



# TOWN OF HUDSON

## Conservation Commission



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William Collins, Chairman                      Dave Morin, Selectmen Liaison  
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### CONSERVATION COMMISSION MEETING AGENDA October 17, 2022

The Town of Hudson Conservation Commission will meet on **October 17, 2022** at 7:00 p.m. in the Buxton Meeting Room, located in Town Hall 12 School Street, Hudson, NH.

- ✓ Call to Order
- ✓ Pledge of Allegiance
- ✓ Roll Call
- ✓ Alternates
- ✓ Public Input Related to Non-Agenda Items

#### **I. Old Business:**

- a. Conditional Use Permit for New Garage, 23 Woodcrest Dr., Map# 125, Lot# 010-000
- b. Merrill Park Up Date and Proposed Plan Set
- c. Land Access Hudson Town Forest – Proposed abutter access continued from July 2022
- d. Wetland Mitigation- reference to possible donation of approximately 6 acres from Brox Industries Bruce Gilday owner representative

#### **II. New Business:**

None

#### **III. Other Business**

- a. Old Home Days – T-Shirt Contest winners (3)
- b. Trail Name for the town Forest trails (looking for two names).
- c. Rangers Town Forest Timber Harvest and Invasive Control

**IV. Financial Status:**

Current Numbers and FY 23/24 requests

**V. Correspondence:**

- a. NHACC Annual Meeting November 5, 2022

**VI. Approval of Minutes:**

- a. September 12, 2022 Meeting Minutes

**VII. Commissioner's Comments:**

*Next Regular Meeting: Monday, October 24, 2022 at 7:00 p.m.*

William Collins

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William Collins, Chairman



Marc E. Jacobs, CSS, CWS, PWS, CPESC  
Professional Wetland / Soil Scientist  
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## MEMORANDUM

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**VIA:** First class mail/Certified/Facsimile/Hand Delivery/Overnight/E-mail

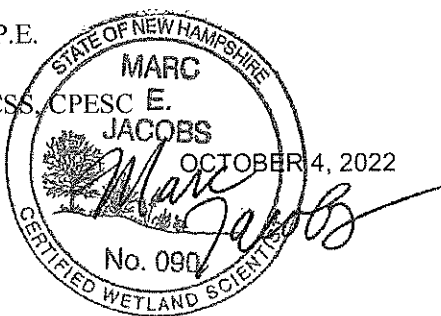
**TO:** Michael J. Grainger, P.E.

**FROM:** Marc Jacobs, CWS, CSS, CPESC E.

**DATE:** October 4, 2022

**SUBJECT:** Francoeur Property  
23 Woodcrest Drive  
Hudson, NH

**RE:** Wetland Functions



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I have compiled the following initial information regarding wetland functions, or “rank”, for the above-referenced location as per your request. The information below is based upon basic data collected during the delineation of wetlands conducted by this office in 2018 as supplemented by remote sensing and desktop research and is intended to support your request to work within the local wetland buffer zone. This report assesses three wetland functions; ecological integrity, wetland-dependent wildlife habitat and flood storage / desynchronization / abatement and is not intended to replace a full assessment of wetland functions per New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services (NHDES) rule Env-Wt 311.10, which is normally required for minor and major projects proposing direct wetland impact. Wetlands can provide as many as fourteen functions (or ecosystem services as they are often being referred to lately).

### Wetland Delineation

A portion of the jurisdictional wetland-upland boundary and Ordinary High Water (OHW) of Robinson Pond was delineated in August 2018 by Marc Jacobs, Certified Wetland Scientist number 090, according to the standards of the 1987 U.S. Army Corps of Engineers - Wetlands Delineation Manual; the 2012 Regional Supplement to the Corps of Engineers Wetland Delineation Manual: Northcentral and Northeast Region; the Code of Administrative Rules, NHDES - Wetlands Bureau – Env Wt 100-900 and §334-34 of the Hudson Zoning. Soils were evaluated utilizing the Field Indicators for Identifying Hydric Soils in New England, Version 4, May 2017 and the Field Indicators of Hydric Soils in the United States, Version 8, 2016. The indicator status of vegetation as hydrophytic was determined according to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers - Northcentral and Northeast 2016 Regional Wetland Plant List.

Solid pink color flags A1-A13 were placed in the field to identify the edge of jurisdictional resources in the immediate vicinity of the existing dwelling, adjacent to the area proposed for construction. Flags A1-A10± identify the wetland-upland boundary while flags A10-A13 identify OHW of Robinson Pond. The flags were subsequently located via survey and are depicted on various plans. We have reviewed and stamped (on July 22, 2022) the May 2, 2022 version of the site plan.

### Existing Conditions

The property involves a residential lot that is developed with an existing single-family dwelling which is part of a large, relatively dense neighborhood of single-family residential development. The property fronts on Robinson Pond and wetlands situated to the north side of the property are contiguous to Robinson Pond. The dominant wetland classification of these wetlands (and other aquatic resources) according to the National Wetland Inventory (NWI) and Cowardin classification system is Palustrine, Scrub-shrub, Broad-leaved Deciduous, Seasonally Flooded/Saturated (PSS1E). The wetlands confine a stream classified as Riverine, Intermittent, Streambed, Seasonally Flooded (R4SBC) which conveys flow to Robinson Pond intermittently based upon our direct observations. The classification of Robinson Pond is Lacustrine, Limnetic, Unconsolidated Bottom, Permanently Flooded, Diked/Impounded (L1UBHh). The NWI map identifies a small area classified as Lacustrine, Limnetic, Aquatic Bed, Permanently Flooded, Diked/Impounded (L1ABHh) where the stream empties into Robinson Pond. (This area also shows up well on aerial imagery.) The upland slopes overlooking the wetland are generally forested. The depth or thickness of the forested buffer between the wetland and the existing dwelling varies depending upon the exact location but eventually transitions to mowed lawn and impervious surfaces customarily associated with residential development. The property is not directly bounded by other conservation lands. Refer to the attached aerial image, NWI map, and map of existing conservation lands; Figures 1, 2 and 3 respectively. (Property lines depicted on all attached maps are approximate.)

The wetlands that are the emphasis of this letter are subject to flooding in a 100-year storm event. Refer to the attached flood plain map, Figure 4. Robinson Pond can be found on the Consolidated List of Water Bodies Subject to RSA 483-B, the Shoreland Water Quality Protection Act, and is therefore subject to the 250-foot shoreland zone. Refer to the attached map, Figure 5.

The property is not identified as highest ranked habitat in New Hampshire, highest ranked habitat in the region or as supporting landscape in the 2020 N.H. Fish and Game Wildlife Action Plan. Refer to the attached map, Figure 6. The property is identified as part of a wildlife corridor and this most likely includes the intermittent stream and associated wetlands. Conversely, the property is not identified as providing low cost wildlife connectivity. Refer to Figures 7 and 8 respectively.

The subject wetlands are not identified as a Priority Resource Area (PRA) on the attached locus map. This may be a function of the small size of the area and the scale of the mapping. We note that, as discussed above, the wetlands at this location are subject to flooding in a 100-year storm event and there are other areas subject to flooding at the north end of Robinson Pond which are identified as PRA. We assume that the site wetlands are not considered a PRA because they do not also border a tier 3 stream. Refer to Figure 9.

### Discussion and Conclusions

The property wetlands generally rank low for ecological integrity due to nearby existing residential development. The project as proposed will have minimal impact on ecological integrity functions provided by wetlands at this location.

The wetlands at this location rank low to moderate for wildlife habitat functions. The project may indirectly impact wildlife habitat if it impacts upland buffer which is currently vegetated with shrubs and trees. However, impact to important wildlife habitat at this location, that habitat which is required for wildlife species which are dependent on wetlands for all or part of the life cycle, will be minimal due to the nearby existing residential development and the fact that the project is not proposing direct wetland impact.

