



#### APPLICATION FOR STATE ASSENT

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Name of Waterway Barrington River	Estimated Project Cost (EPC): TBD
Provide Below a Description of Work As Proposed (required).	Application Fee: N/A
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### COASTAL RESOURCES MANAGEMENT COUNCIL CATEGORY B ASSENT APPLICATION



## Rehabilitation of Barrington Bridge No. 123

**Bridge Group 15F** 

Over the Barrington River

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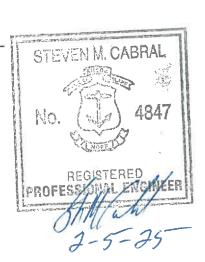
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#### **Chapter 1: Introduction**

This application for Category B State Assent is filed by the Rhode Island Department of Transportation (RIDOT; the Applicant) to authorize the minor rehabilitation of the Barrington Bridge No. 123, which carries RI-114 over the Barrington River in Barrington, Rhode Island. RIDOT is the owner of the Barrington Bridge and proof of ownership is included in **Appendix A**. Data is provided from the Rhode Island Bridge Map posted on the RIDOT webpage.

The proposed rehabilitation work for the bridge includes the replacement of the deck expansion joint glands, minor concrete patching repairs of the substructure and concrete arch panels, restoring the contact area at select bearings, underwater repairs to the tremie seals of the bridge piers, and the installation of scour countermeasures. The most extensive aspect of this project will be repairing the existing tremies and installing the scour countermeasures.

The Applicant's Consultant, AI Engineers (AIE; the Consultant) identified void deficiencies at the footings of Piers 1-4. In 2019, similar deficiencies were observed in Piers 5-6 and were addressed through a Maintenance Certification (2019-09-078) authorized by the Coastal Resources Management Council (CRMC), which can be found in **Appendix B**. Based on the success of the 2019 repairs, a similar rehabilitation method will be utilized for this project. In addition to filling the voids, grout bags will be installed around the existing tremies and above the existing Tremie A to increase structural stability. Following a Scour Analysis completed by AIE's subconsultant, Pare Corporation, it was determined that the installation of riprap along the river bed between piers is needed to prevent the likelihood of future scour which undermines the bridge's stability. A copy of the Scour Analysis can be found in **Appendix C**.

The project is subject to the jurisdiction of CRMC and will disturb Tidal Waters. Work on the bridge deck and bridge surfaces above tidal waters is considered to be routine maintenance but the placement of grout bags for pier reinforcement and riprap for scout prevention will occur within tidal waters. No other work is proposed within the CRMC 200-ft contiguous area.

The Coastal Resource Management Program (CRMP) (650-RICR-20-00-01) designates this portion of the Barrington River as Type 3 High Intensity Boating. The project may be categorized as an "Alteration and improvement to roadways, highways, bridges, parking lots, railroad lines, and airports" (CRMP § 1.3.1.M.1.a).

According to CRMP § 1.1.5.A (Table 1), this project will require a Category B Application for work in Type 3 Tidal Waters. This narrative, supporting documents, and the accompanying plan set serve as the application package. The following sections describe the existing conditions and proposed activities.

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#### 1.1 Purpose and Need

The purpose of this project is the improve the structural stability of the Barrington Bridge and extend its useful life. The Barrington Bridge is a critical infrastructure asset that carries vehicular, bicycle, and pedestrian traffic over the Barrington River. The need for this project has been identified in the Rhode Island State Transportation Improvement Plan (STIP).

#### 1.2 Local Regulatory Requirements

RIDOT has informed the Town of Barrington of the proposed work and the Town has expressed no objection to this critical infrastructure repair project. RIDOT is not subject to municipal jurisdiction, and no local approvals are required for this project.

#### 1.3 State Regulatory Requirements

#### 1.3.1 Coastal Resources Management Council

This project is located within the jurisdiction of the CRMC. This application package seeks approval from the Council as a Category B State Assent.

#### 1.3.1.1 Coastal Resources Management Program

The following applicable sections of the CRMP are addressed as part of this application: Sections 1.1.5, 1.1.6(F), 1.1.12, 1.2.1(D), 1.3.1(A), 1.3.1(J), and 1.3.1(M). Chapter 4 of this applications addresses the policies and standards outlined in these sections of the CRMP.

#### 1.3.1.2 Special Area Management Plan (SAMP)

This project is located in Type 3 Tidal Waters within the CRMC Narragansett Bay Special Area Management Plan (SAMP). The initial focus of the Bay SAMP is to develop policy and standards for the siting of submerged cables within state waters for offshore renewable energy development, and to guide and manage aquaculture projects within Narragansett Bay and the Seekonk River. According to the Coastal Hazard Analysis Worksheet, the rehabilitation of existing public bridges is not included in the list of projects that are required to complete this review.



#### 1.3.2 Freshwater Wetlands

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) National Wetland Inventory (NWI) Map and the Rhode Island Department of Environment Management (RIDEM) Resource Map were used to determine that there are no wetlands within the direct vicinity of Barrington Bridge No. 123. The USFWS NWI classifies the Barrington River as an Estuarine and Marine Deepwater (E1UBL) river with the nearest wetland located 0.2 miles north up the Barrington River. That wetland is 2.84 acres and is classified as an Estuarine and Marine (E2EM1Pd) Wetland. A copy of the USFWS NWI Map can be found in **Appendix D**.

#### 1.4 Federal Regulatory Requirements

#### 1.4.1 National Environmental Policy Act

The RIDOT is preparing an updated Categorical Exclusion Checklist for the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) to fulfill the requirements for a federally-funded project under the NEPA. The original Categorical Exclusion had been prepared and approved, but due to a change in the scope of work to include the installation of riprap as a scour countermeasure, the Categorical Exclusion documentation required reevaluation. This process is ongoing at the time of this Category B Assent Application submission.

#### 1.4.2 National Historic Preservation Act

Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended, requires that Federal agencies take into account the effects of the federally-funded project on historic properties. The RIDOT Cultural Resources Unit has completed the Section 106 review for this project and prepared a determination of No Adverse Effect to historic properties for the Rhode Island Historical Preservation and Heritage Commission (RIHPHC), of which they concurred. A copy of this correspondence can be found in **Appendix E**.

#### 1.4.3 Endangered Species Act of 1973

#### 1.4.3.1 U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service

The RIDOT consulted with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Serve (USFWS), to generate a Concurrence Verification Letter for the project regarding the endangered Northern Long-eared Bat (Myotis septentrionalis) dated January 19, 2024. The letter states that "an activity or portion of your project is consistent with a not



likely to adversely affect determination therefore, the overall determination for your project is, may affect, and is not likely to adversely affect (NLAA) the endangered Indiana bat and/or the endangered northern long-eared bat." A copy of this letter can be found in **Appendix F**.

### 1.4.3.2 National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration National Marine Fisheries Service

The RIDOT is consulting with the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) Greater Atlantic Regional Fisheries Office (GARFO) to resubmit the consultation documents under the FHWA NLAA Programmatic due to the change in the scope of work. This process is ongoing at the time of this Category B Assent Application submission and is projected to be completed mid-February 2025.

#### 1.4.4 Essential Fish Habitat

The RIDOT is consulting with the NOAA Fisheries GARFO Habitat Conservation Division (HCD) to resubmit the consultation documents under the FHWA EFH Programmatic due to the change in the scope of work. This process is ongoing at the time of this Category B Assent Application submission and is projected to be completed mid-February 2025.

#### 1.4.5 U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

This project will involve permanent fill within the navigable waters of the United Stated and, as such, will require authorization from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers under Section 404 of the Clean Water Act (CWA) and Section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act (RHA). These authorizations are being requested concurrently with this Category B Assent Application submission and it is expected that the project will be allowed under the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers General Permit Number 8, Discharge of Dredged of Fill Material Incidental to the Construction of Bridges.

#### 1.4.6 U.S. Coast Guard

A U.S. Coast Guard (USCG) Permit is not required for this project because the scour countermeasures installed as part of the project will not alter the horizontal or vertical clearances of the bridge as indicated in the USCG 2016 Bridge Completion Report. Rather, the project is required to issue a Notice to Mariners prior to the start of construction. Coordination will occur though the local Harbormasters.



#### **Chapter 2: Existing Conditions**

#### 2.1 Site Location

The project area consists of the Barrington Bridge No. 123, which services East/West two-lane vehicular traffic (RI-114) as well as a sidewalk for pedestrian use on the southern edge and a two-way bicycle lane on the northern edge, and spans the Barrington River.

#### 2.2 Bridge Condition

The Barrington Bridge was last inspected by RIDOT on 5/1/2023 and was determined to be in fair condition. Underwater inspections and scanning of the piers showed deficiencies in the footings of Piers 1-4. In 2019, similar deficiencies were observed in Piers 5-6 and were addressed through a Maintenance Certification (2019-09-078) authorized by CRMC. Piers 5-6 were observed to be stable during the most recent inspection. Other minor deficiencies that will be addressed as part of this project include concrete spalling on the bridge deck and arch panels and wear and tear on the deck expansion joins and contact bearing. These deficiencies are above tidal waters and considered to be routine maintenance.

#### 2.3 Environmental Setting

The following section has been prepared by Ecosystem Solutions Inc. and includes a description of the existing environmental conditions.

#### 2.3.1 Physiography, Geology, and Soils

According to the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) Web Soil Survey, the soils present within the Project Area are mapped as MU-Merrimac-Urban land complex, 0 to 8 percent slopes, and Ws-Water, saline. The MU soil series is located on land on either side of the bridge, while the Ws map unit is located within the confines of the Barrington River. There are no subaqueous soils mapped under the Barrington River.

The MU soil series is a somewhat excessively-drained soil found on outwash plains, outwash terraces, moraines, eskers, and kames. The parent material consists of loamy glaciofluvial deposits derived from granite, schist, and gneiss over sandy and gravelly deposits derived from granite, schist, and gneiss. MU soils are in Hydrologic Soil Group A.



The Ws map unit consists of saline (salt, brackish) water and is not a soil. Minor soil components included within this map unit include Beaches, Sandy Surface, and may take up to five (5) percent of the map unit. Beaches, Sandy Surface include beaches, barrier beaches, and back-barrier beaches.

A copy of the NRCS Custom Soil Resource Report for the Barrington Bridge can be found in **Appendix G**.

#### 2.3.2 Groundwater

The RIDEM Groundwater Quality Rules (250-RICR-150-05-03) identify groundwater in the vicinity of the Project Area as Class GA and Class GB. Class GA groundwater is mapped on the east side of the bridge, while Class GB groundwater is mapped on the west side of the bridge. There is no groundwater classification for the Barrington River.

Groundwater classified as GA are those groundwater resources which are designated suitable for public or private drinking water use without treatment.

Groundwater classified as GB are those groundwater resources which may not be suitable for public or private drinking water use without treatment due to known or presumed degradation.

#### 2.3.3 Coastal Waters

The Project Area is within the Barrington River, which is designated as a Type 3 Tidal Water (High Intensity Boating). Section 1.2.1 of the CRMP describes Type 3 Waters as "dominated by commercial facilities that support recreational boating. Here, marinas, boatyards, and associated businesses take priority over other uses, and dredging and shoreline alterations are to be expected."

#### 2.3.4 Coastal Features

CRMC maintains jurisdiction over all shoreline features and all lands within 200 feet of these features. There is one designated Coastal Feature within the Project Area:

#### 2.3.4.1 Manmade Shoreline

Manmade shorelines are defined in the CRMP as "those shorelines that are characterized by concentrations of shoreline protection structures and other



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alterations, to the extent that natural shoreline features are no longer dominant. They most commonly abut Type 3, 5, and 6 waters."

East side of bridge

North of the bridge is a seawall abutting a lawn, associated with 81 County Road. The lawn is in turn associated with Atlantic Marine, a marina on the Barrington River.

South of the bridge is a stacked-stone seawall associated with 78 County Road.

West side of bridge

North of the bridge is a concrete seawall bordering a municipal water "spray" park associated with Police Cove Park & Boat Ramp.

South of the bridge is a seawall abutting Matthewson Road. There is also a small section of land with a stormwater treatment unit, at the corner of County and Matthewson Roads. A fringe of salt marsh follows the shoreline, which may be below mean low water.

#### 2.3.5 Surface Waters

According to the most recent Integrated Water Quality Monitoring Report List (2024) by the RIDEM Office of Water Resources, this section of the Barrington River (waterbody ID RI00007021E-01B) is classified as a Class SB1. This section of the river extends from the East Bay Bike Path trestle to its confluence with the Palmer River.

The river is classified as a Category 2 Water, which includes waters "meeting some of their designated uses (fully supporting) and insufficient data or no data to evaluate other designated uses (not assessed)." This generally means that some designated uses are "fully supporting," but more data is needed for other designated uses.

Designated uses include:

Use Description

Fish and Wildlife Habitat
Fish consumption
Primary contact recreation
Secondary contact recreation

**Use Attainment Status** 

Not assessed Insufficient information Fully supporting Fully supporting



#### 2.3.6 Freshwater Wetlands

There are no freshwater wetlands within the Project Area.

#### 2.3.7 Coastal Buffer Zones

East side of bridge

North of the bridge, landward of the manmade shoreline is lawn and shade trees associated with a single-family house/office associated with the marina at 81 County Road.

South of the bridge, landward of the manmade shoreline is a lawn with shade trees associated with a single-family house at 78 County Road.

West side of bridge

North of the bridge, landward of the manmade shoreline is a concrete patio associated with a water "spray" park at Police Cove Park & Boat Ramp.

South of the bridge, landward of the manmade shoreline is Matthewson Road. The manmade shoreline/seawall supports Matthewson Rd. There is a narrow strip of grass between the seawall and paved portions of the street.

#### 2.3.8 Floodplain

According to the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Flood Insurance Rate Maps (FIRM) no. 44001C0007H, the Project Area is located within Flood Zone AE with a base flood elevation of 12 feet above North American Vertical Datum (NAVD 88)("Zone AE (el. 12")), and Zone AE (el. 13).

The Barrington River is labeled as Zone AE (el.13). This elevation follows the manmade shoreline features closely except for the south side of the east side of the bridge, where it climbs slightly into the lawn associated with 78 County Road. All other landward areas are labeled as Zone AE (el. 12).

