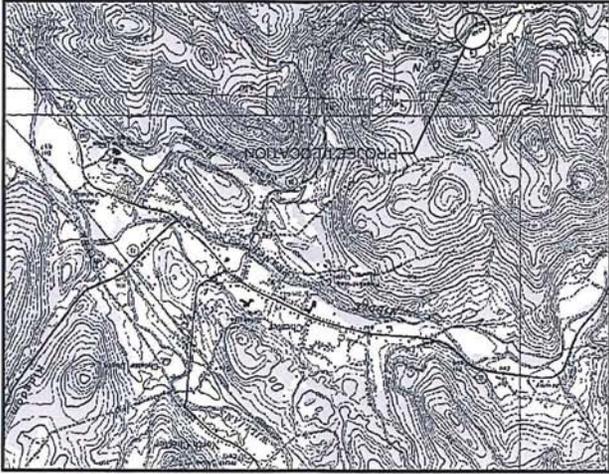


Appendix C: Supporting Documentation

CONTRACT DOCUMENTS
FOR

POPPLE DUNGEON ROAD IMPROVEMENTS

FOR THE TOWN OF
CHESTER, VERMONT



PROJECT LOCATION MAP

MARCH, 2005

DOCUMENTS PREPARED BY:
LEACH ENGINEERING CONSULTANTS, P.A.
ST. JOHNSBURY, VERMONT



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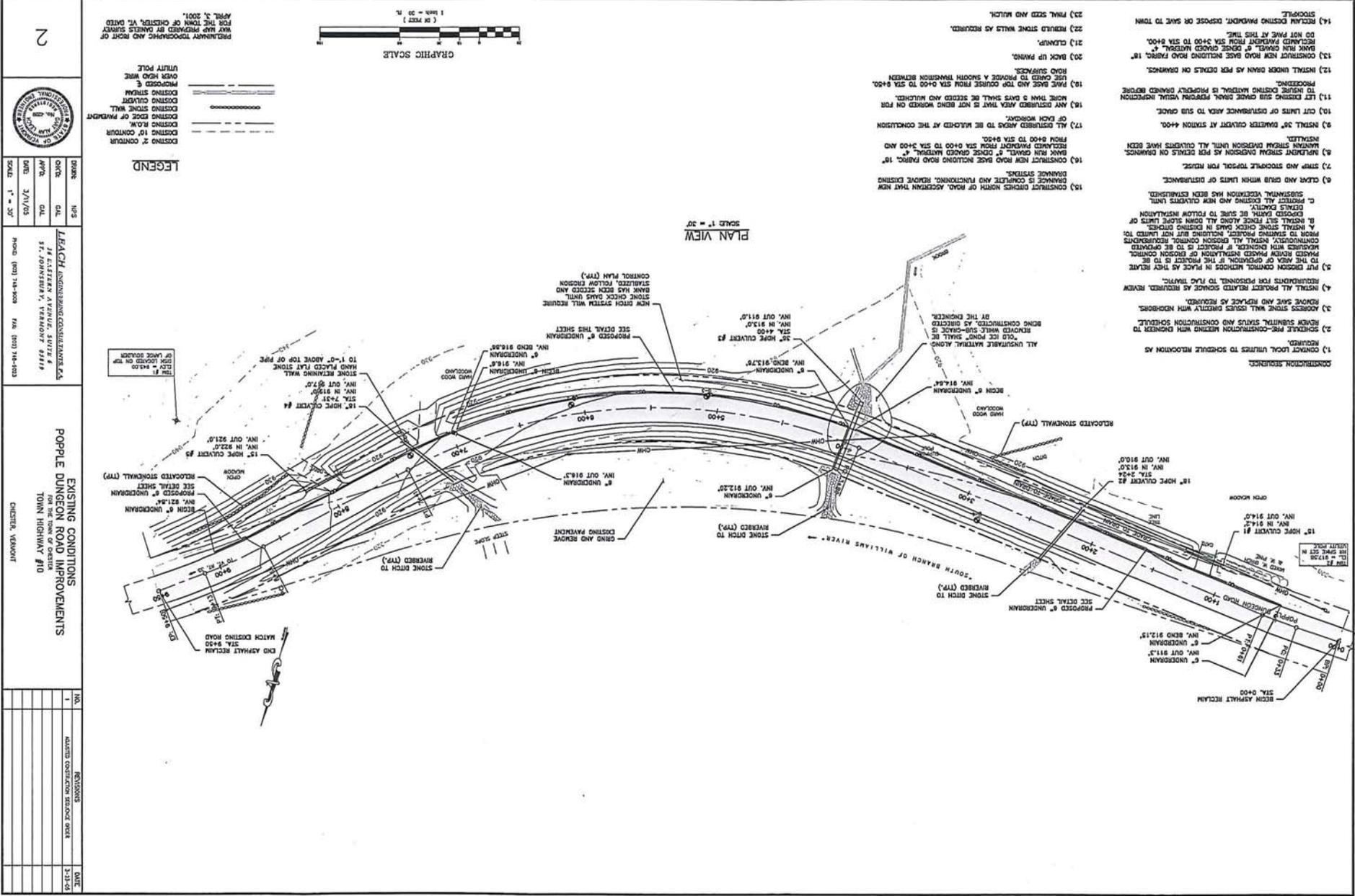
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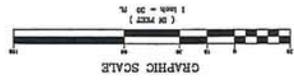
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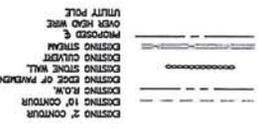
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PLAN VIEW
SCALE 1" = 30'



PRELIMINARY TOPOGRAPHIC AND RIGHT OF WAY MAP PROVIDED BY DANIEL GUYER
APRIL 3, 2001.



