

# ARPA FUNDED PROJECTS STATUS REPORTS

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## MT. WASHINGTON SEWAGE TREATMENT PLANT AND WATER SYSTEM UPGRADE

Project Manager: Seth Prescott

Status:

- DPW agreed to add the ARPA funded Mt. Washington water system upgrade project to the capital and LWCF funded Mt. Washington Sewage Treatment Plant project since it is related work on the same site. (Notice to Proceed for design consultants issued September 23, 2021)
- The project went out to bid on February 22.
- The bid opening was held on March 23. Two bids were received:
  - Lee T Corrigan LLC of Gorham, NH \$3,313,808
  - Kingsbury Companies LLC of Middlesex, VT \$4,336,000We have asked DPW to accept the bid of Lee T Corrigan LLC.
- Design consultants fee proposals for the construction administration portion of the project have been accepted:
  - Underwood Engineers (water and wastewater) \$168,200
  - [DPW contract with Underwood Engineers was amended for increased construction administration work by \\$8,000 totaling \\$176,200](#)
  - HEB Engineers (structural design) \$22,918.18
- A pre-construction meeting was held on June 9 on site with Lee Corrigan LLC .
- The sewage treatment plant is being fabricated by New Terra
- [Construction will resume at the summit for a second season in June 2023](#)

DHR Request for Project Review (RPR): No historic properties affected

NHB Data check:

- Seth Prescott met with NHB and NH Fish and Game on July 19 to discuss the project impact. Fish and Game will provide recommendations for protecting butterfly species. NHB has provided their recommendations.

Financial tracking: Since LWCF funds cannot be matched by ARPA funds, invoices for the sewage treatment portion of the project, which is funded by LWCF and matching state capital funds, must be kept separate from invoices for the water system, which is funded by ARPA. Coding for the sewage treatment plant portion is:

OOFRF602WB3501B.

The coding for the water system is OOFRF602WB3501A.

**ARPA Funding allotted: \$1,020,000. (\$993,000 is available for the construction contract)** Other sources of funding will be:

- Capital Budget appropriation of 2020 (13170000) \$1,711,558
- LWCF matching funds (37170000) 870,859
- Total construction funding for this project \$3,575,417

A meeting was held with Gabriel Fowler of Guidetower (consultant to GOFERR) on June 21, 2022 to discuss separating the ARPA funded sewage treatment project from the ARPA funded water system upgrade project. ARPA needs a distinct Transaction Memo for each ARPA funded project. The meeting determined we could effectively achieve this by using only the ARPA funds for the water system upgrade on the currently combined Mt. Washington sewage treatment and water system project. DNCR will request permission from the Fiscal Committee to divert the ARPA funds allocated for the other Mt. Washington Sewage Treatment project (which would duplicate this project) to supplement the ARPA allocated funds for the Cannon Mountain Sewage Treatment project which is currently under-funded.

Next Steps:

- DNCRs request to re-allocate funds from the other “Mt. Washington Sewage Treatment Plant Replacement” project to the Cannon Mt. Sewage Pipeline project is scheduled to be on the Fiscal Committee agenda for May 19, 2023

#### MT. WASHINGTON SHERMAN ADAMS BUILDING IMPROVEMENTS

Project Manager: Tom Mansfield

Status: Decision was made to delay the start of this project until 2022 so as to avoid conflicts with the implementation of the sewage treatment and water systems upgrade project.

At the ARPA Projects meeting of November 18, 2022, it was decided to request permission from the Fiscal Committee to redirect ARPA funds from Sherman Adams Building Improvements to cover anticipated shortfalls in the Greenfield Utilities Upgrade project and to provide funding for a second take on the Ellacoya RV Park electrical upgrade. The reasoning for this is that the Mt. Washington sewage treatment plant replacement and water system upgrade project will tie up the summit through 2024. At that point it may be too late to start the Sherman Adams Building Improvements and complete the projects within the federal deadline. The Greenfield and Ellacoya projects could move ahead as soon as funding is in place.

