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PUBLIC NOTICE

**New England District
Permit Application
No. NAE-2023-00524**

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Interested parties are hereby notified that the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE), New England District has received an application for a Department of the Army (DA) permit pursuant to Section 404 of the Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. § 1344). The purpose of this public notice is to solicit comments from the public and information necessary to evaluate the probable impact on the public interest regarding the proposed activity as described below and as shown on the enclosed drawings.

APPLICANT: Jack Wu
Central Maine Power Company
83 Edison Drive
Augusta, Maine 04330

LOCATION OF PROPOSED ACTIVITY: The proposed activity would affect waters of the United States associated with Spinney Creek. The project/review area is located on the northeast side of Bolt Hill Road at Latitude 43.1141134 and Longitude -70.7687277; in South Eliot, York County, Maine.

PROPOSED ACTIVITY: The applicant is requesting a DA permit to discharge fill in 34,724 square feet of wetlands in order to construct a new substation, switchyard, access road, and transmission poles. Once the new substation is operational, the existing Bolt Hill and Eliot substations and their associated infrastructure will be removed.

MITIGATION: The applicant has provided the following information to explain how impacts to waters of the United States associated with the proposed activity are to be avoided, minimized, and compensated for. Four alternative site configurations were considered for the project. Sensitive habitats in the area were avoided. The USACE will determine the type and amount of compensatory mitigation necessary to offset losses of waters of the United States which may result from the proposed activity in accordance with 33 CFR § 332.

HISTORIC PROPERTIES/CULTURAL RESOURCES: Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended (54 U.S.C. § 306108), requires Federal agencies to consult with the appropriate State and/or Tribal Historic Preservation Officers to take into account the effects of actions they undertake or permit on historic properties listed in or eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places.

The USACE evaluated the undertaking pursuant to Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act utilizing 36 CFR § 800 and program-specific regulations and procedures found at 33 CFR § 325, Appendix C, and revised interim guidance issued in 2005 and 2007, respectively. The District Engineer consulted district files and records and the latest published version of the National Register of Historic Places and initially determines that:

No historic properties (i.e., properties listed in or eligible for inclusion in the National Register of Historic Places) are present within the USACE's permit area; therefore, there would be no historic properties affected. The USACE will request concurrence with this determination from the State and/or Tribal Historic Preservation Officers.

The USACE's final eligibility and effect determination relative to historic resource impacts may be subject to additional coordination with the State Historic Preservation Officer, federally recognized tribes, and other interested parties, and with full consideration given to the proposed undertaking's potential direct and indirect effects on historic properties within the USACE-identified permit area.

ENDANGERED SPECIES: Section 7 of the Endangered Species Act (ESA) (16 U.S.C. § 1536) requires federal agencies to consult with the National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) and/or U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) on all actions that may affect a species listed (or proposed for listing) under the ESA as threatened or endangered or that may adversely modify designated critical habitat (or critical habitat proposed such designation). USACE's preliminary review indicates the described activity may affect a threatened or endangered species or designated critical habitat. USACE will complete the required consultation under Section 7 prior to finalizing a permit decision.

WATER QUALITY CERTIFICATION: An Individual Water Quality Certification may be required from the Maine Department of Environmental Protection pursuant to Section 401 of the Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. § 1341).

COASTAL ZONE MANAGEMENT: A federal consistency decision may be required from the state of Maine pursuant to Section 307 of the Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972 (16 U.S.C. § 1451). A permit for the described work will not be issued until a consistency decision has been issued from the state of Maine, if required.

NOTE: This public notice is being issued based on information furnished by the applicant. This information has not been verified or evaluated to ensure compliance with laws and regulation governing the regulatory program. The geographic extent of aquatic resources within the proposed project area that either are, or are presumed to be, within the USACE jurisdiction has not been verified by USACE personnel.

