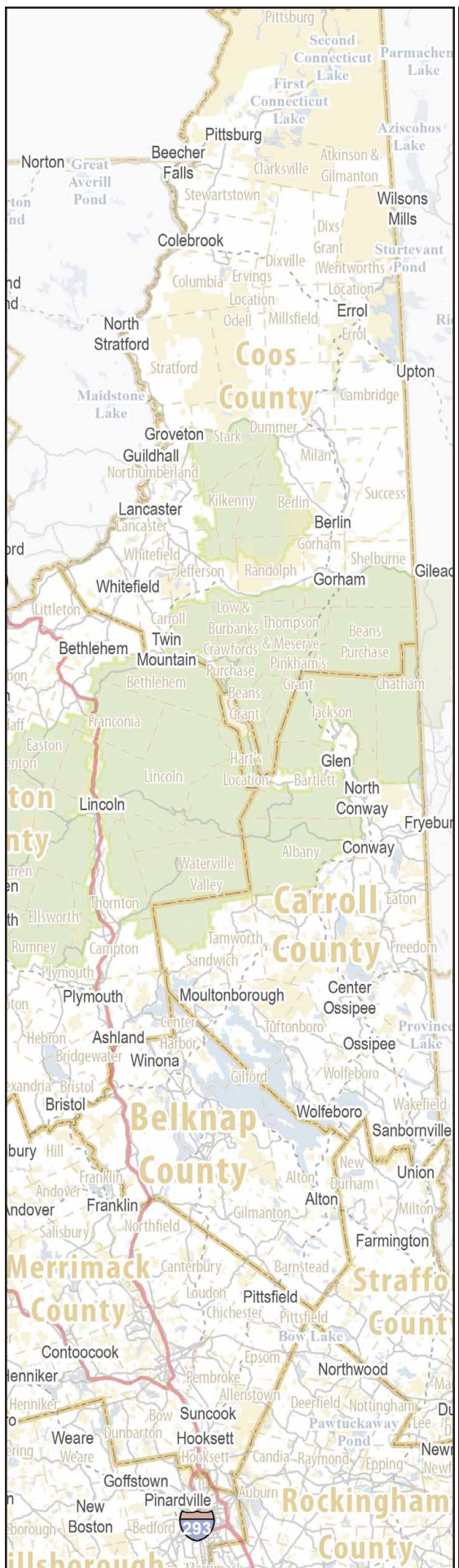




DOE/EIS-0463



**FINAL**  
**NORTHERN PASS**  
**TRANSMISSION LINE PROJECT**  
**ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT**  
**STATEMENT**  
**VOLUME 2: APPENDICES A-K**

**U.S. DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**  
**OFFICE OF ELECTRICITY DELIVERY**  
**AND ENERGY RELIABILITY**  
**WASHINGTON, DC**

**AUGUST 2017**



**Department of Energy**  
**Washington, DC 20585**  
August 2017

Dear Sir/Madam:

Enclosed is the final *Northern Pass Transmission Line Project Environmental Impact Statement* (DOE/EIS-0463) prepared by the Department of Energy (DOE) pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA) and its implementing regulations.

The United States Forest Service (USFS) – White Mountain National Forest, United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) – Region 1, United States Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) – New England District, and the New Hampshire Office of Energy and Planning (NHOEP) are cooperating agencies in the preparation of the EIS.

The proposed DOE action in the final EIS is to issue a Presidential permit to the Applicant, Northern Pass LLC, to construct, operate, maintain, and connect a new electric transmission line across the U.S./Canada border in northern New Hampshire (NH).

DOE has prepared this final EIS to evaluate the potential environmental impacts in the United States of the proposed action and the range of reasonable alternatives, including the No Action alternative. Under the No Action alternative, the Presidential permit would not be granted, and the proposed transmission line would not cross the U.S./Canada border.

In addition to its Presidential permit application to DOE, Northern Pass LLC applied to the USFS for a special use permit that would authorize Northern Pass LCC to construct, own, operate and maintain an electric transmission line to cross portions of the White Mountain National Forest under its jurisdiction. The final EIS will be used by the Forest Supervisor of the White Mountain National Forest to inform the Record of Decision in regard to this requested use.

DOE will use the EIS to ensure that it has the information it needs for informed decision-making.

The final EIS will also be posted on the project EIS website, <http://www.northernpasseis.us/> and DOE's NEPA website at <https://energy.gov/nepa/listings/environmental-impact-statements-eis>.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Brian Mills".

Brian Mills  
Transmission Permitting and Technical Assistance,  
Office of Electricity Delivery and Energy Reliability  
U.S. Department of Energy

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**United States Forest Service – White Mountain National Forest  
United States Environmental Protection Agency– Region 1  
United States Army Corps of Engineers – New England District  
New Hampshire Office of Energy and Planning**

**August 2017**

## COVER SHEET

**RESPONSIBLE FEDERAL AGENCY:** U.S. Department of Energy (DOE), Office of Electricity Delivery and Energy Reliability

**COOPERATING AGENCIES:** United States Forest Service (USFS) – White Mountain National Forest (WMNF); United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) – Region 1; United States Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) – New England District; and New Hampshire Office of Energy and Planning (NHOEP)

**TITLE:** Northern Pass Transmission Line Project Environmental Impact Statement (DOE/EIS-0463)

**LOCATION:** Coös, Grafton, Belknap, Merrimack, and Rockingham counties in New Hampshire

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**ABSTRACT:** Northern Pass Transmission, LLC (Northern Pass) has applied to the DOE for a Presidential permit to construct, operate, maintain, and connect a 192-mile (309-km) electric transmission line across the United States (U.S.)/Canada border in northern New Hampshire (NH). This final EIS addresses the potential environmental impacts of the Project (Proposed Action), the No Action Alternative, and ten additional action alternatives (Alternatives 2 through 6, with variations). The NH portion of the Project would be a single circuit  $\pm$ 320 kilovolt (kV) high voltage direct current (HVDC) transmission line running approximately 158 miles (254 km) from the U.S. border crossing with Canada in Pittsburg, NH, to a new direct current-to-alternating current (DC-to-AC) converter station to be constructed in Franklin, NH. From Franklin, NH, to the Project terminus at the Public Service of New Hampshire's existing Deerfield Substation located in Deerfield, NH, the Project would consist of 34 miles (55 km) of 345 kV AC electric transmission line. The total length of the Project would be approximately 192 miles (309 km).

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:** In preparing this final EIS, DOE considered comments received during the scoping period, which extended from February 11, 2011 to June 14, 2011, and was reopened from June 15, 2011 to November 5, 2013 (DOE accepted and considered all comments during the scoping period from February 11, 2011 to November 5, 2013), and the public comment period on the draft EIS (July 31, 2015 through April 4, 2016). Comments on the draft EIS were accepted during the 45-day period

following publication of EPA's Notice of Availability (NOA) in the *Federal Register* on July 31, 2015; the public comment period was extended until April 4, 2016 following publication of EPA's NOA of the supplement in the *Federal Register* on November 20, 2015. DOE held four public meetings on the draft EIS in Colebrook, NH on March 7, 2016; Waterville Valley, NH on March 9, 2016; Concord, NH on March 10, 2016; and Whitefield, NH on March 11, 2016. All comments were considered during preparation of this final EIS. Appendix L in Volume 3 of this EIS contains the comments received on the draft EIS and DOE's responses to these comments. This final EIS contains revisions and new information based in part on comments received on the draft EIS. Vertical bars in the margins marking changed text indicate the locations of these revisions and new information. Deletions are not indicated. Appendices J and K in Volume 2 and Appendix L in Volume 3 are entirely new parts of this EIS; therefore, they do not contain bars indicating changes from the draft EIS.

The EIS analyzes the potential environmental impacts of DOE issuing a Presidential permit for the proposed Northern Pass Project, which is DOE's proposed federal action. DOE will use the EIS to inform its decision on whether to issue a Presidential permit. Additionally, Northern Pass has applied to the USFS for a special use permit (SUP) authorizing Northern Pass to construct, operate, and maintain an electric power transmission line crossing portions of the WMNF. The WMNF Forest Supervisor will use the EIS to inform its decision regarding: 1) whether to issue a SUP under the Federal Land Policy and Management Act; 2) the selection of an alternative; 3) any need to amend the Forest Plan; and 4) what specific terms and conditions should apply if a SUP is issued.

Copies of the final EIS are available for public review at 30 local libraries and town halls, or a copy can be requested from Mr. Brian Mills. The EIS is also available on the Northern Pass EIS website (<http://www.northernpasseis.us/>). DOE will announce its decision on the Proposed Action in a Record of Decision (ROD) in the *Federal Register* no sooner than 30 days after the EPA publishes the NOA of the final EIS. The USFS will announce its draft decision on the Proposed Action in a draft ROD in the *Federal Register* shortly after the EPA publishes the NOA of the final EIS.