- 1) CONSTRUCTION SEQUENCES
- 2) OBTAIN PRE-CONSTRUCTION MEETING WITH ENGINEER TO REVIEW SUBMITTAL STATUS AND CONSTRUCTION SCHEDULE.
- 3) ADDRESS STAKE WILL ISSUES WITH NEIGHBORS.
- 4) INSTALL ALL PROJECT RELATED SIGNAGE AS REQUIRED, REMOVE EXISTING SIGNAGE AND REPLACE AS REQUIRED.
- 5) PUT DESIGN CONTROL METHODS IN PLACE AS THEY RELATE TO THE KIND OF OPERATION. THE PROJECT IS TO BE CONDUCTED IN A MANNER THAT PROVIDES FOR CONTINUED CONTROL OF EROSION CONTROL. MAINTAINING PROTECTIVE MEASURES ARE TO BE MAINTAINED CONTINUOUSLY. INSTALL ALL EROSION CONTROL MEASUREMENTS. POINT TO EXISTING PROJECT MEASUREMENTS ARE TO BE MAINTAINED THROUGHOUT PROJECT. EXISTING MEASUREMENTS ARE TO BE MAINTAINED THROUGHOUT PROJECT.
- 6) CLEAR AND GRAB WITHIN LIMITS OF DISTURBANCE.
- 7) STAKE AND STAKEOUT TOTAL FOR ROAD.
- 8) BANK RUN GRAVEL, 6" DENSE GRADED MATERIAL, 18" BANK RUN GRAVEL, 6" DENSE GRADED MATERIAL, 6" DISTURBED AREAS TO BE RECLAIMED AT THE CONCLUSION OF EACH WORKDAY.
- 9) INSTALL 30" DIA. CULVERT AT STATION 4+00.
- 10) CUT LIMITS OF DISTURBANCE AREA TO 5% GRADE.
- 11) LET EXISTING BANK PERSONAL MEASUREMENTS TO INSURE EXISTING MATERIAL IS PROPERLY GRADED BEFORE PROCEEDING.
- 12) INSTALL UNDER DRAIN AS PER DETAILS ON DRAWINGS.
- 13) CONSTRUCT NEW ROAD BASE INCLUDING ROAD FABRIC, 18" BANK RUN GRAVEL, 6" DENSE GRADED MATERIAL, 6" RECLAIMED PAVEMENT FROM STA 3+00 TO STA 6+00.
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- 17) ALL DISTURBED AREAS TO BE RECLAIMED AT THE CONCLUSION OF EACH WORKDAY.
- 18) ANY DISTURBED AREA THAT IS NOT BEING WORKED ON FOR MORE THAN 3 DAYS SHALL BE SEEDED AND MULCHED.
- 19) FIVE BASE AND TOP COURSE FROM STA 0+00 TO STA 6+00. SEE NOTES TO PROVIDE A SHOULDER THROUGHOUT.
- 20) BACK UP PAVING.
- 21) CLEANUP.
- 22) REPAIRED STONE WALLS AS REQUIRED.
- 23) FINAL SEED AND MULCH.