The property wetlands rank high for flood desynchronization. The project as proposed will have no impact on flood desynchronization / abatement or ecological integrity functions provided by wetlands at this location.

Whether or not the wetland area is considered a PRA is important if direct wetland impacts are being proposed, since designation as a PRA could trigger the need for compensatory mitigation under state regulations. It is our understanding however that direct wetland impacts are not being requested.

Generally speaking, the potential for indirect wetland impacts associated with work in wetland buffers is increased. Indirect impacts include, among others, those associated with erosion during construction and subsequent sedimentation into wetlands or surface waters. In most circumstances indirect impacts to wetlands and surface waters associated with erosion and sedimentation can be avoided or minimized with the proper installation and routine maintenance of typical perimeter siltation barriers, such as siltation fencing or compost filter sock; during construction and until any exposed soils have been suitably stabilized with vegetation. It appears from the site plan that siltation barriers are being proposed so indirect impacts to wetlands and surface waters are unlikely.

FRANCOEUR - 23 Woodcrest Dr., Hudson, NH



FIGURE 1

Legend

- Parcels
- Parcel Polygons
- Attributes for Additional Lines
- State
- County
- City/Town

Map Scale  
1: 1,961

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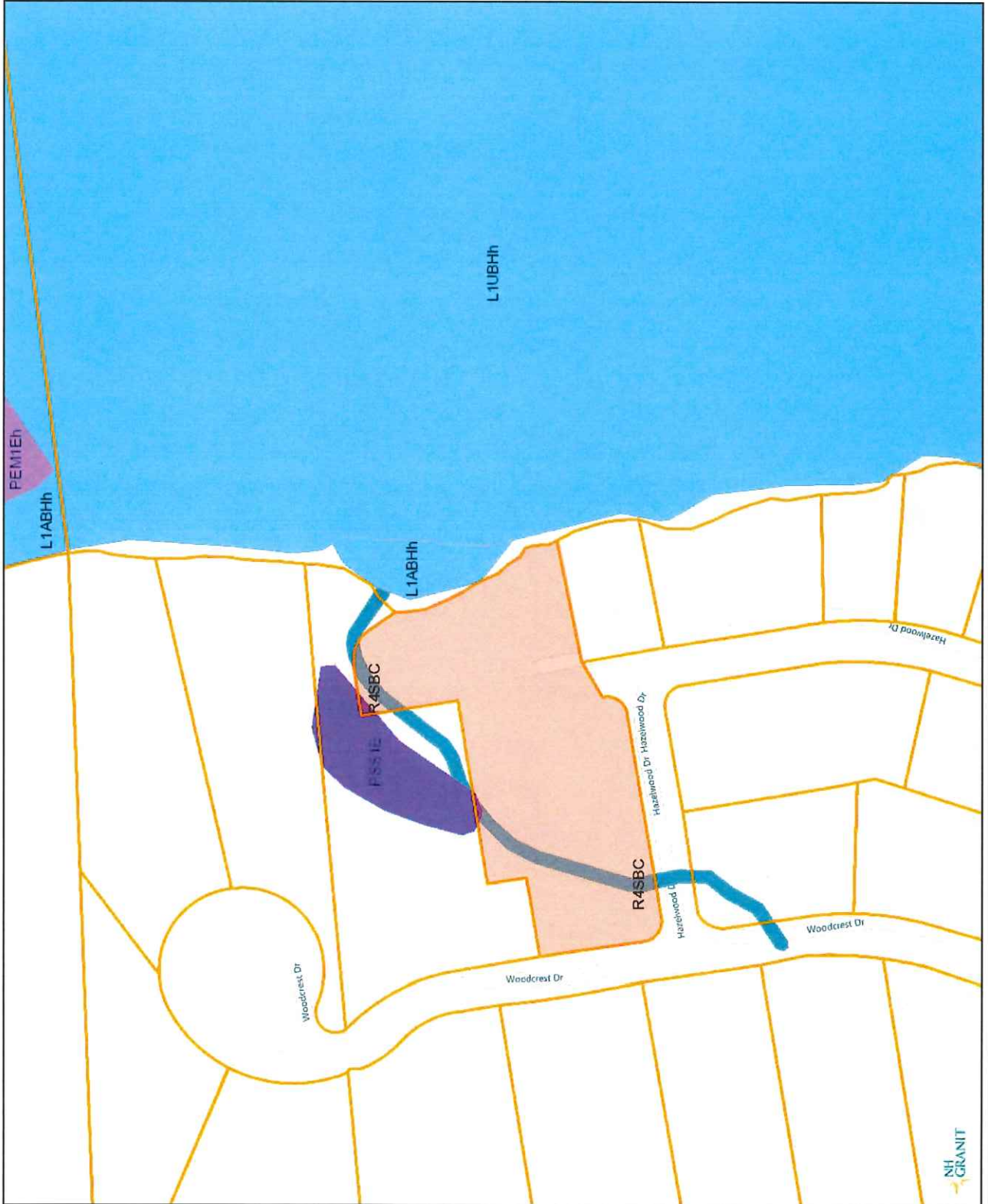
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2015 AERIAL IMAGE





# FRANCOEUR - 23 Woodcrest Dr., Hudson, NH



## Legend

- Parcels
  - Parcel Polygons
  - Attributes for Additional Lines
- State
- County
- City/Town
- NWIPIus
  - Estuarine and Marine Deepwater
  - Estuarine and Marine Wetland
  - Freshwater Emergent Wetland
  - Freshwater Forested/Shrub Wetland
  - Freshwater Pond
  - Lake
  - Other
  - Riverine