**APPENDIX E**  
**KEY OBSERVATION POINT VISUAL SIMULATIONS**

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## APPENDIX E. KEY OBSERVATION POINT (KOP) VISUAL SIMULATIONS

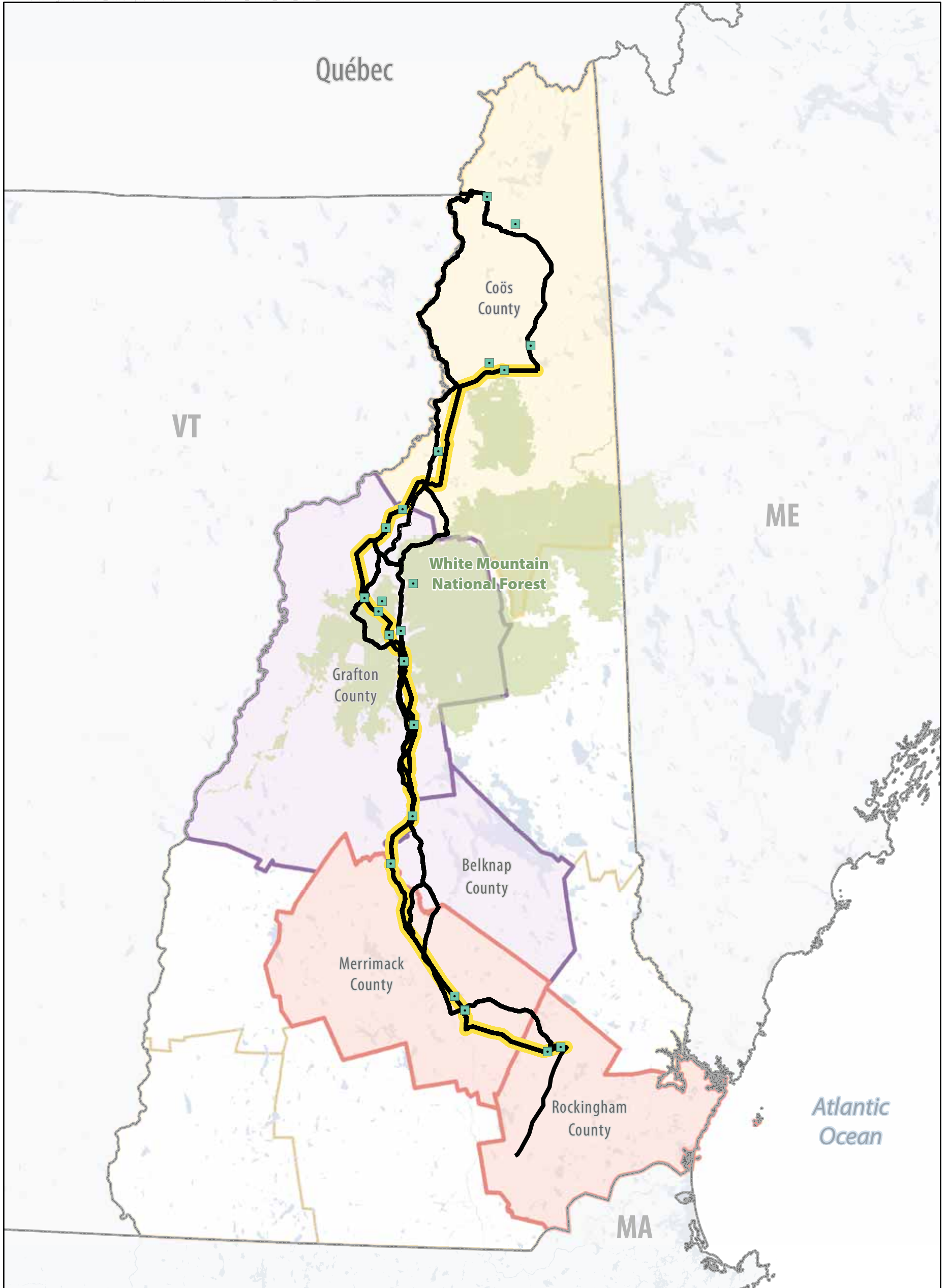
The visual simulations for 22 key observation points (KOPs) are presented here to represent how the Project might appear after approximately five growing seasons. Each KOP is identified by a code that is composed of two letters representing the town where the viewpoint is located and a number representing its location within the town. After the number, a sheet designated with the lower case “a” documents the viewpoint and simulation attributes. The sheets designated with a lower case “b,” “c,” “d,” or “e” show the existing visual condition and simulated condition for various action alternatives, as indicated. The KOPs are arranged alphabetically in this appendix and their locations are shown on Map E-1.

Additional information about the visual simulations and KOPs is available on the EIS website (<http://www.northernpasseis.us/library/final-eis/visual-impact-assessment>), and in the Visual Impact Assessment (<http://www.northernpasseis.us/library/final-eis/technical-reports>).

**KOP selection.** These 22 KOPs represent the geographic distribution and landscape diversity of views toward the Project. They were selected from 73 photographic simulations prepared for the visual impact assessment to represent impacted views from a range of distances and landscape contexts, with some emphasis placed on designated scenic resources. These viewpoints were selected from among more than a thousand viewpoints documented photographically and with systematic field observations during both leaf-on and leaf-off conditions. In general, the contrast of lattice structures with green leaf-on conditions is higher than with the grayer leaf-off conditions. However, when there is snow cover, the transmission route becomes more apparent from greater distances. Simulation photographs were selected to represent conditions with greater visual impact.

**Limitations to simulation veracity.** Simulations use the best available information as of October 2015 and represent the visual condition after approximately five growing seasons. If the Northern Pass Transmission Line Project specifications change, the visual conditions may be different.

**Simulation viewing notes.** The simulation is properly printed on an 11-by-17 inch sheet at actual size. If viewed on a computer monitor, use the highest screen resolution. The simulated image is at the proper perspective when viewed at 23.5 inches from the eye, or at a distance of approximately twice the image height.



**Legend**

- |                                |                                  |
|--------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| Key Observation Point          | Northern Section                 |
| State Boundary                 | Central Section                  |
| County Boundary                | Southern Section                 |
| Alternative Project Alignment  | Existing PSNH Transmission Route |
| Waterbody                      |                                  |
| White Mountain National Forest |                                  |

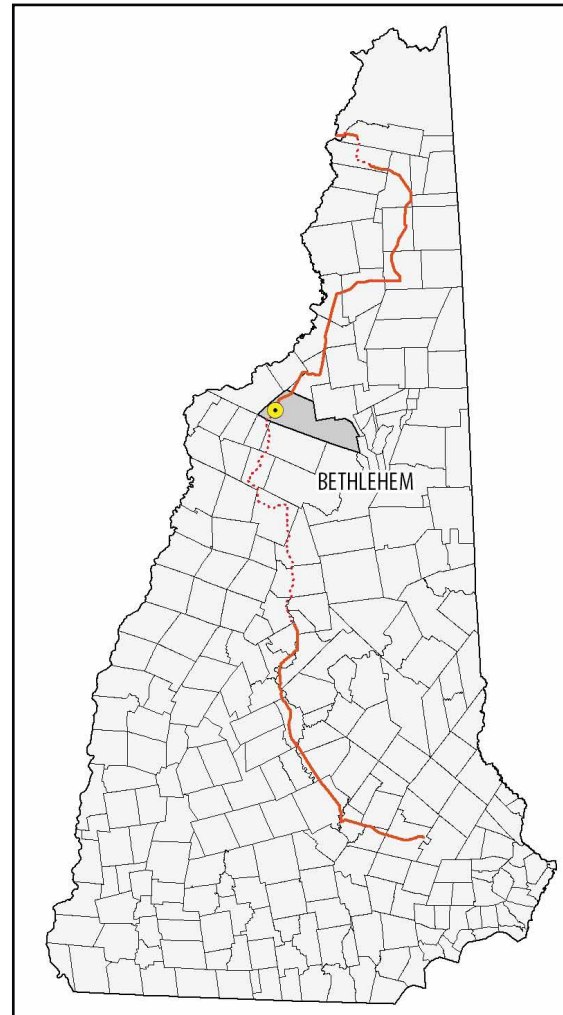
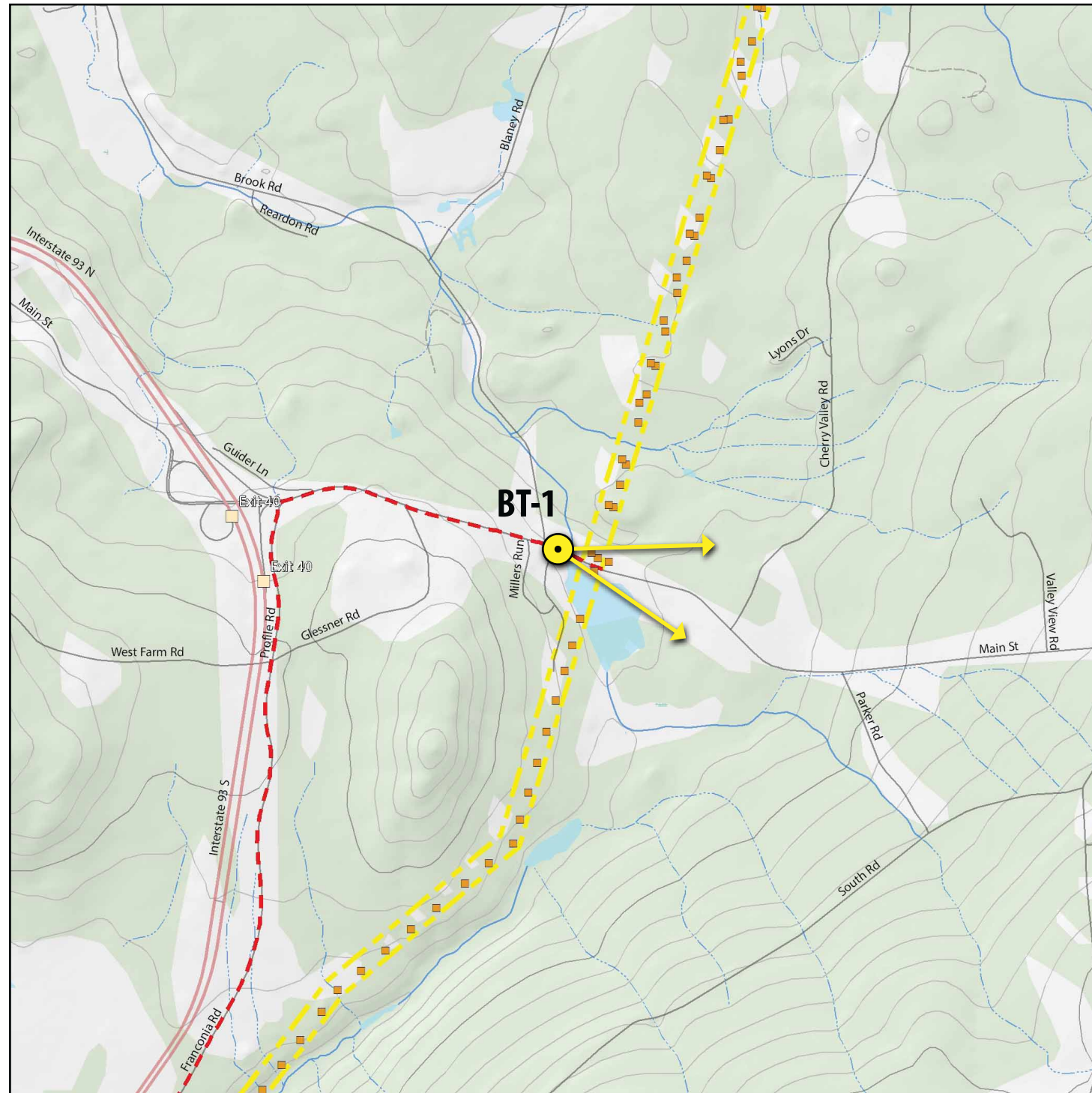
**Map E-1:**  
**Key Observation Point Locations**  
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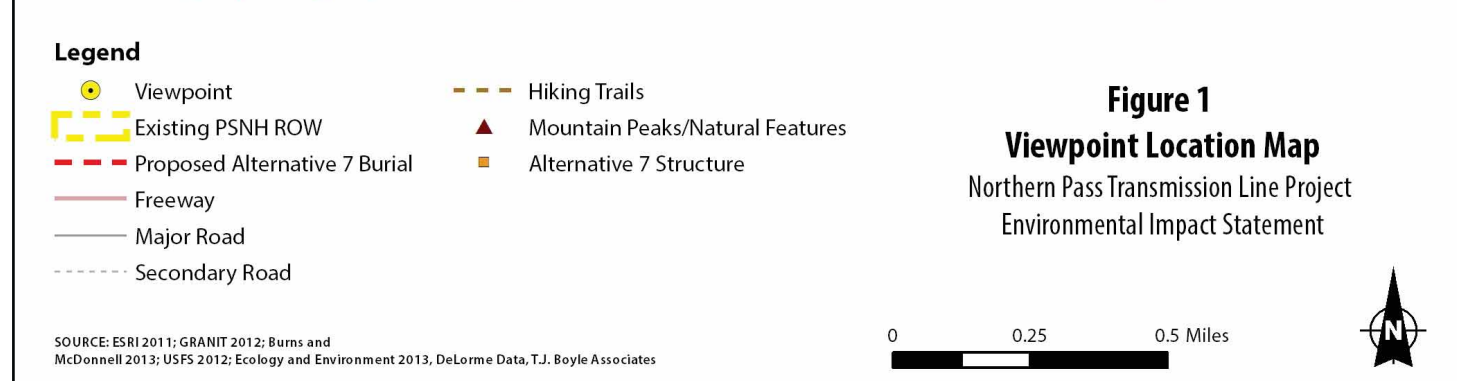