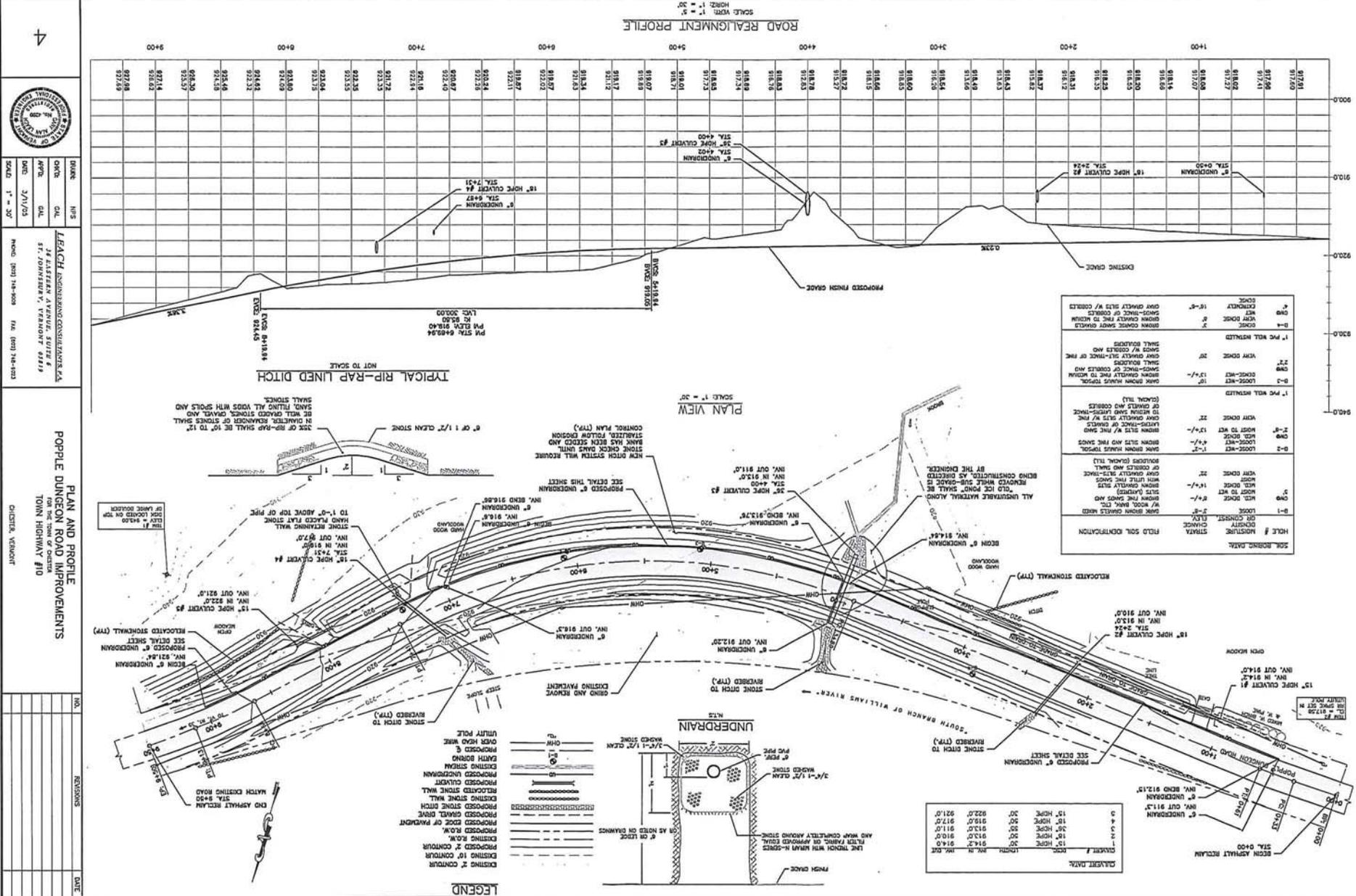


DATE	3/1/03
BY	D.G.
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LEACH ENGINEERING CONSULTANTS, LLC
38 EASTERN AVENUE, SUITE #
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EXISTING CONDITIONS
POPPLE DUNGEON ROAD IMPROVEMENTS
FOR THE TOWN OF CHESTER
TOWN HIGHWAY #10
CHESTER, VERMONT

NO.	REVISIONS	DATE
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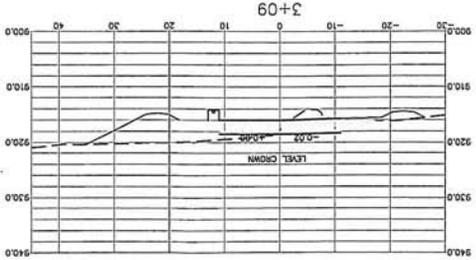
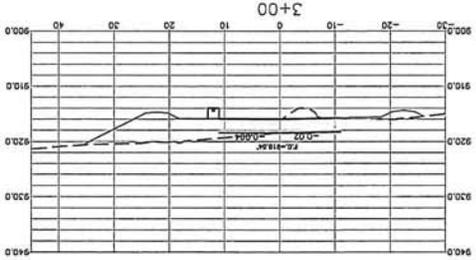
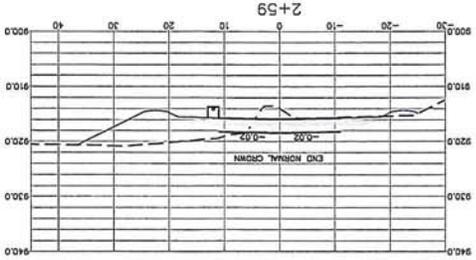
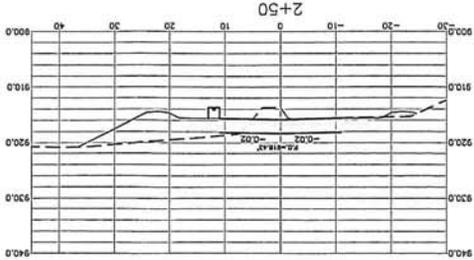
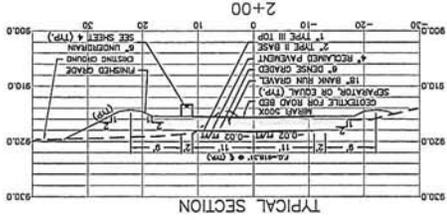
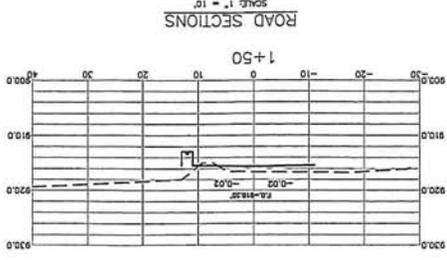
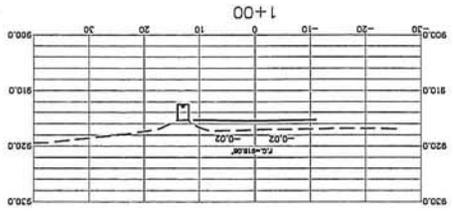
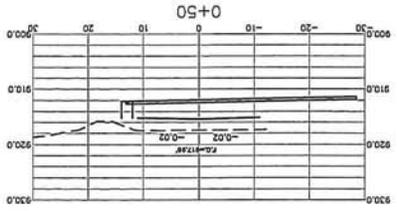
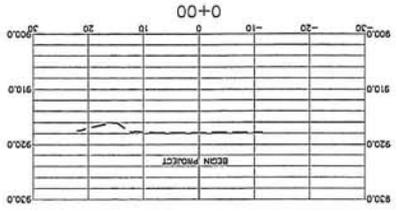


