

## DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY **US ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS**

**NEW ENGLAND DISTRICT** 696 VIRGINIA ROAD CONCORD MA 01742-2751

May 27, 2022

**Regulatory Division** File No. NAE-2017-01406

Chris Hagger, Chair **Sudbury Historical Commission** 278 Old Sudbury Road Sudbury, Massachusetts 01776 cldh7@aol.com

Dear Mr. Hagger:

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New England District, has coordinated with your office concerning the Sudbury-Hudson Transmission Reliability and Massachusetts Central Rail Trail Project. The applicants, Eversource and the Department of Conservation and Recreation, are proposing to install a 9-mile 115-kilovolt ("kV") underground electric transmission line and construct a portion of the Mass Central Rail Trail (MCRT) above the new underground transmission line. This work impacts jurisdictional waters of the U.S. and is located in Sudbury, Hudson, Stowe and Marlborough, Massachusetts.

We have developed the enclosed Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) to avoid. minimize, and mitigate for adverse effects to the Central Massachusetts Railroad Corridor Historic District and other historic properties as described in the MOA. Please note that comments from your office have been considered in development of the final MOA. Enclosed for your review and signature is the MOA developed pursuant to Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act. Please return one signed copy of the MOA to this office. We will send you a fully executed copy. We would appreciate a timely response no later than June 11, 2022.

If you have any questions, please contact Katelyn Rainville, the USACE Regulatory Project Manager, at katelyn.m.rainville@usace.army.mil or 978-318-8677 or Marc Paiva our New England District Archaeologist/Tribal Liaison at marcos.a.paiva@usace.army.mil or 978-318-8796. You may also contact the me at paul.m.maniccia@usace.army.mil or 978-318-8515.

Sincerely,

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Chief, Permits & Enforcement Branch

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## **Enclosures**

Final Memorandum of Agreement USACE Permit Area Plans, dated May 23, 2022

CC:

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