Open Space Priorities Plan. The land is surrounded on all sides by 130 acres of conserved and/or public forestland. The Mink Brook In-holding is enclosed on three sides by the 15.8 acre Tanzi Tract, conveyed to the Town of Hanover in 1967 by the Hanover Conservancy. The Mink Brook drainage currently offers suitable intact habitat for wild brook trout. The Mink Brook In-holding

consists of three small non-conforming lots fronting Mink Brook, vast amount of building materials, old tires, campers, and other debris that covers almost the entire property. The intent of the project is to purchase all three lots, remove all structures and debris, restore the property to a natural condition, and conserve it. The massive amounts of construction materials and other debris now stored on the property will be entirely removed, along with all sources of thermal and other contamination to the brook.

Mink Brook Restoration, Etna

Mink Brook watershed, a direct tributary of the CT River, contains healthy populations of wild brook trout. The main stem of Mink Brook, however, does not provide quality habitat for coldwater species as it could. This project seeks to restore streamside vegetation and improve aquatic habitat along the main stem by working with local landowners to plant native trees and shrubs along their stream banks. The Connecticut River Watershed Council along with Trout Unlimited identified one property owner in Etna, who is supportive of a buffer planting on his land. This could involve between 25’ and 50’ in depth along the approximately 1,500’ of shoreline. CRWC staff will conduct site visits, assess the buffer needs and design a plan to plant native, fast-growing species along the stream bank. Trout Unlimited and the Hanover Conservation Commission will help get the word out to local constituencies about the project and provide volunteer labor for the actual plantings.

MERRIMACK (Available funding \$2,200,000)

PROJECT NAME/ APPLICANT	TOWN	FUNDS REQUESTED	IMPACTED WETLAND RESOURCES
Avery Brook Watershed/Francis-town Land Trust	Francestown	\$237,000	R4UB2, PFO1/4E, PFO, PEM, PFO/R4UB, PFO/SS1E, PEM1E, PSSO1E, PEM1E, POW, PEM1F
Crooked Run/Bear Paw Regional Greenways	Barnstead/Pittsfield/Strafford	\$361,600	
Hinman Pond/Bear Paw Regional Greenways	Hooksett	\$507,800	
Merrimack Riverfront Project/Town of Hooksett	Hooksett	\$1,049,550	
Olsen Property/SPNHF	Boscawen	\$225,000	
Pennichuck Brook Conservation & Restoration/SPNHF	Merrimack	\$1,015,200	
Plaistow Town Forest/Southeast Land Trust	Plaistow	\$100,000	
Soucook River Headwaters/Five Rivers Conservation Trust	Canterbury	\$106,430	

Avery Brook Watershed, Francestown

The project proposes to protect 182 acres of land which is the entire catchment of Avery Brook as it meanders through forestland and exemplary wetland communities to its confluence with the

Piscataquog River. The parcel will be protected by a conservation easement to be held by the Francestown Land Trust. Restoration includes lowering a perched culvert, installing water bars on a logging road, and enhancing 200' of a riparian buffer. The Avery Brook catchment connects and enhances the ecological function of over 3,700 acres of biologically diverse protected land. The property includes the entire length of Avery Brook west, 4,500', nearly all of Avery Brook East, 2,800', and 1,700' along the South Branch of the Piscataquog River. Both branches of Avery Brook are cold, headwater streams demonstrated to be important spawning streams and thermal refugia for eastern brook trout and other cold-water species. Data show Avery Brook has the greatest numbers of first year fish. The watershed contains state endangered and threatened species and a variety of NBB ranked exemplary communities. The property is within WAP Tier 1 habitat and serves as a Wildlife Connectivity Zone. The Avery Brook watershed has cultural and historical significance with the owner's descendants arriving in the area in 1785.

Crooked Run, Barnstead/Pitts-field/Strafford

The project proposes to conserve approx. 600 acres of valuable wildlife habitat to include 85 acres of wetlands, 3 miles of perennial streams, most of the frontage on the 30 acre Adams Pond, and almost half of the frontage on Wild Goose Pond. The parcel will be protected by a conservation easement held by Bear-Paw Regional Greenways. The property includes 57 acres of marshland, 26 acres of other wetlands, and 2 acres of peatland and the 30 acre Adams Pond. Over 200 acres are ranked by the WAP as Tier 2, and 240 acres as Tier 3. The parcel is almost entirely forested with hemlock-hardwood-pine. NHB noted records of ringed boghunter, giant rhododendron and occurrences of Blanding's turtle and small whorled pogonia. The unfragmented forest that includes Crooked Run is large – more than 2,000 acres in extent connecting a 6,000 acre block that includes a previous ARM Fund award, the Evans Mountain property and a 16,000 acre block just to the north. Restoration and habitat improvement opportunities consist of nine sites totaling 16,100 sq.ft. of wetland restoration within the conservation easement.

Hinman Pond, Hooksett

Bear-Paw and NH Fish & Game are working to conserve 460 acre of high value wildlife habitat on Hinman Pond including over 30 acres of wetlands. The parcel lies within a WAP conservation focus area that is greater than 20,000 acres in size, is forested primarily with 350 acres of hemlock-hardwood-pine and 100 ac of Appalachian-oak-pine forest. 27 wetland areas exist on the property that total 30 acres including the prime wetland, Hinman Pond. There is Tier 1 or 2 habitats and approximately 43 vernal pools. 3 perennial streams provide approximately 1 mile of riparian habitat which flow to Dubes Pond and one flows north to Head Pond and then the Merrimack River.

The Hinman Pond property provides critical habitat for a state endangered species and other species of threatened or of special concern. The property abuts Bear Brook State Park and Manchester Water Works properties and lies within the Lake Massabesic watershed, Manchester's public drinking water supply. The project includes 2,450 sq.ft. of wetland restoration on the property. The parcel will be purchased by Bear-Paw with an easement held by NH Fish & Game.

Merrimack Riverfront Project, Hooksett

The proposed Hooksett Merrimack Riverfront Project will permanently protect through fee acquisition and conservation easement, 122 +/- acres of land with 3,900 linear feet of riparian buffer along the Merrimack River and will restore a highly degraded wetland on the parcel that is exporting sediments to the Prime Wetland immediately downstream. The Prime Wetland is located on the property to be purchased. The Hooksett Conservation Commission will purchase

the parcel and donate a conservation easement on the entire property to the Society for Protection of NH Forests (SPNHF). The HCC seeks additional funds to complete tasks necessary to prepare final design plans and implement a restoration plan for 6.5 acres of degraded wetland on the parcel. This project will permanently protect approximately 67.5 acres of wetlands on the parcels and the 100' buffers of all wetlands located on the parcel, as well as the 100' buffer of the Merrimack River. The project will protect upland linkages between wetlands as well as stream channels flowing into project wetlands. The 122 acres to be protected include Tier 1 and Tier 2 habitat, as well as supporting landscapes. The entire property overlies a stratified drift aquifer and is completely within a source water protection area. The 6.5 acre wetland restoration will create 4.0 acre-feet of flood storage, some of which is within the 500-year floodplain of the Merrimack River. The wetland restoration project will enhance the ecological integrity of the Prime Wetland on the parcel by improving sediment retention, nutrient trapping, and flood storage. Wetland wildlife habitat will be improved by seeding and plantings within the wetland restoration area and by removing invasive species within the wetland restoration area.