A copy of the FEMA Flood Insurance Rate Map can be found in **Appendix H**.



#### 2.3.9 RIDEM Natural Heritage Program

Based on a review of the RIDEM Natural Heritage Program, the entire Project Area is within a Natural Heritage polygon (Area 82). Based on a consultation with Paul Jordan of RIDEM on February 21, 2023, the polygon represents an occurrence of diamondback terrapin (*Malaclemys terrapin*), which is listed as State Endangered.

Diamondback terrapins are adapted to life on the edge of the sea, specifically in coves, bays, salt marshes, dunes, and other coastal features. This description fits the surrounding ecology of the Project Area but will not be affected during construction.

The Barrington Land Conservation Trust's Terrapin Conservation Project, a local citizenscientist volunteer group, has been studying the population of diamondback terrapin in Barrington since 1990.



#### **Chapter 3: Proposed Activities and Impacts**

The proposed project includes the rehabilitation of Piers 1-4 of the Barrington Bridge and the installation of scour countermeasures, amongst other minor project activities. These activities will have temporary and permanent impacts to the Barrington River, which are outlined below. Permitting plans for this project are bound separately as **Appendix I**.

#### 3.1 Alternative Analysis

This project studied alternative rehabilitation methods and a no build alternative. The proposed method of grout bag and riprap placement was determined by AI Engineers to be the sole viable construction option.

#### 3.1.1 No Build Alternative

The no build option was rejected because it did not satisfy the project purpose to improve the structural stability and extend the useful life of the Barrington Bridge. This option would result in further deterioration to Piers 1-4 and scour along the river bed and would result in premature bridge failure. The need for this project has been identified in the Rhode Island State Transportation Improvement Plan (STIP).

#### 3.1.2 Construction Alternative

One build alternative was to install sheet piles around the existing tremie at all six piers and encapsulate the area with tremie concrete as the scour countermeasure. The sheet piles would be installed from a pinned spud barge(s) at a distance of approximately 2 feet outside the as-built perimeter of the existing tremie and to a depth of approximately 10 feet below the historic mudline. The area within the sheet piles would be encapsulated with concrete through a new tremie, resulting in a permanent impact of approximately 1,800 square feet. Following several consultations with experienced Marine Contractors by AI Engineers, it was determined that the installation of underwater sheet piles was not a viable option due to site physical limitations.



#### 3.2 Proposed Project Activities

#### 3.2.1 Pier Void Repairs

The bridge is supported by six concrete piers, each sitting on two footings (referred to as Existing Tremie A and Existing Tremie B in the plans), the bottom of which is buried in the existing mudline. Refer to the permitting plans in **Appendix I**. Prior to patching the voids in the Existing Tremie A, Existing Tremie B and Existing Concrete Pier Stem, the area will be prepared by divers to remove all foreign debris. Tremie concrete will be used to fill the voids and restore the structure to as-built conditions. There are no proposed water control methods that dewater the area. Turbidity barriers are also not proposed since they are typically not effective in a high velocity tidal environment.

#### 3.2.2 Scour Countermeasures

This project includes two scour countermeasure methods; installing grout bags and installing riprap. The grout bags will be placed by divers around all six piers of the bridge and will extending approximately 6 feet outside of the perimeter of the Existing Tremie A and 18 inches above the elevation of Existing Tremie A. The grout bags will function as the scour countermeasure for the existing tremies. The rip rap will also be placed by divers and will extend the full length of the bridge, around the piers and grout bags from the west abutment to the east abutment. Two feet of R-4 rip rap, sloped at a 1:1.5 ratio to the top elevation of the grout bags. The rip rap will function as the scour countermeasure for the river bed.

#### 3.2.3 Minor Project Activities

In addition to the rehabilitation of the bridge piers and the installation of scour countermeasures at the piers and along the river bottom, this project will only include minor above tidal water activities during construction. These activities include replacing the deck expansion joint glands, restoring the contact area at select bearings, and minor concrete patching repairs of the superstructure and arch panels. The delivery of concrete for the patch repairs will be from a truck located on the bridge with a single lane closure so that traffic can continue to use the bridge during construction.



#### 3.3 Proposed Project Impacts

#### 3.3.1 Temporary Project Impacts

The nature of construction for this project, specifically the use of a spud barge(s), will have a temporary impact to the river bottom. The spud barge(s) will be used for the divers to access the water and to store the materials the divers will be placing. The spud barge(s) will be approximately 30 feet wide by 40 feet long and 5 feet deep and will be anchored with four steel piles (pointed or pipe) that are lowered and raised using a hydraulic power pack into the river bottom at minimal embedment. It is assumed that each steel pile will have a footprint of approximately 1 square foot. It is also assumed that the barge(s) will be positioned on both sides of all six piers for a total of 12 locations. This will result in 48 square feet of temporary impact. The estimated duration of temporary disturbance will depend upon river conditions at the time of work, but it is estimated to be completed within one construction season.

#### 3.3.2 Permanent Project Impacts

The installation of grout bags and rip rap will result in a permanent impact to the river bottom. The grout bags and rip rap will be installed as scour countermeasures, which the Scour Analysis in **Appendix C** determined needed to be a part of this project. The scour countermeasures will be placed by divers around and above the Existing Tremie A at all six piers and spanning the full width of the bridge. The total area of permanent impact will be 0.84 acres with a volume of 4,500 cubic yards. No excavation is proposed for the project.

#### 3.4 Stormwater Management

This project does not involve pavement rehabilitation or the installation of any new impervious surfaces and will not alter the existing volume or concentration of stormwater runoff, therefore does not require a Stormwater Management Plan. Proper debris protection will be used under the bridge deck during the replacement of the expansion joints.

#### 3.5 Property Abutter Notification

A list of project property abutters has been prepared and is included in Appendix J.



#### **Chapter 4: CRMC Regulatory Issues**

The CRMP requires that the applicant provide sufficient information on the project for CRMC to render a decision. This project is subject to the CRMP and the following applicable sections are addressed as part of this application: Sections 1.1.5, 1.1.6(F),

### 4.1 CRMP Section 1.1.5 – Review Categories and Prohibited Activities in Tidal Waters and on Adjacent Shoreline Features

According to Table 1 in CRMP § 1.1.5(A), Filling in Tidal Waters for scour countermeasures and Construction of Public Roads, Bridges, Parking Lots, Railroad Lines and Airports in Type 3 Waters require a Category B application.

#### 4.2 CRMP Section 1.1.6(F) – Category B Applications

The Applicant intends to demonstrate through the responses to the applicable CRMP sections that this project will conform to the goals, policies, prerequisites, informational requirements and standards of the Program.

#### 4.3 **CRMP Section 1.1.12 – Fees**

CRMC does not charge application fees to RIDOT, therefore there is no fee associated with this project.

#### 4.4 CRMP Section 1.2.1(D) - Type 3 High Intensity Boating

This project aligns with the Council's goal to preserve, protect, and, where possible, enhance Type 3 areas for high intensity boating and does not significantly interfere with recreational boating activities or values. Without the proposed pier protection measures and riprap placement, conditions of the bridge will further deteriorate which can create negative impacts on boating activities that pass under or adjacent to the bridge. Therefore, the proposed improvements are considered to offer improvements which will allow for future high intensity boating to continue safely.



#### 4.5 CRMP Section 1.3.1(A) – Category B Requirements

The requirements herein for a Category B Assent are necessary data and information for the purpose of federal consistency reviews. All persons applying for a Category B Assent are required to:

a. Demonstrate the need for the proposed activity or alteration;

The need for this project has been demonstrated with recent underwater inspections which has found degraded bridge piers. Similar findings were evident in 2019, and repairs to Piers 5 and 6 at that time have been found to be intact and stable. The recent underwater inspections and scanning showed the same deficiencies that were identified in 2019, therefore similar rehabilitation methods are proposed for the repairs to Piers 1 – 4, in addition to the riprap scour measures. The scour measures are proposed based upon the Scour Analysis by Pare Corporation which concluded that there were no other viable options to stabilize the riverbed from further erosion which will eventually undermine the bridge piers. The no build option was studied and rejected because it did not satisfy the project purpose to improve the structural stability and extend the useful life of the Barrington Bridge. The need for this project has also been identified in the Rhode Island State Transportation Improvement Plan (STIP).

b. Demonstrate that all applicable local zoning ordinances, building codes, flood hazard standards, and all safety codes, fire codes, and environmental requirements have or will be met; local approvals are required for activities as specifically prescribed for nontidal portions of a project in §§ 1.3.1(B), (C), (F), (H), (I), (K), (M), (O) and (Q) of this Part; for projects on state land, the state building official, for the purposes of this Section, is the building official;

The project proponent is the RIDOT. RIDOT State Licensed Engineers and their consultants designed the bridge rehabilitation in accordance with all applicable state and federal standards. Local zoning ordinances are not applicable. This application is being submitted concurrently to the USACE for review and approval as a Pre-Construction Notification (PCN) under General Permit 8, Discharges of Dredged or Fill Materials Incidental to the Construction of Bridges.

c. Describe the boundaries of the coastal waters and land area that is anticipated to be affected;

The project area is the Barrington Bridge No. 123 over the Barrington River, which is within Type 3 High Intensity Boating tidal waters as designated by the CRMP. This portion of the Barrington River edge is lined with manmade shorelines including seawalls, docks and piers. The riverbed itself is predominately sands and silts. See Section 3.3 "Proposed Project Impacts" of this application for a description and quantification of the temporary and permanent project impacts.



d. Demonstrate that the alteration or activity will not result in significant impacts on erosion and/or deposition processes along the shore and in tidal waters;

This project will only have an impact in tidal waters due to the installation of grout bags and rip rap as a scour countermeasure. The installation of these scour countermeasures is necessary to mitigate or avoid future erosion of the riverbed and bridge structure. The measures are intended to create a stable river bed which will increase the life of the bridge structure and allow for future high intensity boating activities to continue.

e. Demonstrate that the alteration or activity will not result in significant impacts on the abundance and diversity of plant and animal life;

The area of impact to plant and animal life is where the rip rap will be placed. According to the Project Biologist, there is no submerged aquatic vegetation or spawn beds within the rip rap limits. This passage is used by diadromous fish to spawn upstream but that passage will not be impacted by this project.

f. Demonstrate that the alteration will not unreasonably interfere with, impair, or significantly impact existing public access to, or use of, tidal waters and/or the shore;

The project will not interfere with the public use and enjoyment of the shoreline along the Barrington River. These shoreline features will not be altered or impacted by the proposed improvements. Other than the existing docks, piers and boat ramp at Police Cove Park, there is no public access to the river from the shoreline. The bridge will remain open and accessible to vehicle, bicycle and pedestrian traffic during construction. The only anticipated interference will be a single lane closure for vehicles on the bridge to accommodate the concrete truck during minor patch work to the superstructure and arch panels.

g. Demonstrate that the alteration will not result in significant impacts to water circulation, flushing, turbidity, and sedimentation;

The installation methods which involve manual placement of grout bags and riprap will be performed in a manner to minimize temporary turbulence. The project will not impact water circulation, flushing or turbidity and in the long term, will reduce the river bottom erosion with the proposed scour countermeasures. The installation of scour countermeasures, riprap, will not alter the mean high or low water elevations, therefore will not affect the existing horizontal or vertical clearances under the bridge.



h. Demonstrate that there will be no significant deterioration in the quality of the water in the immediate vicinity as defined by DEM;

The proposed riprap scour measures will be specified to be hosed with clean water prior to installation to eliminate the transport of silty materials into tidal waters. The riprap themselves is solid and not susceptible to degradation in flowing waters. Overall, the existing water quality in the Barrington River will be maintained during construction and not altered upon the completion of this project. The underwater repairs will be completed using water-tight tremies, which eliminates the risk of washing cement to the waterbody, and the proper debris protection will be used under the bridge deck during the expansion joint replacements.

i. Demonstrate that the alteration or activity will not result in significant impacts to areas of historic and archaeological significance;

The RIDOT submitted a Notification of No Adverse Effect Determination to RIHPHC on March 7, 2024 stating that their review of the project determined that there will be no adverse effect on historic properties in accordance with 36 CFR § 800.5(b)(c), of which RIHPHC signed in concurrence on March 26, 2024. See Section 1.4.2 "National Historic Preservation Act" of this application for a description of RIDOT's consultation with RIHPHC.

j. Demonstrate that the alteration or activity will not result in significant conflicts with water dependent uses and activities such as recreational boating, fishing, swimming, navigation, and commerce, and;

The presence of spud barges during construction will only result in temporary interruptions to water dependent uses. This project will not result in significant conflicts with existing water dependent uses and activities. The majority of work will be conducted by divers placing materials from a stationary barge to the river bottom. Boating will not be permitted in the immediate vicinity of the spud barges and divers for safety purposes but other traversable paths under the bridge will remain accessible during that time. The purpose of the project is to ensure long-term viability of the bridge which will allow for a long-term continuation of existing water dependent activities.

k. Demonstrate that measures have been taken to minimize any adverse scenic impacts (see § 1.3.5 of this Part).

This project will not impact or obstruct the existing scenic values at this location. The majority of the work will take place below the mean low water elevation, therefore will not have any scenic impact. The work to take place above the mean low water elevation is limited to routine on the bridge joint replacement and maintenance repairs intended to restore the bridge



structure to its original structural conditions. No activity has the potential to impact scenic conditions.

#### 4.6 CRMP Section 1.3.1(J) – Filling in Tidal Waters

It is recognized that CRMC's policy is to discourage and minimize the filling of coastal waters, but the public health, safety and welfare necessitates the placement of the proposed scour and pier protection measures, which are deemed necessary and the only viable option for ensuring the long-term stability of the existing bridge. As previously noted, the only project activity involving filling in tidal water will be the installation of grout bags for pier protection and riprap as scour countermeasures. The proposed activity was designed in accordance with CRMP § 1.3.1(J)(1)(d), which state that filling may be permitted where necessary for an approved but only when it has been demonstrated that the amount of filling has been minimized. A copy of the Scour Analysis which demonstrates the need for the rip rap installation be found in **Appendix C**.

