## **II. Suggested Format for the HYDRO General Permit Notice of Intent (NOI):**

# Request for General Permit Authorization to Discharge Wastewater Notice of Intent (NOI) to be covered by Hydroelectric Generating Facilities General Permit (HYDROGP) No. MAG360000 or NHG360000

Indicate Applicable General Permit for Discharge(s):	✓MAG360000	□ NHG360000
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### A. Facility Information

1.	Facility Location	Name: LAWRENCE HYDROELECTRIC PROJECT  Street: 9 SOUTH BROADWAY			
		City: LAWRENCE	State: MA		
		Zip: 01810	SIC Code: 4911		
		Latitude: N 42° 41' 58"	Longitude: W 71° 09' 55"		
		Type of Business: ELECTRIC POWER GENE	RATION		
2.	Facility Mailing Address (if different from Location)	Street: 670 N. COMMERCIAL ST SUITE 204			
		City: MANCHESTER	State: NH		
		Zip: 03101			
3.	Facility Owner	Name: PATRIOT HYDRO, LLC	Email: SILLER@PATRIOTHYDRO.COM		
		Street: 670 N. COMMERCIAL ST SUITE 204	Telephone: (603) 540 - 8238		

		City: MANCHESTER	State: NH		
		Contact Person: SEAN ILLER	Zip: 03101	1	
4.	Facility Operator (if different from above)	Name:	Email:		
		Street:	Telephone	<del>)</del> :	
		City:	State:		
		Zip:			
5. Current Permit Status		Has prior HYDROGP coverage been granted for the discharge(s) listed in the NOI?		✓Yes	□ No
		Permit number (if yes): MAG360023			
		Is the facility covered under an Individual Permit?		☐ Yes	☑ No
		Is there a pending NPDES application of file with for the discharge(s)?	th EPA	☐ Yes	☑ No
		Date of Submittal (if yes): Click or tap to enter a date.	Pern	nit Number (if know	wn):
		Attach a topographic map indicating the location the facility and outfall(s) to the receiving water	ns. of	✓ Map Attach	ned
		Number of turbines: 2			
		Combined turbine discharge (installed capacity) at:		im capacity? 7400 m capacity? 400	cfs cfs
		Is this facility operated as a pump storage project	et?	☐ Yes	☑ No

# **B.** Discharge Information

1.	Name of Receiving Water(s): MERRIMACK R	IVER		Freshwater	☐ Marine
2.	Waterbody classification:   Class A	☑Class B	☐ Class SA	☐ Class SB	
3.	Is the receiving water is listed in the State's Inte 303(d))?	egrated List of Waters	(i.e., CWA Section	✓Yes	□ No
4.	If the applicant answered yes to B.2, has the applicated, any pollutants indicated, and whether indicated pollutants in a separate attachment to	✓Yes	□ No		
5.	Attach a line drawing or flow schematic showing location of intake(s), operations contributing to receiving water(s).	☑Line Drav	ving Attached		
6.	List each outfall (numbered sequentially) dischar monthly flow (in gallons per day) for each disc descriptions and permit conditions for each disc	harge type. See Parts			
	Equipment-related cooling water	Outfalls: 001, 002		432,000	gpd
	Equipment and floor drain water	Outfalls:			gpd
	Maintenance-related water	Outfalls: 003		7200	gpd
	Facility maintenance-related water during flood/high water events	Outfalls:			gpd
	Equipment-related backwash strainer water	Outfalls:			gpd