EVALUATION: The decision whether to issue a permit will be based on an evaluation of the probable impact including cumulative impacts of the proposed activity on the public interest. That decision will reflect the national concern for both protection and utilization of important resources. The benefits, which reasonably may be expected to

accrue from the proposal, must be balanced against its reasonably foreseeable detriments. All factors which may be relevant to the proposal will be considered including cumulative impacts thereof; among these are conservation, economics, aesthetics, general environmental concerns, wetlands, historical properties, fish and wildlife values, flood hazards, floodplain values, land use, navigation, shoreline erosion and accretion, recreation, water supply and conservation, water quality, energy needs, safety, food and fiber production, mineral needs, considerations of property ownership, and in general, the needs and welfare of the people. Evaluation of the impact of the activity on the public interest will also include application of the guidelines promulgated by the Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), under authority of Section 404(b) of the Clean Water Act. A permit will be granted unless its issuance is found to be contrary to the public interest.

COMMENTS: The USACE is soliciting comments from the public; Federal, State, and local agencies and officials; Tribal Nations; and other interested parties in order to consider and evaluate the impacts of this proposed activity. Any comments received will be considered by the USACE to determine whether to issue, modify, condition, or deny a permit for this proposed activity. To make this determination, comments are used to assess impacts to endangered species, historic properties, water quality, general environmental effects, and the other public interest factors listed above. 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. Any comments or objections which are received during this period may be forwarded to the applicant for possible resolution before the determination is made whether to issue or deny the requested permit. Please note that all comments received will become part of the administrative record and are subject to public release under the Freedom of Information Act.

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 public hearings shall state, with particularity, the reasons for holding a public hearing. Requests for a public hearing will be granted, unless the District Engineer determines that the issues raised are insubstantial or there is otherwise no valid interest to be served by a hearing.

The New England District will receive written comments on the proposed activity, as outlined above, until July 8, 2026. Comments should be submitted electronically via the Regulatory Request System (RRS) at <https://rrs.usace.army.mil/rrs/public-notice>. Alternatively, you may submit comments to Christine Jacek at Christine.M.Jacek@usace.army.mil or U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New England District, Attention: Christine Jacek, 696 Virginia Road, Concord, Massachusetts 01742. Please refer to “**NAE-2023-00524**” in your comments.



LEGEND

- PROJECT AREA
- SUBSTATION TO BE REMOVED
- STRUCTURE TO BE REMOVED
- TEMPORARY ACCESS
- WORKPAD (50X50')
- TEMPORARY TIMBER MATTING
- DELINEATED WETLAND BOUNDARY
- DELINEATED STREAM, INTERMITTENT
- DELINEATED WETLAND

