

MaineDOT Interagency Meeting Notes

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Attending Agencies:

Federal Highway
Environmental Protection Agency
Army Corps of Engineers
Maine Department of Inland Fish and Wildlife
Maine Historic Preservation Commission
U.S. Fish and Wildlife
National Marine Fisheries Service

Agencies Absent:

Maine Department of Marine Resources
Maine Department of Environmental Protection
Land Use Regulation Commission
Federal Transit Authority
Atlantic Salmon Commission

Presentations

Gorham Bypass Study 8151.10, Presented by Ray Faucher, MaineDOT

(Powerpoint Presentation/Handout)

- Distribute comments to Federal Agencies for agencies that had concerns
- Draft responses will be given to agency's by April Interagency Meeting
- FHWA/MaineDOT is looking into a Mitigated FONSI
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 - mitigate impacts to reduce impacts below significant thresholds
- Mitigation is general at this point, there is approximately 20 acres of impacts
- Interagency group would like to know if Mitigated FONSI's have been done in other states, FHWA is looking into this
- EPA has submitted comments on this project to ACOE and ACOE will forward them to appropriate people
- Comments will be provided to agencies and then discussed at the next interagency meeting

Milbridge 10067.00 & 10068.00, Presented by Devin Anderson

- Discussion with agencies on how to resolve the issue of impacts due to temporary bridges that are needed to maintain traffic.
- Looking into winter construction of temporary bridges which would be in place for about a year.
- MaineDOT is looking at giving the contractor the choice of how and where to build the temporary bridges
- Permanent fill amounts are approximately 2200 sq ft,
- ACOE stated that the fill amounts temporary/permanent need to be authorized by the permit

-Federal agency's would like to meet with MaineDOT and Atlantic Salmon Authority about the impacts to Section 7 Atlantic Salmon.