7. For each outfall listed above, provide the following information (attach additional sheets if necessary). Outfalls may be eligible for alternative pH effluent limits. See Parts 1.7.1. and 2.7.1 of the permit for additional information. Contact MassDEP or NHDES to determine the required information and protocol to request alternative pH effluent limits.				
Outfall No. 001	Latitude: N 42° 41' 57.8"	Longitude: w 71° 09' 58.2"		
	Discharge is: ✓ Continuous ☐ Inter	rmittent   Seasonal		
	Maximum Daily Flow .432 MGD	Average Monthly Flow .216 MGD		
	Maximum Daily Temperature Varies °F	Average Monthly Temperature Varies °F		
	Maximum Daily Oil & Grease 15 mg/L	Average Monthly Oil & Grease>0 <15 mg/L		
	Maximum Monthly pH s.u. 8.3	Minimum Monthly pH s.u. 6.50		
	Alternative pH limits requested? ☐ Yes ✓ No	State approval attached? ☐ Yes ☐ No		
Outfall No. 002	Latitude: N 42° 41' 57.9"	Longitude: W 71° 09' 55.7"		
	Discharge is: ✓ Continuous □ Inter	rmittent   Seasonal		
	Maximum Daily Flow .432 MGD	Average Monthly Flow .216 MGD		
	Maximum Daily Temperature Varies °F	Average Monthly Temperature Varies °F		
	Maximum Daily Oil & Grease 15 mg/L	Average Monthly Oil & Grease >0 <15 mg/L		
	Maximum Monthly pH 8.3 s.u.	Minimum Monthly pH 6.5 s.u.		
	Alternative pH limits requested? □Yes ☑ No	State approval attached? ☐ Yes ☐ No		

Outfall No. 003 Latitude: N 42° 41′ 59.0″		Longitude: W 71° 09° 55.2"		
	Discharge is: ☐ Continuous ☑Intermittent ☐ Seasonal			
	Maximum Daily Flow .0072 MGD	Average Monthly Flow .0036 MGD		
Maximum Daily Temperature Varies °F		Average Monthly Temperature Varies °F		
	Maximum Daily Oil & Grease mg/L 15	Average Monthly Oil & Grease mg/L >0 <15		
	Maximum Monthly pH s.u. 8.3	Minimum Monthly pH s.u. 6.50		
	Alternative pH limits requested? ☐ Yes☑ No	State approval attached?   Yes   No		
C. Best Technology Available	e for Cooling Water Intake Structures			
	ment-related cooling" as one of the discharges in l	Part B. of this NOI are subject to the following		
1. Does the facility intake water for cooling purposes subject to the BTA Requirements at Part 4 of the HYDROGP?  ☐ Yes ☑ No If no, skip to Part D of this NOI.				
2. If yes, indicate which tec	hnology employed to comply with the general BTA re	equirements at Part 4.2.b of the HYDROGP:		
☐ An existing technology (	e.g., a physical or behavioral barrier, spillway, or	guidance device) that directs fish towards a		
	inimizes exposure to the CWIS. Has the applican tream fish passage effectively transports live fish	t attached a narrative description of the barrier to in a manner that minimizes the likelihood of		
becoming impinged or entra  ☐ Yes ☐ No	ained at the cooling water intake?			
penstock (for intakes located v	within the penstock), not to exceed 0.5 fps. Has the observation of live fish in the intake or calculated as the observation of live fish in the intake or calculated as the observation of live fish in the intake or calculated as the observation of live fish in the intake or calculated as the observation of live fish in the intake or calculated as the observation of live fish in the intake or calculated as the observation of live fish in the intake or calculated as the observation of live fish in the intake or calculated as the observation of live fish in the intake or calculated as the observation of live fish in the intake or calculated as the observation of live fish in the intake or calculated as the observation of live fish in the intake or calculated as the observation of live fish in the intake or calculated as the observation of live fish in the intake or calculated as the observation of live fish in the intake or calculated as the observation of live fish in the intake or calculated as the observation of live fish in the intake or calculated as the observation of live fish in the intake or calculated as the observation of live fish in the liv	rnatively, at the point where cooling water enters the ne applicant attached a demonstration of compliance ation based on the maximum intake volume and		