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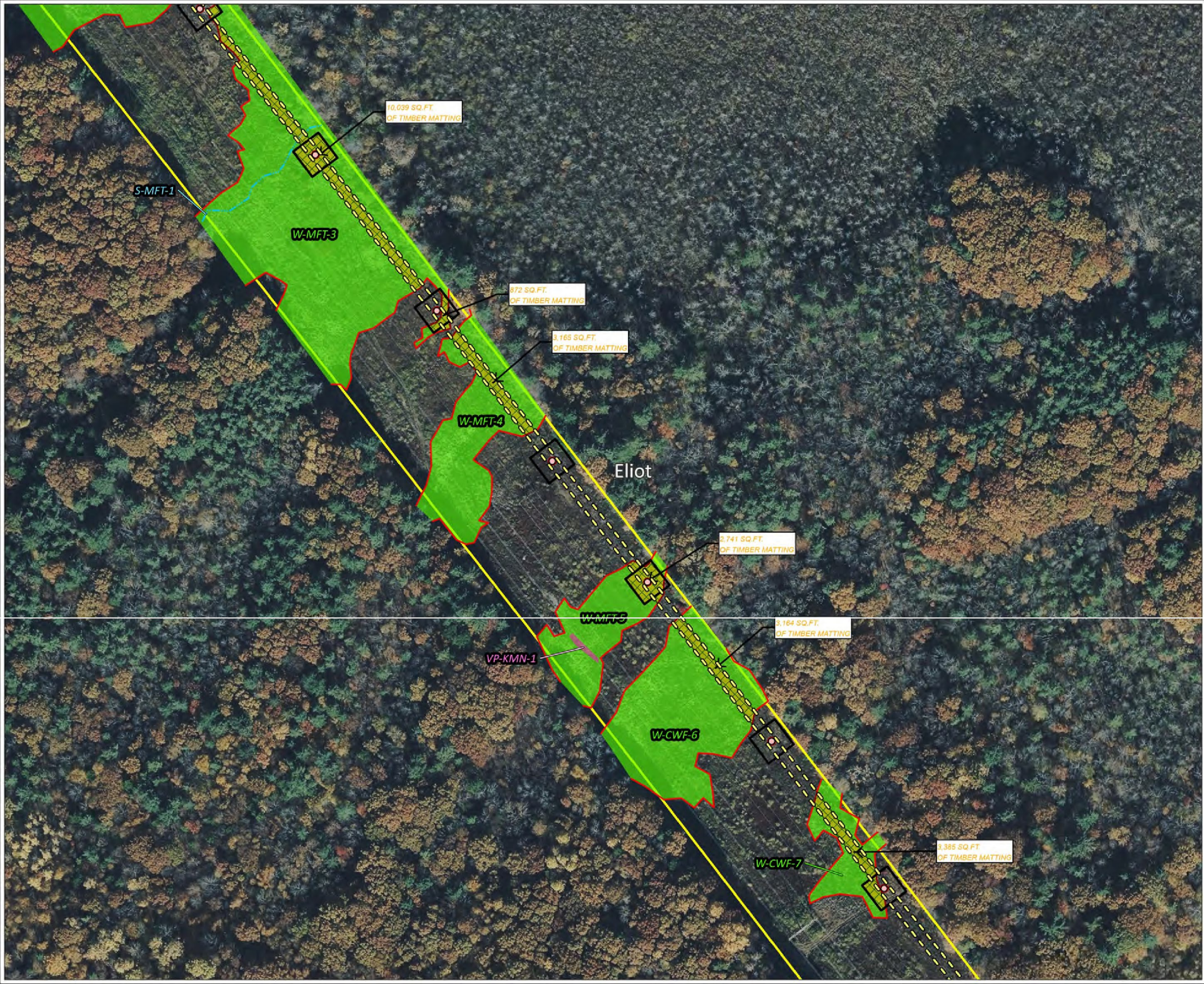
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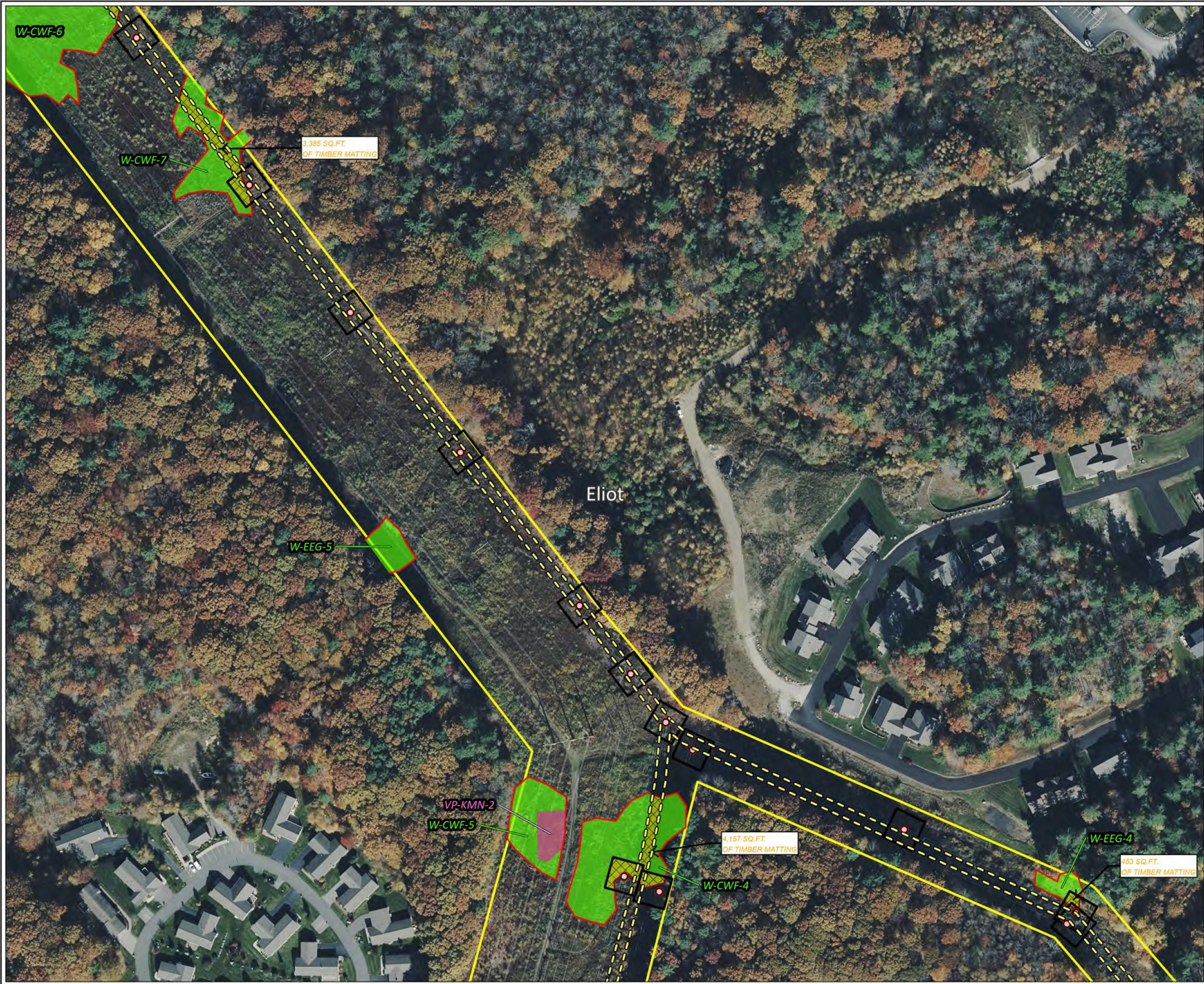