G&C target meeting: [Fiscal Committee meeting of May 19, 2023 then to the G&C meeting of May 31, 2023.](#)

DHR RPR: No historic properties affected

NHB data check: additional information requested

Financial tracking: Coding: OOFRF602PH3501B

**ARP funding allotted: \$1,475,000**

Next Steps:

- [Closing out this project and re-allocating the funds to other DNCR ARPA projects is scheduled to be on the agenda of the Fiscal Committee meeting of May 19, 2023.](#)

## CANNON MT. STATION SEWAGE PIPELINE

Project Manager: Seth Prescott

Status:

- Underwood Engineers Inc (through DPW) did feasibility studies in 2018
- DPW has negotiated a contract with Underwood Engineers for design of the sewage pipeline in the amount of \$183,200. A Notice to Proceed was issued on March 15, 2022.
- Underwood Engineers made an on-site inspection of proposed pipeline routes on April 22, 2022
- The pipeline route to the existing park HQ building pump station has been selected. It will require replacement of the existing pump station at HQ.
- 60% design cost opinion submitted Jan. 12, 2023, at \$3,269,000
- 90% design drawings received January 31, 2023.
- [DES is reviewing permit set of drawings.](#)
- [Drawings are at 100% complete.](#)

G&C target meeting [August 2023](#)

DHR RPR: No historic properties affected

NHB Data check: Potential Impact. Needs precise site plan of the route of the proposed pipeline. [Site inspection of the pipeline route is scheduled for late June or July.](#)

Financial Tracking: OOFRF602WB3501C

ARPA funding allotted: \$1,200,000. Current cost estimate is \$3,269,000. ARP funding for other projects may have to be diverted to cover this project. Will need to go to Fiscal Committee and G&C to make this change.

DPW: Work Request Form submitted August 2, 2021. Roger Dionne assigned as Project administrator.

Next Steps:

- [Fiscal Committee agenda for May 19, 2023 for permission to shift \\$2.5 million of funds allocated for Mt. Washington Sewage Treatment Plant to the Cannon Mountain Sewage Pipeline.](#)
- [Out-to-bid June 2023](#)
- [NHB pipeline route site walk June / July 2023](#)
- [G&C approval August 2023](#)
- [Construction at base of mountain fall 2023](#)
- [Construction on upper slopes May – July 2024](#)

## PARK UTILITY UPGRADES

Project Manager: Ed Mussey

Status:

- Site visit to Jericho with consultants for campgrounds expansion project on Dec.2, 2021 included consideration of location of RV dump station at Jericho. Our intention is to include the design of the Jericho dump station in the overall design of the proposed campground expansion at Jericho by the SE Group and remove it from the scope of work of the Park Utilities Upgrade project. Jericho dump station project closed out on Sept. 9, 2022.
- HEB Engineers submitted a fee proposal on April 5, 2022, for water system design and site design.
  - Ellacoya RV Park \$44,218.55
  - Greenfield 173,465.10\$217,683.65
- HEB submitted a revised fee proposal to include additional work on Ellacoya RV Park version 2, on December 8, 2022, for a new total of \$228,656.34.
- Lee Carroll, PE submitted a fee proposal on May 10, 2022, for electrical design:
  - Ellacoya RV Park \$20,000
  - Greenfield \$25,000
- The scope of work at Greenfield State Park will be increased to include water and electrical utility upgrades to the day-use area in addition to the already covered campground utility upgrades.
- Site meetings with Eversource were held at Greenfield on June 8 and 15, 2022 to develop a strategy for the day-use area electrical service. Eversource will bring in overhead service at their expense to power the bathhouse and park store.
- Eversource determined the customer pre-payment amount for the Greenfield work will be \$198,967.95
- Director Phil Bryce made the decision to discontinue work on the Ellacoya RV park electrical upgrade because the cost (approx. \$500,000) for Eversource to bring sufficient power to the park greatly exceeds our budget. The Fiscal Committee approved a request to shift the remaining funds for the Ellacoya project and the Jericho dump station project over to the Greenfield water and electrical systems upgrade project at their September 9<sup>th</sup> meeting.
- [Communications wiring is currently overhead. The scope of this project will be increased to include new underground communications wiring at approx. \\$25,000 additional cost.](#)
- [Greenfield water and electrical system design is on-going.](#)

G&C target meeting: [January 2024.](#)

DHR RPR:

