

Maine DOT Interagency Meeting

MINUTES

DATE: 1/9/2007

TIME: 9:00 – 11:00

LOCATION: MAINE DOT, AUGUSTA

NOTE TAKER	David Gardner, Maine DOT
ATTENDING AGENCIES	ACOE, DEP, DMR, EPA, IF&W, MTA, USFWS

Agenda topics

1. WEST GARDINER SERVICE PLAZA, PIN 13393.00, PRESENTED BY JEFF MCEWEN, HNTB

DISCUSSION	Jeff stated that the NEPA study has received the LEDPA from the ACOE for the West Gardiner site. The Site Law permit and NRPA permit applications are expected to be submitted in January. The Traffic movement permits also in January. MEPDES approval expected by early summer 2007. The conceptual design for Mitigation Site #1 (applicants preferred site) is now underway. The agencies would like to see a buffer included around the mitigation site. Agencies also suggested using the most recent guidance for mitigation design.		
PRESENTATION	A power point presentation is available		
ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE	
Jeff will present additional mitigation information at a future interagency meeting	Jeff, HNTB and MTA	none	

2. AUBURN LEWISTON TAXIWAY EXPANSION, PIN 13145.00, PRESENTED BY GENE UHAUD

DISCUSSION	Five alternatives were studied, including the no build. The preferred alternative that provides the best combination of safety, cost effectiveness, and environmental benefits is the use of 2:1 rip rap and 4:1 meadow buffers at the edge of the taxiway safety areas where wetlands are disturbed. This alternative impacts 2.59 acres of wet meadow. The principal functions are flood flow alteration and storm water retention. Five options were studied for mitigation. The applicants preferred option is to preserve 23 acres (8:1) at airport parcel 1. The ACOE requested a broader site search for mitigation. An archaeological survey is also required for this project. This will require a Phase II/III survey which will begin in the spring of 2007.		
PRESENTATION	A power point presentation is available		
ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE	
Auburn Lewiston Airport will look at a broader site search for mitigation and present their findings at a future interagency meeting	David Guadeloupe, Hoyle Tanner Associates	none	

3. KNOX COUNTY REGIONAL AIRPORT DESIGN AND PERMITTING, NO PIN, PRESENTED BY GENE UHAUD

DISCUSSION	Total wetland impacts for parallel taxiway project are 7.63 acres. Stormwater vegetation swales being proposed and have been blessed by DEP (not as mitigation credit). The Arbour and Cambrex parcel is being looked at for mitigation. This is high on IF&W's land trust priorities. The parcel is contiguous with the Tyler management area. Appraisals will be completed by end of January and landowners will be notified. Mr. Cambrex does not want to give up any additional property. The ACOE wants farming phased out of property as part of mitigation plan.		
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4. SOUTH PORTLAND, I-295 THIRD LANE, PIN 11231.00, PRESENTED BY BEN CONDON AND MARK LICKUS

DISCUSSION	Ben gave an overview of the project and then Mark discussed mitigation. Two viable mitigation sites were discussed. Long Creek options 1 and 2 and Restoration at Scarborough Marsh.	
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