### 4.7 CRMP Section 1.3.1(M) — Public Roadways, Bridges, Parking Lots, Railroad Lines and Airports

The proposed project would be categorized as an improvement to an existing bridge with no new or altered stormwater discharges. The improvements are to restore the bridge structure to its original structural condition and to install scour countermeasures along the river bed to avoid or mitigate future erosion.

In accordance with 1.3.1 (M)(1)(b), the project has been designed to:

- The work avoids any water quality alterations and creates a more stable, non-erodible river bottom for the long-term stability of the bridge.
- The project does not involve any land clearing or land-based soil disturbance.
- The work limits disturbance to the river bed to the minimum necessary to address the channel scour and potential pier undermining.
- The project does not increase or alter impervious surfaces.

Work in tidal waters will be performed with spud barges and will be completed with divers placing the underwater materials (grout bags and rip rap) on the existing mudline. Riprap will not be dumped from barges to minimize turbulence during the installation. Riprap will be placed on the river's bed without the need for excavation. The placement of turbidity curtains during the installation was considered as an additional temporary protection measure but river velocities prevent the viability of using temporary curtains. Also, no alterations to the existing shorelines on either side of the bridge are proposed as part of this project.



#### **Chapter 5: Summary**

The RIDOT seeks approval from CRMC to complete a minor rehabilitation of the Barrington Bridge. The work will primarily consist of filling voids identified in Piers 1-4 and installing scour countermeasures for future mitigation. Other minor, preventative maintenance activities will occur too, such as replacing the deck expansion joints, restoring the contact bearings, and patching spalling concrete on the substructure and arch panels.

In 2019, similar deficiencies in Piers 5 and 6 were identified and repaired using the same rehabilitation method, without the installation of scour countermeasures. The need for the scour countermeasures was identified in a hydraulic analysis completed in preparation for this project. This determination is what warranted an Assent application rather than the Maintenance application that was approved in 2019.

Much of the proposed work will occur within Type 3 Tidal Waters, the Barrington River. Coastal features abut the project area, primarily manmade shorelines, but will not be altered as a result of this project. Construction methods have been required to minimize impacts to the river, including utilizing divers to place the materials within the waterway rather than dumping them. Temporary impacts are unavoidable to ensure safety during construction and have been minimized. The permanent impacts are a result of the installation of scour countermeasures, which is designed to improve erosion along the river bed during the lifespan of these repairs.

The project has been designed to comply with all applicable CRMC goals and policies as described in this application. All other state and federal approvals have been filed prior to or concurrently with this application and are currently under review. As such, the Applicant is requesting that the project be approved as a Category B Assent.





## Appendix A

**Proof of Ownership** 



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## **Appendix B**

2019 CRMC Maintenance Certification (2019-09-078)





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#### Certificate of Maintenance

September 27, 2019

RI Department of Transportation Attn: Brian Moore 2 Capitol Hill Providence, RI 02903

RE: CRMC Assent No. M2019-09-078: Conduct underwater repairs to the bridge piers as per the approved plans titled "Barrington Bridge No.123 Underwater Repairs..." by Collins Engineers. Project Location: Route 114 - Barrington Bridge, Barrington; Plat, Lot

#### Dear Applicant:

The Coastal Resources Management Council has reviewed your project proposal and has determined that it conforms to RICRMP Section 1.3.1(N) and applicable standards. Construction authorized by this approval shall be limited to replacement, reconstruction, or rebuilding to approved, pre-existing conditions and dimensions of the above noted structure. This project must be completed within three (3) years of the date of this approval. If this project involves excess construction materials or debris, these materials shall be removed from the site and disposed of at a suitable legal upland location. No equipment access or storage of equipment, construction material or debris shall occur on coastal features. If the project involves earthwork, appropriate erosion controls shall be utilized. All applicable conditions of original CRMC Assents that pertain to this property shall be upheld unless otherwise modified by the CRMC. All applicable policies, prohibitions, and standards of the RICRMP shall be upheld.

A copy of this maintenance authorization to perform maintenance work shall be kept on site and available for inspection. The maintenance (blue) card must be posted on site during the duration of the project.

Gregory Paribault, Engineering Tech IV Coastal Resources Management Council

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### FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT COMBINATION BIOLOGIST, ENGINEER REPORT

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#### **MAINTENANCE CERTIFICATION APPLICATION**

	File No. (CRMC USE ONLY):
Project Location Barrington Bridge (Rt. 114) (Bridge No. 123), Barrington	
No. Street City/Town	2019-09-078
	Plat:
Owner's Name State of Rhode Island Dept. of Transportation	Lot(s):
Mailing Address 2 Capitol Hill	Contact No.: Brus M. Magke (401) 465-2204
City/Town Providence State RI Zip Code 02903	(4pi) 465-2204
Contractor RI Reg. #:	
Address:	
Name of Waterway: Barrington River	Estimated Project Cost: \$
	Fee (chart based on EPC): \$
Description of facility to be maintained (type of facility and present condition	
Piers No. 5 and 6 of Barrington Bridge. Presently, undermining and deterioration	of piers.
Describe accurately the maintenance work proposed. (Use additional sheets of proposed)	paper if necessary and attach this form.)
See page 2 of attached plans for details of proposed work. In summary, the overal the bridge at Pier 5 and 6. Work involves encapsulating the sides and top of the log. Formwork, vent pipes and grout pipes will be installed at the void locations to fill installed and/or grout will be pumped in to fill the voids. A concrete cover layer contop of tremie will be provided after the void repairs.	wer underwater tremie seals at Piers 5 and I voids. Either flexible forms will be
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Have you or any previous owner filed an application for and/or received an (If so please provide the file and/or assent numbers): 2012-06-048 (see attached Appen	
Is this site within a designated historic district?	
Is this application being submitted in response to a coastal violation?	
If YES, you must indicate NOV or Co	
NOTE: The applicant acknowledges by evidence of their signature that they have re-	viewed the Rhode Island Coastal Resources

Management Program, and have, where possible adhered to the policies and standards of the program. The applicant also acknowledges by evidence of their signature that to the best of their knowledge the information contained in the application is true and valid. The filing of false information can result in the Coastal Resources Management Council revoking state assent.

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... to preserve, protect, develop, and restore coastal resources for all Rhode Islanders

RHODE ISLAND COASTAL RESOURCES MANAGEMENT COUNCIL

### Application 2012-06-048 Details

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#### Actions:

Action Date	Action Description
Jun 13, 2012	Maintenance Certification Request
Jun 13, 2012	Administrative Review for Completeness
Jun 26, 2012	Team Review for Completeness
Jun 26, 2012	Application Accepted
Jul 11, 2012	HPHC Historical Preservation No Effect
Jul 13, 2012	Permit Issued
Jul 13, 2012	Engineering Report

#### Details:

#### File No

2012-06-048

Town

Barrington

First Name

Department of Transportation

**Last Name** 

Street

**Barrington Bridge** 

Location

Barrington Bridge

Plat/Map

Lot/Block





7/26/2019 Details - PADS

**Decision Date** 

Jul 13, 2012

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Description

Shoreline Protection Facilities/Repair

**Water Area** 

**Easement** 

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**Acceptance Date** 

Jun 26, 2012

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#### APPENDIX A

Draft Design Plans Prepared by Collins Engineers, Inc. dated September 25, 2019



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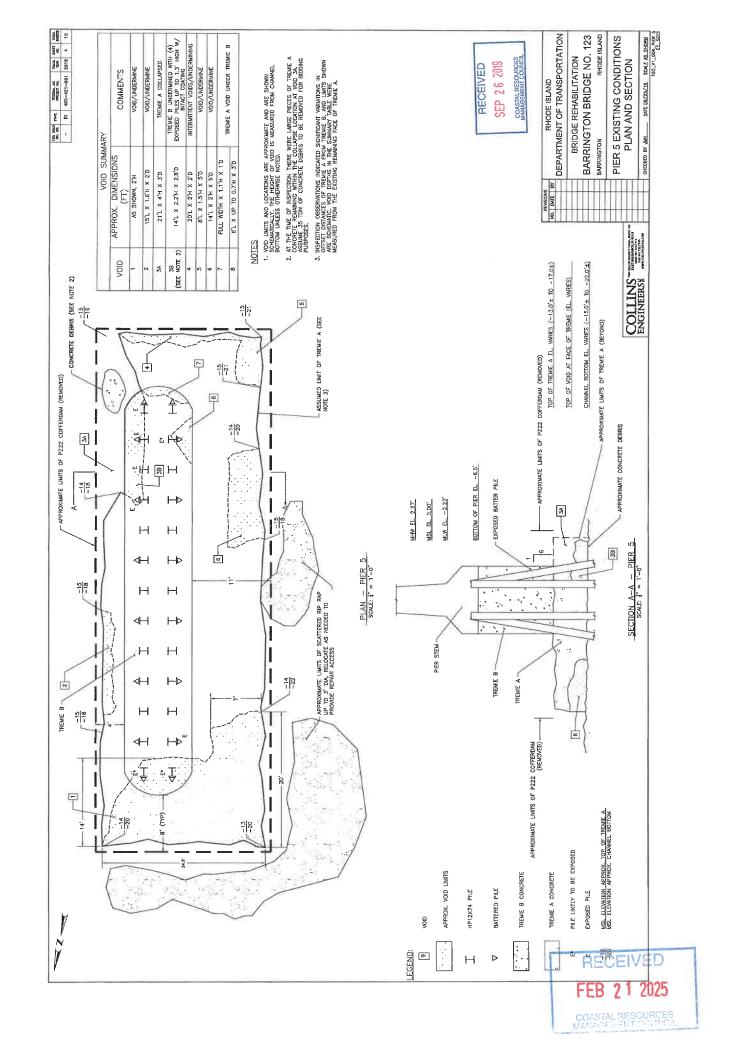
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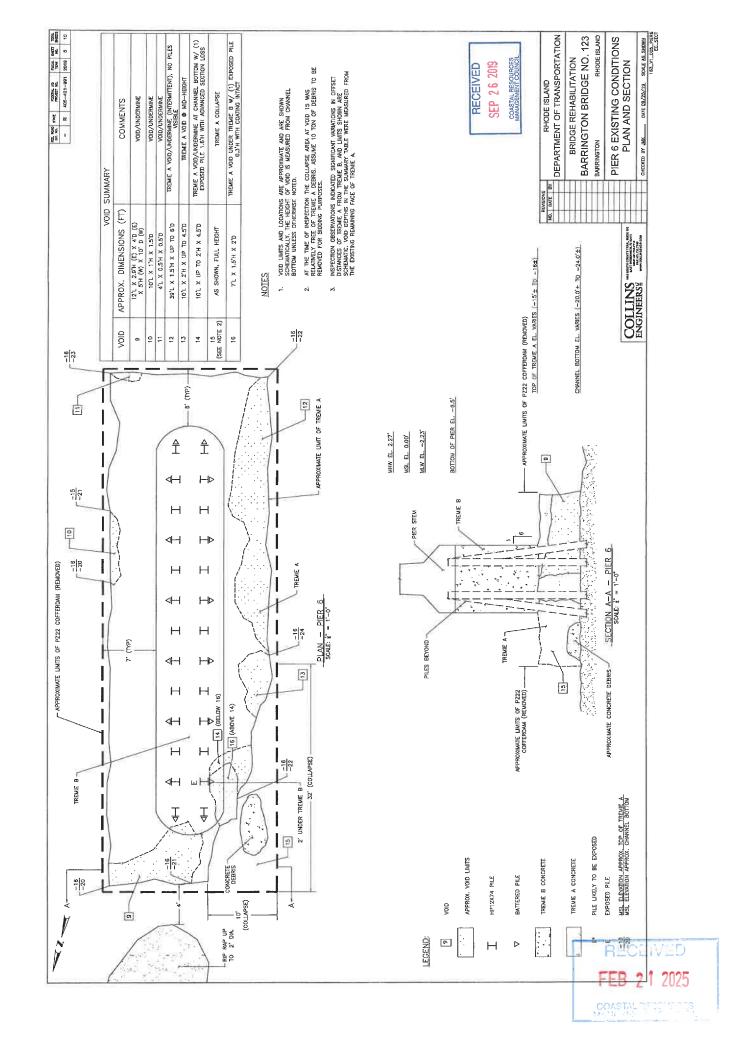
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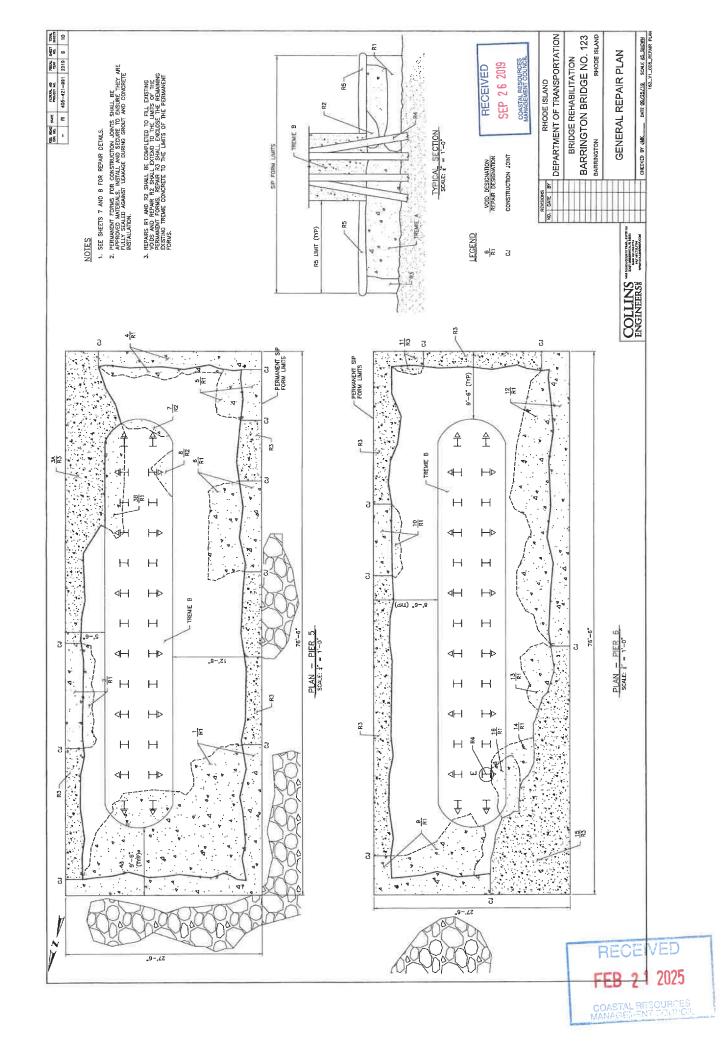
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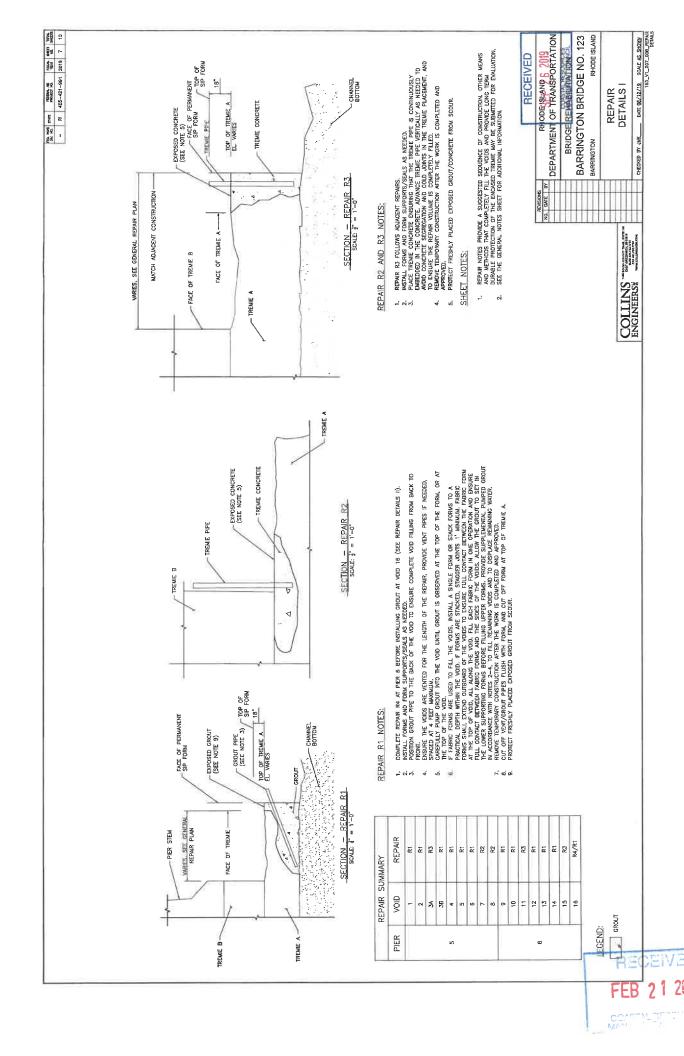
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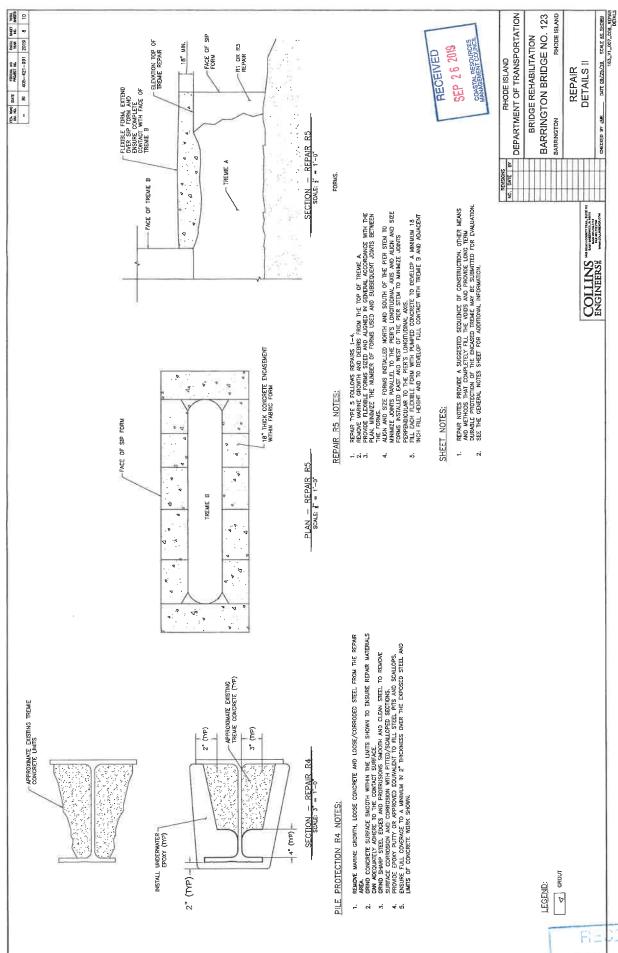
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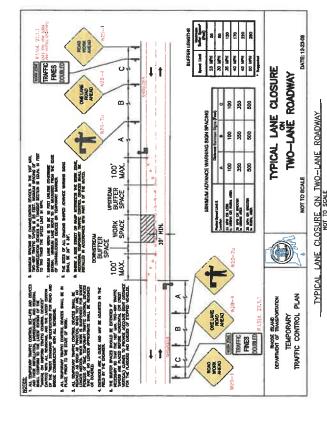