DRAWN: HRS
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 DATE: 3/1/73
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PLAN AND PROFILE
POPPLE DUNGENON ROAD IMPROVEMENTS
 FOR THE TOWN OF DUNGENON
 TOWN HIGHWAY #10
 DUNGENON, VERMONT

NO.	REVISIONS	DATE

SCALE: HORIZ. 1" = 30'
 VERT. 1" = 5'



ROAD SECTIONS
SCALE 1" = 10'

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DATE: 02/11/03
SCALE: AS NOTED

LEACH ENGINEERING CONSULTANTS, P.A.
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ST. JOHNSBORO, VIRGINIA 22159
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ROADWAY SECTIONS STA. 0+00 - 3+09
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FOR THE TOWN OF CENTRE
TOWN HIGHWAY #10
CENTRE, VIRGINIA

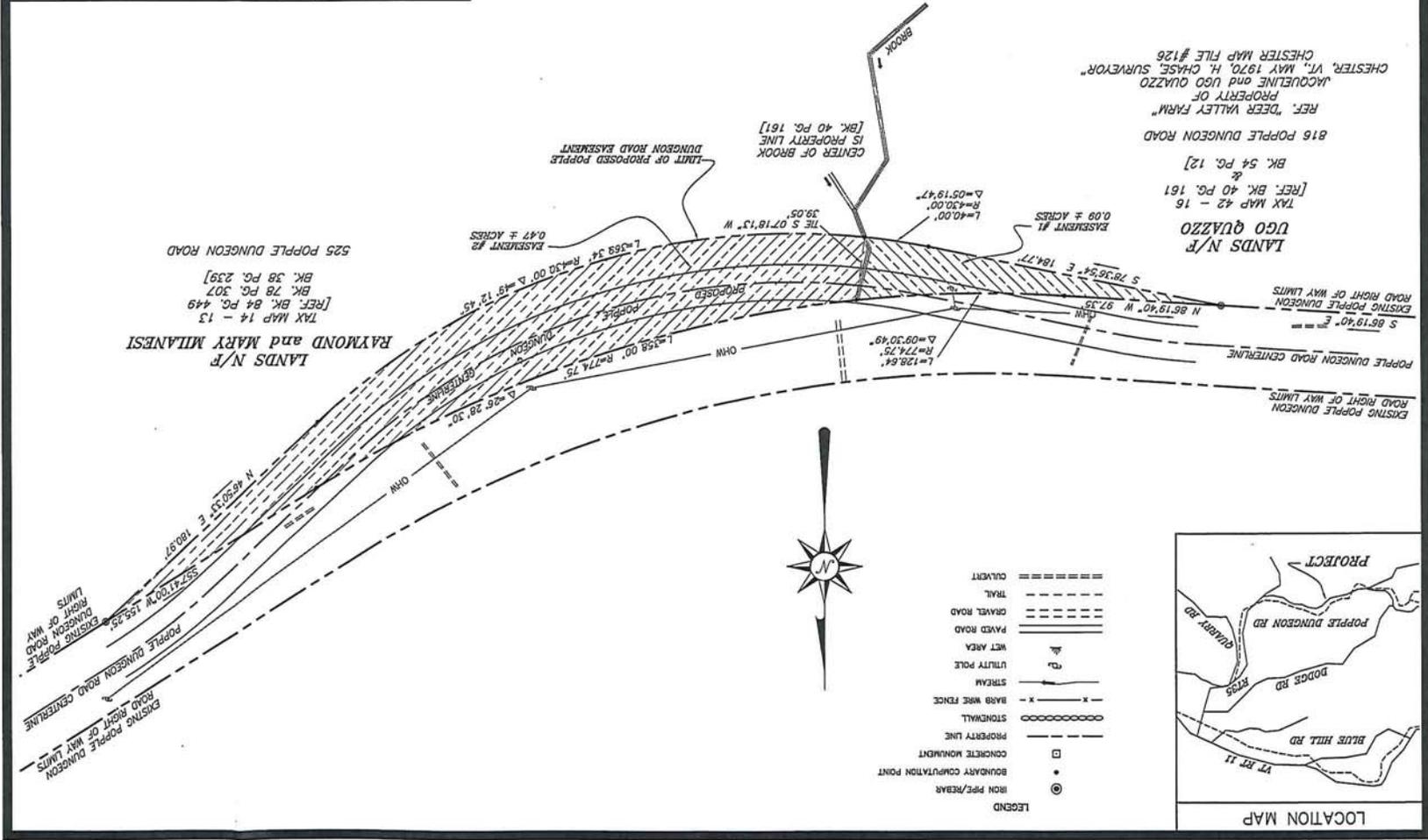
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Assessment Plan		Popple Dungeon Road	
Chester Vermont		DATE	SCALE
		April 26, 2004	1"=40'
PROJECT NO.	DRAWING NUMBER	GARY RAPANOTTI L.S.	
04-729			