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- PROJECT AREA
- LIMIT OF TREE CLEARING
- PROPOSED SWITCHYARD
- SUBSTATION TO BE REMOVED
- STRUCTURE TO BE REMOVED
- TEMPORARY ACCESS
- WORKPAD {S0XS0'}
- INDIRECT WETLAND IMPACT
- TEMPORARY TIMBER MATTING
- DELINEATED WETLAND BOUNDARY
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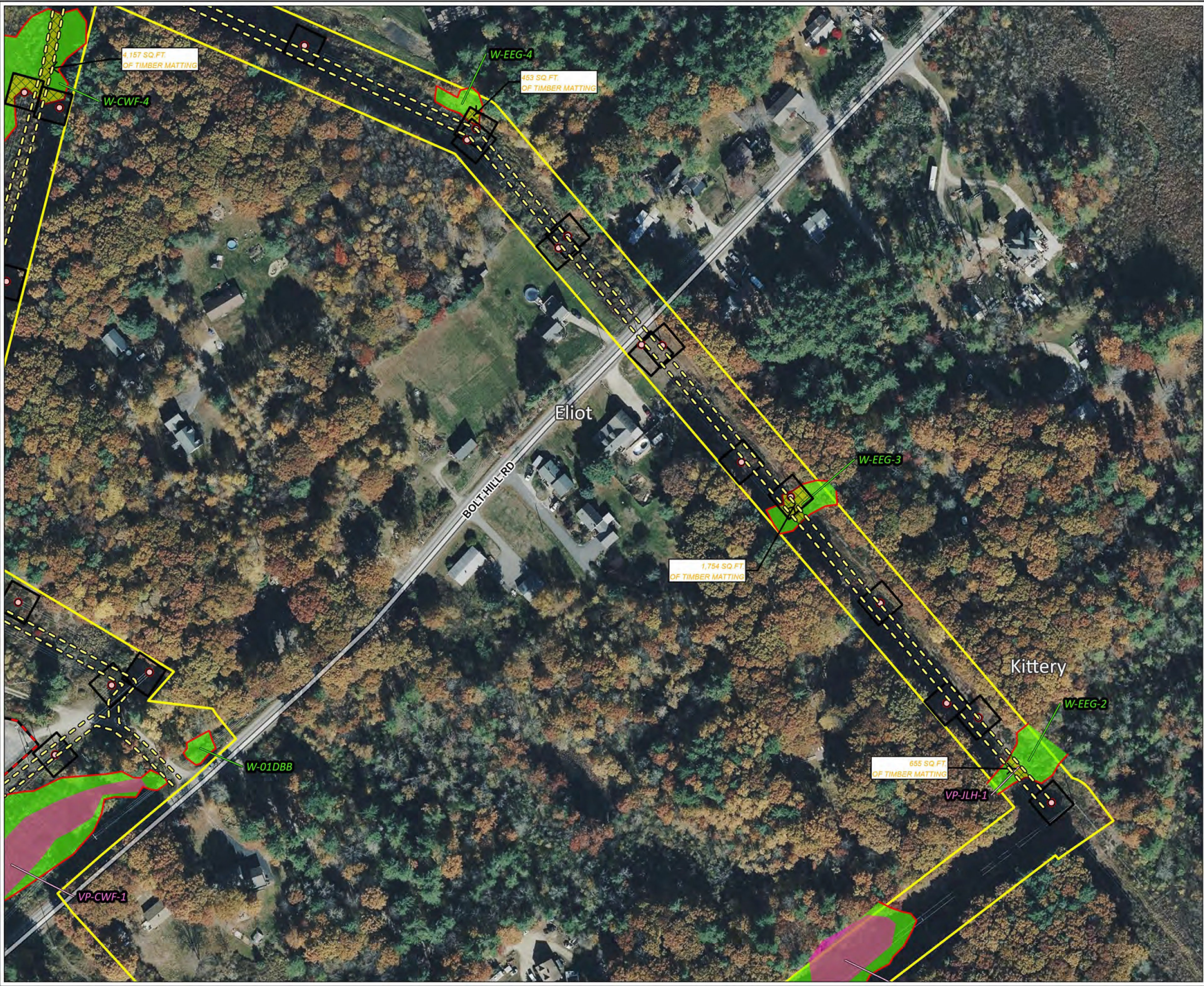
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- STRUCTURE TO BE REMOVED