- Greenfield Phase 1A contract issued to Monadnock Archaeological Consultants (MAC) in the amount of \$2,712.50. Completed Dec. 12, 2022. No archaeological sites likely in the project area. No further study recommended.
  - Ellacoya: No historic properties affected
  - Jericho: No historic properties affected

NHB Data check: No known records at the three sites

Financial Tracking:

• Greenfield:	OOFRF602WB3501D	<b>\$270,000</b>	
• Ellacoya:	OOFRF602WB3501G	<b>\$475,000</b>	
• Jericho:	OOFRF602WB3501E	<b>\$85,000</b>	
	Total funding now allocated to Greenfield		\$830,000
	Funds committed to date		<u>461,651</u>
	Balance available for construction		368,349

DPW: Scott Carri assigned to be DPW contract administrator. Project kick-off meeting held on October 25, 2021

Next steps:

- Schedule:
  - Permitting documents to DES July 2023
  - Out to bid August 2023
  - Eversource utility work September 2023
  - Bid opening October 2023
  - G&C approval January 2024
  - Construction starts on site April 2024
- Utility easements to be approved by the PUC and DOT for Eversource to bring power into Greenfield.
- Contract with Eversource for Customer Pre-payment for replacing the overhead primary electrical service at Greenfield with a new underground primary service.in the amount of \$198,967.95 to go to G&C.
- [Fiscal Letter for re-directing ARPA funds to Greenfield Utilities scheduled for the May 19, 2023 meeting.](#)

FIRE TOWER REPAIRS

Project Manager: Patrick Hackley and Steve Sherman

Status:

- Kick-off meeting was held on January 27, 2022. Inventory work is complete.
- Proposal from Alba Architects for design services for both tower cab replacements and warden's cabins renovation was accepted on January 4. The amount of the contract is \$95,650. Notice to Proceed was issued by DPW on Jan.7, 2022.
- Alba Architects draft report on Watchman's cabins received on August 2, 2022.
- Project scope: At a DNCR in-house meeting on Aug. 11, it was decided that the project scope will include replacing tower cabs at Cardigan, Belknap, Pitcher and Federal Hill. Watchman's cabins to receive consideration for rehab for use as camping cabins will include, Prospect (Weeks), Milan Hill and Cardigan. The renovation of watchman's cabins will accommodate three season use.

- Contract signed with Public Archaeology Lab (PAL) for Individual Inventory Forms for 15 tower sites and one Historic Property Management Plan for all sites. Contract amount is \$39,765. Contract approved by G&C on January 12, 2022. Inventory forms were completed and submitted to DHR on October 10, 2022.
- DNCR coordination meeting with PAL and Alba Architects on September 29, 2022. The in-house consensus was that one contract should be issued ASAP for tower repairs and watchman's cabin renovations at Cardigan and Belknap. A second contract should be issued for Federal Hill and Pitcher Mountain tower repairs when communications equipment is relocated from these sites. The second contract would include other watchman's cabin renovation to the extent that the budget allowed.
- Meeting with Alba Architects and PAL on Nov. 1, 2022, to coordinate on renovation of Warden's Cabins.
- Bidding documents for Belknap and Cardigan towers and watchman's cabin were released on December 20, 2022. Bids were due on February 1, 2023, however there was only one bidder. A decision was made to extend the bidding period until February 22 and try to encourage other companies to bid.
- On February 22, 2023, only one bid was received from Careno Construction for \$1,827,500. The bid was rejected. The project was re-bid on March 9, 2023; the scope of work was revised to delete the warden's cabins. Bids were due on March 22, 2023. Two bids were received. The low bid was from Careno Construction in the amount of \$1,197,950. This bid was accepted, and a contract has been issued including \$60,000 for contingency and \$35,000 for DPW fees. Total contract amount is \$1,292,950.

G&C Target Meeting: [June ?, 2023](#)

DHR RPR: PAL submitted Individual Inventory Forms for tower sites on October 10, 2022. Historic Site Management Plan draft was submitted in December of 2022.

NHB Data check:

- No known records at Pitcher, Federal Hill, Green Mountain and Milan.
- Reviewed with no impacts expected: Belknap.
- Rare species have the potential to occur: Cardigan and Mt. Prospect.