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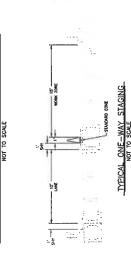
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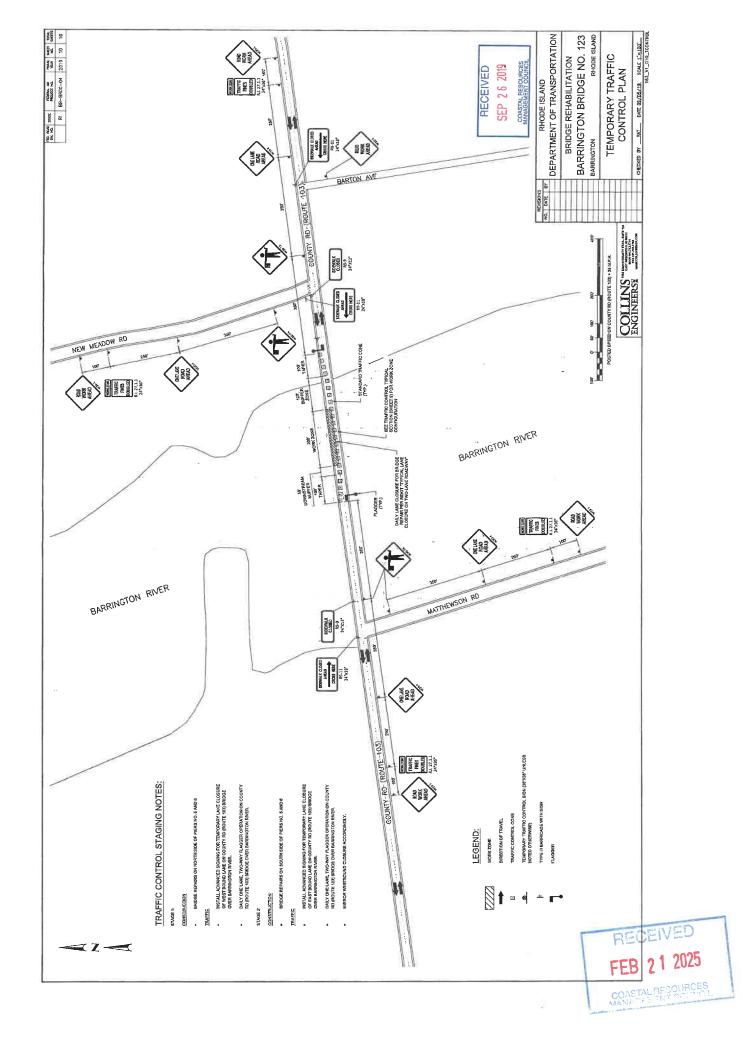
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# **Appendix C**

Scour Analysis
Prepared by Pare Corporation













October 17, 2024

Re: Hydraulic Report **Barrington Bridge** Barrington, Rhode Island (Pare Project No. 24157.00)

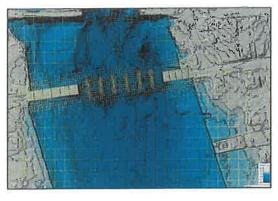
Pare has completed a hydraulic analysis for the "Barrington Bridge", the bridge that carries Route 114 (County Road) over the Barrington River located in Barrington, RI. The analysis was performed to determine the hydraulic conditions that are expected to occur at the bridge during different tidal conditions to inform the extent and type of scour countermeasures to be installed along the streambed in the vicinity of the bridge. The sections below provide an overview of the hydraulic model development, the results of the hydraulic model, scour countermeasure design calculations based upon the model results, as well as discussion on comparison of previous analyses and reports.

## Hydraulic Model Development

The watershed for the Barrington Bridge was determined to be 16.0 mi<sup>2</sup> (square miles) per USGS Stream Stats, as depicted in the graphic to the right. The peak flows expected within the Barrington River from rainfall-runoff per statewide regression equations returned from the USGS StreamStats Program were relatively insignificant compared to the peak flows that occur as the result of the tidal cycles; both normal and storm surge conditions. For example, the peak flow generated from the normal cycle was determined to be 2,700 CFS (cubic feet per second) per the current hydraulic model, while the peak flow expected as a result of rainfall-runoff during the 100-year storm event was less than 1,000 CFS. As such, it was determined that the rainfall-runoff flow conditions of the Palmer River could be neglected during this analysis and the focus of the analysis could be placed upon the tidal conditions that develop at the bridge.



The hydraulic model was developed using HEC-RAS 6.5. The terrain for the model was developed from a combination of LiDAR terrain data, bathymetric survey of the Palmer River upstream and downstream of the bridge provided within the February 2024 Hydraulic and Scour Analysis Report developed by WSP, bathymetric survey in the vicinity of the bridge as well as geometric information for the bridge and bridge piers provided within the September 2023 Scour Assessment Report developed by Collins Engineers. The graphic to the right depicts the computational mesh of the HEC-RAS model overlain on the model terrain while the graphic on the following page depicts the model terrain.



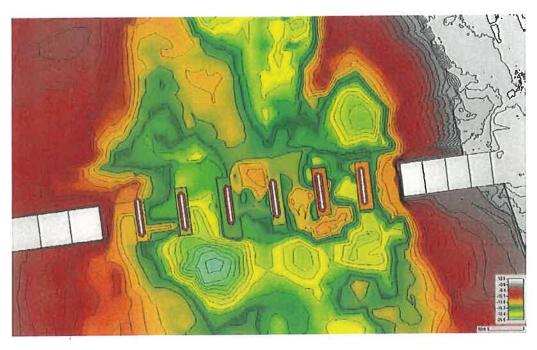
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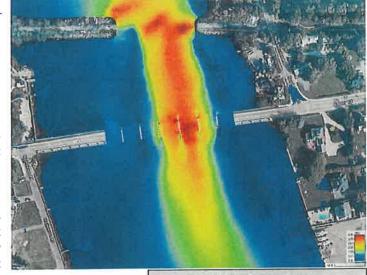




Tidal information from Tidal Station 8454000 was used to develop stage hydrographs for normal tide (MHHW = El. 2.3 to MLLW = El. -2.4), highest astronomical tide (HAT = El. 3.6), 10-year surge (El. 6.8), as well as 100-year surge (El. 11.4) conditions.

#### **Model Results**

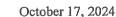
The results of the model computations revealed that highest flow velocities occurred during the two surge events; 10year storm surge event and 100-year surge event. The peak velocites during both events were generally the same while the peak depths during the 100-year event were noteably larger. The graphic to the right depicts the velocity profile that develops across the bridge during the 10-year storm surge event. During both surge events, peak flow velocites were variable across the bridge ranging from 1.5 to 4 fps (feet per second); flow velocites were higher between piers 3 and 6 with the highest velocites occuring between piers 4 and 5.



The table to the right provides the peak flow velocities and depths across the bridge during the most hydraulically critical (highest velocity) time step of the 100-year storm surge event.

100-Year Surge Results				
Location	V <sub>max</sub>	Depth		
Location	(FPS)	(FT)		
Right Abut to Pier 3	2	25		
Pier 3 to Pier 6	4	25		
Pier 6 to Left Abut	2	25		

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## Scour Countermeasure Design Calculations

The flow conditions (depth and velocities) of the 100-year surge event provided in the table above were utilized within with riprap channel lining design calculator provided within FHWA's Hydraulic Toolbox to determine the size of the material that could be installed along the bottom of the streambed to resist scour. To take into account pier effects, the scour counter measure design guidelines of HEC-23 Design Guide 11 were also utilized. The table below provides the results of these calculations:

100-Year Surge Results		Channel Lining Design Calcultor		HEC-23 Design Guide 11		
Location -	V <sub>max</sub>	Depth	D <sub>50</sub>	Calculated	V <sub>des</sub>	D <sub>50</sub>
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Right Abut to Pier 3	2	25	1"	3.0	3	3/4"
Pier 3 to Pier 6	4	25	3"	2.5	6	3"
Pier 6 to Left Abut	2	25	1"	2.5	3	3/4"

As indicated within the table above, per the calculations installation of a  $D_{50}=3$ " riprap to line the channel from piers 3 to 6 and a  $D_{50}=1$ " riprap to line the channel from the right abutment to pier 3 and the left abutment to pier 6 appears to be an adequate scour countermeasure for this bridge.

Note, that the material types provided are the minimum size that is required based upon the results of this analyses; certain variability may exist between the model results and actual conditions that develop during a storm surge event. Should the project team decide to specify a larger material and/or a simpler approach of a single material type, that would be an acceptable approach of higher conservatism than the minimum approach outlined herein.