Olsen Property, Boscawen

The Olsen property in Boscawen is a 304 acre parcel entirely undeveloped with forest and wetlands. The Society for the Protection of NH Forests will purchase a conservation easement that includes more than 11,000' of 3 first order branches of Tannery Brook converging into a wetland then flows southerly into the Merrimack River. The property contains an earthen dam that was constructed in 1980 and is in a condition that requires substantial replacement or removal. The project proposes to remove the dam and restore the site to natural wetlands, and improve habitat associated with stream continuity and allow reestablishment of a natural riparian system.

The property contains an unusual elevated wetland that appears to be a kettle pond bog surrounded by a ring of sand and gravel esker. The property does not directly abut other conservation lands but is in close proximity to 2 parcels protected by the Forest Society and LCIP. The property contains a portion of a substantial aquifer – 4,300 acres with a daily transmissivity range of 0-2,000 sq.ft. The area is in Tier 1 and Tier 3 habitats. The easement will provide for one house site to be located within the property subject to siting criteria established in the conservation easement.

Pennichuck Brook Conservation & Restoration, Merrimack

The goal of the Pennichuck Brook Conservation and Restoration Project is to secure the *long term* quality of the Nashua and Merrimack water supplies. A conservation easement held by the Society for the Protection of NH Forests will provide permanent protection and the proposed restoration measures will improve wetland functions. This project will purchase a conservation easement on at least 192 acres of riparian, wetland, and upland habitat buffering Pennichuck Brook, the primary water supply for the City of Nashua and a portion of the Town of Merrimack. The project will protect of an estimated 100,000 plant population of state endangered smooth beggar-ticks. Additional protected land for four uncommon vertebrate species and three exemplary natural communities occurring within a mile of the property. The majority of the property is rated as Tier 1 habitat by condition in the NH WAP. Forty nine acres forming 12 wetlands including a 14-nest heron rookery, a 26-acre beaver flowage, four vernal pools, and a 4-acre swamp white oak – red maple basin swamp. Protection for 5,000 feet of three perennial streams *within* the proposed easement area and over a mile of shoreline on Pennichuck Brook and its impoundment, which lead to the Pennichuck water supply intake two stream miles below the property; this intake serves a population of 85,000.

A total of four Wetland Restoration Sites were identified on the two sites. Two of these restoration sites are stream crossings for ATV and a woods road. One restoration site is a ditched

red maple swamp that is 6.7 acres in size. Over 1,000 feet of ditching will be removed and blocked to allow this wetland to seasonally flood. The area of restoration includes the removal of fill piles adjacent the ditched to fill them in. The direct restoration work is estimated at 24,000 SF. This restoration work will restore the hydrology of at least 50 percent of the wetland totaling 3.35 acres.

Plaistow Town Forest, Plaistow

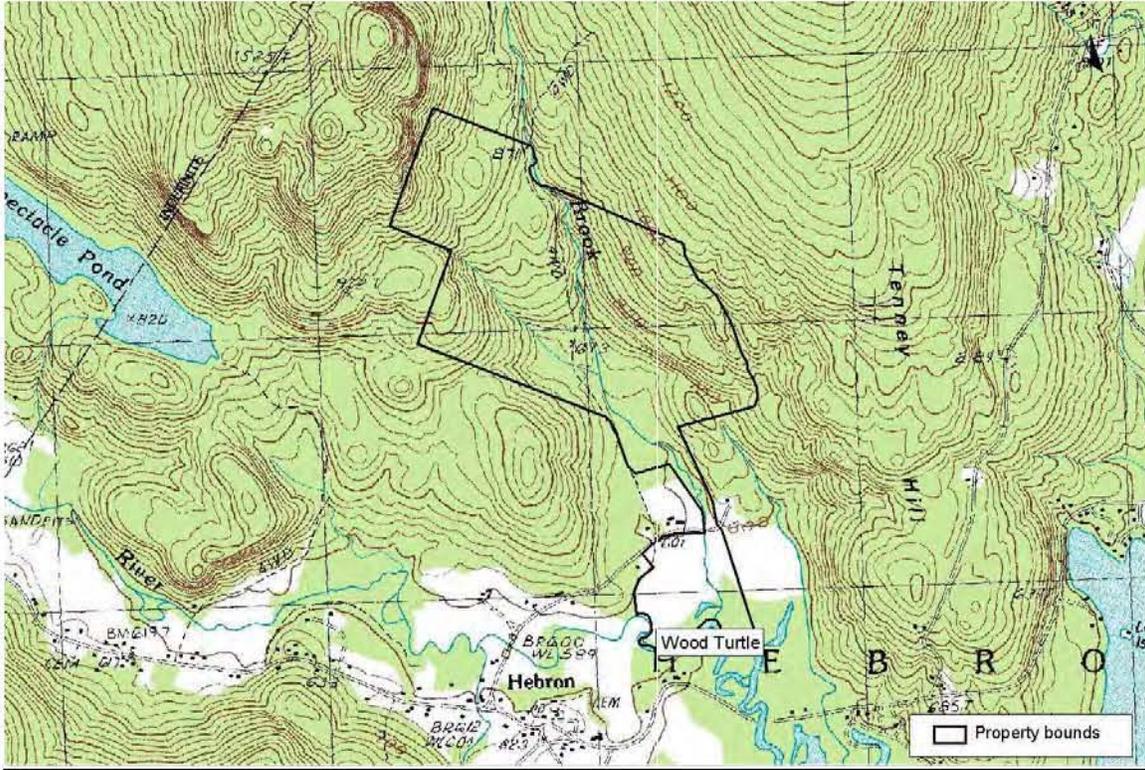
The Town of Plaistow with assistance from the Southeast Land Trust proposes to place conservation easements on lands acquired through tax default totaling 350 acres. There are 17 parcels known, or believed to be owned by the town which have been managed as town forests for the forest resources. If completed, the project will conserve an unfragmented block of land that encompasses more than 490 acres. The town forests are mature forests dominated by Appalachian Oak-pine and more than 1.2 miles of riparian corridor along Kelly Brook. There are at least 6 beaver impoundments that encompass more than 60 acres along inlet streams and main stem of Kelly Brook with numerous vernal pools and an active heron rookery. Restoration work planned for the properties will focus on upgrades to heavily used sections of the recreation trail network and repairs from damage to the site by ATV and 4-wheelers.

Soucook River Headwaters, Canterbury

The proposed land conservation project proposes to protect 119 acres of forest and wetland in the headwater of the Soucook River watershed. A conservation easement will be held by the Five Rivers Conservation Trust. The property includes 16 acres of marsh and open water, 2,240' of streams, and 5 vernal pools with more than 12,630' of riparian shoreline. The property receives heavy recreation use and requires restoration/management to eliminate erosion. The area has 102 acres of uplands with 55% ranked as Tier 1 habitat and the remainder as Tier 3. The property is in close proximity to other conserved lands. Otter Pond and New Pond are on the property and this area is a conservation priority in the Canterbury Master Plan. The property has over 4,000' of frontage on Ames Road, a class VI road used for recreation. Water bars and erosion screens will be constructed along the road to eliminate drainage into the pond, the road will be relocated to avoid sensitive shoreline plants, and roads will be closed to ATV and 4-wheelers. NRCS will continue to assist the landowner in invasive species eradication/management.