Financial tracking: OOFRF602PH3501O

**ARP funding allotted: \$2,373,000**

DPW: Caitlyn Stubbs assigned to be DPW project administrator. Kick off meeting with DPW-assigned design consultant, Alba Architects, held on October 27, 2021

- Caitlyn Stubbs will be taking maternity leave from September through January. DPW proposes breaking the project down into three projects on a geographic basis:
  - Group 1: Magalloway cabin, Milan Hill cabin, and Prospect cabin. Project manager to be Wyatt Porter-Brown.

- Group 2: Cardigan tower cab and cabin and Belknap tower cab and cabin. Project manager to be Tim Smith.
- Group 3: Pitcher Mountain tower cab and Federal Hill tower cab. Project manager to be Jon Fudala.

(Next Steps:

- Coordinate with consultants to provide aerial plans and other requested information to NHB for proposed work at Cardigan.
- DPW to take signed contract to G&C for approval. Construction was scheduled to start in June. Completion date is November 17, 2023.

### COLEMAN LODGES MAIN BUILDING RENOVATION

Project Manager: Scott Coruth

Status:

- Project kick-off meeting with DPW and design consultant, Alba Architects, was held on November 2, 2021
- Alba Architects fee proposal of \$88,29 has been accepted through DPW.
- DHR has advised that a Phase IA survey will be required to assess whether archaeological resources will be affected by proposed excavation for the water tank and generator building slab.
- Alba Architects has completed design development and is estimating the cost of the project at \$1.5 million which exceeds our budget allotment of \$800,000.
- September 30, 2022, meeting with Commissioner Stewart it was decided to shift the focus of the project away from the Main Building Renovation due to budget limitations. The new focus will be renovation of the Falcon / Hawk house into two rental units. Design will be DNCR in-house by Scott Coruth. Contract with Alba Architects has been terminated.
- October 14, 2022, meeting with Commissioner Stewart it was decided to suspend work on the Coleman Project. The funds may be diverted to higher priority projects with budget overruns.
- Fiscal Committee item scheduled for the May 19, 2023 meeting will close out this project and re-allocate funding to other DNCR ARPA projects.

G&C Target date: None, project suspended.

DHR RPR: Submitted July 30, 2021. No historic properties affected but a Phase 1A investigation may be necessary once site impacts are determined

NHB Data check: No impact

Financial Tracking: OOFRF602PH3501M

**ARPA funding allotted: \$800,000**

Funding expended to date on consultant work: \$28,350.

Balance of funding (approx. \$771,650) may be diverted to other projects.

## DPW

- DPW has assigned James Hagget as project administrator
- DPW assigned design consultant, Alba Architects, to the project on October 27, 2021.

## Next Steps:

None

## FORT STARK GENERAL IMPROVEMENTS

Project Manager: Tom Mansfield

### Status:

- Andrew Cushing met with Newcastle selectmen on Aug. 16, 2021 to introduce the project and receive public comment.
- DHR has expressed concern about the proposed demolition of the HECF building
- We have accepted a proposal from VHB Engineers in the amount of \$10,770 for a septic system feasibility study and schematic design for improved parking and vehicular access to the site. The date on the proposal is November 15, 2021
- A meeting with VHB Engineers was held on Feb. 15, 2022 to understand the implications of the test pit results. Two sites are feasible for construction of a leaching field: 1) on the south side of Battery Kirk and 2) in the proposed new parking area. Consensus of the meeting was to locate the leach field in parking lot traffic island and construct toilet rooms in the existing OMS building at the south end.
- VHB has submitted an Amendment No. 1 to their original feasibility study proposal for design and permitting of site work including the septic system, and the parking lot and entrance road improvements in the amount of \$27,892.50. Received on March 28. DPW issued a Notice to Proceed on April 5, 2022. Field survey work is complete and 90% design plans for the parking area and septic system were received in February 2023. DES Wetlands permit may take 120 days.
- A VHB structural engineer made a site visit on March 22, 2022, in preparation for making recommendations on securing the bunkers and improving public safety at the site.
- DNCR met with the Friends of Fort Stark to review preliminary plans for the toilet rooms and parking lot improvements.
- Exterior renovations to the Oil Storage Building were completed on May 25, 2022.
- Notice to Proceed issued to VHB for additional design including work on bunker security on July 7, 2022
- Progress prints for parking lot and septic system received on August 1 for review.
- Pre-application meeting with Eban Lewis of DES was held on Aug. 24, 2022, to consider site plan issues relevant to shoreline protection. Eban reported that the vulnerability assessment will not preclude building a septic system at our chosen site.
- VHB provided options for securing the batteries on Aug. 23, 2022. DNCR's preferred option for closing openings in the batteries is steel plates bolted to the