**FIGURE 2**

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## Notes

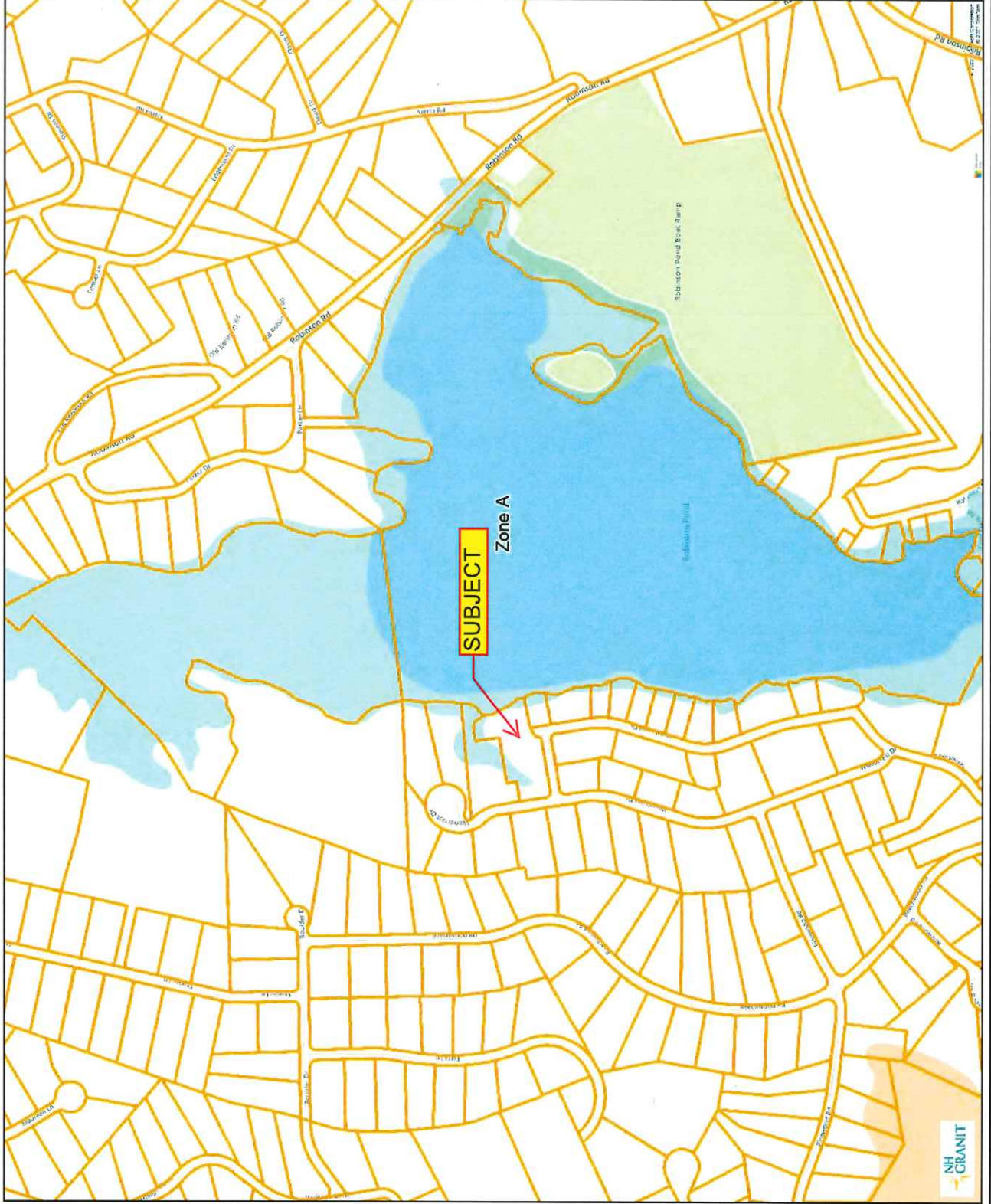
NATIONAL WETLANDS INVENTORY







# FRANCOEUR - 23 Woodcrest Dr., Hudson, NH



**SUBJECT**

Zone A

## Legend

- Parcels
  - Parcel Polygons
  - Attributes for Additional Lines
- State
- County
- City/Town
- Cross-Sections
- Base Flood Elevations
- Flood Hazard Boundaries
  - Limit Lines
  - SFHA / Flood Zone Boundary
- Flood Hazard Zones
  - 1% Annual Chance Flood Hazard
  - Regulatory Floodway
  - Special Floodway
  - Area of Undetermined Flood Hazard
  - 0.2% Annual Chance Flood Hazard
  - Future Conditions 1% Annual Chan Hazard
  - Area with Reduced Risk Due to Lev
  - Area with Risk Due to Levee

**FIGURE 4**

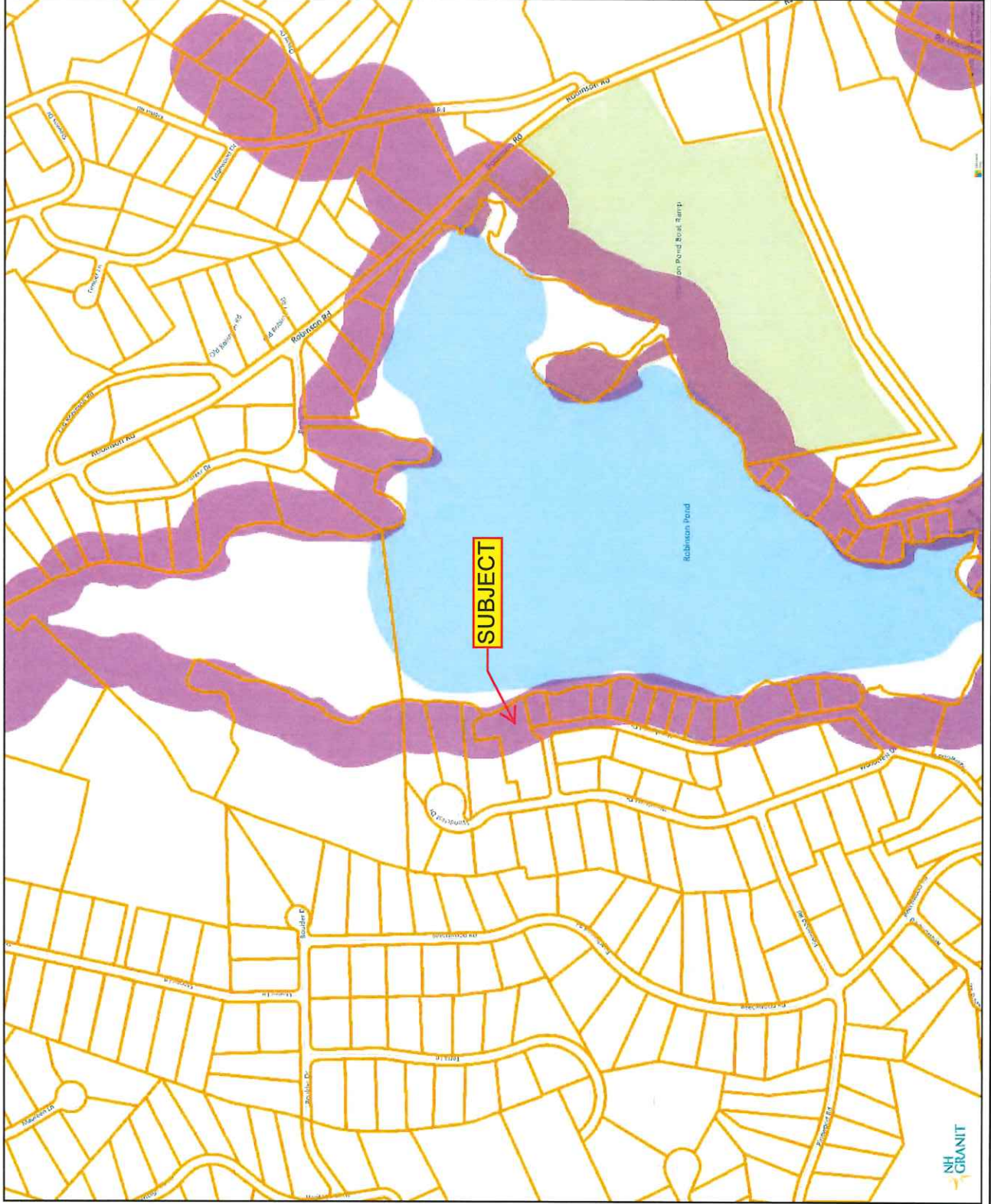
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Notes  
FLOOD PLAINS





# FRANCOEUR - 23 Woodcrest Dr., Hudson, NH



## Legend

- Parcels
- Parcel Polygons
- Attributes for Additional Lines
- State
- County
- City/Town
- Perennial Stream 250-foot Z

