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**New England District
Permit Application No. NAE-2025-00485**

**THE DEPARTMENT OF ARMY
MAINE REGIONAL GENERAL PERMITS WITH A
MODIFIED WATER QUALITY CERTIFICATION &
COASTAL ZONE MANAGEMENT CONSISTENCY DETERMINATION**

The New England District, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers hereby announces the state-wide Department of Army Regional General Permits known as the Maine Regional General Permits (ME RGPs) with a modified Water Quality Certification (WQC) and Coastal Zone Management (CZM) consistency. This public notice reflects updates resulting from a subsequent modification of the October 10, 2025 Maine general WQC and CZM consistency determination.

On October 31, 2025, the Corps received a modified WQC and CZM consistency determination after the ME RGPs were issued on October 31, 2025. These ME RGPs replace the prior state-wide ME RGPs, issued on October 31, 2025 to include the modifications of the WQC and CZM. These RGPs will become effective on November 10, 2025, and they will continue to provide an expedited review process for routine activities that have no more than minimal adverse environmental effects and are subject to USACE jurisdiction within the boundaries of the State of Maine. The proposed subject updates are procedural in response to a modified WQC/CZM and do not materially change any factors considered in our decision of October 31, 2025.

The modification to the WQC/ CZM includes changes to condition 5 of the WQC/ CZM dated October 10, 2025. The modification to general condition 5 of the WQC/ CZM dated October 31, 2025, has been modified to:

“WQC and CZM are authorized for RGPs 3, 12, 14, 17, 29, 39, 42, 43, 51, 52, 57, 58, and 60, provided projects completed pursuant to these RGPs adhere to the following additional conditions for waterway crossings.

- To the greatest extent practicable, culvert installation must not disturb the stream’s natural structure and work in the stream must be minimized.
- The culvert must follow the course and grade of the stream channel to the greatest extent possible.
- Culverts shall be sized to prevent perching and pool.”

In summary, this public notice references the modified State of Maine WQC (40 CFR 121.10(a)) and CZM determination (15 CFR Part 930.46(b)).

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