inside of the concrete openings. In Battery Hunter there are 11 window openings and 15 door openings.

- Bid documents for bunker security, parking lot and septic system completed. Out-to-bid date is targeted for Feb. 21, 2023, through DPW. Bunker security and graffiti removal are to have top priority so as to be complete for 250<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Portsmouth celebration during 2023.
- Bids were due on March 17, 2023. Three bids were received; the low bid was from Triple Construction in the amount of \$646,573. DPW fees will be \$40,000 for a total cost of \$686573.

G&C Target Meeting: (For septic system, parking lot improvements, and bunker security) [June 28, 2023](#).

DHR RPR      DHR has no concerns with the proposed location of the septic system.

NHB Data check:      Potential impacts. Additional consultation is needed.

Financial Tracking: OOFRF602PH3501D

**ARP funding allotted: \$615,000**

- Design contract with VHB for \$93,762.50, Notice to Proceed dated June 17, 2022.
- Additional funding for this project will be drawn from the ARPA allotment for DNCR Historic Sites in the amount of \$251,304.

DPW

- Roger Dionne assigned as DPW project Administrator
- VHB Engineers assigned by DPW for septic system feasibility and design

Next steps

- DNCR will develop the architectural design for toilet rooms in the OMS building
- Coordinate with consultants to provide information to NHB.
- [DPW to secure signed contract from Triple Construction and move it to G&C for approval.](#)
- [Construction starts on site in July 2023. Completion in November 2023.](#)

## ROOFING AND REPAIRS

Project Manager: Ed Mussey

Status:

- A menu of 22 potential Roofing and Repair projects has been prepared and reviewed by the Project Oversight Panel.
- **Cannon Mountain Station Roof Replacement** was done under this category. Bid opening was held on Nov. 18, 2021. The low bidder was Solid Roots Construction with a price of \$349,900. The contract was approved by G&C on Feb. 16, 2022. Work started on July 5 and was completed on October 12, 2022.

- **State Forest Nursery irrigation system upgrade** will move forward under this category. A Request for Proposals (RFP) from irrigation system contractors was issued on December 10, 2022. Proposals were due on Jan. 25, but no proposals were received. A revised Request for Bids (RFB) will be released on March 1, 2023, for a project with an anticipated start date of September 2023. Proposals will be due on April 14, 2023. [One proposal was received. Negotiations are on-going regarding the scope of work to be included.](#)
- **Nursery Irrigation:** A contract was issued to Covered Bridge Corp for pouring the foundation and floor slab of the irrigation system pump house and approved by G&C on May 4. Slab was poured July 12, 2022.
- **Nursery Irrigation:** [The new pump house for the irrigation system is currently under construction with own forces \(DD&M crew\).](#)
- **Nursery Irrigation:** The irrigation pond dredging was completed on December 2, 2022, under a contract with Advanced Site Work for \$17,640
- **Nursery Irrigation:** [Three phase electrical power will be needed for the irrigation pump. Unitil quoted a price of \\$22,779 for bringing three phase power to the site. We agreed to accept the proposal and a contract has been sent to Unitil for signing. Additional electrical work will be needed to bring the 3-phase power from the service entrance to the pump house. Prices will be solicited from electrical companies under the state contract to do the work..](#)
- **Bear Brook Fuel Depot Upgrade:** Upgrading of the existing fuel depot at Bear Brook State Park to meet current codes will be done under this appropriation. A work request form was filed with The Division of Public Works in February 2023 for engineering consultants to design, permit and administer the project. [Consideration is being given to replacing the underground storage tank with an above ground tank. Bear Brook is a 6F LWCF property which may have a bearing on the scope of work for this project.](#)

G&C target meeting: For the Nursery irrigation project: [August 2023.](#)

DHR RPR Separate requests will be required for each project.