**Figure 2 - Viewpoint Location**  
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0 20 40 Miles



**Figure 3 - Aerial Context**  
SCALE  
0 200 400 600 Feet



## General Information

### Base Photograph

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Time: 1:29 pm  
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Plymouth Airport - 10 miles  
Image Size: 4,928 x 3,264 pixels

### Camera Properties

Camera Make/Model: Nikon D7000  
Sensor Dimensions: 23.6 mm x 15.6 mm  
Lens Make/Model: Nikkor DX AF-S 35 mm  
Lens Focal Length: 35 mm  
35 mm Equivalent Focal Length: 52.5 mm  
Approximate Angles of View:  
37° wide and 25° high  
Camera Height: 1.5 meters (5 feet)

### Viewpoint Information

Location: US Route 302, Bethlehem  
Latitude/Longitude: 44.282812°, -71.728359°  
Viewpoint Elevation: 1,097 feet  
Viewpoint Name: BT-1  
Orientation: Looking East  
Looking toward Alternative 2 Mile Markers: 80-81  
Looking toward Alternative 7 Mile Markers: 80-81

### Simulation Viewing Notes

The simulation is properly printed on an 11-by-17 inches sheet at actual size. If viewed on a computer monitor, use the highest screen resolution. The simulated image is at the proper perspective when viewed at 23.5 inches from the eye, or at a distance of approx. twice the image height.

### Project Design

The simulations for Alternative 2 through 6b are based on the best information available in March 2014. The simulations for Alternative 7 are based on the best information available on October 2015.

## Alternatives Simulated from this Viewpoint

### Alternative 1 - No Action

Transmission Line Information  
Distance to Nearest Visible Structure: 579 feet  
Number of Visible Existing Structures: 2

### Alternative 2

Transmission Line Information  
Distance to Nearest Visible Structure: 509 feet  
Number of Visible Transmission Structures: 3

### Alternative 3

Transmission Line Information  
The transmission line is buried in this view and there is no discernible visual change from the Existing Condition.

### Alternatives 4a, 4b and 4c

Transmission Line Information  
The Project is not visible from this viewpoint.

### Alternatives 5a, 5b and 5c

Transmission Line Information  
There is no visible change from Alternative 2.

### Alternatives 6a and 6b

Transmission Line Information  
The Project is not visible from this viewpoint.

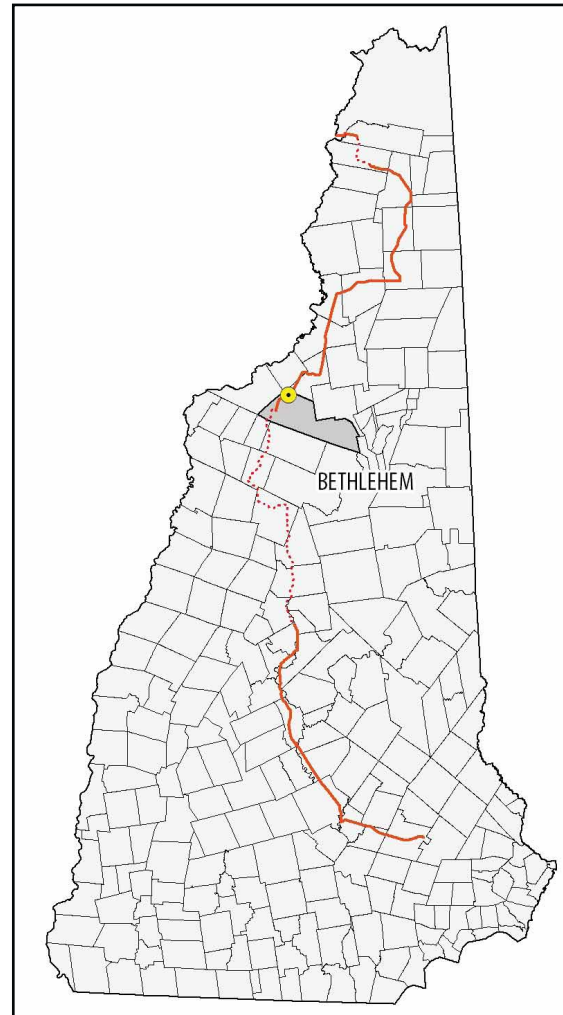
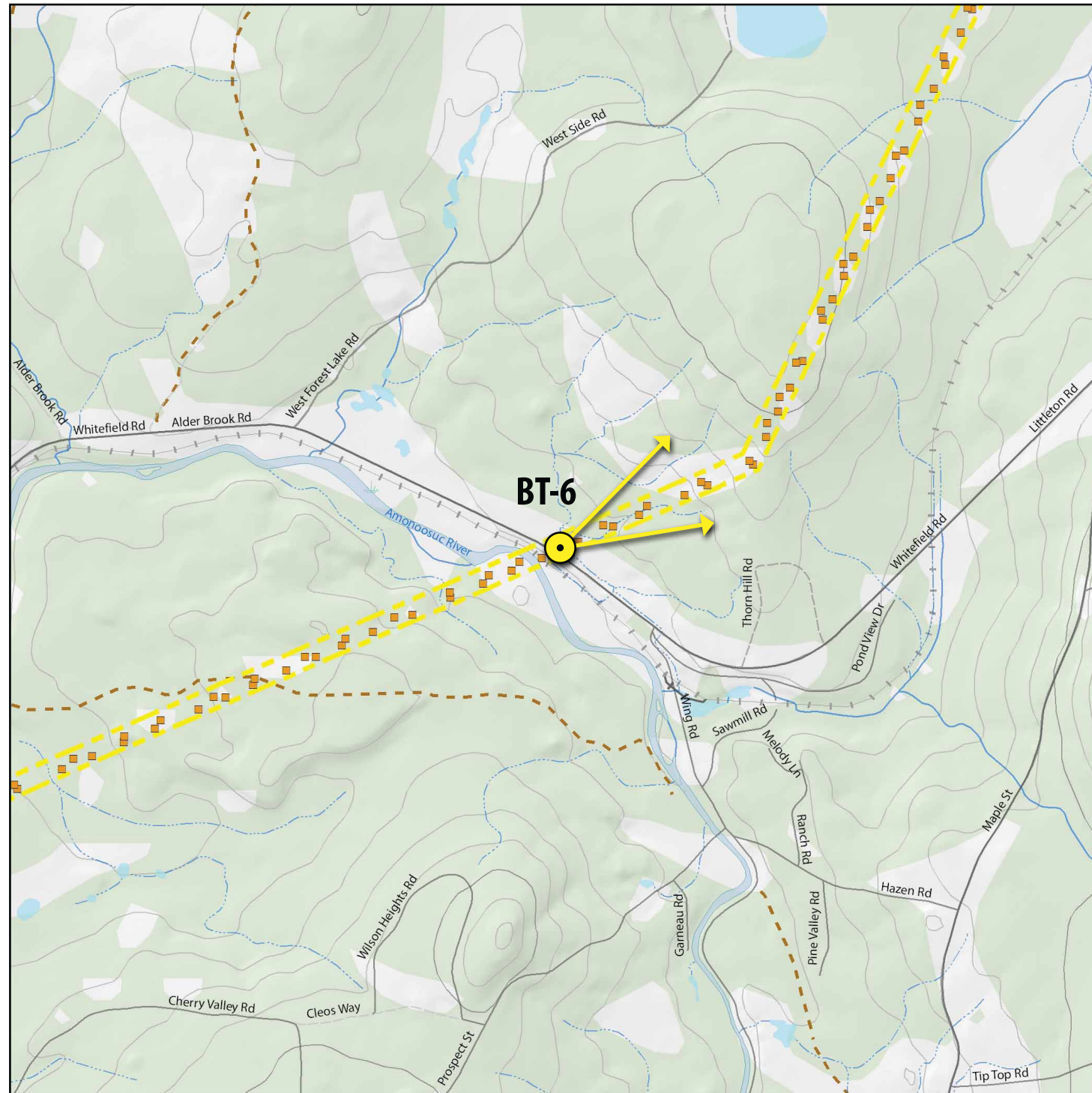
### Alternative 7 - Proposed Action