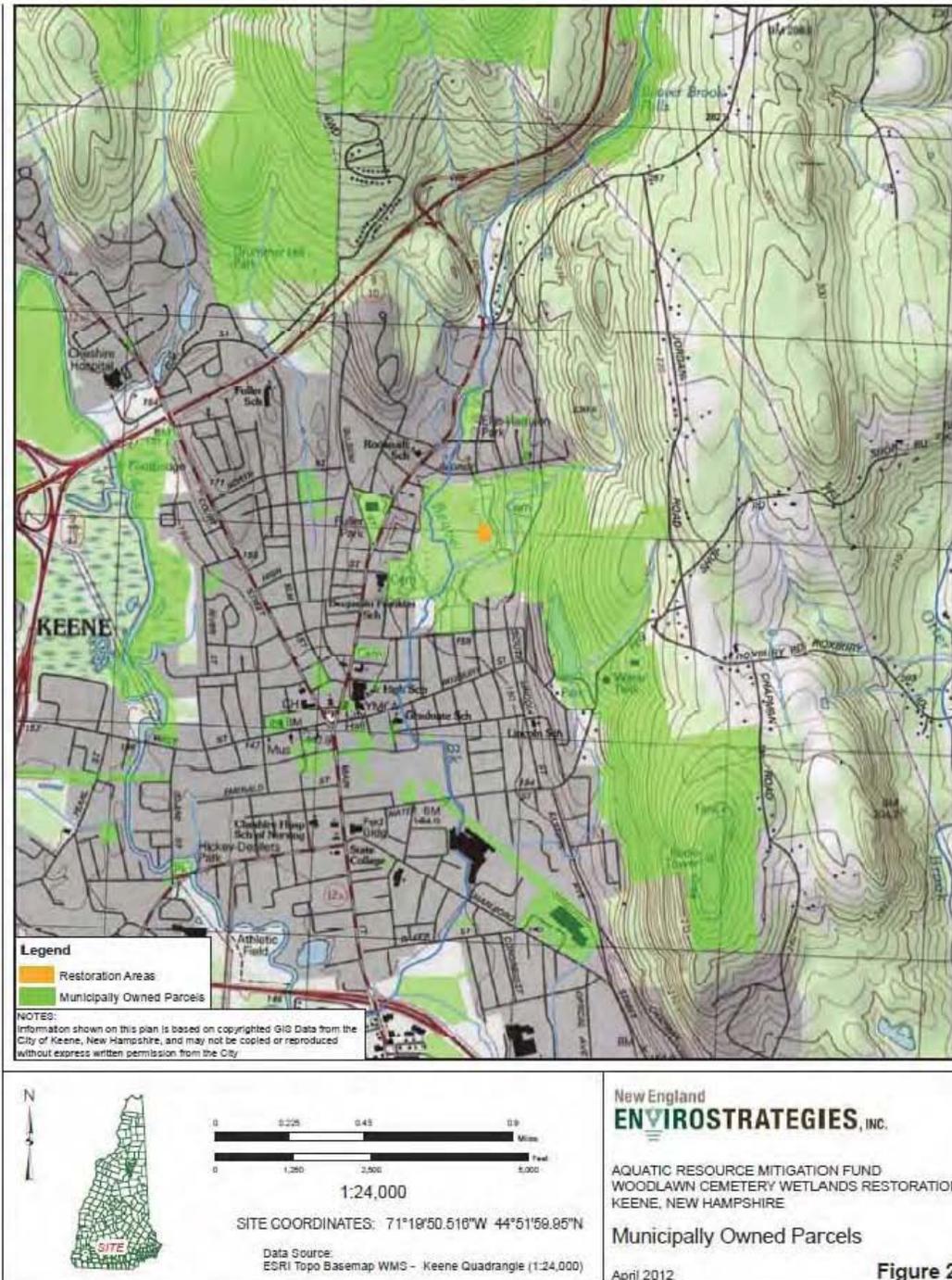
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Hazelton Farm, Hebron, NH