**FIGURE 5**

Map Scale

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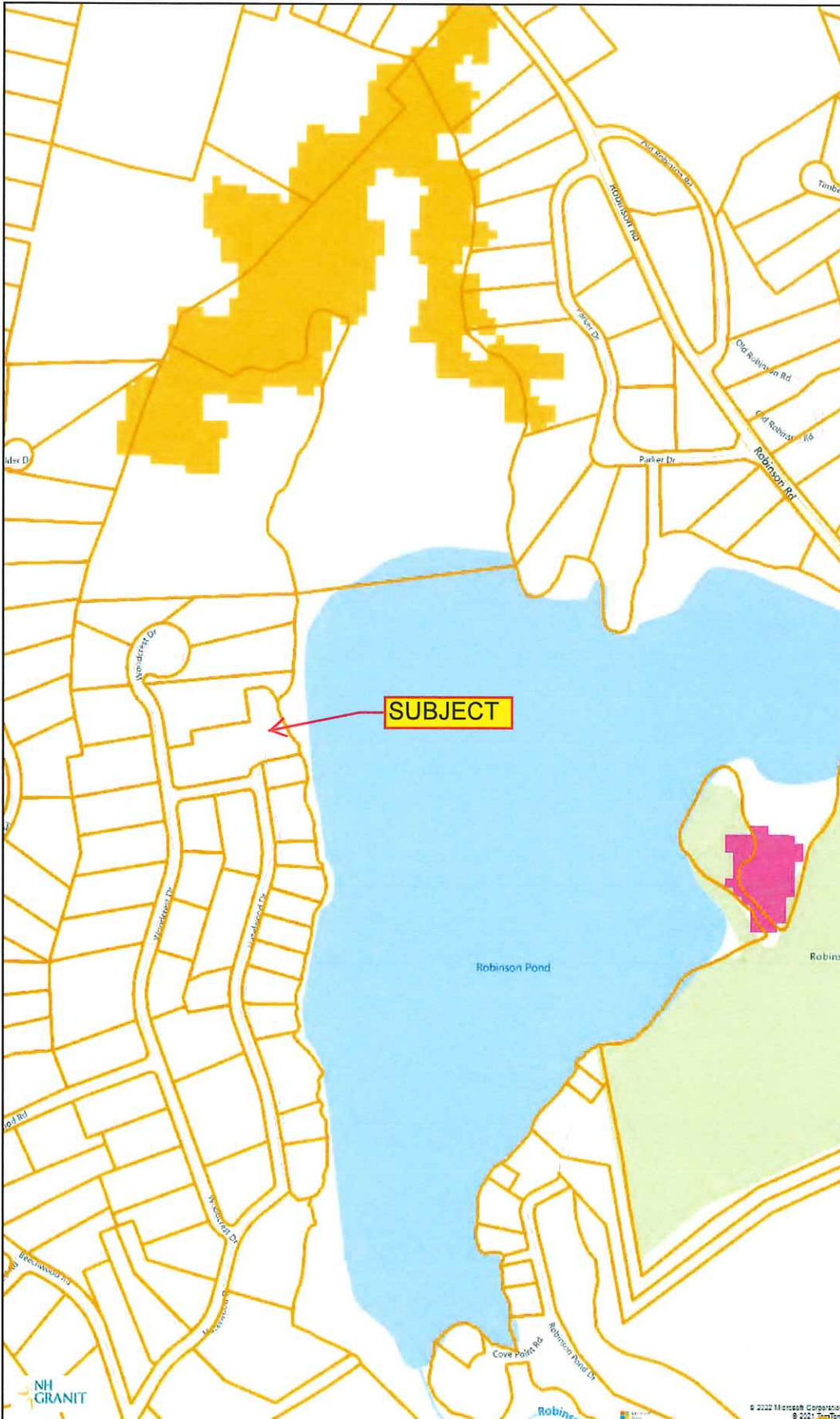


## Notes

SHORELAND ZONE



# FRANCOEUR - 23 Woodcrest Dr., Hudson, NH



## Legend

- Parcels
  - Parcel Polygons
  - Attributes for Additional Lines
- State
- County
- City/Town
- WAP 2020: Highest Ranked Wildlife Habitat
  - 1 Highest Ranked Habitat in NH
  - 2 Highest Ranked Habitat in Region
  - 3 Supporting Landscape

**FIGURE 6**

## Map Scale

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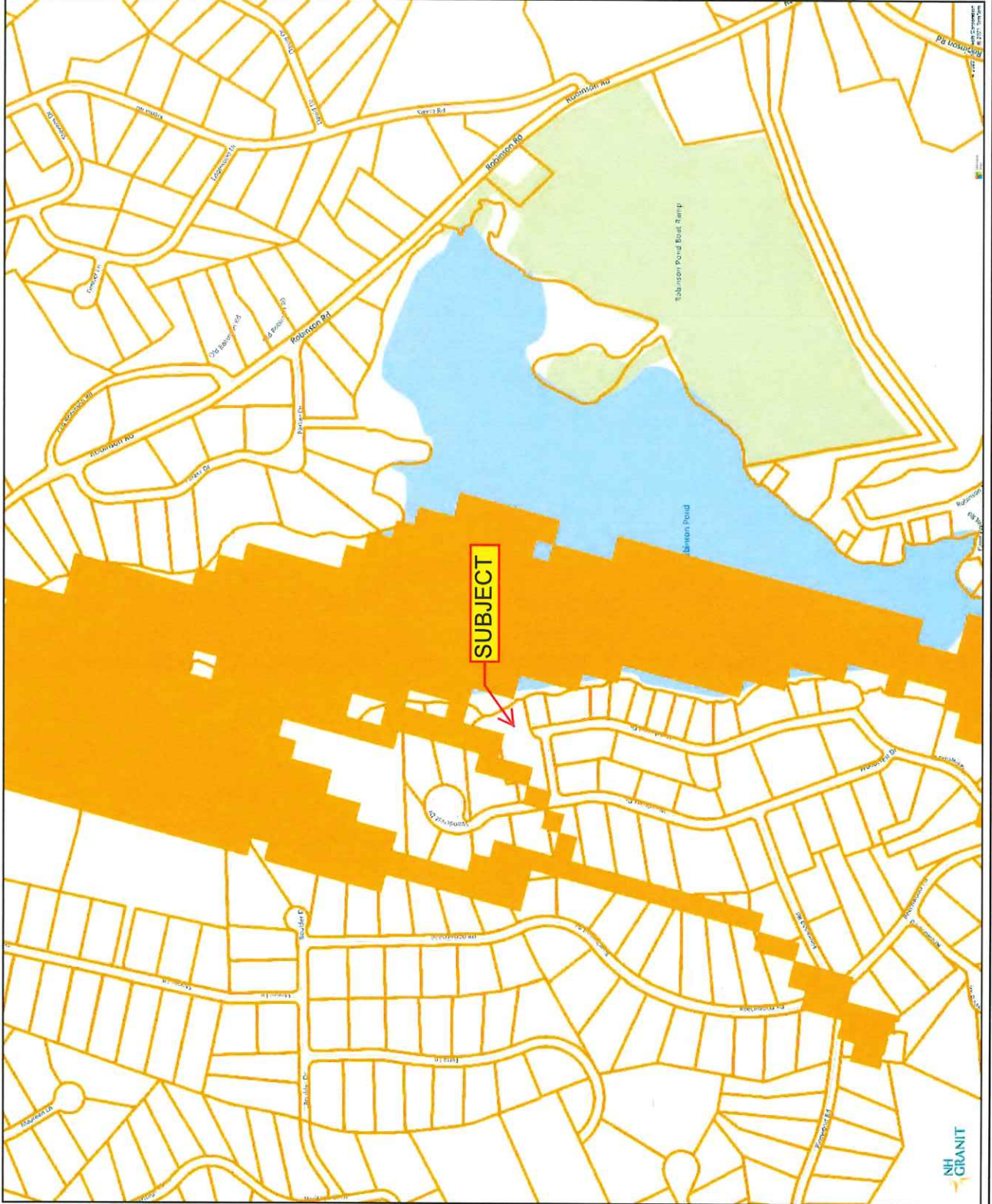
## Notes

2020 WILDLIFE ACTION PLAN





# FRANCOEUR - 23 Woodcrest Dr., Hudson, NH



## Legend

- Wildlife Corridors
- Parcels
- Parcel Polygons
- Attributes for Additional Lines
- State
- County
- City/Town

