

ATTACHMENT D

Connecticut Department of Energy & Environmental Protection Natural Diversity Database



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Project: Housatonic River Crossing to Baird Substation Transmission Line/ Upgrade Project. Milford - 732 Naugatuck Ave., Stratford - 1772 Stratford Ave., Milford & Stratford
NDDB Determination No.: 201608737

Dear Shawn,

I have reviewed Natural Diversity Data Base (NDDB) maps and files regarding the area delineated on the map provided for the proposed Housatonic River Crossing to Baird Substation Transmission Line/ Upgrade Project. Milford - 732 Naugatuck Ave., Stratford - 1772 Stratford Ave., Milford & Stratford, Connecticut. I do not anticipate negative impacts to State-listed species (RCSA Sec. 26-306) resulting from your proposed activity at the site based upon the information contained within the NDDB. The result of this review does not preclude the possibility that listed species may be encountered on site and that additional action may be necessary to remain in compliance with certain state permits. This determination is good for two years. Please re-submit a new NDDB Request for Review if the scope of work changes or if work has not begun on this project by July 27, 2018.

Natural Diversity Data Base information includes all information regarding critical biological resources available to us at the time of the request. This information is a compilation of data collected over the years by the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection's Natural History Survey and cooperating units of DEEP, private conservation groups and the scientific community. This information is not necessarily the result of comprehensive or site-specific field investigations. Consultations with the Data Base should not be substitutes for on-site surveys required for environmental assessments. Current research projects and new contributors continue to identify additional populations of species and locations of habitats of concern, as well as, enhance existing data. Such new information is incorporated into the Data Base as it becomes available.

Please contact me if you have further questions at (860) 424-3592, or dawn.mckay@ct.gov . Thank you for consulting the Natural Diversity Data Base.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Dawn M. McKay".

Dawn M. McKay
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