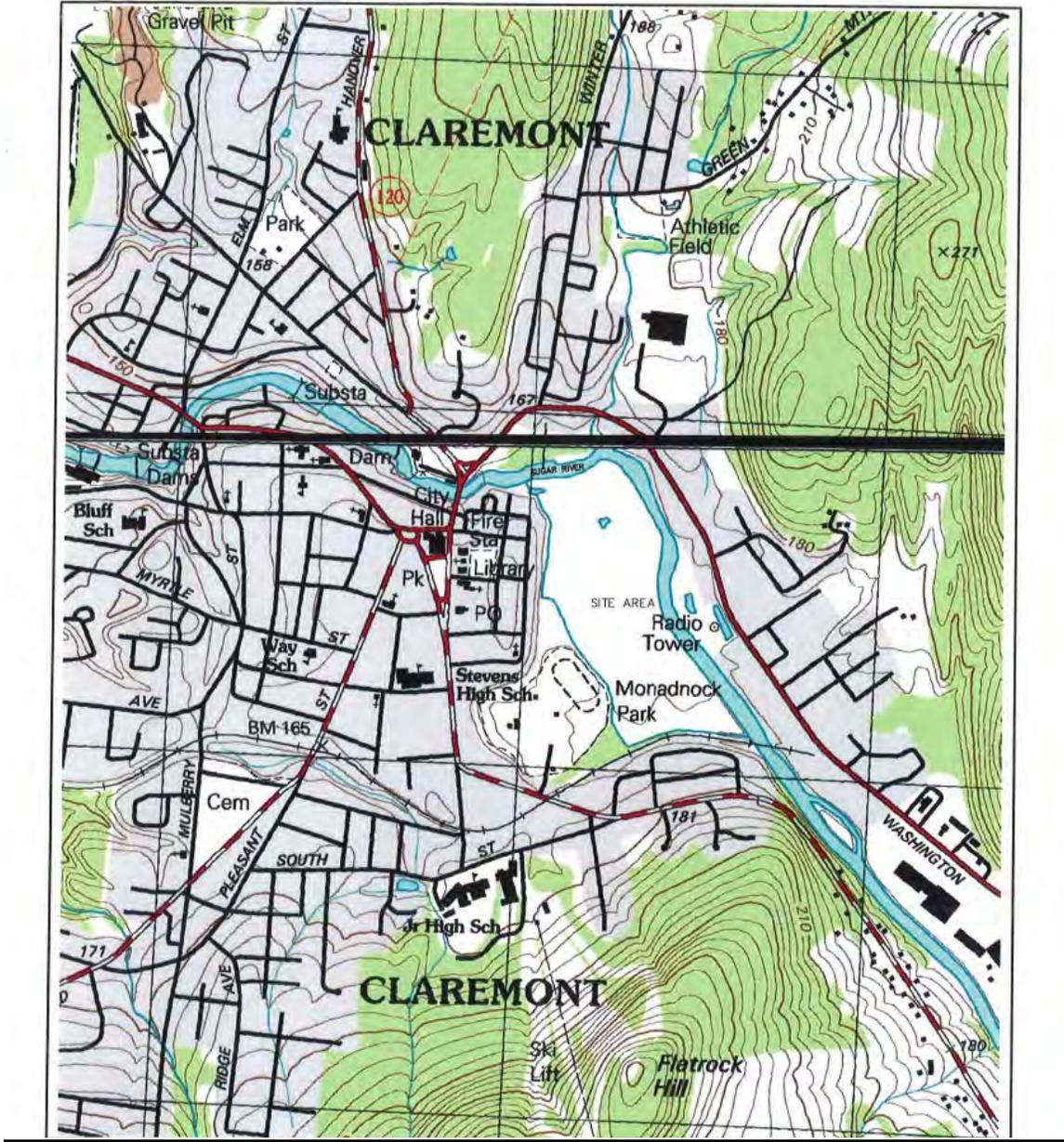


LOWER CONNECTICUT RIVER SERVICE AREA

Beaver Brook Wetland and Stream Restoration Project, Keene, NH

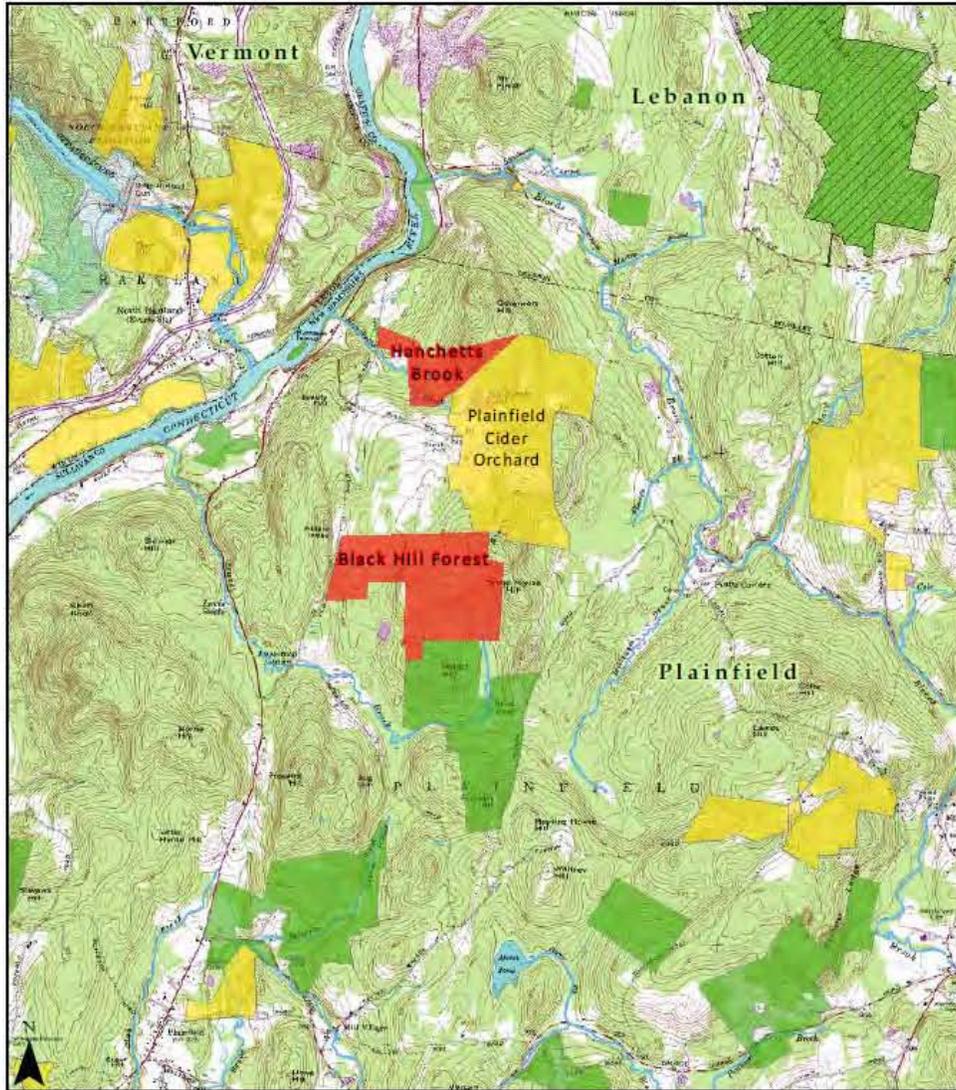


Stream Restoration at Monadnock Park & Sugar River, Claremont, NH