**FIGURE 7**

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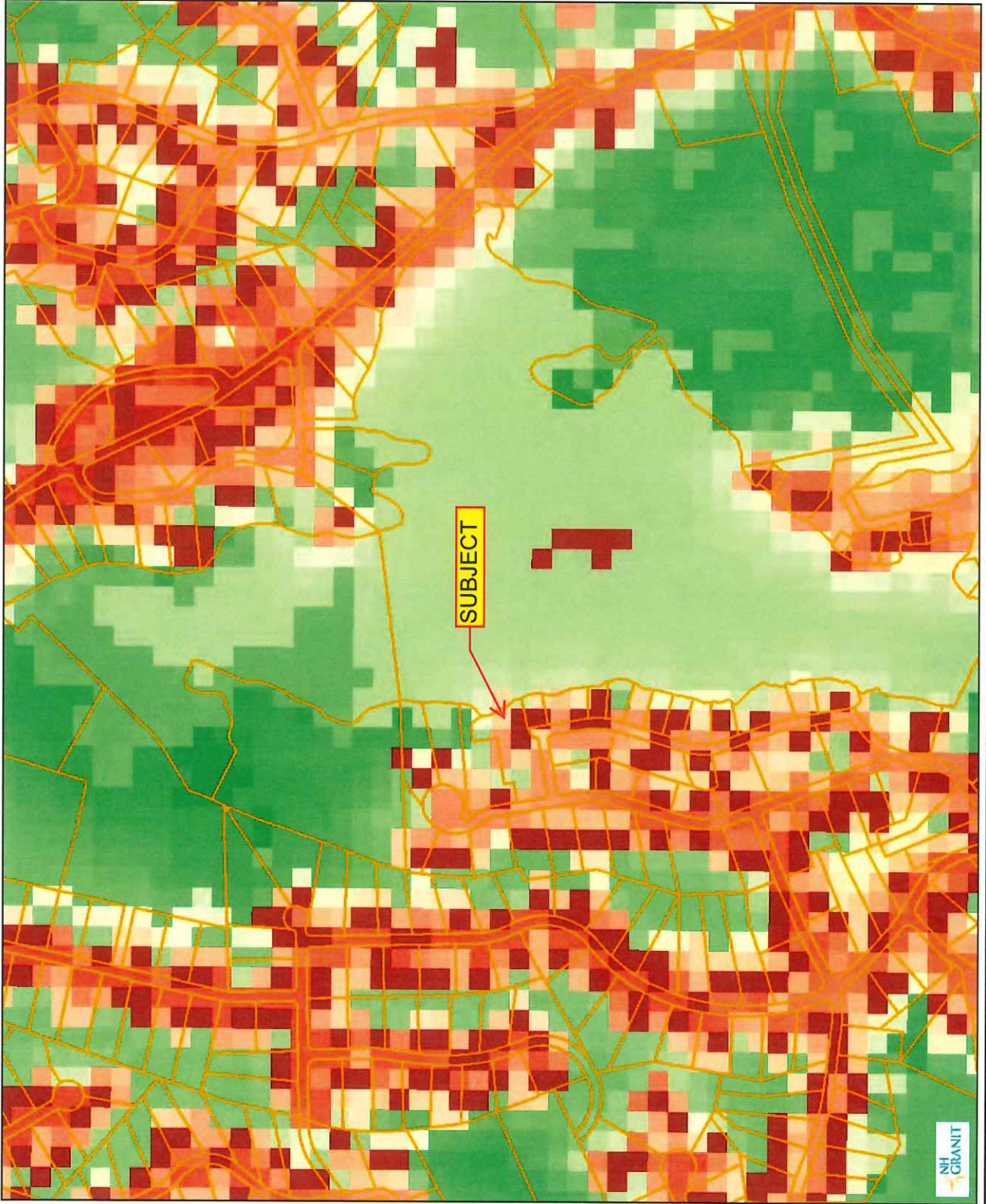
## Notes

WILDLIFE CORRIDORS





# FRANCOEUR - 23 Woodcrest Dr., Hudson, NH



## Legend

- Parcels
  - Parcel Polygons
  - Attributes for Additional Lines
- State
- County
- City/Town
- Wildlife Connectivity
  - Low permeability: 100 (high cost)
  - Highly permeable: 0 (low cost)

**FIGURE 8**

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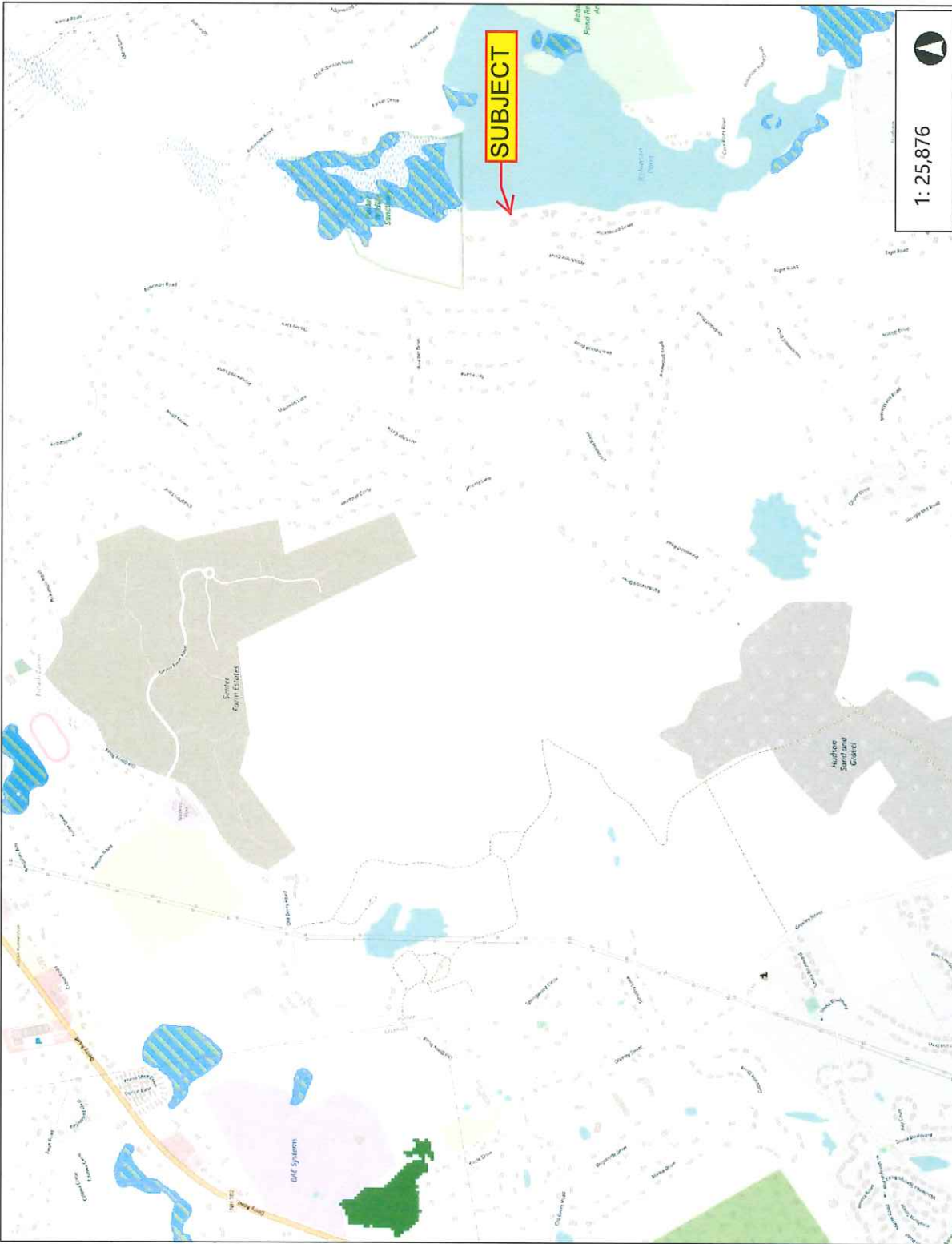
## Notes