As the installation of the scour counter measures will result in the raising of the streambed elevation, the hydraulic model was used to determine if this raising of the streambed elevation would have any negative implications. A hypothetical condition was developed and modeled that established a minimum streambed elevation of El. -12, correlating to between a 1-foot to 8-foot raise in the existing streambed elevation that varies from El. -13 at its highest point to El. -20 at its lowest. The hydraulic model results of this hypothetical condition revealed that there were no notable changes to the hydraulic conditions that occur within the vicinity of the bridge during any of the four modeled tidal conditions. Therefore, the installation of the scour counter measures is not expected to result in any notable impacts to the hydraulic conditions within the vicinity of the bridge or elsewhere within the river.

## Comparison to Past Analyses

The scour counter measure design presented herein consists of material types much smaller than previous analyses/reports that recommended the use of an R-6 riprap ( $D_{50}$ =13"). These calculations were based upon an average flow velocity of 7 fps, much higher than the results of the current analysis summarized herein as well as what has been historically observed at the site. This higher velocity appears to be the result of two unrealistic conditions that were developed and combined together to create an unrealistic flow condition that was used as the basis for the scour counter measure design.

 The first unrealistic condition was the overestimation of the size of the drainage area and the corresponding predicted peak flow generated from that drainage area as a result of rainfall-runoff. The drainage area for the Barrington Bridge was reported as 133 mi<sup>2</sup>; an order of magnitude





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greater than what it actually is, 16 mi<sup>2</sup>. This discrepancy resulted in the use of 55,000 CFS as the peak flow generated by a 100-year storm event; close to two orders of magnitude larger than the actual prediction of 1,000 CFS.

2. The second unrealistic condition was a steady tidal condition set at El. -5.5. As indicated herein, the MLLW at this site is El. -2.4.

Combining an unrealistic peak flow with an unrealistic tidal condition resulted in unrealistic peak flow velocity of 7 fps which in turn yielded the R-6 riprap material for the scour continuer measure design.

As such, it is not surprising (nor concerning) that the current analyses yielded a significantly different scour counter measure design than previous analyses/reports.

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Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact us at 508.543.1755 or by email at mdunn@parecorp.com.

Sincerely,

PARE CORPORATION

Matthew Dunn, PE, CFM Managing Engineer

Information Available Upon Request
HEC-RAS Hydraulic Model
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# **Appendix D**

**USFWS National Wetlands Inventory Map** 





# RIDOT-Barrington



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Wetlands

Estuarine and Marine Deepwater

Estuarine and Marine Wetland

Freshwater Emergent Wetland

Freshwater Forested/Shrub Wetland

Freshwater Pond

Other

Lake

Riverine

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National Wellands inventory (NWI)
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# **Appendix E**

**RIHPHC No Adverse Effect Concurrence Form** 





Department of Transportation Two Capitol Hill Providence, RI 02903

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# NO ADVERSE EFFECT FORM

To:

Mr. Jeffrey Emidy, Executive Director

Rhode Island Historical Preservation & Heritage Commission

Old State House 150 Benefit Street Providence, RI 02903

Attn:

Ms. Michaela Jergensen

From:

Bridgid Byrne

Senior Historic Preservation Specialist Cultural Resources Unit, RIDOT

Date: March 7, 2024

Re:

Notification of No Adverse Effect Determination

Dear Mr. Emidy:

Based on our review, we have concluded that the following project will have a minimal impact on historic properties. We are therefore notifying your office of our determination of no adverse effect on historic properties in accordance with 36 CFR § 800.5(b),(c). The following is a summary of our review and assessment activities upon which we made our determination.

Your concurrence or non-concurrence can be registered with our office by signing and returning this determination within 30 days of your receipt of this form. Fallure of your office to provide a written response within 30 days from receipt of this determination shall be considered a concurrence and RIDOT will proceed with the project.

#### 1. PROJECT NAME

2607P-Bridge Group 15F Barrington RIC No. 2023-EH-008C

## 2. PROJECT LOCATION

Bridge No. 01231 which carries RI-114/103 (County Road) over the Barrington River in Barrington, Rhode Island.

# 3. PROJECT DESCRIPTION

Bridge Group 15F consists of the minor rehabilitation of Bridge No. 012301. The proposed rehabilitation work for the bridge includes replacement of the deck expansion joint glands,



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minor concrete repairs (patching of the substructure and concrete arch panels), restoring contact area at select bearings, and underwater repairs to the tremie seals of the bridge piers.

The most extensive rehabilitation work will consist of repairing the existing tremies and installing permanent scour countermeasures. The scour countermeasures will consist of installing sheet pile walls (or similar level of protection such as king pile or other combination wall) outside the as built perimeter of Tremle A and encapsulating the area with tremle concrete. All voids along the Tremie A to Tremie B interface shall be filled and the entire perimeter of the interface shall be protected with fabric forms pumped with grout. The existing bridge deck strip seal joint glands shall be removed and replaced. It is possible that joint hardware may also need to be replaced if damage is found during the design phase. At the time this scope was prepared, the condition of the hardware does not warrant replacement. Deterlorated areas of the concrete plers, abutments, return walls, and architectural arch panels shall be repaired. There are three (3) curbed catch basins on the east approach roadway that require minor repairs. Catch Basin #20,037 is located on New Meadow Road at the intersection of RI-114. This catch basin requires mortar and sealing around the pipe inverts. Catch Basin #2210 is located along the curb line of the eastbound side of RI-114. This catch basin requires adjustment of the frame and grate. Catch Basin #2,211 is located along the curb line of the eastbound side of RI-114, just east of the Bridge 012301 deck joint (i.e. on the east causeway leading up to the bridge). The catch basin requires repointing of the corbel cone brick. The catch basins can be identified by their ID number using the RIDOT Stormwater GIS database. The consultant shall determine a threshold where loss of bearing area will overstress the bearing (based on the original design loading and design standards) as means of isolating which bearings require contact area restoration. The Consultant is notified that jacking of Individual beams is not recommended since the box beams are made integral through shear keys, transverse post-tensioning, and longitudinal closure pours. It is recommended that bearing contact area be restored by means of injecting material (i.e. a sultable grout or resin) within gaps, which has previously been performed at Pier 1 bearing at Girder J.

## 4. AREA OF POTENTIAL EFFECT

The area of potential effect (APE) is confined to the construction impact areas including the bridge and associated roadway approaches and any abutting properties.

#### 5. RIDOT FIELD INSPECTION REVIEW

Conducted by Bridgid Byrne Senior Historic Preservation Specialist Cultural Resources Unit, RIDOT Date: February 27, 2024

#### 6. SOURCES CONSULTED BY RIDOT

- RIHPHC's U.S.G.S. archaeological site and historic property location maps
- RIHPHC's inventory of National Register listed historic resources
- Rhode Island Historical Cemetery Commission (RIHCC)'s inventory of historic cemeteries
- The RIDOT Historic Bridge Inventory
- The Cultural Resources Database
- The RIHPHC's preliminary survey report: Historic and Architectural Resources of Barrington, Rhode Island. Rhode Island Historical Preservation Commission (1993).
- 7. NAME & DESCRIPTION OF NATIONAL REGISTER LISTED, ELIGIBLE & POTENTIALLY ELIGIBLE HISTORIC PROPERTIES WITHIN APE



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 Evelyn M, Harrington House-66 County Road (Potentially National Register-Eligible): 20th century house originally constructed as Medieval Revival type dwelling with an irregular roof line.

 Halle Bowen-Charles Barton House-78 County Road (Potentially National Register-Eligible): 19<sup>th</sup> century clapboard Federal dwelling with elaborate detailing including Greek Revival detailed entrance and balustraded widow's walk.

 Annie M. Winsor House-17 Mathewson Road (Potentially National Register-Eligible): 19<sup>th</sup> century brick and shingle Queen Anne house.

 Mathewson Wharf/Swan Boathouse-38 Mathewson Road (Potentially National Register-Eligible): 19th century cottage with small area for docking.

## 8. DESCRIPTION OF PROJECT'S EFFECT ON HISTORIC PROPERTIES

The proposed project will not result in the obstruction of or alterations to the identified historic property. Effects are primarily visual and consist of minor rehabilitation activities to existing bridge and roadways.

No THPOs have been notified due to the minor ground disturbance activities comprised within the proposed project, which will not impact archaeologically sensitive soils.

#### 9. CONCLUSION

As a result of the field inspection and historic property inventory search, four (4) Potential National Register-Eligible properties have been identified within the APE. As the proposed work may have a minimal impact on said historic property, it is RIDOT's determination that the project as described above and depicted in the enclosed 30% Design Submission Plans (dated February 14, 2024) will have no adverse effect as defined in 36 CFR § 800.5(b),(c).

#### 10. RIDOT CULTURAL RESOURCES UNIT STAFF REVIEWER

Bridgld Byrne Senior Historic Preservation Specialist Cultural Resources Unit, RIDOT

11. REVIEW COMPLETION DATE March 7, 2024

Attached documentation/map/plan: ☑ yes ☐ no



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| RIHPHC CONCURRENCE                                                  |                   |  |  |
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| Michaela All Jerganan. For Jeffrey Emily Executive Director, RIHPHC | 3/26/24<br>Date   |  |  |
| CONCURRENCE COMMENT                                                 |                   |  |  |
| This project will have                                              | no adverse effect |  |  |
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| Jeffrey Emidy<br>Executive Director, RIHPHC                         | Date              |  |  |
| NON-CONGURRENCE COMMENT                                             |                   |  |  |
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Enclosures cc by email: Begin, Byrne, Correla, Fahey, Ferguson, Gagnon, Morris, Palumbo, Primeau, Rodas, Soderlund; all wlo enclosures





# **Appendix F**

**USFWS Concurrence Verification Form** 





# United States Department of the Interior



# FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE

New England Ecological Services Field Office 70 Commercial Street, Suite 300 Concord, NH 03301-5094 Phone: (603) 223-2541 Fax: (603) 223-0104

In Reply Refer To:

Project code: 2024-0022187

Project Name: PTSID 2607P - BG 15F Barrington Bridge Repairs

January 29, 2024

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Subject: Concurrence verification letter for the 'PTSID 2607P - BG 15F Barrington Bridge

Repairs' project under the amended February 5, 2018, FHWA, FRA, FTA

Programmatic Biological Opinion (dated March 23, 2023) for Transportation Projects

within the Range of the Indiana Bat and Northern Long-eared Bat (NLEB).

# To whom it may concern:

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service) has received your request dated January 29, 2024 to verify that the **PTSID 2607P - BG 15F Barrington Bridge Repairs** (Proposed Action) may rely on the concurrence provided in the amended February 5, 2018, FHWA, FRA, FTA Programmatic Biological Opinion (dated March 23, 2023) for Transportation Projects within the Range of the Indiana Bat and Northern Long-eared Bat (PBO) to satisfy requirements under Section 7(a)(2) of the Endangered Species Act of 1973 (ESA) (87 Stat.884, as amended; 16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*).

Based on the information you provided (Project Description shown below), you have determined that the Proposed Action is within the scope and adheres to the criteria of the PBO, including the adoption of applicable avoidance and minimization measures. At least one of the qualification interview questions indicated an activity or portion of your project is consistent with a not likely to adversely affect determination therefore, the overall determination for your project is, may affect, and is not likely to adversely affect (NLAA) the endangered Indiana bat (Myotis sodalis) and/or the endangered northern long-eared bat (Myotis septentrionalis). Consultation with the Service pursuant to section 7(a)(2) of ESA (87 Stat. 884, as amended; 16 U.S.C. 1531 et seq.) is required.

The Service has 14 calendar days to notify the lead Federal action agency or designated non-federal representative if we determine that the Proposed Action does not meet the criteria for a NLAA determination under the PBO. If we do <u>not</u> notify the lead Federal action agency or designated non-federal representative within that timeframe, you may proceed with the Proposed Action under the terms of the NLAA concurrence provided in the PBO. This verification period allows Service Field Offices to apply local knowledge to implementation of the PBO, as we may identify a small subset of actions having impacts that were unanticipated. In such instances,



Service Field Offices may request additional information that is necessary to verify inclusion of the proposed action under the PBO.

For Proposed Actions that include bridge/culvert or structure removal, replacement, and/or maintenance activities: If your initial bridge/culvert or structure assessment documented signs of bat use or occupancy, or an assessment failed to detect Indiana bats and/or NLEBs, yet are later detected prior to, or during construction, please submit the Post Assessment Discovery of Bats at Bridge/Culvert or Structure Form (User Guide Appendix E) to this Service Office within 2 working days of any potential take. In these instances, potential incidental take of Indiana bats and/or NLEBs is covered under the Incidental Take Statement in the 2018 FHWA, FRA, FTA PBO (provided that the take is reported to the Service).

If the Proposed Action is modified, or new information reveals that it may affect the Indiana bat and/or northern long-eared bat in a manner or to an extent not considered in the PBO, further review to conclude the requirements of ESA Section 7(a)(2) may be required.

# For Proposed Actions that include bridge/culvert or structure removal, replacement, and/or maintenance activities:

If your initial bridge/culvert or structure assessments failed to detect Indiana bats and/or NLEB use or occupancy, yet bats are later detected prior to, or during construction, please submit the Post Assessment Discovery of Bats at Bridge/Culvert or Structure Form (User Guide Appendix E) to this Service Office within 2 working days of the incident. In these instances, potential incidental take of Indiana bats and/or NLEBs may be exempted provided that the take is reported to the Service.

If the Proposed Action may affect any other federally-listed or proposed species, and/or any designated critical habitat, additional consultation between the lead Federal action agency and this Service Office is required. If the proposed action has the potential to take bald or golden eagles, additional coordination with the Service under the Bald and Golden Eagle Protection Act may also be required. In either of these circumstances, please contact this Service Office.

The following species may occur in your project area and are not covered by this determination:

Monarch Butterfly Danaus plexippus Candidate



# **PROJECT DESCRIPTION**

The following project name and description was collected in IPaC as part of the endangered species review process.

## NAME

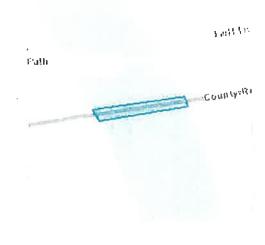
PTSID 2607P - BG 15F Barrington Bridge Repairs

# **DESCRIPTION**

Minor rehabilitation of the Barrington bridge, including structural repairs to one or more deck or superstructure components.



