

Office of Local Defense Community Cooperation (OLDCC)

Notice of Availability – Draft Environmental Assessment

Project Title: Town of New Boston Fire Department New Station

Project Location: New Boston, NH

Notice of Availability – Draft Environmental Assessment: The US Department of Defense Office of Local Defense Community Cooperation (OLDCC) is providing federal funding for the New Boston Fire Station Project. As the federal granting agency, and pursuant to the Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ) regulations (40 CFR Parts 1500-1508) implementing the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), this notice is provided to the public that a Draft Environmental Assessment (EA) has been prepared for the project and is available for public review and comment. This Draft EA evaluates the potential impacts that would result from the implementation of the Proposed Action as compared to the No Action alternative.

This project addresses the urgent need in the Town of New Boston for a fire station that is up to code and capable of addressing the needs of the Town and the New Boston Space Force Station and assisting neighboring towns as requested.

The proposed action alternative consists of construction of a fire station that would be located primarily on tax parcel Map 8 Lot 110-2 on Mont Vernon Road in New Boston, Hillsborough County, New Hampshire. This parcel encompasses approximately 3.25 acres of cleared vacant land with trees along the edges and is at an elevation of approximately 433 ft. The parcel was purchased by the Town of New Boston on June 5, 2015. The No Action alternative would maintain the status quo as a new facility would not be constructed.

The Draft EA is available for review at the following two locations:

Town of New Boston Town Hall
7 Meetinghouse Hill Road
New Boston, NH 03070

Whipple Free Library
67 Mont Vernon Road
New Boston, NH 03070

The Draft EA can be provided in electronic format upon request. Please send an email request to kpeace@hoyletanner.com.

Public Comment: Written comments from the public are encouraged and will be accepted for 30 days. Written comments should be sent to Kimberly Peace, Hoyle, Tanner & Associates, Inc via email at kpeace@hoyletanner.com, or land mail at Hoyle, Tanner & Associates, Inc., 150 Dow Street, Manchester, NH 03101 or via phone at (603) 460-5205. Comments should also be addressed to Michael Wilson, Deputy Director for Compliance, US Department of Defense, Office of Local Defense Community Cooperation via email at michael.a.wilson179.civ@mail.mil or land mail at US Department of Defense, Office of Local Defense Community Cooperation (OLDCC), 2231 Crystal Drive, Suite 520 Arlington, VA 22202 or via phone at (703) 697-2188.

This notice will be posted physically on bulletin boards at the Town of New Boston Post Office, the Town Hall and the Whipple Free Library. It will also be available for viewing online at the Town of New Boston webpage: <https://www.newbostonnh.gov/>. It will be advertised in the Manchester Union Leader in the June 1, 2024 edition.