I hereby certify to the best of my knowledge that the boundaries shown on this plan are constant with physical evidence as found in the field, deeds and plans of record and other sources.

VT. L.S. #531

- NOTES
- The map shown was drawn from survey information by others.
 - The bearings shown on this plan refer to observed magnetic north 2003 and serve only to define angular relationships between the courses shown.
 - The stone walls and wire fences that are shown on this plan may have minor irregularities between the proposed courses shown.
 - The parcels shown may be subject to existing utility easements of record.
 - Refer to a survey entitled "Option 3 Plan & Profile, Town of Chester, VT" dated August 28, 2003, by Leach Engineering Consultants, P.A.



EASEMENT DEED

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, that CHRISTOPHER JOHN MILANESI, of Old Chatham, County of Columbia and State of New York, and NINA M. HUFFER, of Chester, County of Windsor and State of Vermont, CO-TRUSTEES OF THE RAYMOND P. MILANESI REVOCABLE TRUST DATED SEPTEMBER 26, 1990 and CHRISTOPHER JOHN MILANESI, of Old Chatham, County of Columbia and State of New York, and NINA M. HUFFER, of Chester, County of Windsor and State of Vermont, CO-TRUSTEES OF THE MARY B. MILANESI REVOCABLE TRUST DATED SEPTEMBER 26, 1990, (hereinafter collectively referred to as "Grantors"), in consideration of One Dollar (\$1.00) paid to Grantors' full satisfaction by the TOWN OF CHESTER, a municipal corporation and political subdivision of the State of Vermont, located in said County of Windsor, and State of Vermont ("Grantee"), and other valuable consideration, does hereby grant and convey unto the said Grantee, its successors and assigns, a perpetual and exclusive easement over, upon, across and under a portion of those lands and premises of the Grantors located in Chester, Vermont, and described as follows:

Being a portion of those lands conveyed to Grantors by Warranty Deed of Raymond P. and Mary B. Milanesi dated August 9, 1995 and recorded on that same date in Book 78, Page 307 of the Land Records of Chester, Vermont.

Being also a portion of the lands and premises conveyed to Raymond P. Milanesi and Mary B. Milanesi, by quit claim deed of Hugh H. Henry dated December 24, 1956 and recorded January 9, 1957 in Book 38, Page 239 of the Land Records of Chester, Vermont.

Said lands are more particularly described in a survey by Gary Rapanotti, L.S. dated April 26, 2004, Project No. 04-729, entitled "Easement Plan, Pople Dungeon Road, Chester, Vermont", to be recorded contemporaneously herewith, as follows:

Beginning at an iron pipe/rebar set on the southerly side of the existing right of way of Popple Dungeon Road, so-called, which point represents the eastern most point of the land herein conveyed, and proceeding S57° 41' 00"W a distance of 155.25' to a point;

Thence proceeding on a curved line with a delta of 26° 28' 30", and a radius of 774.75' for a distance of 358.00' to a point located in the center of an existing brook;

Thence proceeding southerly along the course of said brook to a point, which point has a tie of S07° 18' 13"W for a distance of 39.05' and which point lies on the southerly side of the easement area being herein conveyed;

Thence proceeding along a curved line with a delta of 49° 12' 45", and a radius of 430.00' for a distance of 369.34' to a point;

Thence proceeding N46° 50' 33"E a distance of 180.97' to the iron pipe/rebar set and place of beginning.

Said area is referred to on the Easement Plan above referenced as "Easement #2" and consists of .47± acres.

Said easement is to be used by Grantee, its successors and assigns for the purpose of establishing, laying out, maintaining, improving and re-locating a portion of Popple Dungeon Road for public ingress and egress and for the laying of any necessary utilities, swails, culverts or drainage ditches appurtenant to the maintenance and use of said road or adjoining properties.

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the above granted easement, unto the said TOWN OF CHESTER, its successors and assigns, to its own use and behoof forever; and the said Grantors, for themselves, their heirs, successors and assigns, do covenant with the said Grantee, TOWN OF CHESTER, and its successors and assigns, that until the ens sealing of these premises they have good right and title to convey the same in manner aforesaid, that they are FREE FROM EVERY ENCUMBRANCE, except as aforesaid. And Grantors do hereby engage to WARRANT AND DEFEND the same against all lawful claims whatever, except as aforesaid.