The approximate location of the project can be viewed in Google Maps: <a href="https://www.google.com/maps/@41.73673115">https://www.google.com/maps/@41.73673115</a>, -71.29591737460673,14z





# **DETERMINATION KEY RESULT**

Based on your answers provided, this project(s) may affect, but is not likely to adversely affect the endangered Indiana bat and/or the endangered northern long-eared bat, therefore, consultation with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service pursuant to Section 7(a)(2) of the Endangered Species Act of 1973 (ESA) (87 Stat. 884, as amended 16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*) is required. However, also based on your answers provided, this project may rely on the concurrence provided in the amended February 5, 2018, FHWA, FRA, FTA Programmatic Biological Opinion (dated March 23, 2023) for Transportation Projects within the Range of the Indiana Bat and Northern Long-eared Bat.

# **QUALIFICATION INTERVIEW**

- 1. Is the project within the range of the Indiana bat<sup>[1]</sup>?
  - [1] See Indiana bat species profile

Automatically answered

No

- 2. Is the project within the range of the northern long-eared bat<sup>[1]</sup>?
  - [1] See northern long-eared bat species profile

Automatically answered

Yes

- 3. Which Federal Agency is the lead for the action?
  - A) Federal Highway Administration (FHWA)
- Are all project activities limited to non-construction<sup>[1]</sup> activities only? (examples of non-construction activities include: bridge/abandoned structure assessments, surveys, planning and technical studies, property inspections, and property sales)
  - [1] Construction refers to activities involving ground disturbance, percussive noise, and/or lighting. No
- Does the project include any activities that are greater than 300 feet from existing road/ rail surfaces<sup>[1]</sup>?
  - [1] Road surface is defined as the actively used [e.g. motorized vehicles] driving surface and shoulders [may be pavement, gravel, etc.] and rail surface is defined as the edge of the actively used rail ballast.

No

- 6. Does the project include any activities within 0.5 miles of a known Indiana bat and/or NLEB hibernaculum<sup>[1]</sup>?
  - [1] For the purpose of this consultation, a hibernaculum is a site, most often a cave or mine, where bats hibernate during the winter (see suitable habitat), but could also include bridges and structures if bats are found to be hibernating there during the winter.

No



- 7. Is the project located within a karst area?
  No
- 8. Is there *any* suitable<sup>[1]</sup> summer habitat for Indiana Bat or NLEB **within** the project action area<sup>[2]</sup>? (includes any trees suitable for maternity, roosting, foraging, or travelling habitat)
  - [1] See the Service's sunner survey guidance for our current definitions of suitable habitat.
  - [2] The action area is defined as all areas to be affected directly or indirectly by the Federal action and not merely the immediate area involved in the action (50 CFR Section 402.02). Further clarification is provided by the <u>User's Guide for the Range-wide Programmatic Consultation for Indiana Bat and Northern Long-eared Bat.</u>
  - Yes
- 9. Will the project remove *any* suitable summer habitat<sup>[1]</sup> and/or remove/trim any existing trees **within** suitable summer habitat?
  - [1] See the Service's <u>summer survey guidance</u> for our current definitions of suitable habitat.
- 10. Have presence/probable absence (P/A) summer surveys<sup>[1][2]</sup> been conducted<sup>[3][4]</sup> within the suitable habitat located within your project action area?
  - [1] See the Service's summer survey guidance for our current definitions of suitable habitat.
  - [2] Presence/probable absence summer surveys conducted within the fall swarming/spring emergence home range of a documented Indiana bat hibernaculum (contact local Service Field Office for appropriate distance from hibernacula) that result in a negative finding requires additional consultation with the local Service Field Office to determine if clearing of forested habitat is appropriate and/or if seasonal clearing restrictions are needed to avoid and minimize potential adverse effects on fall swarming and spring emerging Indiana bats.
  - [3] For projects within the range of either the Indiana bat or NLEB in which suitable habitat is present, and no bat surveys have been conducted, the transportation agency will assume presence of the appropriate species. This assumption of presence should be based upon the presence of suitable habitat and the capability of bats to occupy it because of their mobility.
  - [4] Negative presence/probable absence survey results obtained using the <u>summer survey guidance</u> are valid for a minimum of two years from the completion of the survey unless new information (e.g., other nearby surveys) suggest otherwise.

No



11. Does the project include activities within documented NLEB habitat<sup>[1][2]</sup>?

[1] Documented roosting or foraging habitat – for the purposes of this consultation, we are considering documented habitat as that where Indiana bats and/or NLEB have actually been captured and tracked using (1) radio telemetry to roosts; (2) radio telemetry biangulation/triangulation to estimate foraging areas; or (3) foraging areas with repeated use documented using acoustics. Documented roosting habitat is also considered as suitable summer habitat within 0.25 miles of documented roosts.)

[2] For the purposes of this key, we are considering documented corridors as that where Indiana bats and/or NLEB have actually been captured and tracked to using (1) radio telemetry; or (2) treed corridors located directly between documented roosting and foraging habitat.

No

12. Does the project include wetland or stream protection activities associated with compensatory wetland mitigation?

No

13. Does the project include slash pile burning?

No

- 14. Does the project include *any* bridge removal, replacement, and/or maintenance activities (e.g., any bridge repair, retrofit, maintenance, and/or rehabilitation work)?

  Yes
- 15. Is there *any* suitable habitat<sup>[1]</sup> for Indiana bat or NLEB **within** 1,000 feet of the bridge? (includes any trees suitable for maternity, roosting, foraging, or travelling habitat)
  - [1] See the Service's current <u>summer survey guidance</u> for our current definitions of suitable habitat.

    Yes
- 16. Has a bridge assessment<sup>[1]</sup> been conducted **within** the last 24 months<sup>[2]</sup> to determine if the bridge is being used by bats?
  - [1] See User Guide Appendix D for bridge/structure assessment guidance
  - [2] Assessments must be completed no more than 2 years prior to conducting any work below the deck surface on all bridges that meet the physical characteristics described in the Programmatic Consultation, regardless of whether assessments have been conducted in the past. Due to the transitory nature of bat use, a negative result in one year does not guarantee that bats will not use that bridge/structure in subsequent years.

Yes

## SUBMITTED DOCUMENTS

Barrington Bridge Survey 2.pdf <a href="https://ipac.ecosphere.fws.gov/project/3VEH4U44KJBYRFVGSJ5J37XACI/">https://ipac.ecosphere.fws.gov/project/</a>
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 projectDocuments/137747767



17. Did the bridge assessment detect *any* signs of Indiana bats and/or NLEBs roosting in/under the bridge (bats, guano, etc.)<sup>[1]</sup>?

[1] If bridge assessment detects signs of *any* species of bats, coordination with the local FWS office is needed to identify potential threatened or endangered bat species. Additional studies may be undertaken to try to identify which bat species may be utilizing the bridge prior to allowing *any* work to proceed.

Note: There is a small chance bridge assessments for bat occupancy do not detect bats. Should a small number of bats be observed roosting on a bridge just prior to or during construction, such that take is likely to occur or does occur in the form of harassment, injury or death, the PBO requires the action agency to report the take. Report all unanticipated take within 2 working days of the incident to the USFWS. Construction activities may continue without delay provided the take is reported to the USFWS and is limited to 5 bats per project.

No

18. Will the bridge removal, replacement, and/or maintenance activities include installing new or replacing existing **permanent** lighting?

No

19. Does the project include the removal, replacement, and/or maintenance of *any* structure other than a bridge? (e.g., rest areas, offices, sheds, outbuildings, barns, parking garages, etc.)

No

- 20. Will the project involve the use of **temporary** lighting *during* the active season?
- 21. Will the project install new or replace existing **permanent** lighting? *No*
- 22. Does the project include percussives or other activities (not including tree removal/ trimming or bridge/structure work) that will increase noise levels above existing traffic/ background levels?

Yes

- 23. Will the activities that use percussives (not including tree removal/trimming or bridge/ structure work) and/or increase noise levels above existing traffic/background levels be conducted during the active season<sup>[1]</sup>?
  - [1] Coordinate with the local Service Field Office for appropriate dates.

Yes

- 24. Will any activities that use percussives (not including tree removal/trimming or bridge/ structure work) and/or increase noise levels above existing traffic/background levels be conducted during the inactive season<sup>[1]</sup>?
  - [1] Coordinate with the local Service Field Office for appropriate dates. *Yes*



25. Are *all* project activities that are **not associated with** habitat removal, tree removal/ trimming, bridge and/or structure activities, temporary or permanent lighting, or use of percussives, limited to actions that DO NOT cause any additional stressors to the bat species?

Examples: lining roadways, unlighted signage, rail road crossing signals, signal lighting, and minor road repair such as asphalt fill of potholes, etc.

No

26. Will the project raise the road profile **above the tree canopy?** 

No

27. Are the project activities that use percussives (not including tree removal/trimming or bridge/structure work) consistent with a Not Likely to Adversely Affect determination in this key?

Automatically answered

Yes, because the activities are within 300 feet of the existing road/rail surface, greater than 0.5 miles from a hibernacula, and conducted during the active season within undocumented habitat.

28. Are the project activities that use percussives (not including tree removal/trimming or bridge/structure work) and/or increase noise levels above existing traffic/background levels consistent with a No Effect determination in this key?

Automatically answered

Yes, because the activities are within 300 feet of the existing road/rail surface, greater than 0.5 miles from a hibernacula, and conducted during the inactive season

29. Is the bridge removal, replacement, or maintenance activities portion of this project consistent with a No Effect determination in this key?

Automatically answered

Yes, because the bridge has been assessed using the criteria documented in the BA and no signs of bats were detected

30. General AMM 1

Will the project ensure *all* operators, employees, and contractors working in areas of known or presumed bat habitat are aware of *all* FHWA/FRA/FTA (Transportation Agencies) environmental commitments, including all applicable Avoidance and Minimization Measures?

Yes

# PROJECT QUESTIONNAIRE

 Have you made a No Effect determination for all other species indicated on the FWS IPaC generated species list?

N/A

2. Have you made a May Affect determination for *any* other species on the FWS IPaC generated species list?

N/A



3. Please describe the proposed bridge work:

This project involves the minor rehabilitation of the Barrington Bridge (Bridge No. 012301) which carries RI-114 over the Barrington River in Barrington, Rhode Island. The project is being undertaken as part of the Rhode Island State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP). Proposed rehabilitation work for the bridge includes replacement of the deck expansion joint glands, minor concrete repairs (patching of the substructure and concrete arch panels), restoring contact area at select bearings, and underwater repairs to the tremie seals of the bridge piers.

The most extensive rehabilitation work will consist of repairing the existing tremies and installing scour countermeasures. The repairs to the tremies will consist of filling voids and restoring to the as-built condition. Scour countermeasures will be installed at all six bridge piers and consist of installing sheet pile walls (or similar level of protection such as king pile or other combination wall) at a distance of approximately 2 feet outside the as-built perimeter of the tremie to a depth of approximately 10 feet below the historic mudline and encapsulating the area with tremie concrete to the height of the existing tremie. Total permanent area of the new encapsulation will be approximately 1,700 square feet (sf). The scour countermeasures will not extend above the historic mudline and therefore will not alter the horizontal or vertical clearances of the navigable waterway as depicted in the 2016 USCG Bridge Completion Report.

It is assumed that all work within the Barrington River will be conducted from spud barges that will be anchored with four steel piles (pointed or pipe) and lowered and raised using a hydraulic power back into the bottom at minimal embedment. It is assumed that each steel pile would have a footprint of approximately 1 sf. The steel piles would penetrate into the river bottom to anchor the barge at each work location before being raised and the barge being moved to a different location. It assumed that the barge(s) will be used in 12 different locations (each side of all 6 piers) for a sub-total of temporary construction impact of 48 sf on the river bottom. It is assumed the spud barges would be launched from a location south of the project location in the upper reaches of the Warren River, north of the town beach or in the Barrington River.

It is assumed that delivery of concrete for patching the substructure and concrete arch panels, as well as for installing the scour countermeasures would be from a truck located on the bridge itself with a single lane traffic closure so that traffic can continue to use the bridge during construction activities.

- Please state the timing of all proposed bridge work:
   Start of Construction 2026/2027 in-water work will take place October January.
- 5. Please enter the date of the bridge assessment: 10/24/23



# **AVOIDANCE AND MINIMIZATION MEASURES (AMMS)**

This determination key result includes the committment to implement the following Avoidance and Minimization Measures (AMMs):

## **GENERAL AMM 1**

Ensure all operators, employees, and contractors working in areas of known or presumed bat habitat are aware of all FHWA/FRA/FTA (Transportation Agencies) environmental commitments, including all applicable AMMs.



# DETERMINATION KEY DESCRIPTION: FHWA, FRA, FTA PROGRAMMATIC CONSULTATION FOR TRANSPORTATION PROJECTS AFFECTING NLEB OR INDIANA BAT

This key was last updated in IPaC on October 30, 2023. Keys are subject to periodic revision.

This decision key is intended for projects/activities funded or authorized by the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), Federal Railroad Administration (FRA), and/or Federal Transit Administration (FTA), which may require consultation with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service) under Section 7 of the Endangered Species Act (ESA) for the endangered Indiana bat (Myotis sodalis) and the endangered northern long-eared bat (NLEB) (Myotis septentrionalis).

This decision key should <u>only</u> be used to verify project applicability with the Service's <u>amended February 5, 2018, FHWA, FRA, FTA Programmatic Biological Opinion (dated March 23, 2023) for Transportation Projects.</u> The programmatic biological opinion covers limited transportation activities that may affect either bat species, and addresses situations that are both likely and not likely to adversely affect either bat species. This decision key will assist in identifying the effect of a specific project/activity and applicability of the programmatic consultation. The programmatic biological opinion is <u>not</u> intended to cover all types of transportation actions. Activities outside the scope of the programmatic biological opinion, or that may affect ESA-listed species other than the Indiana bat or NLEB, or any designated critical habitat, may require additional ESA Section 7 consultation.