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Distance to Nearest Visible Structure: 686 feet  
Number of Visible Transmission Structures: 3





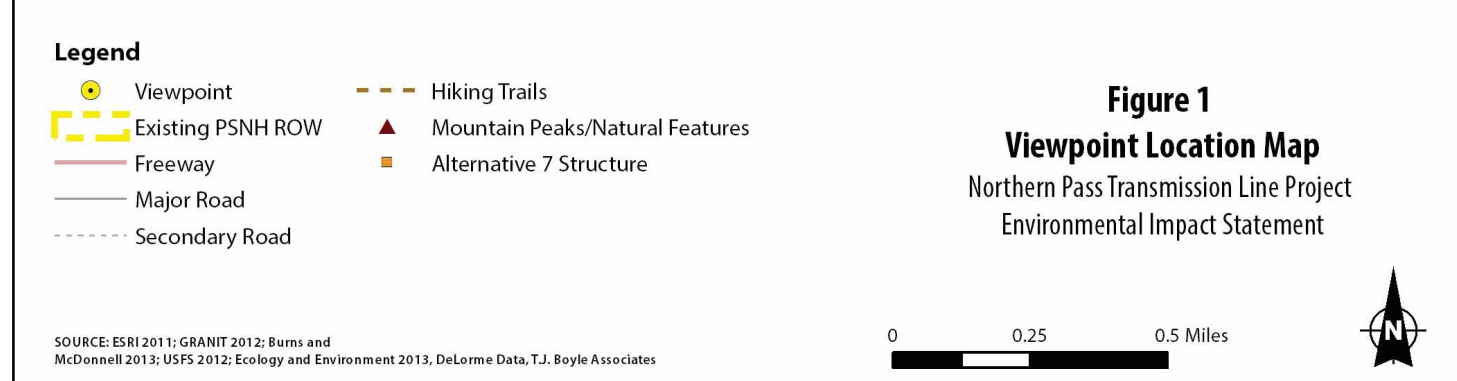




**Figure 2 - Viewpoint Location**  
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**Figure 3 - Aerial Context**  
SCALE 0 200 400 600 Feet



## General Information

### Base Photograph

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Sensor Dimensions: 23.6 mm x 15.6 mm  
Lens Make/Model: Nikkor DX AF-S 35 mm  
Lens Focal Length: 35 mm  
35 mm Equivalent Focal Length: 52.5 mm  
Approximate Angles of View:  
37° wide and 25° high  
Camera Height: 1.5 meters (5 feet)

### Viewpoint Information

Location: Route 116, Bethlehem  
Latitude/Longitude: 44.323242°, -71.678027°  
Viewpoint Elevation: 1,015 feet  
Viewpoint Name: BT-6  
Orientation: Looking Northeast  
Looking toward Alternative 2 Mile Markers: 76  
Looking toward Alternative 7 Mile Markers: 76

### Simulation Viewing Notes

The simulation is properly printed on an 11-by-17 inches sheet at actual size. If viewed on a computer monitor, use the highest screen resolution. The simulated image is at the proper perspective when viewed at 23.5 inches from the eye, or at a distance of approx. twice the image height.

### Project Design

The simulations for Alternative 2 through 6b are based on the best information available in March 2014. The simulations for Alternative 7 are based on the best information available on October 2015.

## Alternatives Simulated from this Viewpoint

### Alternative 1 - No Action

Transmission Line Information  
Distance to Nearest Visible Structure: 101 feet  
Number of Visible Existing Structures: 9

### Alternative 2

Transmission Line Information  
Distance to Nearest Visible Structure: 74 feet  
Number of Visible Transmission Structures: 16

### Alternative 3

Transmission Line Information  
The transmission line is buried in this view and there is no discernible visual change from the Existing Condition.

### Alternatives 4a, 4b and 4c

Transmission Line Information  
The Project is not visible from this viewpoint.

### Alternatives 5a, 5b and 5c

Transmission Line Information  
There is no visible change from Alternative 2.

### Alternatives 6a and 6b

Transmission Line Information  
The Project is not visible from this viewpoint.

### Alternative 7 - Proposed Action

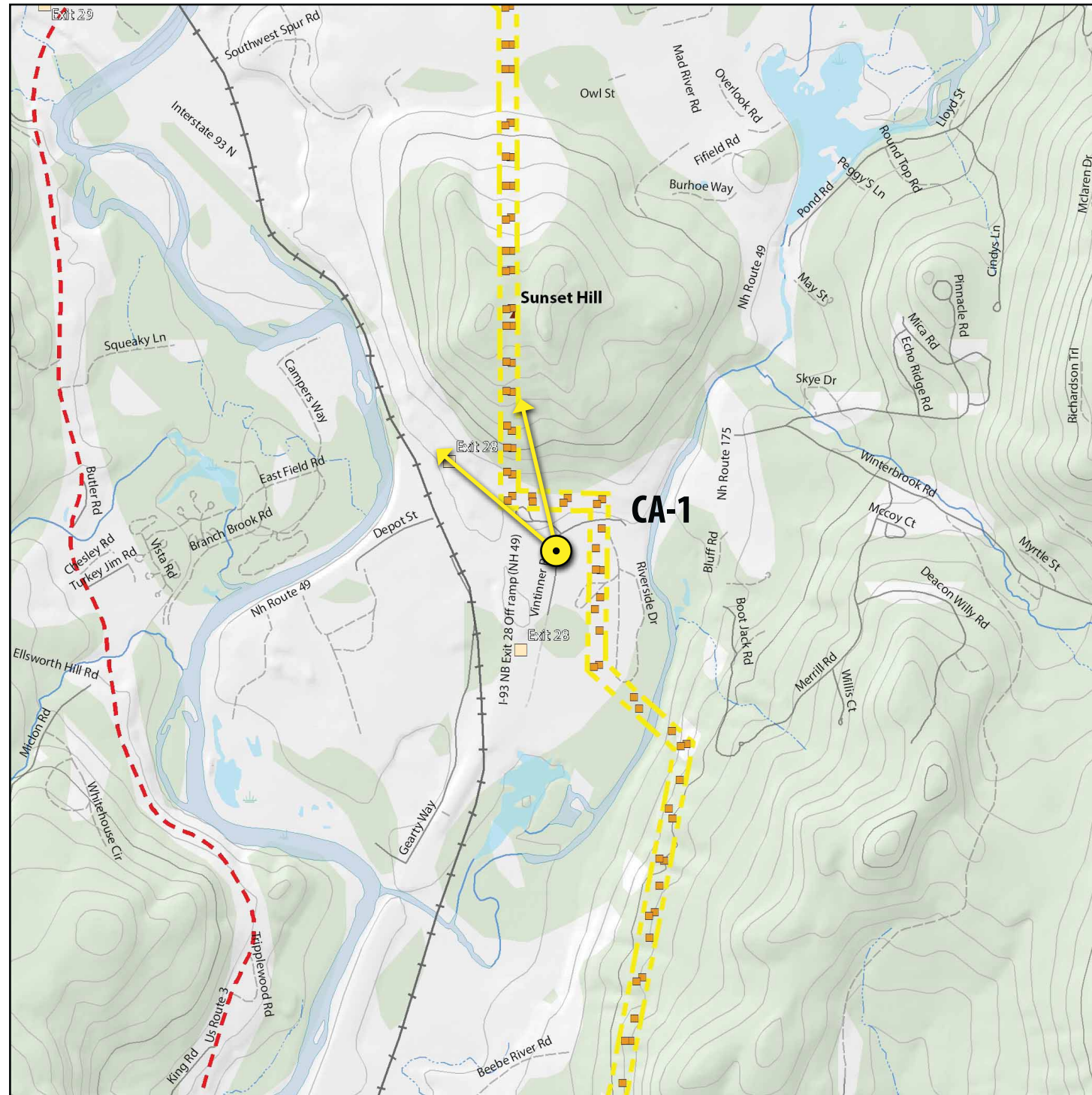
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Number of Visible Transmission Structures: 15