WILDLIFE CONNECTIVITY





Your Organization | Francoeur - 23 Woodcrest Dr., Hudson, NH



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FIGURE 9

Legend

- Wetland\_Permits\_points
- Parcel Polygons
  - Parcel Polygons
  - Attributes for Additional Lines
- Parcel Lines
- Flood Plain Wetlands Adjacent
- Prime Wetlands
- Prime Wetlands with 100 ft Buffer
- Designated Rivers
  - Subject to SWQPA
  - Not Subject to SWQPA
- Sand Dunes
  - backdune
  - foredune
  - interdune
  - other
- Tidal Waters / Tidal Wetlands
  - Tidal wetland
  - Transitional salt marsh
  - Salt marsh
  - Mud flat
  - Tidal water

Notes

NHDES PRIORITY RESOURCE AREAS



## **23 Woodcrest Drive Site Walk: New Automobile Garage CUP Site Walk Observations and Conclusions**

On September 15, 2022 members of the Hudson Conservation Commission conducted a site walk of property owned by Gary Francoeur, 23 Woodcrest Drive (Ave.), Map 125, Lot 010. The applicant is proposing to build a 30' x 28' garage on his property and a portion of the new structure (approximately 260 square feet) will infringe upon the 50 foot Wetland Buffer. The purpose of the site walk was to determine whether or not the proposed garage, if built, would have any significant impact on Wetland Buffer or Wetlands themselves. While on site commission members observed the following. The wetland buffer in the area of the proposed garage is no longer naturalized and is being maintained by the homeowner as a continuation of their lawn. The wetlands were delineated and evaluated by Marc E. Jacobs CWS. His analysis and conclusions are provided in a memorandum dated October 4, 2022. To the front of the property and located at a significant distance from the house is the leach field and septic system. There is an existing two car garage located directly across from where the proposed garage would be built. After review of the site and discussions with the land owner and project engineer it is in the opinion of the Conservation Commission members that the garage project would have minimal impact on the wetland buffer and no impact to the wetland themselves. Any storm water runoff as a result of the project can be easily mitigated through proper retention or infiltration practices. According to the landowner the garage will only be used for personal vehicle storage and he is not planning on storing any chemicals or other materials in the new building.

It did appear that there is enough space to place the new structure out of the wetland buffer by shifting the footprint of the building easterly towards the pond or attaching the new structure to the existing garage which would result in no impact to the wetland buffer.

Reference Article IX 334-36 C (1) Accessory structures associated with a legally existing primary structure, provided the applicant demonstrates that no practicable alternative exists elsewhere on the lot and outside of the Wetland Conservation Overlay District

If the Planning Board finds the proposed location of the garage acceptable the commission members would like to recommend that the following conditions be imposed as condition of approval.

### **HCC Recommendations to the Planning board as part any condition of approval**

\_\_\_\_\_ move to forward recommendations 1 through 5 below to the Planning Board for their consideration as Conditions of Approval for the Conditional Use Permit application submitted by Gary Francoeur, 23 Woodcrest Drive (Ave.), Hudson.

- 1) During construction and restoration erosion control barriers shall be installed and maintained to the satisfaction of the Town Engineer.
- 2) The applicant shall incorporate a dripline infiltration strip or if gutters are used a drywell system to attenuate Stormwater runoff produced by the new structure to prevent erosion by Stormwater runoff into the wetland buffer area.
- 3) The applicant shall remove concrete blocks currently placed in the wetland buffer
- 4) The commission recommends that a stipulation and or note be added to the final plan set that states "Stockpiling of construction materials is not allowed in the wetland areas during construction.
- 5) This motion is based on the plan(s) submitted by the applicant. It is recommended that if additional impacts are required the plan be returned to the Conservation Commission for further review.

Motion Second \_\_\_\_\_

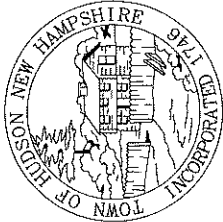
Motion carried / /

William Collins

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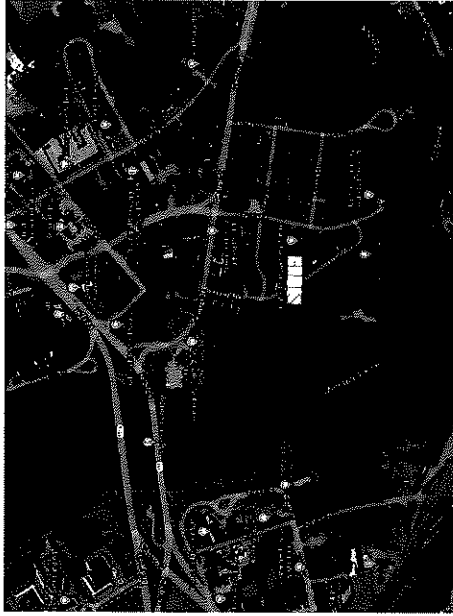
William Collins, HCC Chairman





TOWN OF HUDSON, NEW HAMPSHIRE

**MERRILL PARK IMPROVEMENTS**



LOCUS MAP  
NOT TO SCALE

**TOWN ADMINISTRATOR**

STEVE MALIZIA

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

KARA ROY, CHAIRPERSON  
BOB GUESSFERD, VICE-CHAIRMAN  
DAVID S. MORIN,  
MARILYN MCGRATH  
BRETT GAGNON

**TOWN ENGINEER**

ELVIS DHIMA, P.E.

SEPTEMBER 2022

**LIST OF DRAWINGS**

- 1 COVER SHEET
- 2 EXISTING CONDITIONS(40)
- 3 EXISTING CONDITIONS(20)
- 4 PARKING DESIGN
- 5 DETAIL SHEET
- 6 OVERALL SHEET

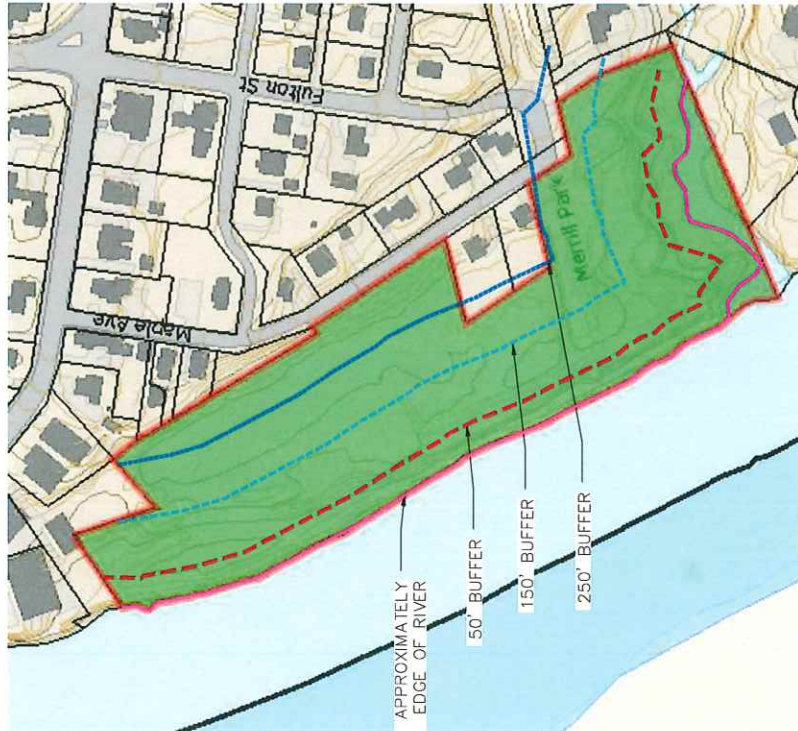












NO.	DATE	REVISION

MERRILL PARK IMPROVEMENTS  
 SITE PLAN  
 PREPARED FOR: TOWN OF HUDSON,  
 12 SCHOOL STREET  
 HUDSON, NEW HAMPSHIRE  
 SCALE: 1" = 500' DATE: SEPTEMBER 2022

TOWN ENGINEER'S OFFICE  
 SHEET 6  
 L.P.P. L.P.P.  
 REGISTERED PROFESSIONAL ENGINEER



## Item A: Other Business

### **Access Concerns and Abutter Notifications for the Town of Hudson Forested and Conserved Lands**

There are currently three parcels of land designated as “Town Forests” within the town of Hudson. Ranges Town Forest with a land area of approximately 57 acres is centrally located and accessed from Rangers Drive or Roy Drive. Colburn Town Forest has a land area of approximately 52 acres and is located in the southerly portion of town. Access to this parcel is off Musquash Road across from Copper Hill Road or from Trigate Road. Lastly, Hudson Town Forest with a land area of approximately 79 acres is located in the easterly side of town and accessed from Kimball Hill Road. These particular parcels are exclusive of other conserved properties owned by the town as they were established by the Legislative Body pursuant to RSA 31:110.