DATED at ~~Old Chatham~~, ^{Vermont} New York, this 13 day of JUNE, 2005.

[Signature]

IN PRESENCE OF:

GRANTORS:

Jennifer Helean
Witness

Christopher J. Milanesi
Christopher John Milanesi, Co-Trustee of the
Raymond P. Milanesi Revocable Trust Dated
September 26, 1990; and Co-Trustee of the Mary
B. Milanesi Revocable Trust Dated September 26,
1990

DATED at Chester, Vermont this 20th day of May, 2005. *CMJ*

Jennifer Helean
Witness

Nina M. Huffer
Nina M. Huffer, Co-Trustee of the Raymond P.
Milanesi Revocable Trust Dated September 26,
1990; and Co-Trustee of the Mary B. Milanesi
Revocable Trust Dated September 26, 1990

STATE OF ~~NEW YORK~~ VERMONT
COUNTY OF ~~COLUMBIA~~ SS. WINDSOR

At ~~Old Chatham, New York~~ ^{CMJ Chester}, this 13 day of June, 2005, personally appeared,
Christopher John Milanesi, Co-Trustee of the Raymond P. Milanesi Revocable Trust Dated
September 26, 1990; and Co-Trustee of the Mary B. Milanesi Revocable Trust Dated September
26, 1990, and he acknowledged the above instrument, signed by him to be his free act and deed.

Before me: *Jennifer Helean*
Notary Public
My Commission Expires: 2/10/07

STATE OF VERMONT
COUNTY OF WINDSOR, SS.

At Chester, Vermont, this 20th day of May, ~~2004~~ ²⁰⁰⁵, personally appeared, Nina
M. Huffer, Co-Trustee of the Raymond P. Milanesi Revocable Trust Dated September 26, 1990;
and Co-Trustee of the Mary B. Milanesi Revocable Trust Dated September 26, 1990, and she
acknowledged the above instrument, signed by her to be her free act and deed.

Before me: *Jennifer Helean*
Notary Public
My Commission Expires: 2/10/07

Vermont Property Transfer Tax
32 V.S.A. Chap. 231

-ACKNOWLEDGEMENT-

Return Rec'd--Tax Paid Including Certificates & if
required Act 260 Disclosure Statement.

Return No. C-05-64 2005

Signed *Wanda C. Rudy* Clerk

Date June 30, 2005

TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE, CHESTER VERMONT
Received for record June 30, 2005
at 10:00 o'clock 11 M. and recorded in
Book 93 Page 478-480
Wanda C. Rudy Town Clerk

EASEMENT DEED

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, that UGO R. QUAZZO, single, of the Town of Chester, County of Windsor and State of Vermont, ("Grantor"), in consideration of One Dollar (\$1.00) paid to Grantor's full satisfaction by the TOWN OF CHESTER, a municipal corporation and political subdivision of the State of Vermont, located in said County of Windsor, and State of Vermont ("Grantee"), and other valuable consideration, does hereby grant and convey unto the said Grantee, its successors and assigns, a perpetual and exclusive easement over, upon, across and under a portion of those lands and premises located in Chester, Vermont, and described as follows:

Being a portion of those lands conveyed to Grantor by Jacqueline Stannatto, formerly known as Jacqueline M. Quazzo, by quit claim deed dated November 4, 1976, and recorded in the Town of Chester Land Records in Book 54, at Page 12.

Being also a portion of those lands conveyed to Philip A. Annibali and Ugo R. Quazzo by Warranty Deed of Raymond P. and Mary B. Milanesi, dated October 25, 1962 and recorded in Book 40, Page 161 of the Town of Chester Land Records.

Said lands are more particularly described in a survey by Gary Rapanotti, L.S. dated April 26, 2004 entitled "Easement Plan, Popple Dungeon Road, Chester, Vermont", to be recorded contemporaneously herewith, as follows:

Beginning at a point in the center of a brook 24.75' south of the existing center of Popple Dungeon Road; said point being the northwest corner of land of Milanesi and northeast corner of land of Grantor;

Thence proceeding on a curved line with a delta of 09° 30' 49", and a radius of 774.75' for a distance of 128.64' to a point;

Enclousr.
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Thence proceeding N86° 19' 40"W a distance of 97.35' to an iron pipe/rebar set in the southerly side of the existing Popple Dungeon Road right of way; said point being the westerly most point of the easement area conveyed herein;

Thence proceeding S78° 36' 54"E a distance of 184.77' to a point located along the southerly line of the easement area herein conveyed;

Thence proceeding on a curved line with a delta of 05° 19' 47", and a radius of 430.00' for a distance of 40.00' to a point in the center of an existing brook;

Thence proceeding northerly along said brook to the point and place of beginning with a tie of S07° 18' 13"W for a distance of 39.05'.

Said area is referred to on the Easement Plan above referenced as "Easement #1" and consists of .09± acres.