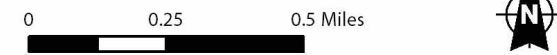




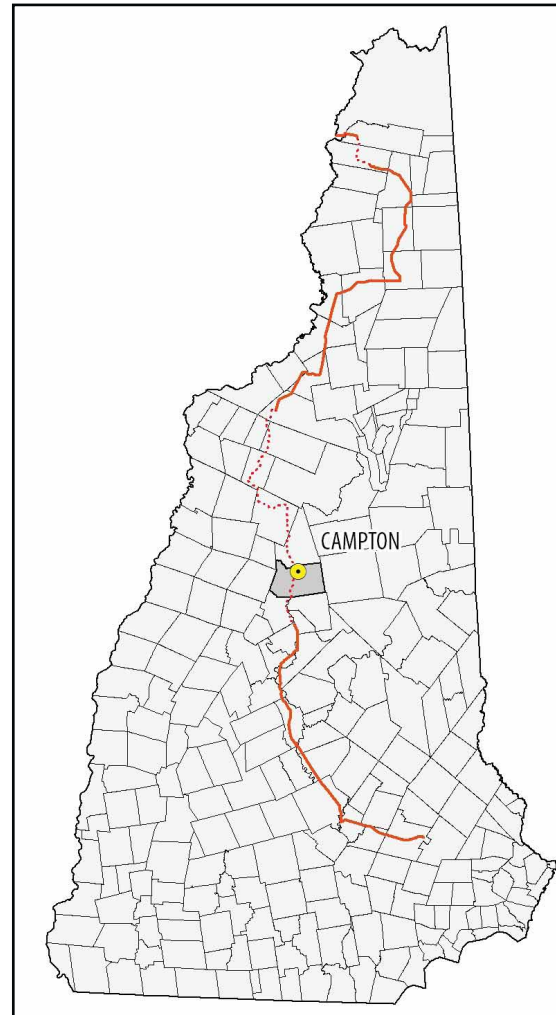


- Legend**
- Viewpoint
  - Existing PSNH ROW
  - Proposed Alternative 7 Burial
  - Freeway
  - Major Road
  - Secondary Road
  - Hiking Trails
  - ▲ Mountain Peaks/Natural Features
  - Alternative 2 Structure

**Figure 1**  
Viewpoint Location Map  
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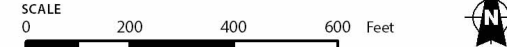
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**Figure 2 - Viewpoint Location**



**Figure 3 - Aerial Context**



## General Information

### Base Photograph

Date: 11-14-2013  
Time: 2:22 pm  
Meteorological Visibility:  
Plymouth Airport - 10 miles  
Image Size: 4,928 x 3,264 pixels

### Camera Properties

Camera Make/Model: Nikon D7000  
Sensor Dimensions: 23.6 mm x 15.6 mm  
Lens Make/Model: Nikkor DX AF-S 35 mm  
Lens Focal Length: 35 mm  
35 mm Equivalent Focal Length: 52.5 mm  
Approximate Angles of View:  
37° wide and 25° high  
Camera Height: 1.5 meters (5 feet)

### Viewpoint Information

Location: Vintinner Road at NH Route 49, Campton  
Latitude/Longitude: 43.8508092°, -71.643359°  
Viewpoint Elevation: 591 feet  
Viewpoint Name: CA-1  
Orientation: Looking Northwest  
Looking toward Alternative 2 Mile Marker: 117  
Looking toward Alternative 7 Mile Marker: n/a

### Simulation Viewing Notes

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### Project Design

The simulations for Alternative 2 through 6b are based on the best information available in March 2014. The simulations for Alternative 7 are based on the best information available on October 2015.

## Alternatives Simulated from this Viewpoint

### Alternative 1 - No Action

Transmission Line Information  
Distance to Nearest Visible Structure: 758 feet  
Number of Visible Existing Structures: 4

### Alternative 2

Transmission Line Information  
Distance to Nearest Visible Structure: 694 feet  
Number of Visible Transmission Structures: 12

### Alternative 3

Transmission Line Information  
The transmission line is buried in this view and there is no discernible visual change from the Existing Condition.

### Alternatives 4a, 4b and 4c

Transmission Line Information  
The Project is not visible from this viewpoint.

### Alternatives 5a, 5b and 5c

Transmission Line Information  
There is no visible change from Alternative 2.

### Alternatives 6a and 6b

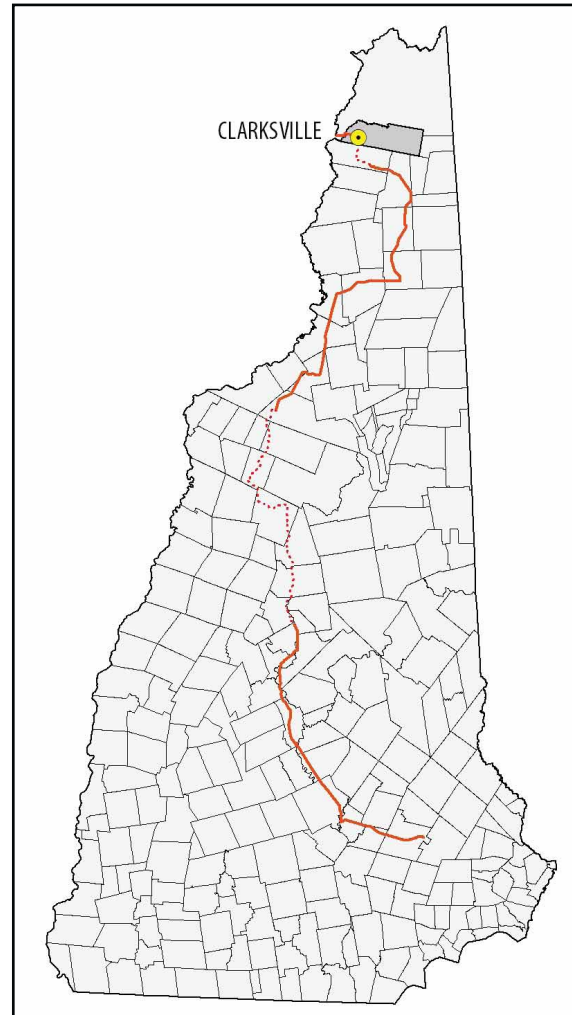
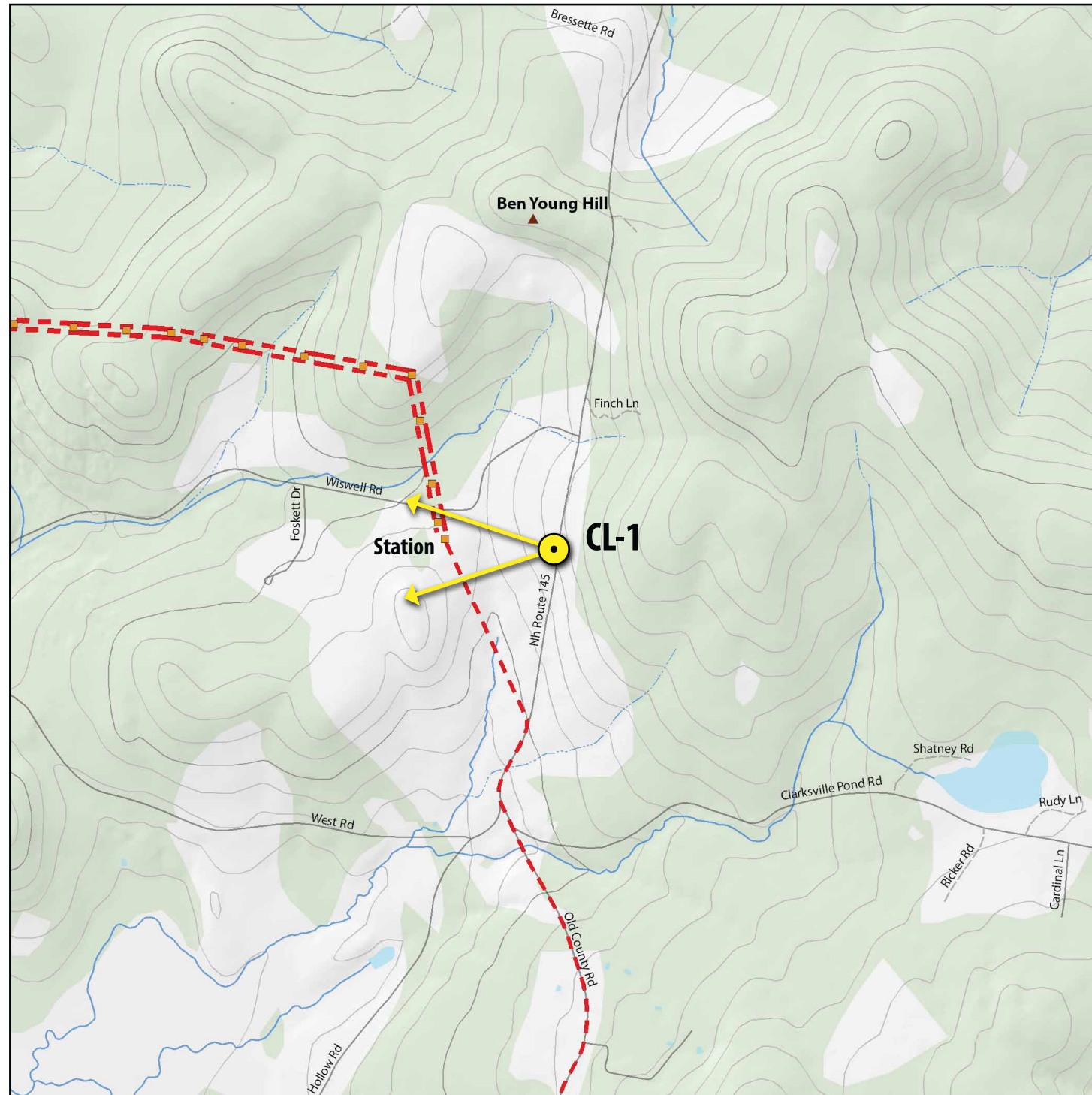
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### Alternative 7 - Proposed Action

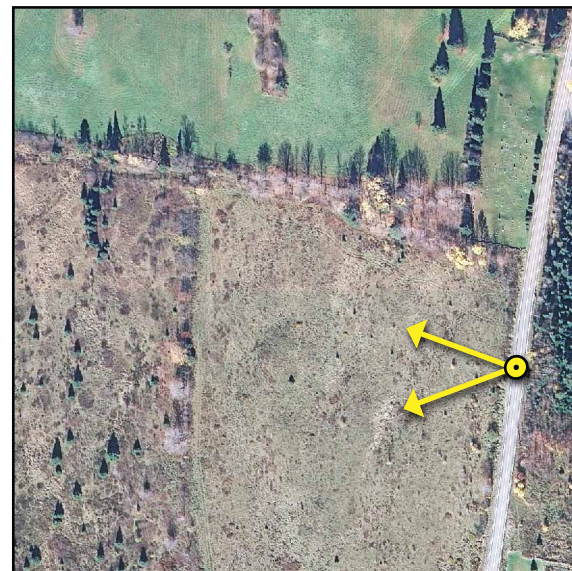
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The Project is not visible from this viewpoint.