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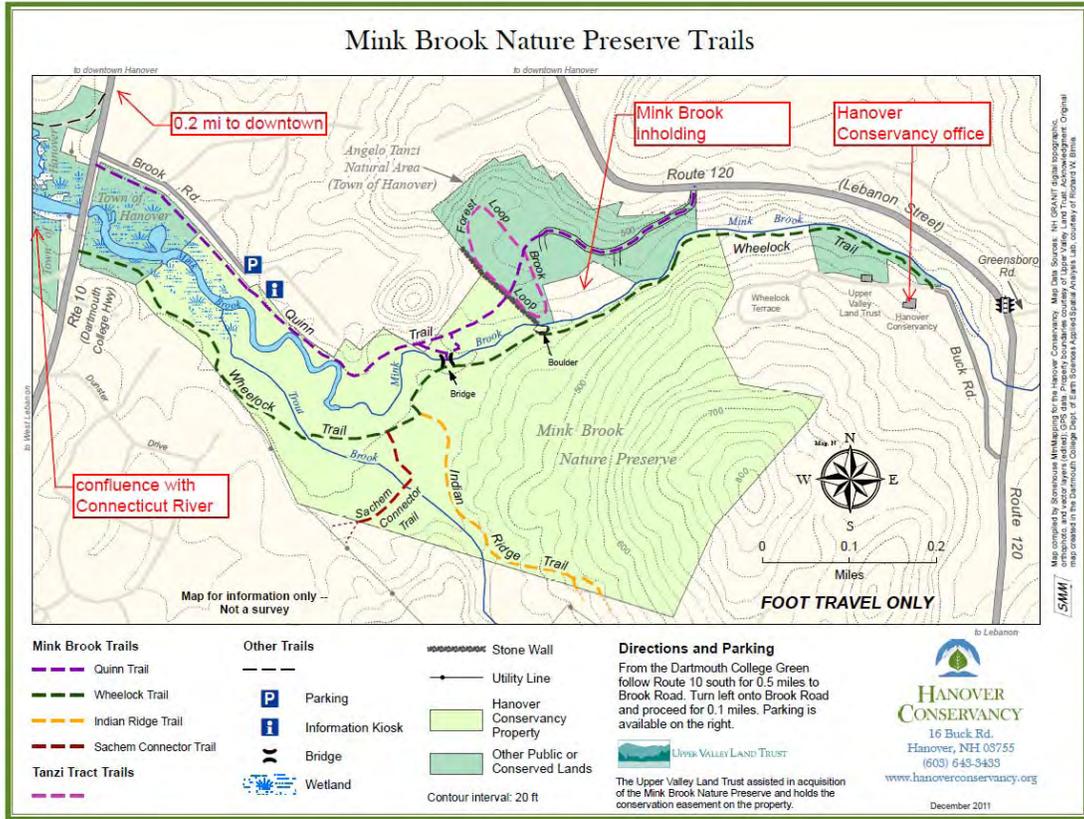
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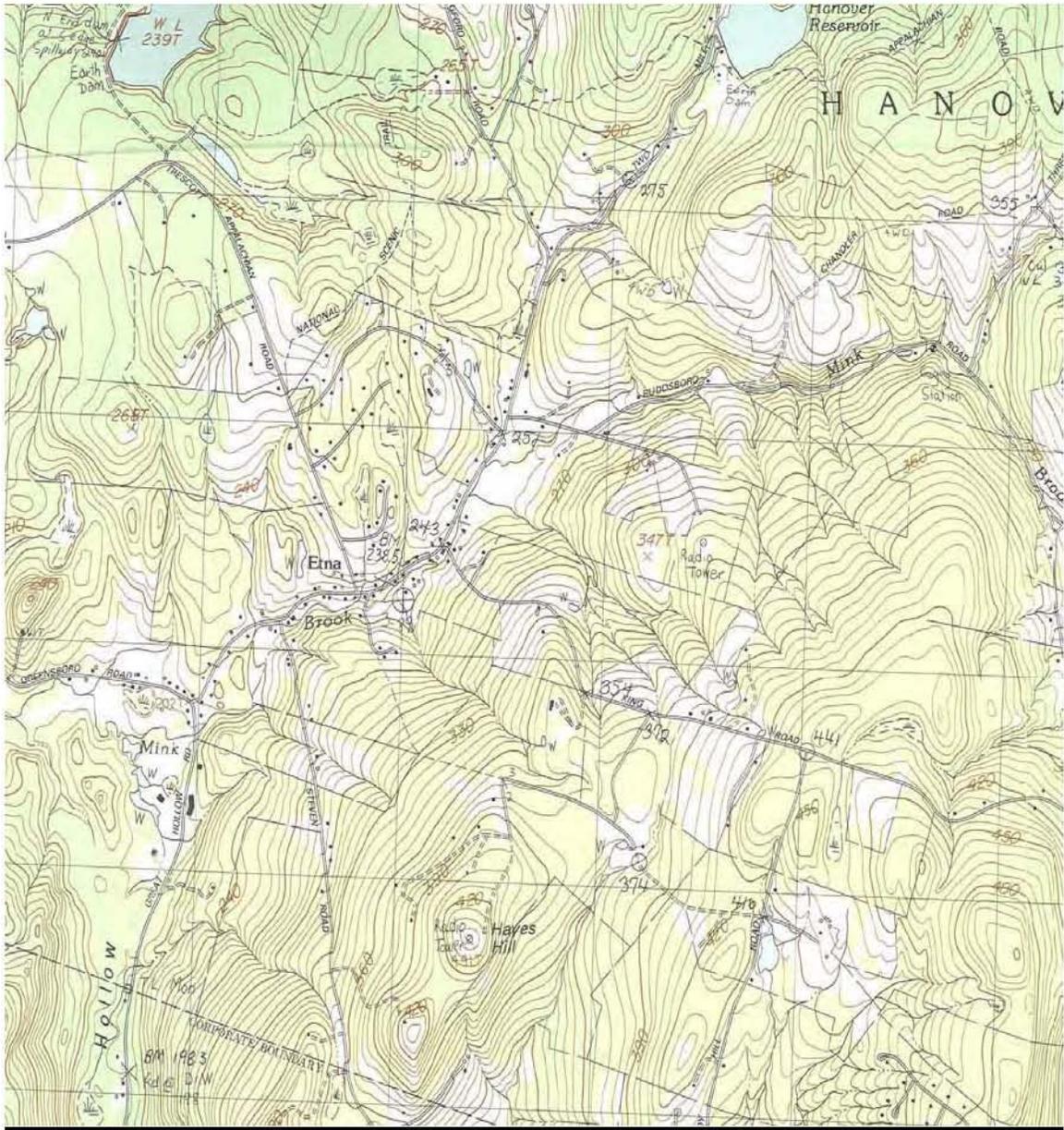


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Mink Brook Nature Preserve In-Holding Acquisition & Restoration, Hanover, NH