Said easement is to be used by Grantee, its successors and assigns for the purpose of establishing, laying out, maintaining, improving and re-locating a portion of Popple Dungeon Road for public ingress and egress and for the laying of any necessary utilities, swails, culverts or drainage ditches appurtenant to the maintenance and use of said road or adjoining properties.

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the above granted easement, unto the said TOWN OF

CHESTER, its successors and assigns, to its own use and behoof forever; and the said

Grantor, for himself, his heirs, successors and assigns, does covenant with the said

Grantee, TOWN OF CHESTER, and its successors and assigns, that until the enscailing of

these premises they have good right and title to convey the same in manner aforesaid, that

they are FREE FROM EVERY ENCUMBRANCE, except as aforesaid. And Grantor does

hereby engage to WARRANT AND DEFEND the same against all lawful claims
whatever, except as aforesaid.

DATED at NY, NY, Vermont, this 3rd day of JUNE, 2004.

IN PRESENCE OF:

GRANTOR:

[Signature]
Witness

[Signature]
Ugo R. Quazzo

STATE OF ~~VERMONT~~ NEW YORK
COUNTY OF ~~WASHINGTON~~ SS. NEW YORK

At NY, NY, Vermont, this 3rd day of JUNE, 2004, personally
appeared, Ugo R. Quazzo, and he acknowledged the above instrument, signed by him to be
his free act and deed.

Before me:

[Signature]
Notary Public

JANET RUBEL
Notary Public, State of New York
No. 01 RULE009493
Qualified in Suffolk County
Commission Expires June 29, 2008

My Commission Expires: ~~2/10/07~~ 6. 29. 06

Vermont Property Transfer Tax
32 V.S.A. CHAP. 231
- ACKNOWLEDGEMENT -
Return Rec'd. - Tax Paid Including Certificate A/B
required And 500 Declaration Statement.

Return No. C-04-83

Signed Wanda C. Trudy, Notary

Date: June 7, 2004

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U.S. Department of Homeland Security
FEMA Region 1, Mitigation Division
Environmental & Historic Preservation Office
99 High Street, 6th Floor
Boston, MA 02110

CONCUR
SHPO



FEMA



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DATE 1/2/13

November 19, 2012

Judith Ehlich
Director of Operations and Project Review
Vermont Division for Historic Preservation
National Life Building, 6th Floor
Montpelier, VT 05620-1201

Re: Section 106 Consultation: *Finding of No Historic Properties Affected*
Undertaking: *Roadway Realignment, Popple Dungeon Road*
Grant Applicant Name: *Town of Chester, VT*
FEMA Grant Program: *Hazard Mitigation Grant Program*

Dear Ms. Ehlich:

The purpose of FEMA Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP) is to provide eligible applicants with funding to make improvements to infrastructure in an effort to avoid future damage from weather events. The Town of Chester has applied for a FEMA HMGP grant through the Vermont Emergency Management (VEM) to realign a section of Popple Dungeon Road in Chester to avoid repetitive loss from erosion. Project design plans and information concerning the realignment can be found in the attachments.

Project Description

The Town proposes to realign a 990 foot long section of Popple Dungeon Road in Chester, Vermont (from N43.24386 W-72.61847 to N43.24283 W-72.62074 or UTM: 18T 0693349 4790649 to 0693168 4790530). The existing section of roadway has suffered serious erosion which made the material under the road and the lower embankment down to the South Branch of the Williams River unstable. The elevation on the south side of the road within the drainage system ranges from 360 feet to 390 feet above sea level. This causes high velocity runoff that creates an unstable roadbed prone to washouts. The applicant proposes to relocate this 990 foot long section of the roadway 39 feet to the south (away from the river), and then upgrade the facility by installing/upgrading several drainage crossings beneath the roadway.

This project will consist of the following:

- Realign 990 feet of existing road (from N43.24386 W-72.61847 to N43.24283 W-72.62074) to the south. The southernmost point of the realignment will reach 39 feet from the existing road design (at N 43.24323 W 72.61911).
- Site preparation will include; removing stone wall property boundary markers, installing silt fencing during construction to prevent erosion, removing birch, pine and various hardwood trees and grading in the area of road alignment that will extend approximately ten (10) feet beyond the location of the proposed realignment. This will mean that southernmost point of ground disturbance will be 60 feet from the existing road configuration at coordinates N 43.24323 W 72.61911.
- Site grading will extend to three (3) feet below ground surface at the deepest location. Some areas will require filling to achieve the proposed final grade. See Design Plan pages 4-7 for details.
- Five (5) high-density polyethylene (HDPE) culverts will be installed or upgraded. Of these five (5) culverts; two (2) 15-in. x 30 ft. driveway HDPE culverts (at N43.24359 W-72.61881 and N43.24287 W-72.62059) will be installed. Two (2) 18-in. x 50 ft. roadway drainage HDPE culverts (at N43.24344 W-72.61906 and N43.24293 W-72.62039) will be installed. One (1) 30-in. x 55 ft. roadway culvert for an unnamed intermittent stream will be upgraded to a 36-in. x 55 ft. HDPE culvert (at N43.24289 W-72.61989). See Design Plan page 2 for details.
- A new drainage ditch will be installed on the south side of the road realignment to current codes and standards, including filter fabric.
- 413 ft. of 6-inch underdrain pipe will be installed into the new drainage ditch system on the south side of the road realignment. See Design Plan page 4 for details.
- Three (3) stone check dams will be installed at the locations of the 3 roadway culverts on the north side of the road realignment. See Design Plan page 3 for details.
- The new road will be constructed using the current and standards and will be paved to match the current road conditions.
- The existing road will be removed and the pavement will be taken to the town DPW garage and recycled. Once the existing road pavement is removed, the area will be seeded and mulched in order for it to return to natural conditions.