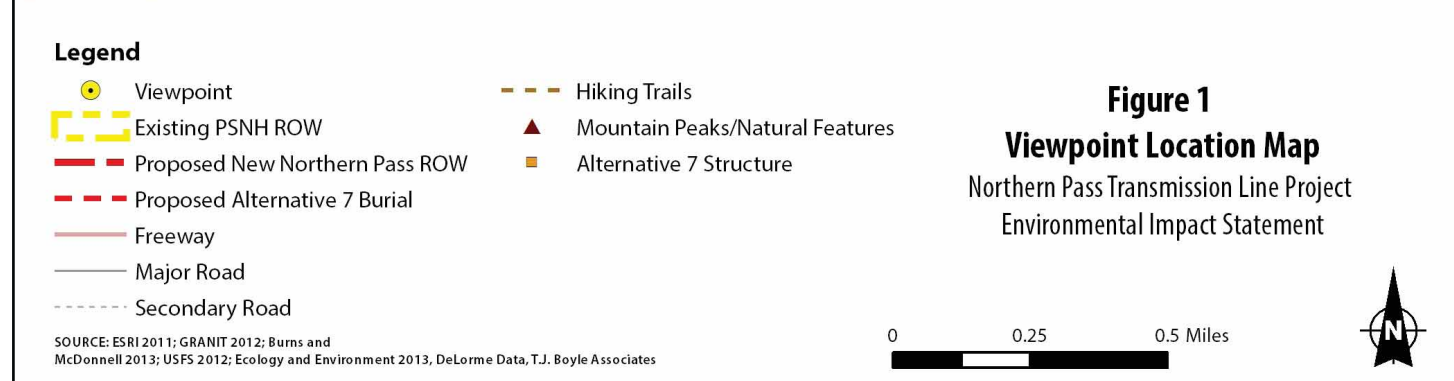




**Figure 2 - Viewpoint Location**  
SCALE 0 20 40 Miles



**Figure 3 - Aerial Context**  
SCALE 0 200 400 600 Feet



## General Information

### Base Photograph

Date: 09-26-2013  
Time: 3:13 pm  
Meteorological Visibility:  
Berlin Airport - 10 miles  
Image Size: 4,928 x 3,264 pixels

### Camera Properties

Camera Make/Model: Nikon D7000  
Sensor Dimensions: 23.6 mm x 15.6 mm  
Lens Make/Model: Nikkor DX AF-S 35 mm  
Lens Focal Length: 35 mm  
35 mm Equivalent Focal Length: 52.5 mm  
Approximate Angles of View:  
37° wide and 25° high  
Camera Height: 1.5 meters (5 feet)

### Viewpoint Information

Location: NH Route 145 Looking West, Clarksville  
Latitude/Longitude: 45.009515°, -71.6415941°  
Viewpoint Elevation: 1,937 feet  
Viewpoint Name: CL-1  
Orientation: Looking West  
Looking toward Alternative 2 Mile Marker: 5  
Looking toward Alternative 7 Mile Marker: 5

### Simulation Viewing Notes

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### Project Design

The simulations for Alternative 2 through 6b are based on the best information available in March 2014. The simulations for Alternative 7 are based on the best information available on October 2015.

## Alternatives Simulated from this Viewpoint

### Alternative 1 - No Action

Transmission Line Information  
Distance to Nearest Visible Structure: 0 feet  
Number of Visible Existing Structures: 0

### Alternative 2

Transmission Line Information  
Distance to Nearest Visible Structure: 1,450 feet  
Number of Visible Transmission Structures: 5

### Alternative 3

Transmission Line Information  
The transmission line is buried in this view and vegetation clearing in the ROW is discernible.

### Alternatives 4a, 4b and 4c

Transmission Line Information  
The Project is not visible from this viewpoint.

### Alternatives 5a, 5b and 5c

Transmission Line Information  
There is no visible change from Alternative 2.

### Alternatives 6a and 6b

Transmission Line Information  
The Project is not visible from this viewpoint.

### Alternative 7 - Proposed Action

Transmission Line Information  
Distance to Nearest Visible Structure: 1,450 feet  
Number of Visible Transmission Structures: 5





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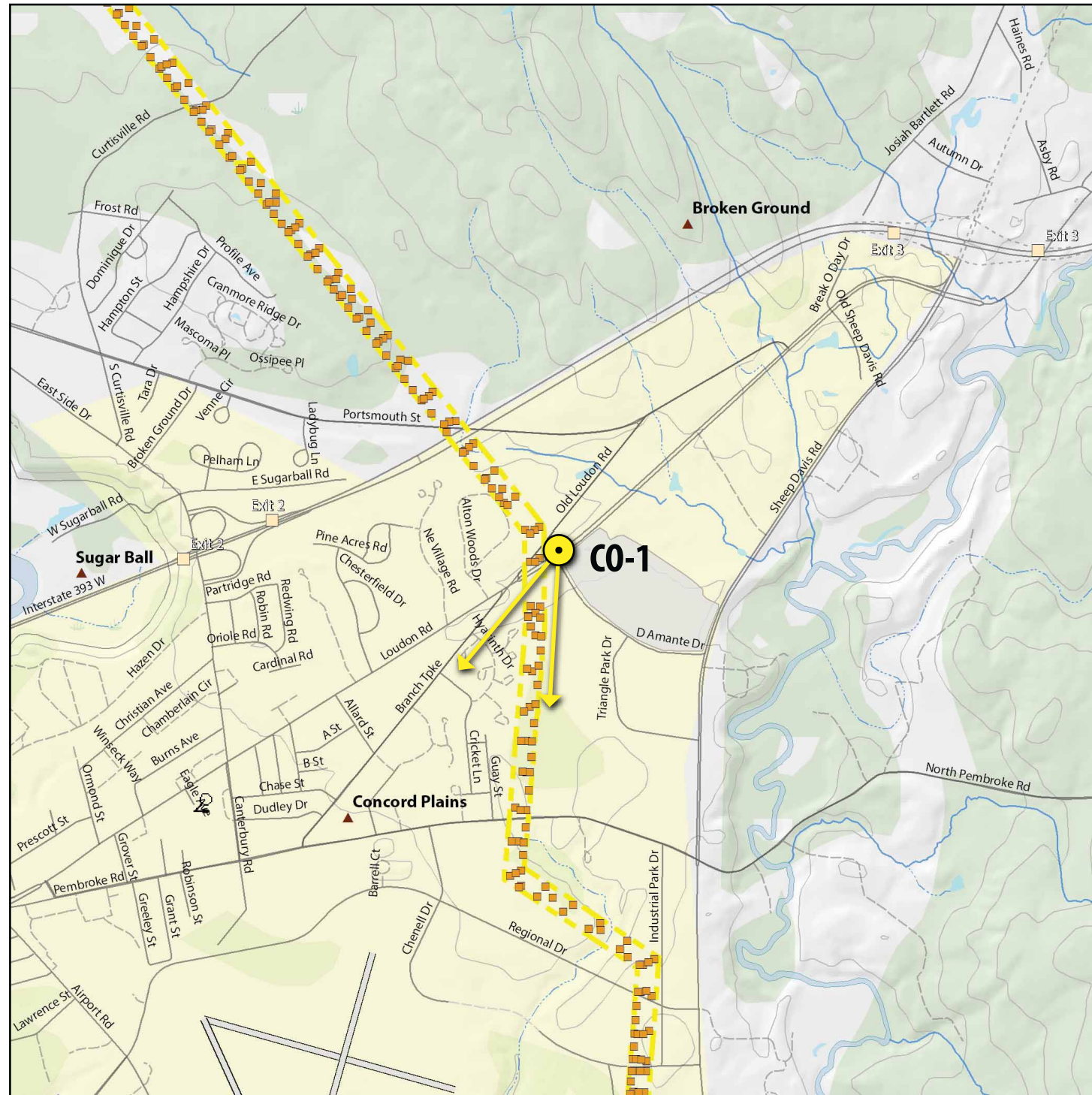
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NH Route 145 Looking West - Clarksville, New Hampshire