- Nursery irrigation system project submitted. No historic properties affected
- Cannon Mt. Station roof: No historic properties affected.

NHB Data check: Separate checks will be required for each site.

- Nursery irrigation system submitted. No impact.
- Cannon Mt. Station roof: Information from the contractor on the anticipated area of disturbance was passed to NHB on February 23. NHB will flag an area of sensitivity near the construction zone. NHB has given authorization for construction to proceed valid until November 8, 2022.

Financial Tracking: OOFRF602PH3501A

- The DNCR Business Office will work on developing an in-house spread sheet to track the particular sites where ARPA funding is being used.

**ARP funding allotted: \$1,550,000.**

- Cannon Mountain Station roof expended \$349,000
- Nursery Irrigation system: estimated cost: \$500,000
- Bear Brook Fuel Depot Upgrade: estimated cost: \$250,000

Next Steps:

- Irrigation project contract documents to be prepared for G&C approval.
- Decide on scope of work for Bear Brook fuel depot.

FRANCONIA NOTCH HIGHWAY SIGNS

Project Manager: Johanna Lyons, and Tom Mansfield

Status: Condition assessment of existing highway signs complete

- The Purchasing Office can bid the signs as a commodity.
- Meeting with DOT on December 7 to explain proposed scope of work and request approval for work adjacent to the Franconia Notch Parkway. DOT will also consider whether the changeable message signs could be integrated into their lighted message board system.
- Meeting on site with Jason Aldrich of DOT Region 1 to review sites for three proposed new gallows signs on Jan. 27.
- Decision has been made not to include changeable message signs in this project.
- The purchasing Office received two bids. The low bid is from Lincoln Sign Company for \$96,000. We have asked the Purchasing Office to accept this bid.
- Project completion date is June 30, 2023.
- A meeting was held at Lincoln Sign Company's shop on January 27, 2023, to inspect the facilities, review shop drawings, and discuss material options.
- Eversource will donate 3 utility poles to be used for the new gallows signs. Donation agreement will go to G&C for approval on May 31, 2023.

G&C Target Meeting: The Purchasing Office bid this project on October 12, 2022 and issued a purchase order to Lincoln Signs Company. No G&C meeting is required.

DHR RPR: No adverse effect

NHB Data check: No impact

Financial tracking: OOFRF602PH3501C

**ARP funding allotted: \$100,000**

- Encumbered to date: \$96,000

Next steps:

- Oversight and supervision of sign installation in June.

## RAGGED NECK UPGRADES

Project Manager: Scott Coruth

Status: Construction of this project started on February 28.

- Decided to use these funds for an interior renovation of the existing toilet building
- Bid documents issued on October 18.
- Pre-bid meeting on site on November 3, 2021
- Bids due on November 16
- Solid Roots Construction was the low bidder at \$142,500
- Construction scheduled for February through June of 2022.
- Certificate of Substantial Completion issued on April 28, 2022.
- Bathhouse Renovation Project Complete

G&C Target Meeting: Contract was approved at the Jan. 26, 2022, G&C meeting

DHR RPR Submitted Aug. 18. No historic properties affected

NHB Data check: No impact

Financial Tracking: OOFRF602PH3501E

**ARP funding allotted: \$250,000**

- Funds expended to date (incomplete): \$125,080.97

Next steps:

- [Consider additional projects to be done with balance of funding \(\\$108,000\)](#)

## HAMPTON RV PARK ELECTRICAL UPGRADE

Project manager: Randy Duquette and Tom Mansfield

Status:

- Project Complete

DHR RPR No historic properties affected

NHB Data check: No impact.