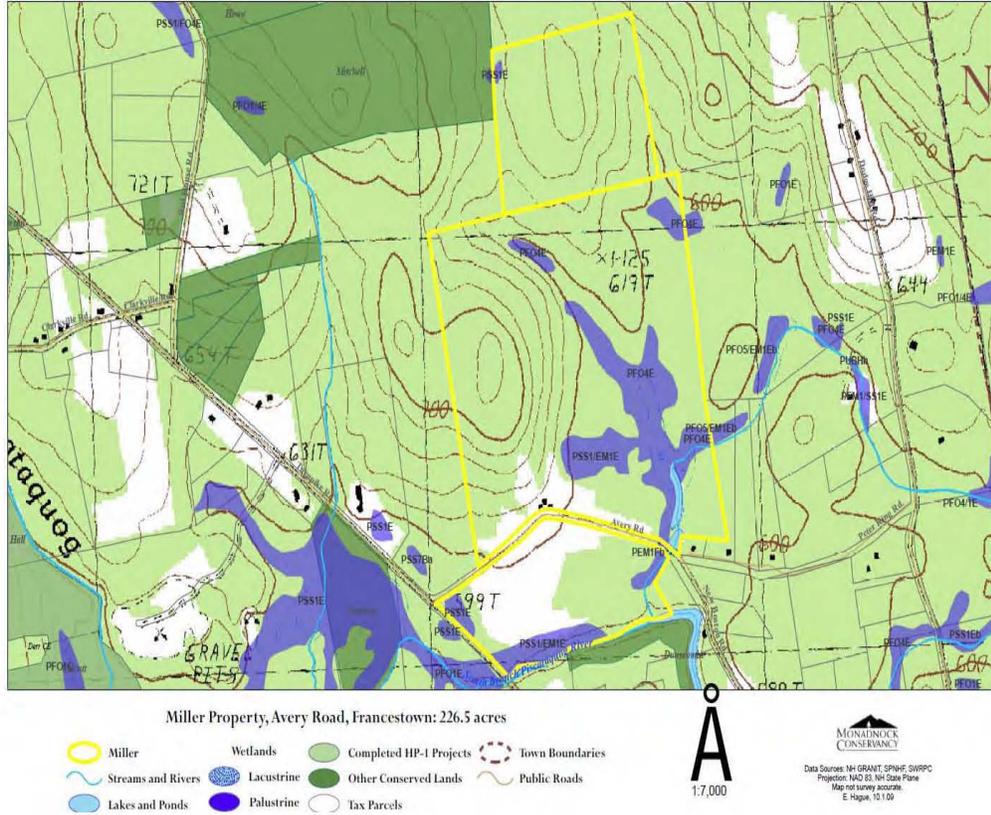


Mink Brook Restoration Project, Etna, NH

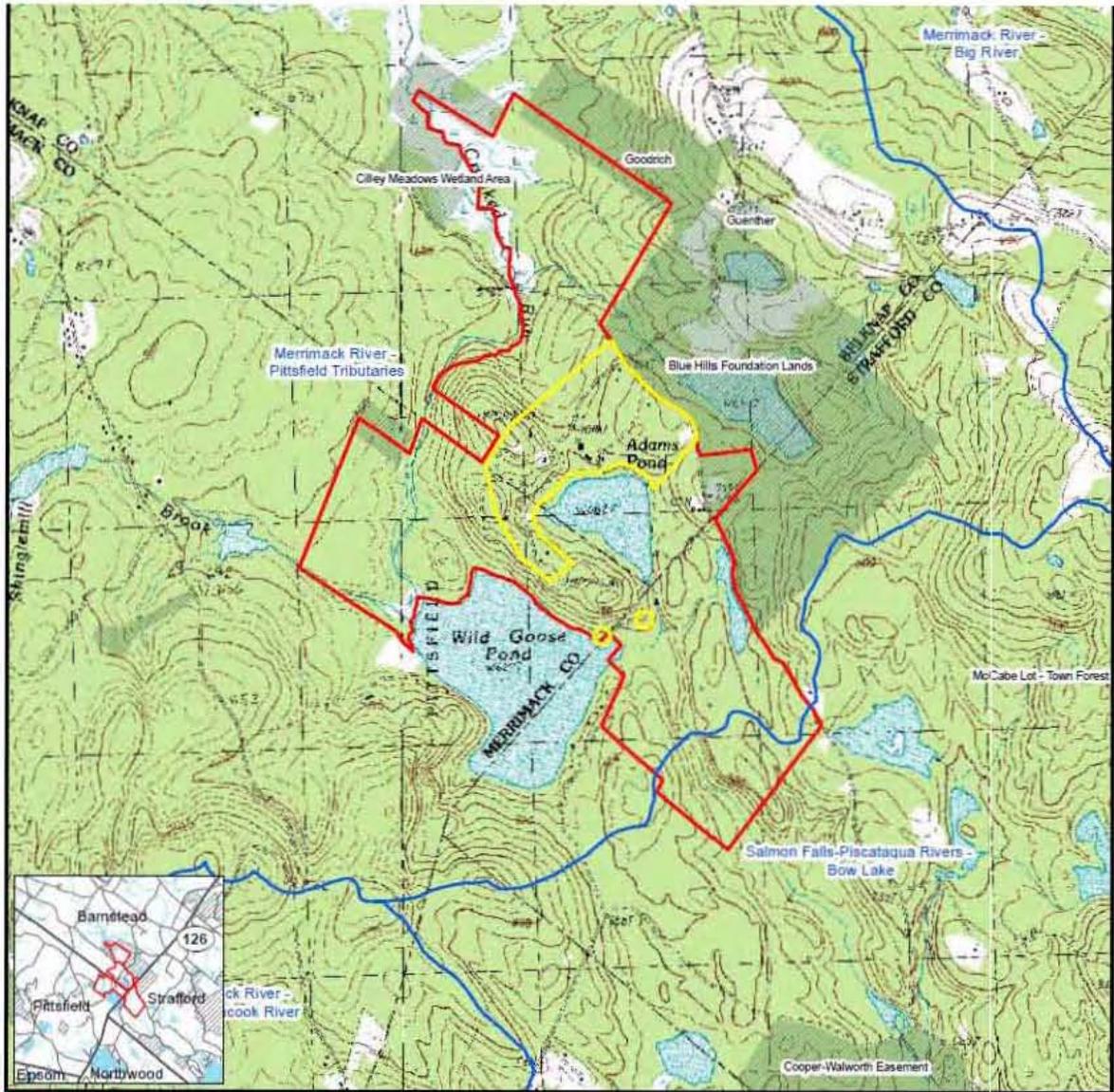


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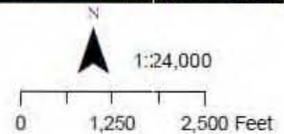
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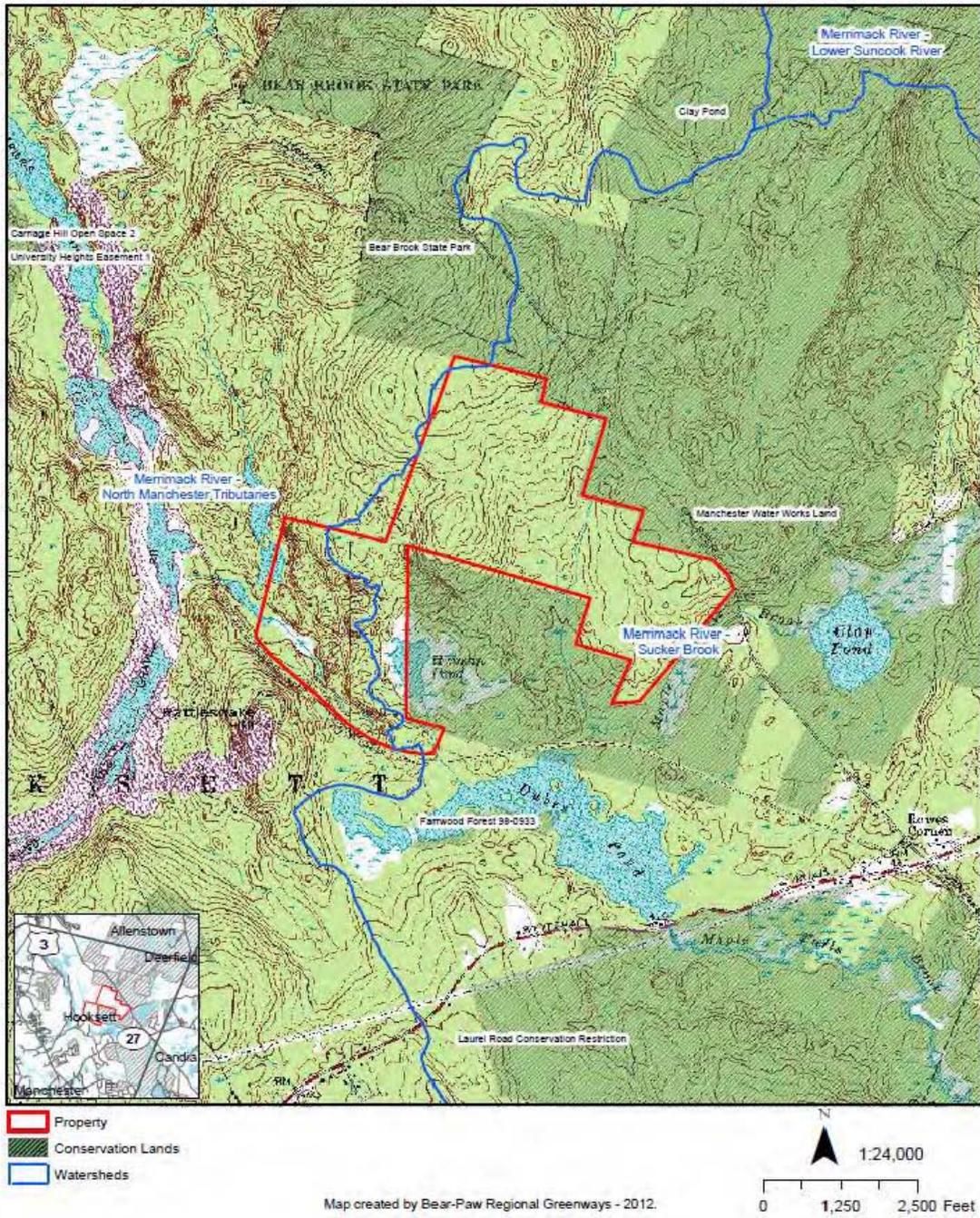