**Alternative 3**  
**Simulated Conditions**





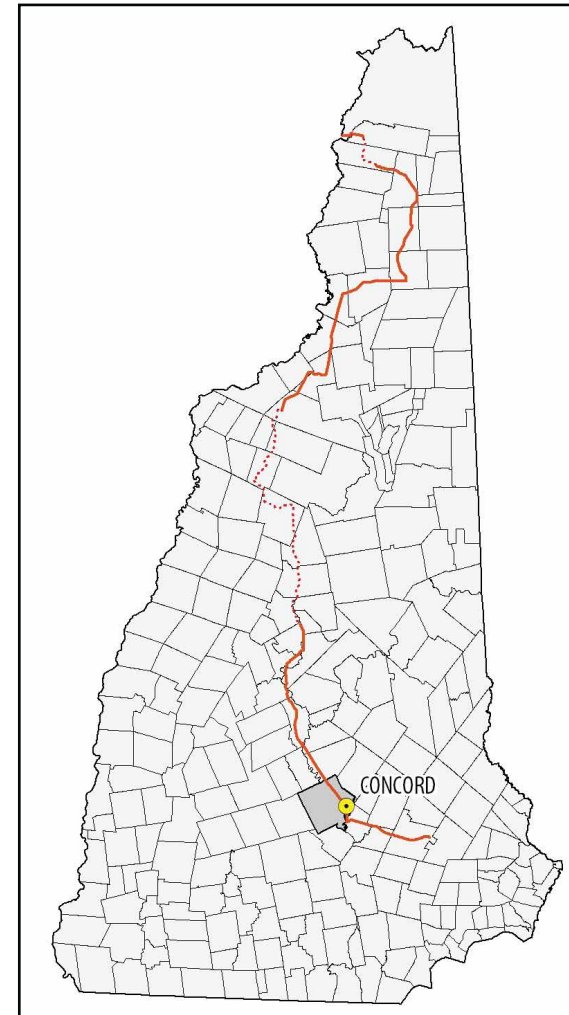


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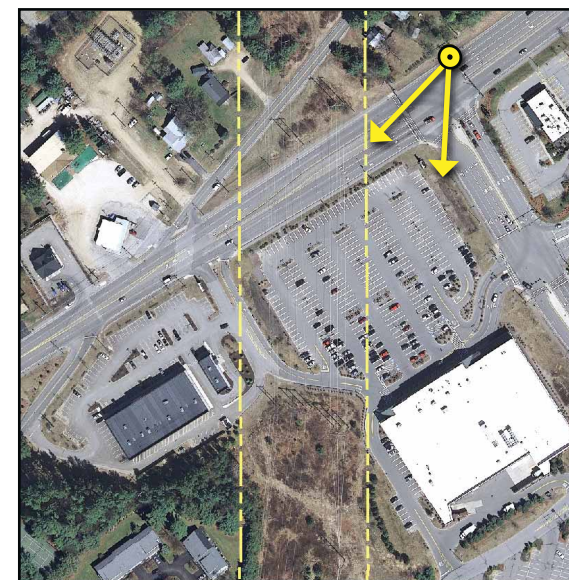
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**Figure 2 - Viewpoint Location**

SCALE  
0 20 40 60 Miles



**Figure 3 - Aerial Context**

SCALE  
0 200 400 600 Feet



## General Information

### Base Photograph

Date: 11-14-2013  
Time: 10:06 am  
Meteorological Visibility:  
Concord Airport - 10 miles  
Image Size: 4,928 x 3,264 pixels

### Camera Properties

Camera Make/Model: Nikon D7000  
Sensor Dimensions: 23.6 mm x 15.6 mm  
Lens Make/Model: Nikkor DX AF-S 35 mm  
Lens Focal Length: 35 mm  
35 mm Equivalent Focal Length: 52.5 mm  
Approximate Angles of View:  
37° wide and 25° high  
Camera Height: 1.5 meters (5 feet)

### Viewpoint Information

Location: Loudon Road/NH Route 9, Concord  
Latitude/Longitude: 43.224149°, -71.490034°  
Viewpoint Elevation: 346 feet  
Viewpoint Name: CO-1  
Orientation: Looking South  
Looking toward Alternative 2 Mile Marker: 168  
Looking toward Alternative 7 Mile Marker: 173

### Simulation Viewing Notes

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### Project Design

The simulations for Alternative 2 through 6b are based on the best information available in March 2014. The simulations for Alternative 7 are based on the best information available on October 2015.

## Alternatives Simulated from this Viewpoint

### Alternative 1 - No Action

Transmission Line Information  
Distance to Nearest Visible Structure: 737 feet  
Number of Visible Existing Structures: 6

### Alternative 2

Transmission Line Information  
Distance to Nearest Visible Structure: 749 feet  
Number of Visible Transmission Structures: 12

### Alternative 3

Transmission Line Information  
The transmission line is buried in this view and there is no discernible visual change from the Existing Condition.

### Alternatives 4a, 4b and 4c

Transmission Line Information  
The Project is not visible from this viewpoint.

### Alternatives 5a, 5b and 5c

Transmission Line Information  
There is no visible change from Alternative 2.

### Alternatives 6a and 6b

Transmission Line Information  
There is insufficient transmission line engineering to realistically simulate how co-location would be implemented in this view.

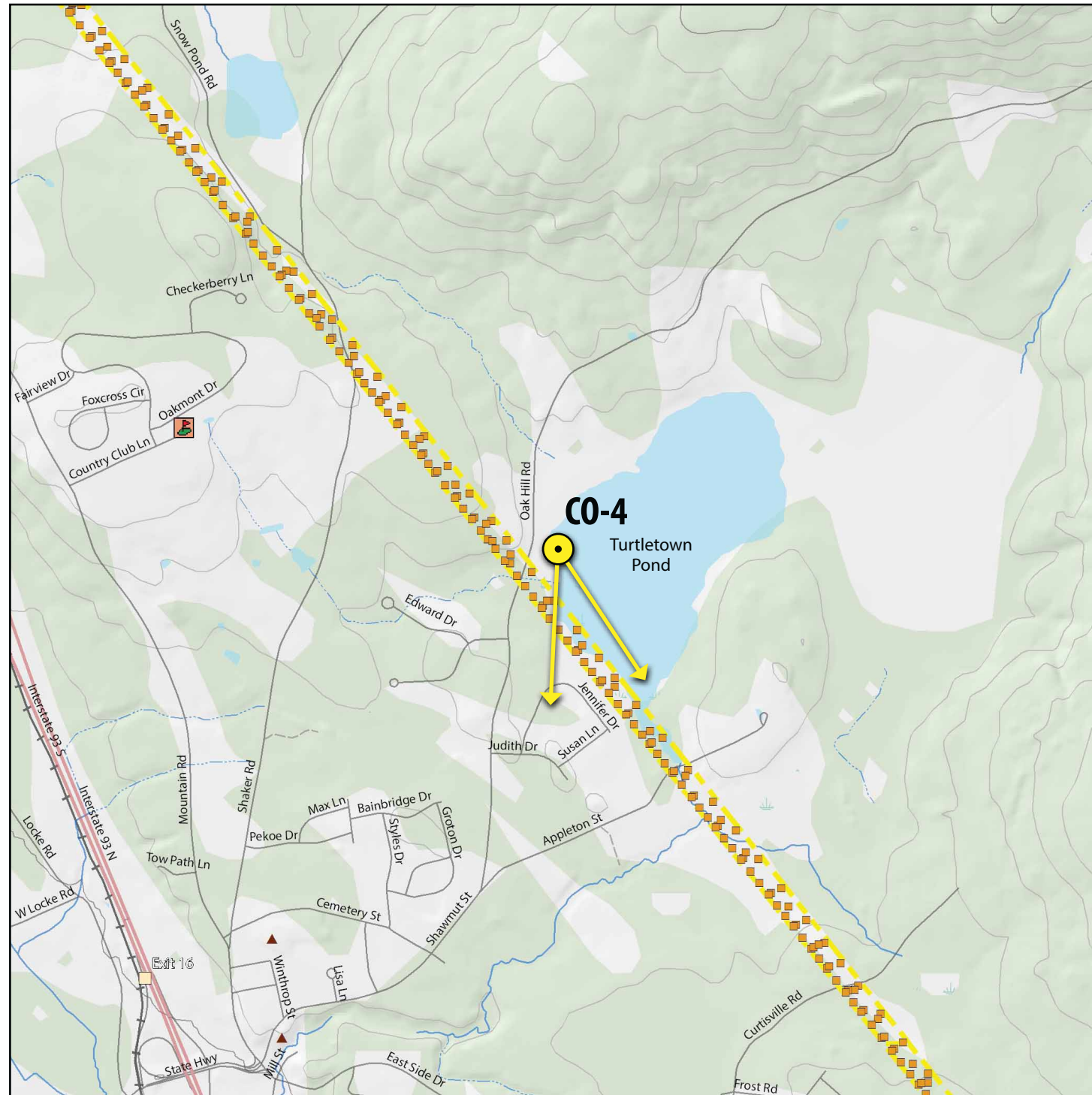
### Alternative 7 - Proposed Action

Transmission Line Information  
Distance to Nearest Visible Structure: 749 feet  
Number of Visible Transmission Structures: 15



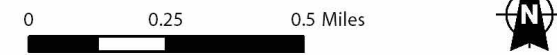




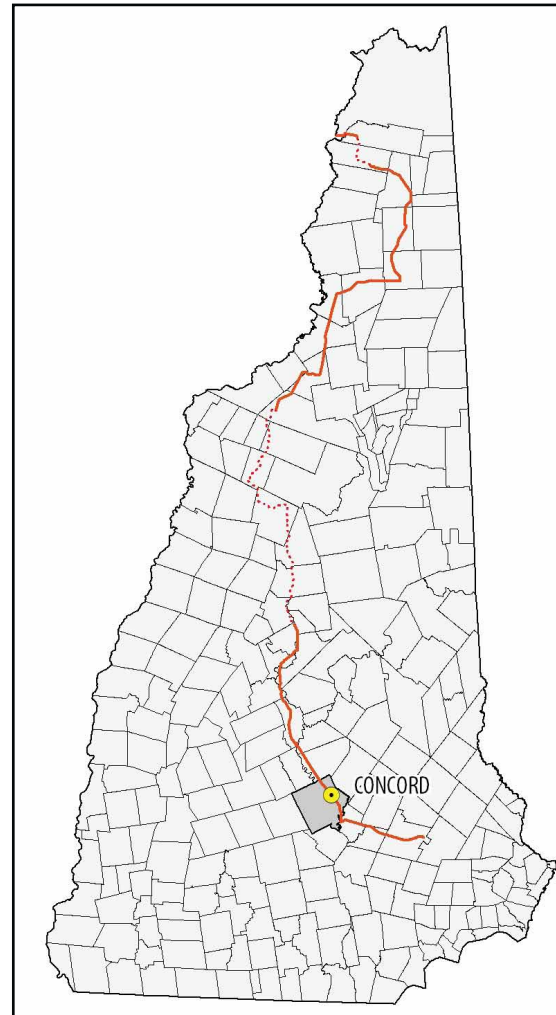


- Legend**
- Viewpoint
  - - - Existing PSNH ROW
  - - - Proposed Alternative 7 Burial
  - Freeway
  - Major Road
  - - - Secondary Road
  - - - Hiking Trails
  - ▲ Mountain Peaks/Natural Features
  - Alternative 7 Structure