Area of Potential Effect (APE)

The Area of Potential Effect (APE) for this work includes the existing roadway and the new 990 feet section of road realignment. Also in the APE is the area of site preparation that extends as far as 60 feet from the existing road location. New staging areas will not be required; all equipment will be staged from existing paved surfaces.

Due to previous construction episodes along Popple Dungeon Road, numerous flooding events, logging activity, and various other alterations made over the years, it is unlikely that soils within the APE possess substantially intact and distinct soil horizons. The stone walls that are located in and adjacent to the site boundaries are most likely associated with the two properties that are present; Quazzo on the west side of the project area and Milanessi on the east side of the project

area. These stone walls are all typical property boundary marker type stone walls, 2-3 ft. wide x 2-3 ft. tall made of common field stones. Since the properties date back prior to 1933, it is likely that the stone walls do as well, although their exact date of construction is unknown. These stone walls lack the historic significance necessary to be considered for inclusion on the National Register of Historic Places (NRHP).

Utilizing the *Environmental Predictive Model for Locating Precontact Archaeological Sites* rating tool, this location receives a score zero (0). Despite receiving positive marks for proximity to rivers, confluences of rivers/streams and floodplain (though no alluvial terrace), the excessive 15-25% slope makes this location unattractive for human occupation. FEMA archaeologists have determined that this location only possesses relatively low archaeological sensitivity. A map and photographs of the facility included with the APE can be found in the attachments.

Roadway Background and Repair History

This section of Popple Dungeon Road is located between two embankments. The embankment on the south side (upper embankment) of the road is a steep slope that ranges in elevation from 360 to 390 feet. The embankment on the north side of the road (lower embankment) ends at the banks of the South Branch of the Williams River. The drainage from the upper embankment tends to travel under the road which has historically eroded the roadbed and surface causing the asphalt to crack and separate. This effect causes the road surface to washout over the lower embankment. Records indicate that the Town has been making regular repairs to this section of the road as far back as the mid 1970's.

Tropical Storm Irene caused severe erosion making the road and lower embankment adjacent to the river unstable. During the recovery phase for Tropical Storm Irene, the road was so badly damaged that it was closed for three (3) days. Provisions that would typically be available in the downtown Chester area, approximately three (3) miles away were cut off to many residents living on Popple Dungeon Road. During the three (3) day period, residents were forced to travel west through Andover which added an additional ten (10) miles to get adequate provisions in case of emergency. Emergency provisions could be brought to residents via four (4)-wheelers only. Police, Fire and Rescue teams were barely able to access these isolated properties and not in a timely manner.

Though the road is now passable again, the damage from Tropical Storm Irene has added to the severity of the existing problem. The stability and drainage of this section of roadway needs to be improved before any more instances of isolation to residents occur.

Finding of Effect and Request for SHPO Concurrence

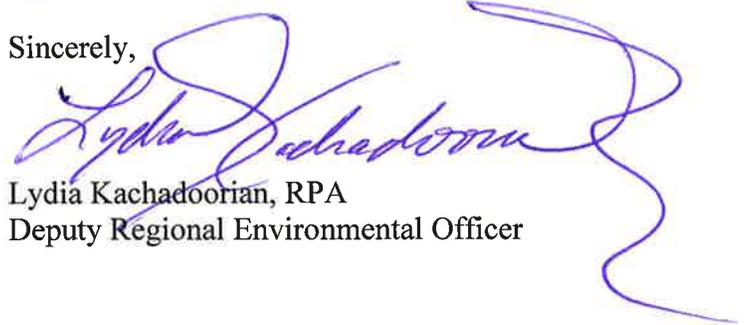
Based on factors discussed herein, FEMA finds that the proposed undertaking will result in **No Historic Properties Affected** for the undertaking of roadway realignment of a 990 foot long section of Popple Dungeon Road in Chester, Vermont. Under the terms of the FEMA-SHPO-

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VEM-ACHP Programmatic Agreement for Vermont (2011) and per 36 CFR 800.4(c) (2), FEMA requests SHPO concurrence with this determination of effect.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact our project reviewer Marcus Tate at (617) 784-4712 or Marcus.Tate@fema.dhs.gov. I can be reached by phone at 857-205-2860 or email Lydia.Kachadoorian@fema.dhs.gov. Thank you for your prompt review.

Sincerely,



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Attachments:

Project Design Plans
Maps – FIRM, USGS quads, Vicinity
Photographs

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