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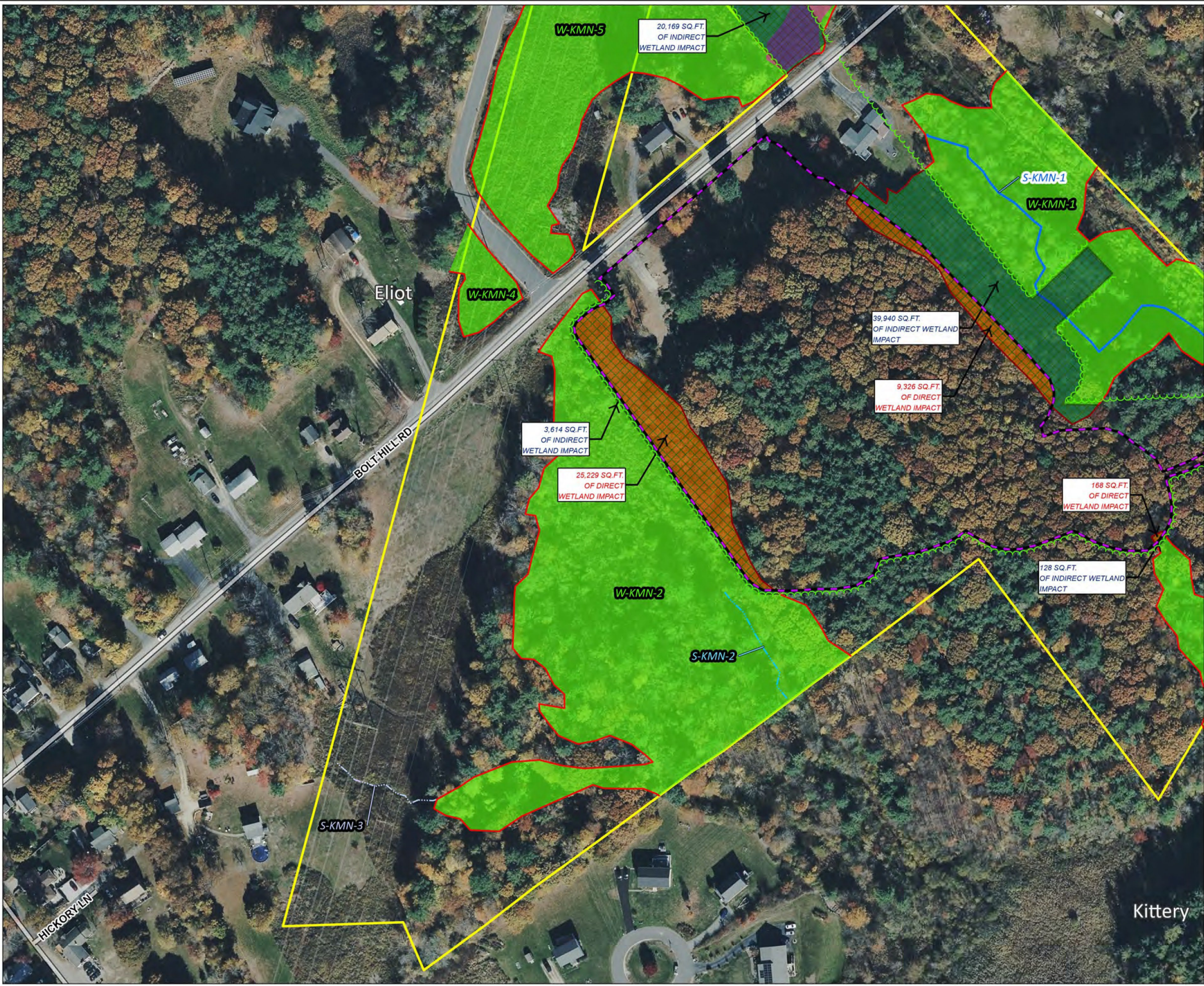
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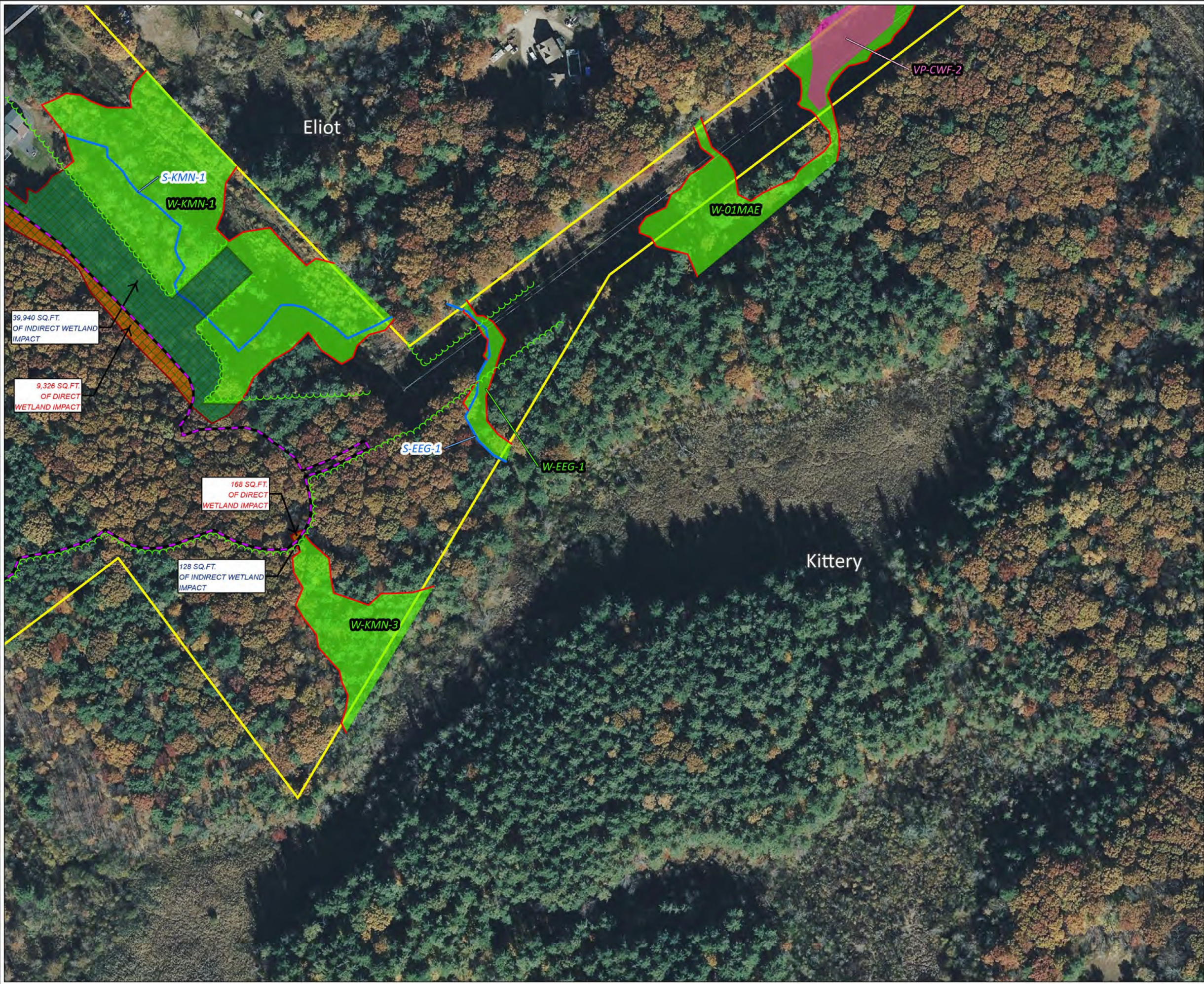
