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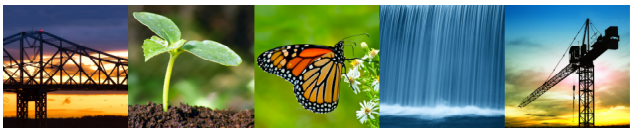

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Leverett Conservation Commission
P.O. Box 300
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Re: Monthly Summary – April 2021
DEP File No. 200-0195
Eversource Montague-Fairmont Structure Replacement Project (MFRP)
Leverett, MA

Dear Members of the Commission,

The Order of Conditions (OOC) issued by the Leverett Conservation Commission on October 7, 2020 for Eversource's Montague to Fairmont Structure Replacement Project (MFRP) (DEP File No. 200-0195) included the following Special Condition:

For the duration of the work conducted on-site, the applicant shall submit monthly reports that detail the construction process and describe changes from the submitted Notice of Intent that the Leverett Conservation Commission can review.

GZA wetland scientists have been on-site daily during work in resource areas in the month of April. Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP) inspections were performed weekly and after rain events of more than 0.25 inches. Six (6) SWPPP inspections were performed in April on the following dates:

- April 1
- April 7
- April 12
- April 16
- April 22
- April 30

Copies of the SWPPP inspection forms are attached.

The work performed in April involved civil construction (gravel work pads and access roads) including work in buffer zone and Riverfront Areas and construction matting in wetlands for work pads and access roads. No electrical or drilling work was performed in April. During this period, the civil construction work was performed in the following areas subject to the NOI:

- From Structure 10098 to Structure 10111 (as accessed from Long Plain Road) and Structure 10112 (as accessed from Long Hill Road), as shown on the Notice of Intent (NOI) map sheet pages 7 to 12;

- From Structure 10117 to Structure 10123 (as accessed from Depot Road), as shown on the NOI map sheet pages 14 and 16; and,

- Structure 10129 to Structure 10133 (as accessed from Juggler Meadow Road), as shown on the NOI map sheet pages 18 and 19.

The civil work in Leverett is complete between Long Plain Road and Juggler Meadow Road with the exception of Structures 10111 to 10116 and Structures 10124 to 10128.

In addition to this work described above, the following field changes occurred this period. The revised map sheets showing these changes, including a summary table of the change in impact values provided on each map page, are attached.

- Between Structure 10100 and Structure 10101 – Eversource did not construct the two (2) small, proposed gravel spur roads in Riverfront and instead widened the existing gravel access road in one area to create a pull pad. This change resulted in less permanent Riverfront impact (a reduction of 1,000 square feet of proposed new gravel in Riverfront). See Map Page 8 of the attached Updated Map Sheets. Notification of this change was emailed to the Commission on April 5, 2021. The field change, which is located in rare species habitat, was approved by Natural Heritage and Endangered Species Program (NHESP) at that time as well.

- Access to Structure 10107 – The proposed gravel access road in Riverfront to Structure 10107 was shifted. The shift resulted in approximately 1,165 square feet less of proposed gravel in Riverfront. See Map Page 41 of the attached Updated Map Sheets.

- Structure 10108 – The work pad was made smaller, which resulted in less permanent Riverfront impact. This change resulted in the reduction of approximately 2,420 square feet of proposed new gravel in Riverfront. See Map Page 41 of the attached Updated Map Sheets.

- Access to Structure 10110 from Structure 10109 – One of the two proposed matted roads was not constructed, which resulted in approximately 4,200 square feet less wetland matting than originally proposed.

- Structure 10133 – The work pad was shifted to the north, reducing the amount of wetland matting by approximately 1,420 square feet. See Map Page 49 of the attached Updated Map Sheets.

Overall, the field changes that occurred in April 2021 resulted in 4,585 square feet less proposed gravel in Riverfront and 5,620 square feet less proposed wetland matting.

The next monthly summary will be provided to the Commission in mid-June and will summarize the work performed in May 2021. Should you have any questions about the work performed in April, please contact any of the undersigned at 413-726-2100.

Regards,
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Attachments: SWPPP Inspection Forms
Updated Map Sheets Pages 8, 41, and 49

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