Financial tracking: OOFRF602PH3501F

**ARP funding allotted: \$347,000**

- Funds expended to date: [\\$315,761](#)

Next Steps:

- [Consider how to use unspent funds from this project in the amount of \\$31,000.](#)

## CAMPGROUND EXPANSION PROJECTS FEASIBILITY STUDIES

Project manager: Tom Mansfield and Johanna Lyons

Status:

- Agreement on fee proposal for the phase one feasibility study was reached with SE Group in the amount of \$496,959.
- Contract with SE Group was approved by G&C on November 10, 2021

- Project kick-off meeting with consultant team was held on November 12, 2021
- Initial site visits for the consultant team have been conducted: Northern parks (Jericho, Mollidgewock and Crawford) on December 1 and 2. Southern parks (Pawtuckaway, Bear Hill, and Catamount Pond) on December 14 and 15.
- Site analysis meetings for the northern parks via zoom were held on Jan. 21, 2022, and for the southern parks on Feb. 4, 2022.
- Preliminary design concepts for the northern parks were presented via zoom on March 4, 2022, and for the southern parks on March 25, 2022.
- Zoom meetings on April 2, 2022, and April 15, 2022, to further discuss the design direction for the Bear Hill Camp with Director Bryce.
- Northern parks design refinement zoom meeting was held on May 6, 2022. Southern parks design refinement meeting was held on May 20, 2022.
- In a June 15, 2022 meeting with Commissioner Stewart and Director Bryce the scope of work for phase 2 of the project was discussed. Budget limitations make it clear we cannot do campground expansion at all six sites. It was decided to go forward in Phase two with Mollidgewock, Jericho and Pawtuckaway. The scope of work at each site is expected to be reduced from the scope presented in the preferred design options in order to stay within the budget.
- SE Group submitted a draft of the Feasibility Study on October 4, 2022. DNCR edits have been sent back for incorporation in the final document
- SE Group submitted a revised proposal for a Phase Two contract to design campground expansions at Jericho, Mollidgewock, and Pawtuckaway on October 4, 2022. Negotiations proceeded.
- Horizons Engineering submitted a proposal for wetlands delineation work at Jericho and Mollidgewock to be done in the fall of 2022, so that design work on the campground expansion projects could go forward during the winter. This stand-alone contract was issued on October 20, 2022.
- Meeting on Oct. 31, 2022, with Commissioner Stewart: it was decided to limit the scope of work on the Phase 2 SE Group contract to Jericho and Pawtuckaway. SE Group will make a proposal for including renovation of the Pawtuckaway Toilet Building #8 as part of the Pawtuckaway project. [A contract was issued to SE Group based on their proposal dated February 20, 2023, in the amount of \\$980,000. The contract includes site utility design and architectural design for a proposed new park office, store, restrooms and showers at the site of the existing entrance to Mollidgewock. The contract was approved at the April 12, 2023 G&C meeting.](#)

DHR RPR: not submitted yet. (To be done by consultants)

- Mollidgewock Phase 1-B survey out to bid on Aug.3. Bids due on Aug. 17. The low bidder was Independent Archaeological Consulting at \$6,753. Contract for the Phase 1-B survey was issued to IAC on September 20, 2022. The survey was received in December and submitted to DHR. IAC recommends no ground disturbance at Mollidgewock without a Phase 2 Determination of Eligibility.

NHB Data check:

- Mollidgewock: no impact

- Consultation and more information needed at
  - Pawtuckaway, Big Island
  - Jericho

DPW: Project Request form submitted Aug. 2, 2021.

- Gary Brown has been assigned to be the DPW project administrator.

Financial Tracking:

○ Crawford, Dry River:	OOFRF602PH3501H	<b>\$1,480,000</b>
○ Pawtuckaway, Big Island:	OOFRF602PH3501I	<b>\$390,000</b>
○ Bear Brook, Catamount Pond:	OOFRF602PH3501J	<b>\$695,000</b>
○ Mollidgewock:	OOFRF602PH3501K	<b>\$2,640,000</b>
○ Jericho:	OOFRF602PH3501L	<b>\$1,405,000</b>
○ Bear Brook, Bear Hill	OOFRF602PH3501N	<b>\$2,400,000</b>

Invoices from SE Group will have to be broken down to show charges for each individual site. DAS will not let us use the general activity code to approve invoices for work on the project as a whole. Only the above listed activity codes can be used on this project. SE Group will provide breakdowns of their invoices for northern parks and southern parks. DNCR will apportion the invoices for northern and southern parks to the individual parks for coding purposes.