All three of these properties are currently under the management of the Hudson Conservation Commission as called out in RSA 31:112 paragraph II and are open to the public for the enjoyment of hunting, fishing and other recreational activities. These properties can also be used as a source of revenue by way of timber harvesting with proceeds going to improvements within the forests to further enhance its functionality. (Note: Revenues collected from timber harvesting are deposited into an account separate of the town’s General Fund and can only be spent with the approval of the Legislative Body.)

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Although the HCC manages these three parcels along with the many conserved properties scattered about town we are still only an advisory group to the BOS, Zoning and Planning Board and cannot actually implement any rules or regulations over the use or access to these lands. With this in mind I’d like to propose that the commission members discuss the following recommendations and if the majority find them to be acceptable forward these on to the BOS (governing body) for review and acceptance.

- 1) The Hudson Conservation Commission or **\*\*Overseeing Authority** shall not make or suggest rules that would limit public access to properties labeled “Town Forest” or “Conserved Lands” when the use is for recreational purposes such as **hunting, hiking and fishing**. By adopting this policy we the Conservation Commission recognize that all town owned conservation and forest properties will remain openly accessible to the general public in perpetuity.
- 2) The Hudson Conservation Commission or **\*\*Overseeing Authority** shall notify all abutting landowners ~~90~~ **30** days prior to a timber harvest taking place at Town Forest or Conserved Properties. This will allow for coordinated efforts between abutting

landowners, if desired, to get the best possible harvest and least amount of disturbance to all properties involved.

- 3) If access is needed from or through lands of any “Town Forest” or “Conserved Lands” to an abutting parcel for an individual timber harvest an “Application for Access” (Figure 1) shall be filled out and submitted to the Town of Hudson Engineering Department. Once received the Hudson Conservation Commission or \*\*Overseeing Authority along with the Town Engineer will hold a public meeting with the applicant to review the scope of work to take place and determine the best course of action.

\*\* – Overseeing Authority – This would be a Forestry Committee if and when appointed by the BOS as referenced in 31:112 Management.

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# TOWN OF HUDSON

## APPLICATION FOR ACCESS



12 School Street • Hudson, New Hampshire 03051 • Tel: 603-886-6008 • Fax: 603-594-1142

I/We \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Site Supervisor Name & Phone Number (24 /7): \_\_\_\_\_

Hereby apply for access to or through town Forest or Conserved Property, in accordance with the Town of Hudson Rules and Regulations.

Town Property to be used for access: \_\_\_\_\_

Purpose of Access: \_\_\_\_\_

Access Map Provided:       YES             NO      

Dates & Time of Proposed Work: \_\_\_\_\_

### 1. Certificate of Insurance Coverage

- 1) Public Liability Insurance for bodily injury of \$25,000 for one person, and \$100,000 for each occurrence.
- 2) Property Damage \$25,000/\$100,000 aggregate. Coverage shall include collapse hazard.

Signature, Title of Lienholder \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Director of Public Works \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Town Engineer \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Chairman of Conservation Commission \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Figure 1

Comdty	5586 Conservation Commission			Sub TTL	FY22	FY23	% Change	
	Unit	Price/Unit						
1XX	<b>Temporary Part-time Salary and Taxes</b>							
202					0	0	0.0%	
	<b>Small Equipment</b>				2,300	2,300	0.0%	
	Kiosks Update & Replacement		1,600					
	Small Trail Signs Replacements		400					
	Oil & Gas for equipment		200					
	Safety Equipment, such as gloves, safety glasses and ear protection		100					
217	<b>Assoc Dues and Fees</b>							
	NH Association of Conservation Commissions				1,327	1,327	0.0%	
235	<b>Registration Fees</b>							
	NH Conservation Commission Annual meetings and other related seminars				500	500	0.0%	
252	<b>Other Professional Services</b>							
	Volunteer Lake Assessment Program water testing		1,400					
	Lake Host Program		8,726					
	Invasive Weed Control (Herbicide at Ottarmic Pond and DASH at Robinson and Ottarmic Ponds) (6 months)		38,500					
	Town Land Stewardship				48,626	48,626	0.0%	
	<b>Summary</b>							
	<b>Salary and Benefits</b>				0	0	0.0%	
	<b>Operating Budget</b>				52,753	52,753	0.0%	
	<b>Total</b>				<b>52,753</b>	<b>52,753</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	



Expenditure Report - Including Carry Forward Activity  
Conservation Committee  
Town of Hudson, NH  
As Of: September 2022, GL Year 2023

Account Number	Budget & PY		Prior Year		Budget Adjustments	Net Budget	MTD Exp	YTD Exp	Encumbered	Encumbered	Balance	
	Budget	Encumbered	Budget	Encumbered							Available	%Used
Selected Year	52,753.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	52,753.00	60.00	1,013.20	0.00	0.00	0.00	51,739.80	1.921
Prior Year	0.00	39,155.00	0.00	0.00	39,155.00	6,400.00	19,844.00	19,311.00	19,311.00	0.00	0.00	100.000
Grand Total	52,753.00	39,155.00	0.00	0.00	91,908.00	6,460.00	20,857.20	19,311.00	19,311.00	51,739.80	43.705	

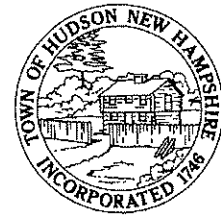






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## Conservation Commission



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**DATE: September 12, 2022**

MEETING MINUTES: Below is a listing of minutes for the Hudson Conservation Commission. Minutes are not a verbatim record of each meeting, but rather represent a summary of the discussion and actions taken at the meeting. All Conservation Commission meetings are televised live and repeated during the following week on HCTV, cable television channel 22. Official copies of the minutes are available to read and copy at the Town Engineer's Office during regular business hours (Monday through Friday, 8:00 A.M. to 4:30 P.M.).

Should you have any questions concerning these minutes or wish to see the original recording, please contact the Town Engineer's Office at 603-886-6008.

In attendance = X   Alternates Seated = S   Partial Attendance = P   Excused Absence = E

William Collins Chairman <u>  E  </u>	Ken Dickinson Vice-Chair <u>  X  </u>	Bill Kallgren Member <u>  X  </u>	Brian Pinsonneault Member <u>  X  </u>
Sandra Rumbaugh Member <u>  X  </u>	Carl Murphy Alternate <u>  X  </u>	Linda Krisciunas Alternate <u>  X  </u>	David Morin Selectman Rep <u>  E  </u>
			Elvis Dhima Town Rep <u>  X  </u>

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CALL TO ORDER BY CHAIRPERSON AT 07:01 P.M.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

SEATING OF ALTERNATES:

Mr. Dickinson seated Linda Krisciunas

Public Input Related to Non-Agenda Items: None

**I. Old Business** – Mr. Dickinson proposed to defer old business to the next meeting.

## II. New Business –

**Public Hearing – Land Purchase of 103 Wason Road.** Mr. Dhima provided a review of the parcel under consideration, including location and noting that there are existing town properties adjacent to the parcel, it was also noted that the parcel is adjacent to the corridor for Circumferential Highway, should that ever be built.