□ For cooling water withdrawn directly from the source waterbody ( <i>i.e.</i> , not from within the penstock barrier technology with a mesh size no greater than ½-inch) that minimizes the potential for adult and entrapped in the CWIS.	, I
Has the applicant attached a description of the technology? $\Box$ Yes $\Box$ No	
If the mesh size of the screen is greater than ½-inch has the applicant demonstrated that the calculated 0.5 fps based on the screen dimensions, maximum intake volume, and source water 7Q10 low flow?	l intake velocity is less than
3. If the answer to question C.1 is yes, in addition to complying with one of the criteria above, the application information:	ant must submit the following
Maximum daily volume of cooling water withdrawn during previous five (5) years:	gpd
Maximum monthly average volume of cooling water withdrawn during the previous five (5) years:	gpd
Maximum daily and average monthly volume of water used for another process before or after being	Avg: gpd
Has the applicant attached a narrative description explaining how cooling water is reused? ☐ Yes	□ No
Volume of total intake water withdrawn and used in facility as a percentage of: Installed turbine capacity	%
Source water annual mean flow (e.g., available from USGS, MassDEP, or NHDES):	cfs
Source water 7-day mean low flow with 10-year recurrence interval (7Q10):	cfs
Volume of total intake water withdrawn and used in facility as a percentage of:  Source water mean annual flow cfs  Source water 7Q10 flow cfs	

D. Chemical Additives				
1. Does the facility use or padjustment?	plan to use non-toxic chemicals for pH	□ Yes	☑No	
2. Does the facility use or purposes?	plan to use chemicals for anti-freeze	□ Yes	⊠No	
3. If the answer to D.2 is ye	es, provide the following for <b>EACH</b> chem	nical additive u	sed for anti-freeze:	
Chemical Name and Manufac	turer:			
Maximum Dosage Concentrate	tion Used:	Average D	Posage Concentration Used:	
Maximum Concentration in D	ischarge:	Average C	oncentration in Discharge:	
mg/L		mg/L		
Material Safety Data Sheet (M	ASDS) or other toxicity documentation	n for each che	emical attached? ☐ Yes ☐ No	
E. Endangered Species Act				
Appendix 2 to the HYDROGI	P explains the certification requiremen	its related to t	hreatened and endangered species and designated	
critical habitat. Indicate under	which criteria the discharge is eligible	e for coverage	e under the HYDROGP:	
1. ESA eligibility for   Criterion A: No endangered or threatened species or critical habitat are in proximity to				
species under	discharges or related activities or come in contact with the "action area." See Appendix 2, Part B for			
jurisdiction of USFWS	documentation requirements. Docum			
☐ Criterion B: Formal or informal consultation with the USFWS under Section 7 of the resulted in either a no jeopardy opinion (formal consultation) or a written concurrence by a finding that the discharges and related activities are "not likely to adversely affect" listed critical habitat. Has the operator completed consultation with USFWS and attached docuted Yes ☐ No  If no, is consultation underway? ☐ Yes ☐ No			onsultation) or a written concurrence by USFWS on are "not likely to adversely affect" listed species or ltation with USFWS and attached documentation?	