Project code: 2024-0022187

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# **Appendix G**

**NRCS Custom Soil Resource Report** 





Natural Resources Conservation

Service

A product of the National Cooperative Soil Survey, a joint effort of the United States Department of Agriculture and other Federal agencies, State agencies including the Agricultural Experiment Stations, and local participants

**Custom Soil Resource** Report for State of Rhode Island: Bristol, Kent, Newport, Providence, and **Washington Counties** 

**Barrington Bridge** 



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# **Preface**

Soil surveys contain information that affects land use planning in survey areas. They highlight soil limitations that affect various land uses and provide information about the properties of the soils in the survey areas. Soil surveys are designed for many different users, including farmers, ranchers, foresters, agronomists, urban planners, community officials, engineers, developers, builders, and home buyers. Also, conservationists, teachers, students, and specialists in recreation, waste disposal, and pollution control can use the surveys to help them understand, protect, or enhance the environment.

Various land use regulations of Federal, State, and local governments may impose special restrictions on land use or land treatment. Soil surveys identify soil properties that are used in making various land use or land treatment decisions. The information is intended to help the land users identify and reduce the effects of soil limitations on various land uses. The landowner or user is responsible for identifying and complying with existing laws and regulations.

Although soil survey information can be used for general farm, local, and wider area planning, onsite investigation is needed to supplement this information in some cases. Examples include soil quality assessments (http://www.nrcs.usda.gov/wps/portal/nrcs/main/soils/health/) and certain conservation and engineering applications. For more detailed information, contact your local USDA Service Center (https://offices.sc.egov.usda.gov/locator/app?agency=nrcs) or your NRCS State Soil Scientist (http://www.nrcs.usda.gov/wps/portal/nrcs/detail/soils/contactus/?cid=nrcs142p2 053951).

Great differences in soil properties can occur within short distances. Some soils are seasonally wet or subject to flooding. Some are too unstable to be used as a foundation for buildings or roads. Clayey or wet soils are poorly suited to use as septic tank absorption fields. A high water table makes a soil poorly suited to basements or underground installations.

The National Cooperative Soil Survey is a joint effort of the United States Department of Agriculture and other Federal agencies, State agencies including the Agricultural Experiment Stations, and local agencies. The Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) has leadership for the Federal part of the National Cooperative Soil Survey.

Information about soils is updated periodically. Updated information is available through the NRCS Web Soil Survey, the site for official soil survey information.

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### **How Soil Surveys Are Made**

Soil surveys are made to provide information about the soils and miscellaneous areas in a specific area. They include a description of the soils and miscellaneous areas and their location on the landscape and tables that show soil properties and limitations affecting various uses. Soil scientists observed the steepness, length, and shape of the slopes; the general pattern of drainage; the kinds of crops and native plants; and the kinds of bedrock. They observed and described many soil profiles. A soil profile is the sequence of natural layers, or horizons, in a soil. The profile extends from the surface down into the unconsolidated material in which the soil formed or from the surface down to bedrock. The unconsolidated material is devoid of roots and other living organisms and has not been changed by other biological activity.

Currently, soils are mapped according to the boundaries of major land resource areas (MLRAs). MLRAs are geographically associated land resource units that share common characteristics related to physiography, geology, climate, water resources, soils, biological resources, and land uses (USDA, 2006). Soil survey areas typically consist of parts of one or more MLRA.

The soils and miscellaneous areas in a survey area occur in an orderly pattern that is related to the geology, landforms, relief, climate, and natural vegetation of the area. Each kind of soil and miscellaneous area is associated with a particular kind of landform or with a segment of the landform. By observing the soils and miscellaneous areas in the survey area and relating their position to specific segments of the landform, a soil scientist develops a concept, or model, of how they were formed. Thus, during mapping, this model enables the soil scientist to predict with a considerable degree of accuracy the kind of soil or miscellaneous area at a specific location on the landscape.

Commonly, individual soils on the landscape merge into one another as their characteristics gradually change. To construct an accurate soil map, however, soil scientists must determine the boundaries between the soils. They can observe only a limited number of soil profiles. Nevertheless, these observations, supplemented by an understanding of the soil-vegetation-landscape relationship, are sufficient to verify predictions of the kinds of soil in an area and to determine the boundaries.

Soil scientists recorded the characteristics of the soil profiles that they studied. They noted soil color, texture, size and shape of soil aggregates, kind and amount of rock fragments, distribution of plant roots, reaction, and other features that enable them to identify soils. After describing the soils in the survey area and determining their properties, the soil scientists assigned the soils to taxonomic classes (units). Taxonomic classes are concepts. Each taxonomic class has a set of soil characteristics with precisely defined limits. The classes are used as a basis for comparison to classify soils systematically. Soil taxonomy, the system of taxonomic classification used in the United States, is based mainly on the kind and character of soil properties and the arrangement of horizons within the profile. After the soil



scientists classified and named the soils in the survey area, they compared the individual soils with similar soils in the same taxonomic class in other areas so that they could confirm data and assemble additional data based on experience and research.

The objective of soil mapping is not to delineate pure map unit components; the objective is to separate the landscape into landforms or landform segments that have similar use and management requirements. Each map unit is defined by a unique combination of soil components and/or miscellaneous areas in predictable proportions. Some components may be highly contrasting to the other components of the map unit. The presence of minor components in a map unit in no way diminishes the usefulness or accuracy of the data. The delineation of such landforms and landform segments on the map provides sufficient information for the development of resource plans. If intensive use of small areas is planned, onsite investigation is needed to define and locate the soils and miscellaneous areas.

Soil scientists make many field observations in the process of producing a soil map. The frequency of observation is dependent upon several factors, including scale of mapping, intensity of mapping, design of map units, complexity of the landscape, and experience of the soil scientist. Observations are made to test and refine the soil-landscape model and predictions and to verify the classification of the soils at specific locations. Once the soil-landscape model is refined, a significantly smaller number of measurements of individual soil properties are made and recorded. These measurements may include field measurements, such as those for color, depth to bedrock, and texture, and laboratory measurements, such as those for content of sand, silt, clay, salt, and other components. Properties of each soil typically vary from one point to another across the landscape.

Observations for map unit components are aggregated to develop ranges of characteristics for the components. The aggregated values are presented. Direct measurements do not exist for every property presented for every map unit component. Values for some properties are estimated from combinations of other properties.

While a soil survey is in progress, samples of some of the soils in the area generally are collected for laboratory analyses and for engineering tests. Soil scientists interpret the data from these analyses and tests as well as the field-observed characteristics and the soil properties to determine the expected behavior of the soils under different uses. Interpretations for all of the soils are field tested through observation of the soils in different uses and under different levels of management. Some interpretations are modified to fit local conditions, and some new interpretations are developed to meet local needs. Data are assembled from other sources, such as research information, production records, and field experience of specialists. For example, data on crop yields under defined levels of management are assembled from farm records and from field or plot experiments on the same kinds of soil.

Predictions about soil behavior are based not only on soil properties but also on such variables as climate and biological activity. Soil conditions are predictable over long periods of time, but they are not predictable from year to year. For example, soil scientists can predict with a fairly high degree of accuracy that a given soil will have a high water table within certain depths in most years, but they cannot predict that a high water table will always be at a specific level in the soil on a specific date.

After soil scientists located and identified the significant natural bodies of soil in the survey area, they drew the boundaries of these bodies on aerial photographs and



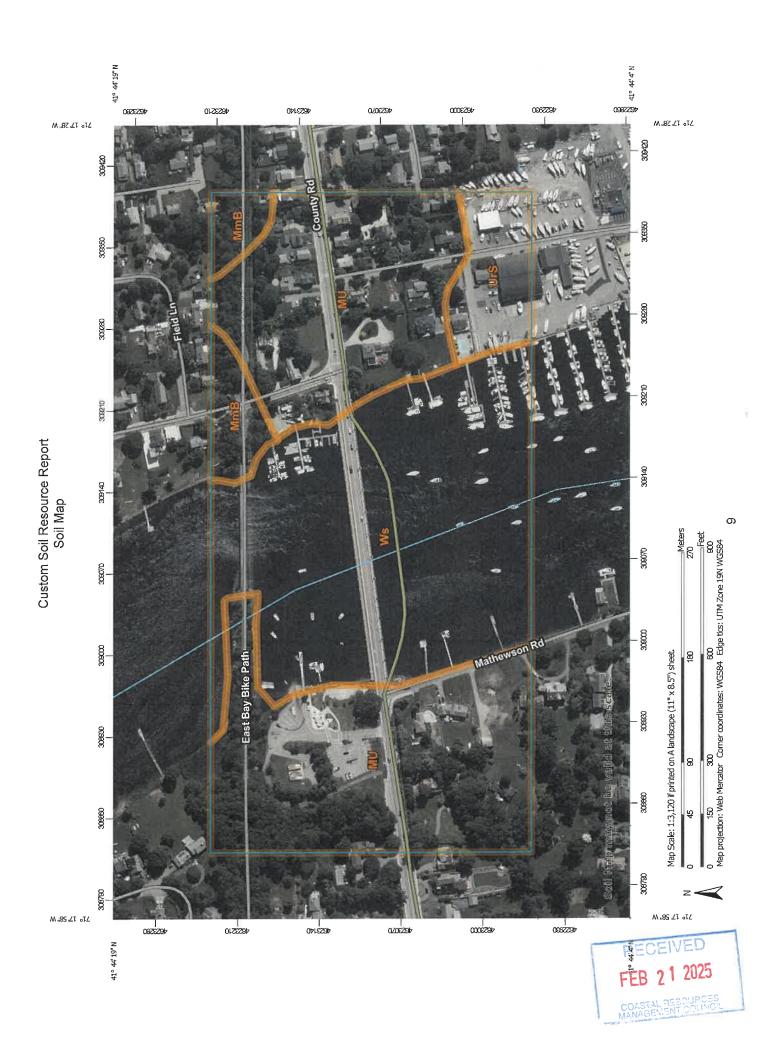
identified each as a specific map unit. Aerial photographs show trees, buildings, fields, roads, and rivers, all of which help in locating boundaries accurately.



## Soil Map

The soil map section includes the soil map for the defined area of interest, a list of soil map units on the map and extent of each map unit, and cartographic symbols displayed on the map. Also presented are various metadata about data used to produce the map, and a description of each soil map unit.





# MAP LEGEND

#### Special Line Features Streams and Canals Interstate Highways Aerial Photography Very Stony Spot Local Roads Major Roads Stony Spot US Routes Spoil Area Wet Spot Other Water Features Transportation Background W 40 8 ED0 4 ŧ Soil Map Unit Polygons Area of Interest (AOI) Soil Map Unit Points Soil Map Unit Lines Closed Depression Marsh or swamp Gravelly Spot Special Point Features Borrow Pit Lava Flow Gravel Pit Clay Spot Area of Interest (AOI) Blowout Landfill 9 X Soils

# MAP INFORMATION

The soil surveys that comprise your AOI were mapped at 1:12,000.

Warning: Soil Map may not be valid at this scale.

Enlargement of maps beyond the scale of mapping can cause misunderstanding of the detail of mapping and accuracy of soil line placement. The maps do not show the small areas of contrasting soils that could have been shown at a more detailed scale.

Please rely on the bar scale on each map sheet for map measurements.

Source of Map: Natural Resources Conservation Service Web Soil Survey URL: Coordinate System: Web Mercator (EPSG:3857)

Maps from the Web Soil Survey are based on the Web Mercator projection, which preserves direction and shape but distorts distance and area. A projection that preserves area, such as the Albers equal-area conic projection, should be used if more accurate calculations of distance or area are required.

This product is generated from the USDA-NRCS certified data as of the version date(s) listed below.

Soil Survey Area: State of Rhode Island: Bristol, Kent, Newport, Providence, and Washington Counties Survey Area Data: Version 24, Aug 30, 2024

Soil map units are labeled (as space allows) for map scales 1:50,000 or larger.

Severely Eroded Spot

Slide or Slip Sodic Spot

Sinkhole

Miscellaneous Water

Mine or Quarry

Perennial Water

Rock Outcrop

Saline Spot Sandy Spot Date(s) aerial images were photographed: Jun 14, 2022—Jul 1,

The orthophoto or other base map on which the soil lines were compiled and digitized probably differs from the background

# MAP LEGEND

# MAP INFORMATION

imagery displayed on these maps. As a result, some minor shifting of map unit boundaries may be evident.

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#### Map Unit Legend

| Map Unit Symbol             | Map Unit Name                                         | Acres in AOI | Percent of AOI |
|-----------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------|--------------|----------------|
| MmB                         | Merrimac fine sandy loam, 3 to 8 percent slopes       | 1.8          | 4.7%           |
| MU                          | Merrimac-Urban land complex,<br>0 to 8 percent slopes | 18.8         | 48.7%          |
| UrS                         | Urban land, 0 to 3 percent slopes, sandy substratum   | 2.2          | 5.7%           |
| Ws                          | Water, saline                                         | 15.7         | 40.8%          |
| Totals for Area of Interest |                                                       | 38.5         | 100.0%         |

#### **Map Unit Descriptions**

The map units delineated on the detailed soil maps in a soil survey represent the soils or miscellaneous areas in the survey area. The map unit descriptions, along with the maps, can be used to determine the composition and properties of a unit.

A map unit delineation on a soil map represents an area dominated by one or more major kinds of soil or miscellaneous areas. A map unit is identified and named according to the taxonomic classification of the dominant soils. Within a taxonomic class there are precisely defined limits for the properties of the soils. On the landscape, however, the soils are natural phenomena, and they have the characteristic variability of all natural phenomena. Thus, the range of some observed properties may extend beyond the limits defined for a taxonomic class. Areas of soils of a single taxonomic class rarely, if ever, can be mapped without including areas of other taxonomic classes. Consequently, every map unit is made up of the soils or miscellaneous areas for which it is named and some minor components that belong to taxonomic classes other than those of the major soils.