Ms. Krisciunas noted that the property may be difficult to develop and if so, could be allow the opportunity to save money if it could not be easily developed. Mr. Dhima noted that the property has value as part of the watershed. Additional discussions were held regarding possible construction of a parking area to provide easy access to the site.

Ms. Rumbaugh moved to spend up to \$156,000 from the Town of Hudson Conservation fund to purchase the approximately 31-acre property.

Mr. Pinsonneault seconded the motion.

Motion carried 5-0-0

Conditional use Permit – New Garage 23 Woodcrest Drive Map #125 Lot#010-000  
Gary Francoeur, property owner and Michael Grainger project engineer provided an overview of the application to construct a new garage with approximately 260 sq-ft of encroachment into wetland buffer. Several discussions were held on possible alternate locations for the garage, however those locations would either impact well water, add additional impervious surfaces or locate the garage closer to adjacent Robinson Pond.

A site walk was scheduled for Thursday September 15<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 PM to review the project.

Discussion about possible donation of 6 acres from Brox Industries – Mr. Bruce Gilday, Arrie Pollack, Eric Stevenson and Scott Riley – representatives of Brox Industries discussed that dredge and fill permit is anticipated to expand operations in the west and north of the operations. As part of the process, Brox are looking to see if the conservation commission will accept donation of land. The applicant provided some details on Aquatic Resource Mitigation Fund process and noted that those funds may not come back directly to the town. It was noted that the Brox was not looking for a decision immediately but wanted the commission to start thinking about this donation, or other projects that could be funded as part of this process. Discussion were held about limited access to this parcel as well as possible funding toward Merrill Park project. No decisions were made, allowing the commission to consider other projects that may be of value.

## III. Other Business

A - Old Home Days – Discussions on Old Home Days was deferred until a future meeting.

B - Wood Duck Boxes - Mr. Pinsonneault displayed sample of Wood Duck boxes that had been purchased and was very happy with the quality of the product. Period to install will be in January / February. With nesting season passed, Mr. Pinsonneault will check on conditions of existing boxes and assess how many additional boxes the commission may want to invest.

C – Trail Name for town Forest trails

Discussions were held regarding trail names, with suggestions of Native American names and Mr. Pinsonneault suggested naming some trails in respect to fallen law enforcement and military personal.

#### **IV. Financial Status**

Mr. Dickinson reviewed current financial status noting that approximately 50% of professional services have been used to date.

#### **V. Correspondence**

BSC Group provided correspondence on pole repairs noting that access was via an agreement with private property owner with less impact than other access points.

Tighe and Bond provided correspondence on pole repairs between Hudson and Litchfield with a temporary stream crossing being required.

Repairs to culvert on Lowell Road were discussed. Due to the length of the culvert, it is classified by NHDOT as a bridge and is on Red List due to deterioration. Mr. Dhima noted that the culvert is approximately 40 years old and approximately 10 feet high and 12 feet wide. Temporary pumping of water from one side of Lowell Road to the other will be required for these repairs.

#### **VI. Approval of Minutes**

Ms. Rumbaugh made a motion to approve June meeting minutes, seconded by Ms. Krisciunas.

Motion Passed 5-0-0

Mr. Pinsonneault made a motion to approve July meeting minutes, seconded by Ms. Krisciunas.

Motion Passed 5-0-0

#### **VII. Commissioner's Comments**

None

#### **Motion to adjourn:**

8:51 Mr. Kallgren moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:40 PM; seconded by Ms. Rumbaugh.

Motion Carried 5-0-0

*Bill Kallgren*

William Kallgren, HCC Clerk





# TOWN OF HUDSON

## Conservation Commission



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**DATE: September 15, 2022**

MEETING MINUTES: Below is a listing of minutes for the Hudson Conservation Commission. Minutes are not a verbatim record of each meeting, but rather represent a summary of the discussion and actions taken at the meeting. All Conservation Commission meetings are televised live and repeated during the following week on HCTV, cable television channel 22. Official copies of the minutes are available to read and copy at the Town Engineer's Office during regular business hours (Monday through Friday, 8:00 A.M. to 4:30 P.M.).

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In attendance = X   Alternates Seated = S   Partial Attendance = P   Excused Absence = E

William Collins Chairman <u>  X  </u>	Ken Dickinson Vice-Chair <u>  X  </u>	Sandra Rumbaugh Member <u>  E  </u>	William Kallgren Member <u>  X  </u>
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Brain Pinsonneault Member <u>  E  </u>	Carl Murphy Alt. Member <u>  E  </u>	David Morin Select. Rep. <u>  E  </u>	Elvis Dhima Town Engineer <u>  E  </u>
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**Noted:**

**Applicant Representative:** Mr Mike Grainger – Project Engineer 220 Derry Road, Hudson NH.  
Property Owner Mr. Gary Francoeur, 23 Woodcrest Drive, Hudson NH.

- I. CALL TO ORDER BY CHAIRPERSON AT 6:10 P.M.
- II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- III. ROLL CALL
- IV. SEATING OF ALTERNATES

**V. Site Walk for 23 Woodcrest Ave.**

**A. Conditional Use Application, 23 Woodcrest Ave, Tax Map 125, Lot #010-000**

The purpose of the site walk was to evaluate wetland buffer impacts requested by the applicant that will be needed to accomplish a proposed garage expansion and on site improvements. The area of interest is located along the norther portion of property:

Permanent wetland buffer impact of approximately 260 sq-ft.,

No decision or motions were made and all members attending the site walk adjourned at 6:35 p.m.

Bill Kallgren

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Bill Kallgren, HCC Clerk



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September 30, 2022

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Thank you for being the stewards of your communities natural resources and wildlife. Your commitment to protecting our environment helps to ensure that New Hampshire has the wild places and natural areas that provide citizens with clean air and water, and enhanced quality of life. We understand that local commissions face increasing pressures and complex challenges. Emerging contaminants threaten our drinking water, lakes and streams. Climate change impacts our built infrastructure and the state's biodiversity. Accelerating development, pollution, and invasive species stress our wildlife and other natural resources.

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- Coordinating the Community Conservation Cohort Training Series;
- Hosting 8 lunch & learn online programs
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Sincerely,

Barbara Richter, Executive Director

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**Nature: How it Sparks Joy and Passion**  
**Keynote Speakers: Susie Spikol and Jack Dalton**  
*See back page for workshop listing*

**Pembroke Academy, 209 Academy Road, Pembroke NH**



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<b>9:00 AM Keynote; Nature: How it Sparks Joy and Passion</b>								
<b>A</b>	Fundamentals Conservation Commissions	How to Review a Wetlands Permit	Love Your Forests? Protect your Predators	Connect to the Coast: Conservation Plan	Preparing for NH New Climate Normal	Everyday Wild: Common Wildlife Connections	Using TDR to Fund Land Preservation	Controlling Invasive Pests
<b>B</b>	NRI: Know Your Natural Resources	Wetlands Permit Planning Tool	Using Wildlife Cameras	Identify Cyano-bacteria	Climate Change: Conservation Strategies	Collaborate with High School and College	State Funding Options: ALP and LCHIP	Climate Change and Increase use of Trails
<b>C</b>	Optional Powers; Legal opinion	National Wetlands Inventory Maps	Native Bees: Pollinator Superheroes	Indigenous People and Stewardship	Framing Climate Change for Community	Envirothon: How to Support a Team	The Municipal Budget Process	Managing Increased Use of Trails

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