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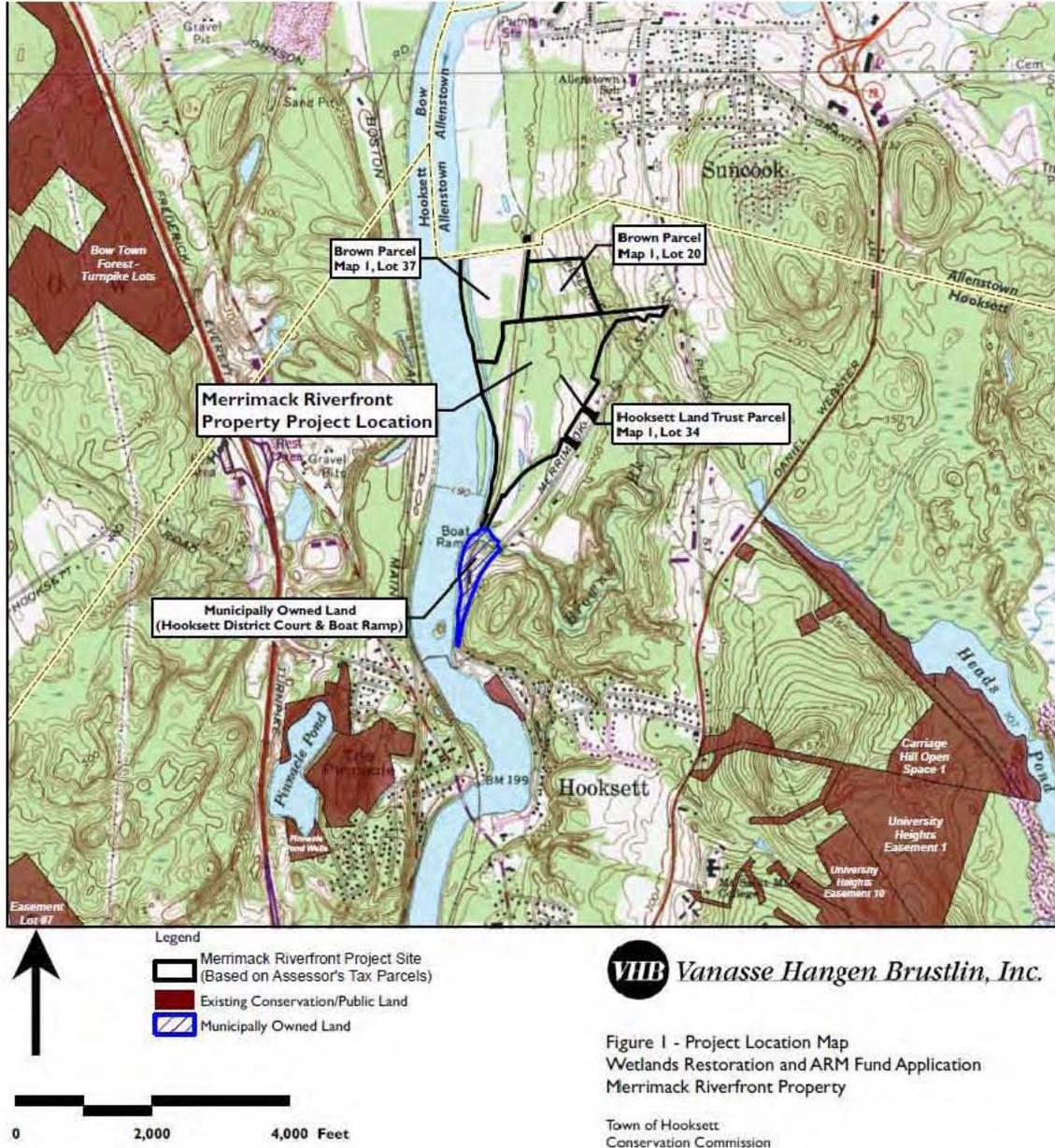
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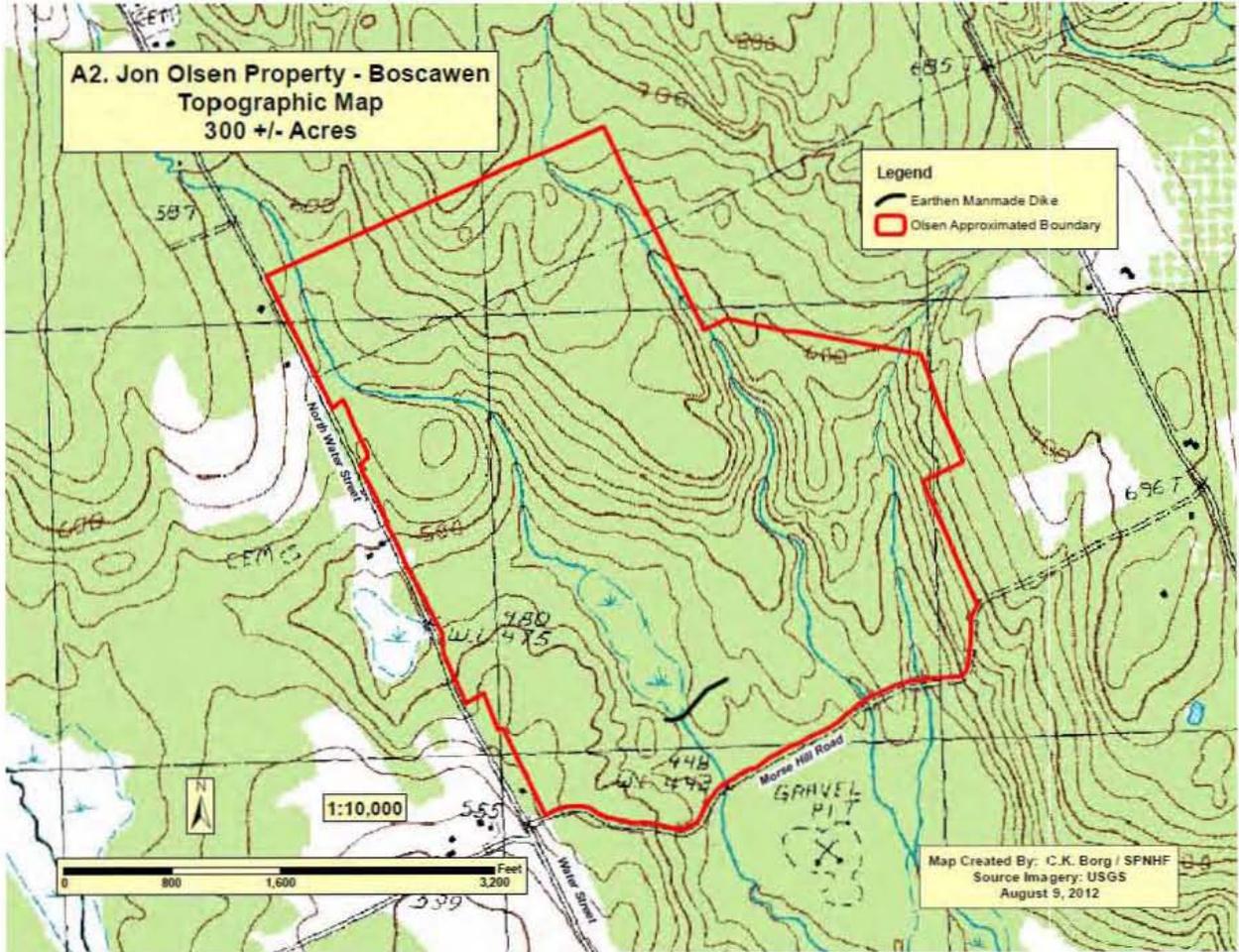


