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The District Engineer of the New England District, Corps of Engineers (“Corps”) and the Commissioner of the Maine Department of Transportation (“MaineDOT”) have signed the final instrument for the Maine Umbrella Mitigation Bank. The instrument includes an initial deposit of environmental “credits” for aquatic resources generated by the preservation of 500 acres on Sears Island in Searsport, Maine. Additional projects may be proposed by MaineDOT; a public notice will be issued for each proposed addition to the umbrella bank.

The umbrella bank provides the MaineDOT an alternative to permittee-responsible mitigation for unavoidable impacts (environmental “debits”) authorized under Section 404 of the Clean Water Act and Section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act of 1899, if:

1. Credits of the appropriate type are available, and
2. It is deemed appropriate during the review process for proposed impacts.

A copy of the banking instrument is available at <http://ribits.usace.army.mil> under “Existing Banks and ILF Sites,” “MaineDOT-Sears Island,” and then look in “Cyber Repository” under the frog icon.

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