

FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION
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OFFICE OF ENERGY PROJECTS

Project No. 1892-026 – New Hampshire / Vermont
Project No. 1855-045 – New Hampshire / Vermont
Project No. 1904-073 – New Hampshire / Vermont
TransCanada Hydro Northeast Inc.

Reference: Concurrence on the Area of Potential Effects for the Wilder, Bellows Falls, and Vernon Projects.

To the parties addressed:

We consulted with the Massachusetts, Vermont, New Hampshire State Historic Preservation Officers (SHPOs), along with the Narragansett Indian Tribe, Nolumbeka Project, TransCanada, and others with regard to the areas of potential effects (APEs) involving the relicensings for the Wilder, Bellows Falls, and Vernon Projects (projects). Based on those consultations, we determine that the APEs should include all lands within the current project boundary of the three projects, in addition to any other lands outside the project boundary where historic properties could be affected by project-related adverse effects.

The projects' APEs include lands within Orange, Windsor, and Windham Counties, Vermont, and Grafton, Sullivan, and Cheshire Counties, New Hampshire. On lands adjacent to the project boundaries, the APEs also include 10 meters (33 feet) of lands inland from the top of bank in areas along the Connecticut River and associated tributaries. The enclosed maps demarcate the general geographic and topographic coverage of the APEs for these projects. (See enclosure maps).

At this time, we seek formal concurrence from the Vermont, and New Hampshire SHPO on our defined APEs for the Wilder, Bellows Falls, and Vernon projects.

If you have any further questions, please contact Dr. Frank Winchell at 202-502-6104.

Sincerely,

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Enclosures: APE maps

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