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Subject: Sudbury-Hudson Transmission Reliability Project (EEA#15703; NHESP 15-34327)

Dear Page,

Please accept the following additional comments from DFW for the above-referenced project. Please let me know if you have any questions.

Eve

Fisheries surveys of the Assabet River have yielded American Eel (*Anguilla rostrata*), Banded Sunfish (*Enneacanthus obesus*), Black Crappie (*Pomoxis nigromaculatus*), Blacknose Dace (*Rhinichthys atratulus*), Bluegill (*Lepomis macrochirus*), Brook Trout (*Salvelinus fontinalis*), Brown Bullhead (*Ameiurus nebulosus*), Brown Trout (*Salmo trutta*), Carp (*Cyprinus carpio*), Chain Pickerel (*Esox niger*), Creek Chubsucker (*Erimyzon oblongus*), Fallfish (*Semotilus corporalis*), Golden Shiner (*Notemigonus crysoleucas*), Largemouth Bass (*Micropterus salmoides*), Pumpkinseed (*Lepomis gibbosus*), Rainbow Trout (*Oncorhynchus mykiss*), Redbreast Sunfish (*Lepomis auritus*), Redfin Pickerel (*Esox americanus*), Spottail Shiner (*Notropis hudsonius*), Tessellated Darter (*Etheostoma olmstedii*), Tiger Trout (*Salmo trutta x Salvelinus fontinalis*), White Sucker (*Catostomus commersoni*), Yellow Bullhead (*Ameiurus natalis*) and Yellow Perch (*Perca flavescens*). Additionally, the river is annually stocked in the spring with Brook Trout, Brown Trout, Rainbow Trout and/or Tiger Trout.

Fisheries surveys of Fort Meadow Brook have yielded American Eel (*Anguilla rostrata*), Brown Bullhead (*Ameiurus nebulosus*), Chain Pickerel (*Esox niger*), Largemouth Bass (*Micropterus salmoides*), Pumpkinseed (*Lepomis gibbosus*), Redfin Pickerel (*Esox americanus americanus*) and Yellow Bullhead (*Ameiurus natalis*).

Hop Brook is a coldwater fishery resource. Fisheries surveys have yielded American Eel (*Anguilla rostrata*), Bluegill (*Lepomis macrochirus*), Brook Trout (*Salvelinus fontinalis*), Chain Pickerel (*Esox niger*), Fallfish (*Semotilus corporalis*), Golden Shiner (*Notemigonus crysoleucas*), Green Sunfish (*Lepomis cyanellus*), Pumpkinseed (*Lepomis gibbosus*), Redfin Pickerel (*Esox americanus americanus*), Redbreast Sunfish (*Lepomis auritus*), White Sucker (*Catostomus commersoni*), Yellow Bullhead (*Ameiurus natalis*) and Yellow Perch (*Perca flavescens*).

Fisheries surveys of Dudley Brook have yielded Creek Chubsucker (*Erimyzon oblongus*), Pumpkinseed (*Lepomis gibbosus*), Redfin Pickerel (*Esox americanus americanus*), White Sucker (*Catostomus commersoni*) and Yellow Bullhead (*Ameiurus natalis*).

The proposed project also crosses three unnamed tributaries for which the Division currently has no fisheries survey information.

Consultation with the Division of Fisheries and Wildlife should occur for any proposed work, including crossing structures and/or directional drilling within these resource areas.

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