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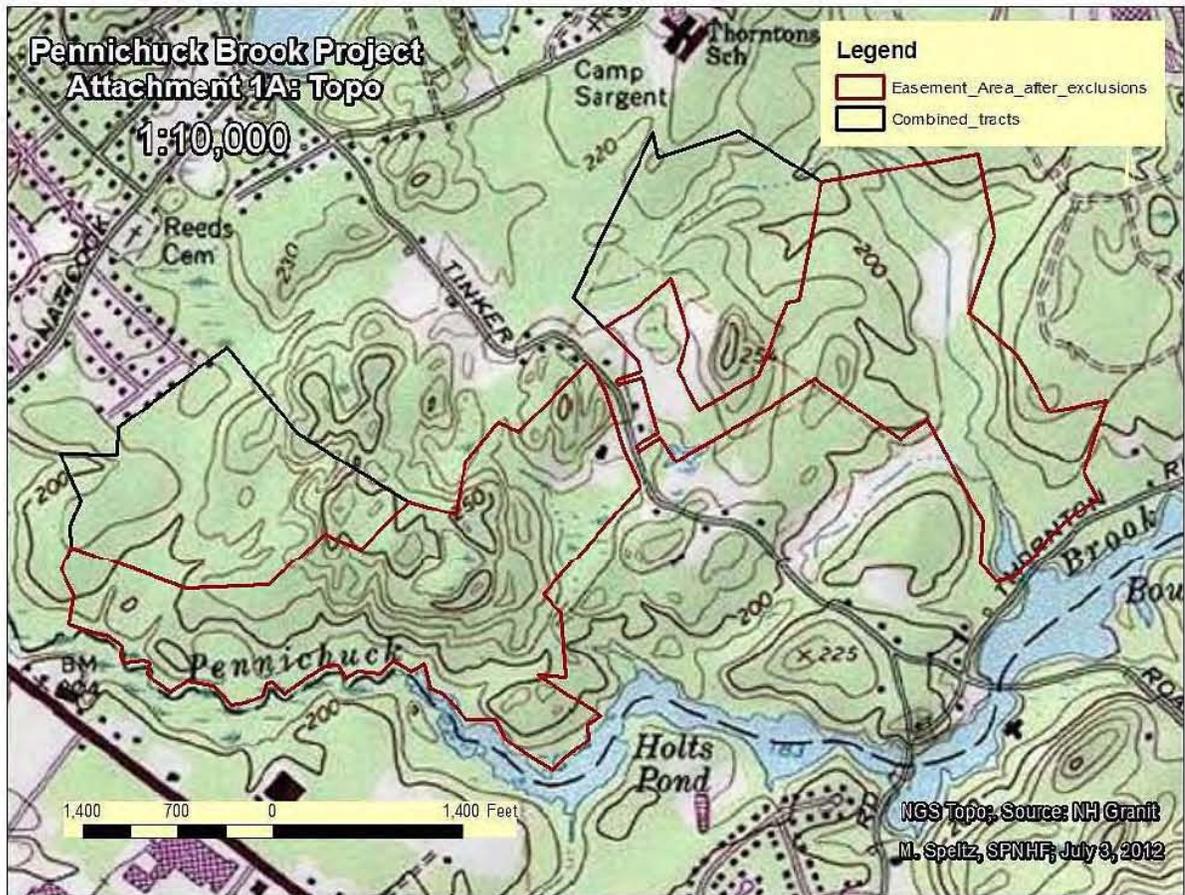
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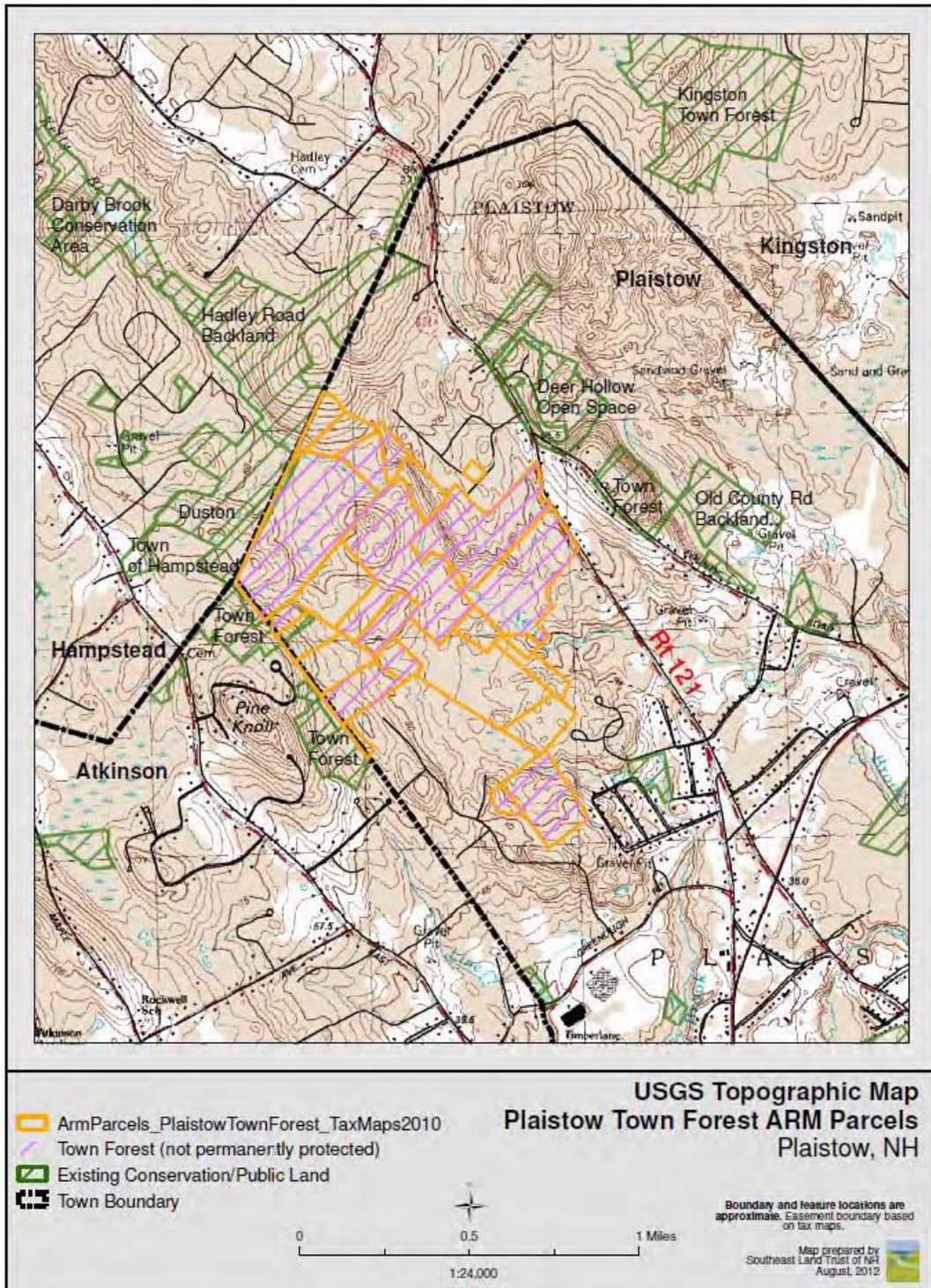
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