Fiscal Committee approved diverting ARPA funds from the Bear Brook Catamount, Bear Hill, and Crawford Notch projects to supplement allocations for Mollidgewock, Pawtuckaway and Jericho projects at their September 9 meeting in amounts as follows:

Jericho Mountain: reallocate	\$1,895,000	bringing total to	\$3,300,000
Mollidgewock: reallocate	\$120,000	bringing total to	\$2,760,000
Pawtuckaway: reallocate	\$2,560,000	bringing total to	\$2,950,000

An amendment request for DNCR’s ARPA funding will go to the Fiscal Committee meeting of May 19, 2023. The amendment would re-allocate existing funding for campgrounds expansion projects among the Jericho, Pawtuckaway and Mollidgewock projects commensurate with revised scopes of work and current cost estimates.

Next Steps:

- Horizon Engineering will carry out surveying work and wetlands delineation needed for design drawings. Site walk-through meetings will be held at Jericho, Pawtuckaway and Mollidgewock in May and June.

HISTORIC SITES IMPROVEMENTS

Project Manager: Matt Flanders

Status:

- Grant to the Nansen Ski Club for the Nansen Ski Jump Upgrade is in progress. Design of electric utilities for the site is a priority for the Nansen Ski Club

- Demolition of the Bear Brook Nature Center and selected cabins at Spruce Pond will be put out to bid in the spring of 2023.
- Fort Constitution: Aeon Preservation Services is the preferred candidate for consultant to carry out an historic structure assessment of Fort Constitution. A contract was sent to Aeon in December 2022 in the amount of \$212,850. [The contract was approved at the February 22, 2023 G&C meeting. Aeon has permission from the Coast Guard to use aerial drones in close proximity to their base to accomplish survey tasks during the week of May 22, 2023](#)
- Weeks State Park: A site meeting was held with Rachel Bruce to consider how the carriage house might be converted into a visitors' center. [A work Request was sent to DPW on March 27, 2023, requesting design consultants for the overall project.](#)
- Wentworth Coolidge State Historic Site: A Request for Statements of Qualifications from historic preservation consultants to undertake an historic conditions assessment of the Wentworth Coolidge mansion was issued in February. Two proposals were received on March 15. Klinefelter Northeast Inc of Augusta Me. was selected as the preferred candidate. The contract is on the agenda of the May 17, 2023 G&C meeting for approval.

G&C target meeting: [May 17, 2023 for Klinefelter Northeast Inc. for the Wentworth Coolidge Mansion historic conditions assessment](#)

Financial Tracking: Fiscal Committee allotted **\$4,045,000** for Historic Sites at the July 22, 2022, meeting.

- [Funding in the amount of \\$251,000 will be drawn from the ARPA Historic Sites allocation to support the Fort Stark ARPA project.](#)
- [Klinefelter Northeast contract for \\$89,000 for the Wentworth Coolidge mansion.](#)

DHR Request for Project Review (RPR): Needed on a per- project basis.

NHB Data Check: Needed on a per-project basis.

Next Steps:

- Grant for the Nansen Ski Club to go to G&C
- Issue the RFB for demolition at Bear Brook
- [Site visit to White Island scheduled for June 20, 2023 weather permitting.](#)

## TRAILS BUREAU PROJECTS

Project Manager: Craig Rennie

Status:

- Snowmobile Groomer Replacement: [Requisitions have been issued for purchasing:](#)
  - 8 groomers
  - 8 drags
  - 3 track UTVs with drags.

- Trail Mapping Tool: Assessment of needs and available software in progress.

Financial Tracking: ARP funding allotted: **\$4,000,000**

Acct. Unit: 26840000

Activity Code: Groomers: 00FRF602PH3504 A \$3,000,000

Mapping Tool: 00FRF602PH3504 B \$1,000,000

Next Steps:

- Prepare an RFP for mapping tool.

### TRASH COMPACTER TRUCK

Project Manager; Mike Housman:

Status: [The purchase order for the trash compacter truck has been issued by the state purchasing office in the amount of \\$151,800. Delivery estimated for spring of 2024.](#)

Financial Tracking: ARP funding allotted: **\$175,000**

Acct. Unit: 26850000

Activity Code: 00FRF602GS3501

Next Steps:

- [Take delivery of the new trash compacter truck in 2024.](#)