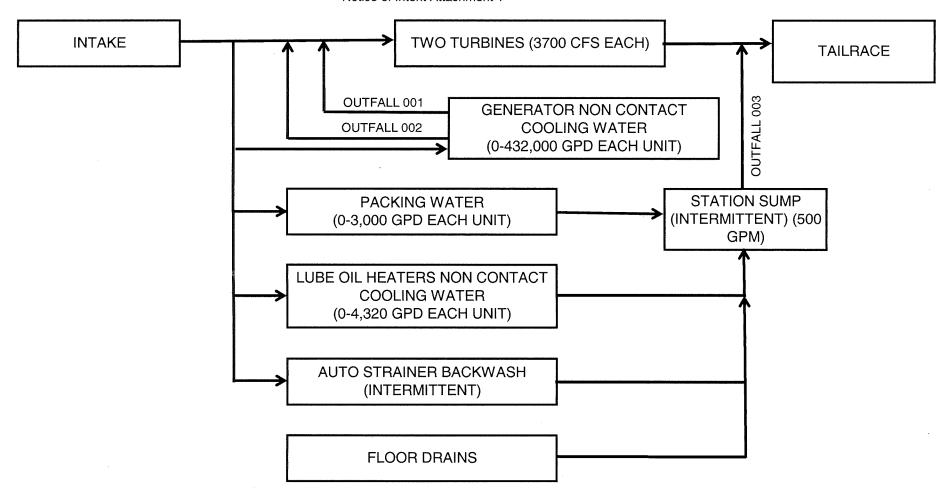
		☐ <b>Criterion C</b> : Using the best scientific and commercial data available, the effect of the discharges
		and related activities on listed species and designated critical habitat have been evaluated. Based on
		those evaluations, a determination is made by EPA, or by the operator and affirmed by EPA, that the
		discharges and related activities will have "no effect" on any federally threatened or endangered
		species or designated critical habitat under the jurisdiction of the USFWS. Has the applicant attached
		documentation of the "no effect" finding? $\square$ Yes $\square$ No
2.	ESA eligibility for	Is the facility located on: the Connecticut River between the Massachusetts/Connecticut state line
	species under	and Turners Falls, MA; the Taunton River; the Merrimack River between Lawrence, MA and the
	jurisdiction of NMFS	Atlantic Ocean; the Piscataqua River including the Salmon Falls and Cocheco Rivers; or a marine
		water?
		✓Yes □ No
		If yes, was the applicant authorized to discharge from the facility under the 2009 HYDROGP?
		✓Yes □ No
		If the discharge is to one of the named rivers above or to a marine water <i>and</i> the facility was not
		previously covered under the 2009 HYDROGP, has there been any previous formal or informal
		consultation with NMFS?   Yes   No
		Documentation of consultation attached? $\square$ Yes $\square$ No
F. Nat	tional Historic Propert	ties Act Eligibility
1.		iterion the discharge(s) is eligible for covered under the HYDROGP:
	Criterion A: No his	toric properties are present.
	<b>Criterion B</b> : Historic p	properties are present. The discharges and related activities do not have the potential to impact
	historic properties.	
	☐ <b>Criterion C</b> : Histori	ic properties are present. The discharges and related activities have the potential to impact or adversely
	impact historic pro	operties.
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2. Has the applicant attached supporting documentation for NHPA eligibility described in Appendix 3,	, Part C of the HYDROGP?			
☐ Yes ☑ No				
	W. (D.11.1111.)			
3. Does supporting documentation include a written agreement from the State Historic Preservation Of				
Officer, or other tribal representative that outlines measures the operation will carry out to mitigate	or prevent any adverse			
effects on historic properties?   Yes   No				
G. Supplemental Information				
Please provide any supplemental information, including antidegradation review information applic	cable to new or increased			
discharges. Attach any certifications required by the HYDROGP. Supplemental information attach	ned? □ Yes □ No			
H. Signature Requirements				
1. The NOI must be signed by the operator in accordance with the signatory requirements of 40 C.F.R.	§ 122.22, including the following			
certification:				
I certify under penalty of law that no chemical additives are used in the discharges to be authorized under this General Permit except for those used for pH adjustment or anti-freeze purposes and that this document and all attachments were prepared under my direction or supervision in accordance with a system designed to assure that qualified personnel properly gather and evaluate the information submitted. Based on my inquiry of the person or persons who manage the system, or those directly responsible for gathering the information, I certify that the information submitted is, to the best of my knowledge and belief, true, accurate, and complete. I certify that I am aware that there are significant penalties for submitting false information, including the possibility of fine and imprisonment for knowing violations.				
2. Notification provided to the appropriate State, including a copy of this NOI, if required?	☐ Yes ☐ No			
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Signature:	<b>Date:</b> Click or tap to enter a date, 04-25-2023			
Print Name and Title: Seas J. Iller, EHS Manager				