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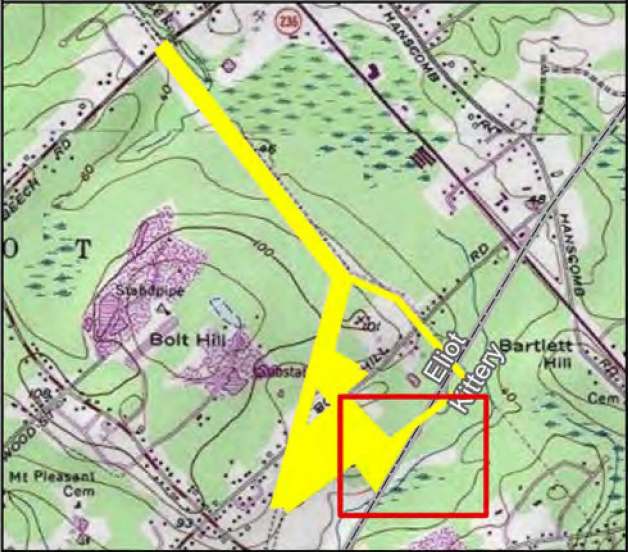
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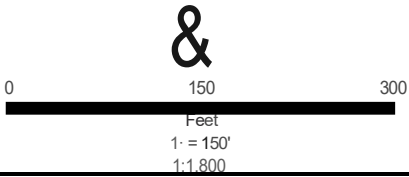


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