**Figure 1**  
**Viewpoint Location Map**  
Northern Pass Transmission Line Project  
Environmental Impact Statement



SOURCE: ESRI 2011; GRANIT 2012; Burns and McDonnell 2013; USFS 2012; Ecology and Environment 2013; DeLorme Data, T.J. Boyle Associates



**Figure 2 - Viewpoint Location**  
SCALE  
0 20 40 60 Miles



**Figure 3 - Aerial Context**  
SCALE  
0 200 400 600 Feet

## General Information

### Base Photograph

Date: 04-25-2013  
Time: 10:35 am  
Meteorological Visibility:  
Concord Airport - 10 miles  
Image Size: 4,928 x 3,264 pixels

### Camera Properties

Camera Make/Model: Nikon D7000  
Sensor Dimensions: 23.6 mm x 15.6 mm  
Lens Make/Model: Nikkor DX AF-S 35 mm  
Lens Focal Length: 35 mm  
35 mm Equivalent Focal Length: 52.5 mm  
Approximate Angles of View:  
37° wide and 25° high  
Camera Height: 1.5 meters (5 feet)

### Viewpoint Information

Location: Turtletown Pond/Turtle Pond, Concord  
Latitude/Longitude: 43.225112°, -71.521308°  
Viewpoint Elevation: 321 feet  
Viewpoint Name: CO-4  
Orientation: Looking South  
Looking toward Alternative 2 Mile Marker: 165  
Looking toward Alternative 7 Mile Marker: 171

### Simulation Viewing Notes

The simulation is properly printed on an 11-by-17 inches sheet at actual size. If viewed on a computer monitor, use the highest screen resolution. The simulated image is at the proper perspective when viewed at 23.5 inches from the eye, or at a distance of approx. twice the image height.

### Project Design

The simulations for Alternative 2 through 6b are based on the best information available in March 2014. The simulations for Alternative 7 are based on the best information available on October 2015.

## Alternatives Simulated from this Viewpoint

### Alternative 1 - No Action

Transmission Line Information  
Distance to Nearest Visible Structure: 1,058 feet  
Number of Visible Existing Structures: 17

### Alternative 2

Transmission Line Information  
Distance to Nearest Visible Structure: 1,058 feet  
Number of Visible Transmission Structures: 23

### Alternative 3

Transmission Line Information  
The transmission line is buried in this view and there is no discernible visual change from the Existing Condition.

### Alternatives 4a, 4b and 4c

Transmission Line Information  
The Project is not visible from this viewpoint.

### Alternatives 5a, 5b and 5c

Transmission Line Information  
There is no visible change from Alternative 2.

### Alternatives 6a and 6b

Transmission Line Information  
Distance to Nearest Visible Structure: 1,058 feet  
Number of Visible Transmission Structures: 17

### Alternative 7- Proposed Action

Transmission Line Information  
Distance to Nearest Visible Structure: 1,058 feet  
Number of Visible Transmission Structures: 25

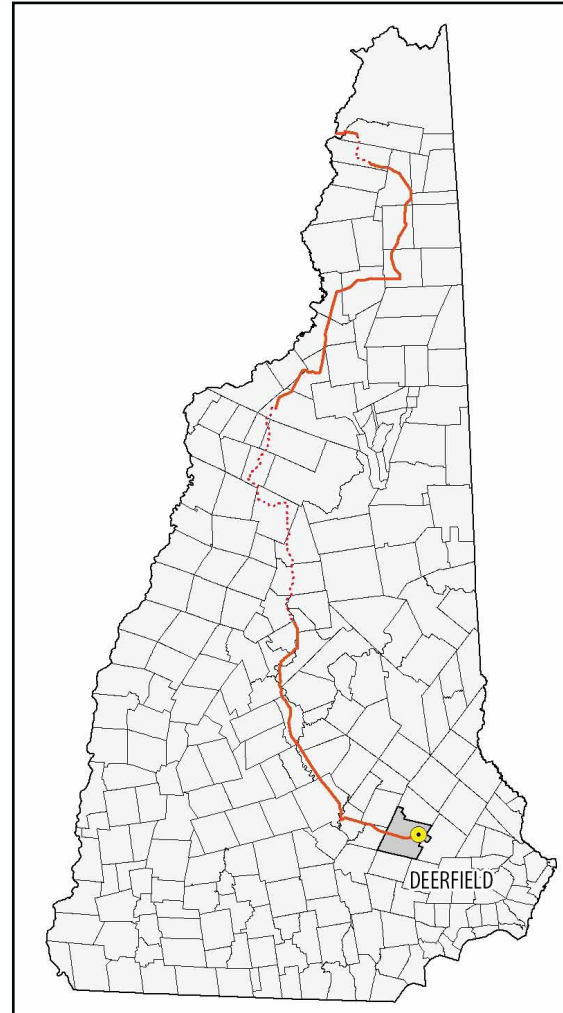




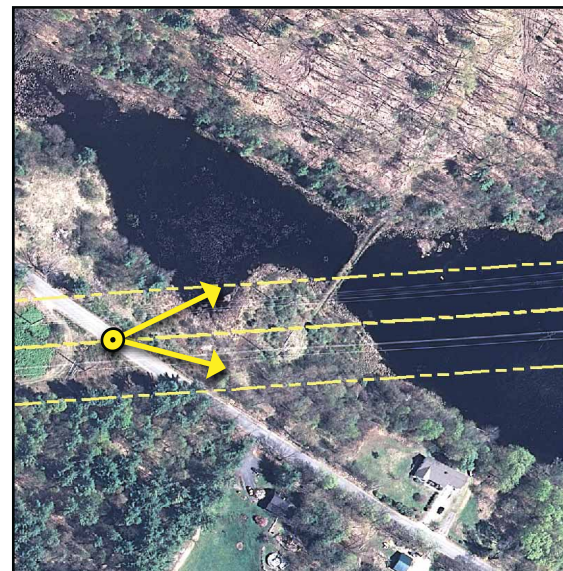




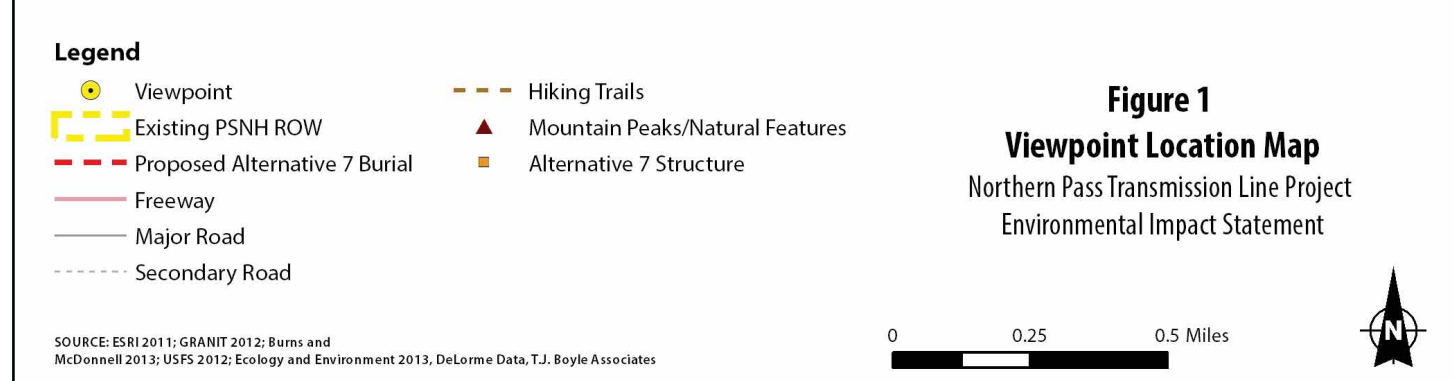




**Figure 2 - Viewpoint Location**  
 SCALE  
 0 20 40 60 Miles



**Figure 3 - Aerial Context**  
 SCALE  
 0 200 400 600 Feet



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## General Information

### Base Photograph

Date: 03-20-2013  
 Time: 9:25 am  
 Meteorological Visibility:  
 Concord Airport - 10 miles  
 Image Size: 4,928 x 3,264 pixels

### Camera Properties

Camera Make/Model: Nikon D7000  
 Sensor Dimensions: 23.6 mm x 15.6 mm  
 Lens Make/Model: Nikkor DX AF-S 35 mm  
 Lens Focal Length: 35 mm  
 35 mm Equivalent Focal Length: 52.5 mm  
 Approximate Angles of View:  
 37° wide and 25° high  
 Camera Height: 1.5 meters (5 feet)

### Viewpoint Information

Location: Nottingham Road, Deerfield  
 Latitude/Longitude: 43.142670°, -71.204117°  
 Viewpoint Elevation: 418 feet  
 Viewpoint Name: DE-1  
 Orientation: Looking East  
 Looking toward Alternative 2 Mile Marker: 186  
 Looking toward Alternative 7 Mile Marker: 192

### Simulation Viewing Notes

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### Project Design

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## Alternatives Simulated from this Viewpoint

### Alternative 1 - No Action

Transmission Line Information  
 Distance to Nearest Visible Structure: 301 feet  
 Number of Visible Existing Structures: 17

### Alternative 2

Transmission Line Information  
 Distance to Nearest Visible Structure: 325 feet  
 Number of Visible Transmission Structures: 24

### Alternatives 3, 4a, 4b and 4c

Transmission Line Information  
 The transmission line is buried in this view and there is no discernible visual change from the Existing Condition.

### Alternatives 5a, 5b and 5c

Transmission Line Information  
 There is no visible change from Alternative 2.

### Alternatives 6a and 6b

Transmission Line Information  
 Distance to Nearest Visible Structure: 325 feet  
 Number of Visible Transmission Structures: 14

### Alternative 7 - Proposed Action

Transmission Line Information  
 Distance to Nearest Visible Structure: 325 feet  
 Number of Visible Transmission Structures: 27