Most minor soils have properties similar to those of the dominant soil or soils in the map unit, and thus they do not affect use and management. These are called noncontrasting, or similar, components. They may or may not be mentioned in a particular map unit description. Other minor components, however, have properties and behavioral characteristics divergent enough to affect use or to require different management. These are called contrasting, or dissimilar, components. They generally are in small areas and could not be mapped separately because of the scale used. Some small areas of strongly contrasting soils or miscellaneous areas are identified by a special symbol on the maps. If included in the database for a given area, the contrasting minor components are identified in the map unit descriptions along with some characteristics of each. A few areas of minor components may not have been observed, and consequently they are not mentioned in the descriptions, especially where the pattern was so complex that it was impractical to make enough observations to identify all the soils and miscellaneous areas on the landscape.

The presence of minor components in a map unit in no way diminishes the usefulness or accuracy of the data. The objective of mapping is not to deline te

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pure taxonomic classes but rather to separate the landscape into landforms or landform segments that have similar use and management requirements. The delineation of such segments on the map provides sufficient information for the development of resource plans. If intensive use of small areas is planned, however, onsite investigation is needed to define and locate the soils and miscellaneous areas.

An identifying symbol precedes the map unit name in the map unit descriptions. Each description includes general facts about the unit and gives important soil properties and qualities.

Soils that have profiles that are almost alike make up a soil series. Except for differences in texture of the surface layer, all the soils of a series have major horizons that are similar in composition, thickness, and arrangement.

Soils of one series can differ in texture of the surface layer, slope, stoniness, salinity, degree of erosion, and other characteristics that affect their use. On the basis of such differences, a soil series is divided into *soil phases*. Most of the areas shown on the detailed soil maps are phases of soil series. The name of a soil phase commonly indicates a feature that affects use or management. For example, Alpha silt loam, 0 to 2 percent slopes, is a phase of the Alpha series.

Some map units are made up of two or more major soils or miscellaneous areas. These map units are complexes, associations, or undifferentiated groups.

A *complex* consists of two or more soils or miscellaneous areas in such an intricate pattern or in such small areas that they cannot be shown separately on the maps. The pattern and proportion of the soils or miscellaneous areas are somewhat similar in all areas. Alpha-Beta complex, 0 to 6 percent slopes, is an example.

An association is made up of two or more geographically associated soils or miscellaneous areas that are shown as one unit on the maps. Because of present or anticipated uses of the map units in the survey area, it was not considered practical or necessary to map the soils or miscellaneous areas separately. The pattern and relative proportion of the soils or miscellaneous areas are somewhat similar. Alpha-Beta association, 0 to 2 percent slopes, is an example.

An *undifferentiated group* is made up of two or more soils or miscellaneous areas that could be mapped individually but are mapped as one unit because similar interpretations can be made for use and management. The pattern and proportion of the soils or miscellaneous areas in a mapped area are not uniform. An area can be made up of only one of the major soils or miscellaneous areas, or it can be made up of all of them. Alpha and Beta soils, 0 to 2 percent slopes, is an example.

Some surveys include *miscellaneous areas*. Such areas have little or no soil material and support little or no vegetation. Rock outcrop is an example.



## State of Rhode Island: Bristol, Kent, Newport, Providence, and Washington Counties

#### MmB—Merrimac fine sandy loam, 3 to 8 percent slopes

#### Map Unit Setting

National map unit symbol: 2tyqs Elevation: 0 to 1,290 feet

Mean annual precipitation: 36 to 71 inches
Mean annual air temperature: 39 to 55 degrees F

Frost-free period: 140 to 240 days

Farmland classification: All areas are prime farmland

#### **Map Unit Composition**

Merrimac and similar soils: 86 percent

Minor components: 14 percent

Estimates are based on observations, descriptions, and transects of the mapunit.

#### **Description of Merrimac**

#### Setting

Landform: Outwash plains, outwash terraces, moraines, eskers, kames Landform position (two-dimensional): Backslope, footslope, summit, shoulder

Landform position (three-dimensional): Side slope, crest, riser, tread

Down-slope shape: Convex Across-slope shape: Convex

Parent material: Loamy glaciofluvial deposits derived from granite, schist, and gneiss over sandy and gravelly glaciofluvial deposits derived from granite, schist, and gneiss

#### Typical profile

Ap - 0 to 10 inches: fine sandy loam Bw1 - 10 to 22 inches: fine sandy loam

Bw2 - 22 to 26 inches: stratified gravel to gravelly loamy sand 2C - 26 to 65 inches: stratified gravel to very gravelly sand

#### Properties and qualities

Slope: 3 to 8 percent

Depth to restrictive feature: More than 80 inches Drainage class: Somewhat excessively drained

Runoff class: Very low

Capacity of the most limiting layer to transmit water (Ksat): Moderately high to very

high (1.42 to 99.90 in/hr)

Depth to water table: More than 80 inches

Frequency of flooding: None Frequency of ponding: None

Calcium carbonate, maximum content: 2 percent Maximum salinity: Nonsaline (0.0 to 1.4 mmhos/cm)

Sodium adsorption ratio, maximum: 1.0

Available water supply, 0 to 60 inches: Low (about 4.6 inches)

#### Interpretive groups

Land capability classification (irrigated): None specified

Land capability classification (nonirrigated): 2s

Hydrologic Soil Group: A



Ecological site: F145XY008MA - Dry Outwash

Hydric soil rating: No

#### **Minor Components**

#### Sudbury

Percent of map unit: 5 percent

Landform: Deltas, terraces, outwash plains
Landform position (two-dimensional): Footslope
Landform position (three-dimensional): Tread, dip

Down-slope shape: Concave Across-slope shape: Linear Hydric soil rating: No

#### Hinckley

Percent of map unit: 5 percent

Landform: Deltas, kames, eskers, outwash plains

Landform position (two-dimensional): Summit, shoulder, backslope

Landform position (three-dimensional): Nose slope, side slope, crest, head slope,

rise

Down-slope shape: Convex

Across-slope shape: Convex, linear

Hydric soil rating: No

#### Windsor

Percent of map unit: 3 percent

Landform: Dunes, deltas, outwash terraces, outwash plains

Landform position (two-dimensional): Summit Landform position (three-dimensional): Tread, riser

Down-slope shape: Convex, linear Across-slope shape: Convex, linear

Hydric soil rating: No

#### Walpole

Percent of map unit: 1 percent

Landform: Depressions

Landform position (three-dimensional): Tread

Down-slope shape: Concave Across-slope shape: Concave

Ecological site: F144AY028MA - Wet Outwash

Hydric soil rating: Yes

#### MU-Merrimac-Urban land complex, 0 to 8 percent slopes

#### **Map Unit Setting**

National map unit symbol: 2tyr9

Elevation: 0 to 820 feet

Mean annual precipitation: 36 to 71 inches Mean annual air temperature: 39 to 55 degrees F

Frost-free period: 140 to 250 days

Farmland classification: Not prime farmland



#### **Map Unit Composition**

Merrimac and similar soils: 45 percent

Urban land: 40 percent

Minor components: 15 percent

Estimates are based on observations, descriptions, and transects of the mapunit.

#### **Description of Merrimac**

#### Setting

Landform: Outwash plains, outwash terraces, moraines, eskers, kames Landform position (two-dimensional): Backslope, footslope, summit, shoulder

Landform position (three-dimensional): Side slope, crest, riser, tread

Down-slope shape: Convex Across-slope shape: Convex

Parent material. Loamy glaciofluvial deposits derived from granite, schist, and gneiss over sandy and gravelly glaciofluvial deposits derived from granite,

schist, and gneiss

#### Typical profile

Ap - 0 to 10 inches: fine sandy loam Bw1 - 10 to 22 inches: fine sandy loam

Bw2 - 22 to 26 inches: stratified gravel to gravelly loamy sand 2C - 26 to 65 inches: stratified gravel to very gravelly sand

#### Properties and qualities

Slope: 0 to 8 percent

Depth to restrictive feature: More than 80 inches Drainage class: Somewhat excessively drained

Runoff class: Very low

Capacity of the most limiting layer to transmit water (Ksat): Moderately high to very

high (1.42 to 99.90 in/hr)

Depth to water table: More than 80 inches

Frequency of flooding: None Frequency of ponding: None

Calcium carbonate, maximum content: 2 percent Maximum salinity: Nonsaline (0.0 to 1.4 mmhos/cm)

Sodium adsorption ratio, maximum: 1.0

Available water supply, 0 to 60 inches: Low (about 4.6 inches)

#### Interpretive groups

Land capability classification (irrigated): None specified

Land capability classification (nonirrigated): 2e

Hydrologic Soil Group: A

Ecological site: F144AY022MA - Dry Outwash

Hydric soil rating: No

#### **Description of Urban Land**

#### Typical profile

M - 0 to 10 inches: cemented material

#### Properties and qualities

Slope: 0 to 8 percent

Depth to restrictive feature: 0 inches to manufactured layer

Runoff class: Very high



Capacity of the most limiting layer to transmit water (Ksat): Very low (0.00 to 0.00 in/hr)

Available water supply, 0 to 60 inches: Very low (about 0.0 inches)

#### Interpretive groups

Land capability classification (irrigated): None specified

Land capability classification (nonirrigated): 8

Hydrologic Soil Group: D Hydric soil rating: Unranked

#### **Minor Components**

#### Sudbury

Percent of map unit: 5 percent

Landform: Deltas, terraces, outwash plains Landform position (two-dimensional): Footslope Landform position (three-dimensional): Tread, dip

Down-slope shape: Concave Across-slope shape: Linear Hydric soil rating: No

#### Hinckley

Percent of map unit: 5 percent

Landform: Kames, eskers, outwash plains, deltas

Landform position (two-dimensional): Summit, shoulder, backslope

Landform position (three-dimensional): Nose slope, head slope, side slope, crest,

rise

Down-slope shape: Convex

Across-slope shape: Convex, linear

Hydric soil rating: No

#### Windsor

Percent of map unit: 5 percent

Landform: Outwash terraces, dunes, outwash plains, deltas

Landform position (three-dimensional): Tread, riser

Down-slope shape: Linear, convex Across-slope shape: Linear, convex

Hydric soil rating: No

#### UrS—Urban land, 0 to 3 percent slopes, sandy substratum

#### **Map Unit Setting**

National map unit symbol: 2mgh3

Elevation: 0 to 20 feet

Mean annual precipitation: 44 to 55 inches Mean annual air temperature: 36 to 60 degrees F

Frost-free period: 115 to 180 days

Farmland classification: Not prime farmland



#### **Map Unit Composition**

Urban land, sand substratum: 90 percent

Minor components: 10 percent

Estimates are based on observations, descriptions, and transects of the mapunit.

#### Description of Urban Land, Sand Substratum

#### Typical profile

H1 - 0 to 15 inches: material 2H2 - 15 to 72 inches: sand

#### Properties and qualities

Slope: 0 to 5 percent

Depth to restrictive feature: 0 inches to manufactured layer

Runoff class: Very high

Capacity of the most limiting layer to transmit water (Ksat): Very low (0.00 to 0.00

in/hr)

Available water supply, 0 to 60 inches: Very low (about 0.0 inches)

#### **Minor Components**

#### **Fortress**

Percent of map unit: 5 percent Down-slope shape: Concave Across-slope shape: Concave

Hydric soil rating: No

#### Sandyhook

Percent of map unit: 3 percent

Landform: Back-barrier beaches, back-barrier flats

Down-slope shape: Linear Across-slope shape: Linear Hydric soil rating: Yes

#### Bigapple

Percent of map unit: 2 percent Down-slope shape: Convex Across-slope shape: Linear Hydric soil rating: No

#### Ws-Water, saline

#### **Map Unit Setting**

National map unit symbol: bqv1

Elevation: 0 to 20 feet

Mean annual precipitation: 41 to 54 inches Mean annual air temperature: 43 to 54 degrees F

Frost-free period: 145 to 240 days

Farmland classification: Not prime farmland



#### **Map Unit Composition**

Water, saline: 95 percent Minor components: 5 percent

Estimates are based on observations, descriptions, and transects of the mapunit.

#### **Minor Components**

#### Beaches, sandy surface

Percent of map unit: 5 percent

Landform: Shores, beaches, barrier beaches, back-barrier beaches

Landform position (two-dimensional): Footslope Landform position (three-dimensional): Riser

Down-slope shape: Convex Across-slope shape: Linear Hydric soil rating: Unranked



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# **Appendix H**

**FEMA Flood Insurance Rate Map** 



# National Flood Hazard Layer FIRMette





# Legend

SEE FIS REPORT FOR DETAILED LEGEND AND INDEX MAP FOR FIRM PANEL LAYOUT



0.2% Annual Chance Flood Hazard, Areas of 1% annual chance flood with average depth less than one foot or with drainage areas of less than one square mile zone x Future Conditions 1% Annual Chance Flood Hazard Zone >



Area with Flood Risk due to Levee Zone D Area with Reduced Flood Risk due to Levee. See Notes. Zone X

NO SCREEN Area of Minimal Flood Hazard Zone X

Area of Undetermined Flood Hazard zone D **Effective LOMRs** 

- -- - Channel, Culvert, or Storm Sewer

STRUCTURES [111111 Levee, Dike, or Floodwall

B 20.2 Cross Sections with 1% Annual Chance 17.5 Water Surface Elevation

Coastal Transect Base Flood Elevation Line (BFE) Limit of Study man Ell man

Jurisdiction Boundary

Coastal Transect Baseline Hydrographic Feature Profile Baseline

Digital Data Available

No Digital Data Available

Unmapped

The pin displayed on the map is an approximate point selected by the user and does not represent an authoritative property location.

This map compiles with FEMA's standards for the use of digital flood maps if it is not void as described below. The basemap shown compiles with FEMA's basemap accuracy standards

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## **Appendix I**

Permitting Plans (Bound Separately)





# **Appendix J**

**Property Abutters List** 





# Rehabilitation of Bridge Group 15F – Barrington Bridge No. 123

#### **Property Abutters List**

Plat 25 Lot 003

95 County Lane Barrington, RI 02806

Owned By: Town of Barrington

Plat 25 Lot 280

1 Mathewson Road Barrington, RI 02806

Owned By: Rascal LLC

Plat 27

Lot 046

81 County Road Barrington, RI 02806

Owned By: Stephen L. Mainella and Jane A. Mainella

Plat 27

Lot 099

78 County Road Barrington, RI 02806

Owned By: Steven M. Holland and Judith Kim Holland