## **Lawrence Hydroelectric Project**

Lawrence, MA

Notice of Intent Attachment 1

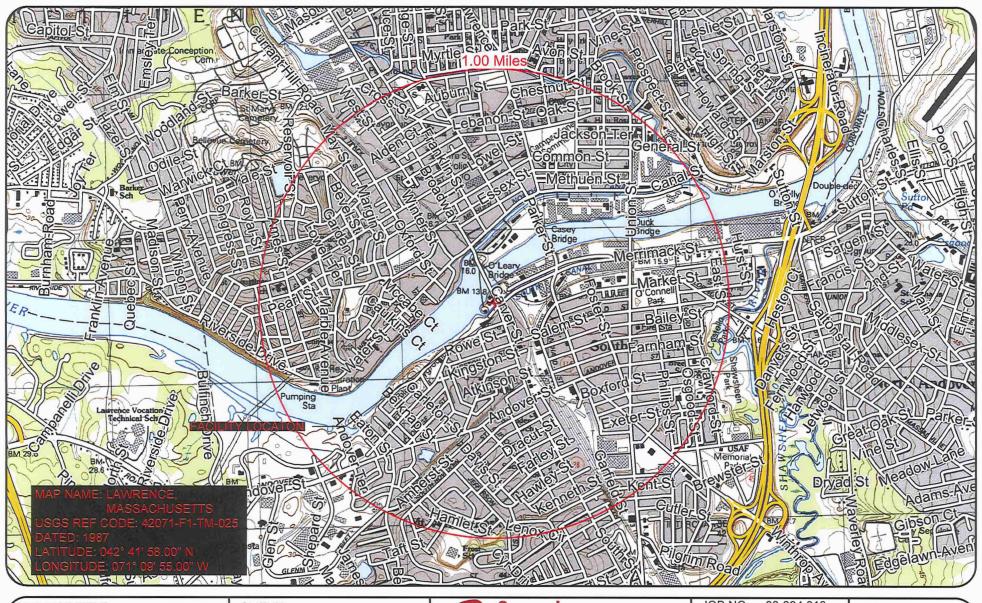


# Lawrence Hydroelectric Project Lawrence, MA

#### Notice of Intent Attachment 2

Outfall #	Latitude / Longitude	Discharge Type	Operations Contributing to Discharge	Average Daily Flow (GPD)	Flow Type	Treatment	Sample at least once per year?	Representative sampling location?
001	42° 41' 57.8" N 71° 09' 58.2" W	Equipment related cooling water	Non contact cooling water for Unit 1	0-432000	Continuous*	None	Yes	001
002	42° 41′ 57.9" N 71° 09′ 55.7" W	Equipment related cooling water	Non contact cooling water for Unit 2	0-432000	Continuous*	None	Yes	001
003	42° 41' 59.0" N 71° 09' 55.2" W	Equipment and floor drain water, Equipment related cooling water, Maintenance-related water, equipment-reated backwash and strainer water	Packing water for units 1 and 2. Lube oil heaters non contact cooling water, auto strainer for units 1 and 2, back flushes a few times per day. Station sump run intermittently.		Intermittent	None	Yes	003

<sup>\*</sup> Only when unit is in operation



PROJECT TITLE: NPDES Permitting	CLIENT: Lawrence Hyrdoelectric Project Boott Hydropower, Inc.
DRAWING TITLE: Site Location Map	JOB LOCATION: 9 South Broadway Lawrence, MA 01810

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SCALE:	1" = 2083'-0"	Figure	1
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flood flows, normal reservoir elevation with ice, and normal reservoir elevation with earthquake. Our staff has also inspected the existing portions of the project and found them to be in satisfactory condition. filed on March 2, 1978, an engineering consultant's field inspection and office report which found the dam to be sound and capable of continued use. The consultant suggested that additional subsurface explorations be made during excavation for the new powerhouse to ensure that the dam is founded on competent rock and to verify that there has been no undercutting at the contact of the dam with the foundation bedrock. Special Article 37 has been inserted in the license to require Licensees to make additional investigations by subsurface explorations during excavations for the powerhouse. If there is a need for remedial work, Article 37 also requires Licensees to submit a plan and schedule for such work to the Director of the Office of Electric Power Regulation.

#### Transmission Facilities

The electrical equipment associated with the turbine-generator units will be located in the powerhouse structure. No substations or switchyards will be constructed. Energy produced by the Lawrence Hydroelectric Project will travel approximately 2,500 feet via a 13.8 kV overhead power line to the existing Lawrence substation No. 1 of the Massachusetts Electric Company. The energy will then flow into the interconnected system of the New England Power Company. Thus, the transmission facilities to be included as part of Project No. 2800 consist of one 13.8 kV line approximately 2,500 feet long and appurtenant facilities to connect to the existing substation.

#### Fish and Wildlife

The National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) of the Department of Commerce, the Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS) of the Department of the Interior, the Office of the Secretary of the Department of the Interior (Interior), and the Division of Fisheries and Game of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts commented on the possible effects of the proposed project on fish and wildlife resources.

Interior noted that "[t]errestrial wildlife resources will not be affected by project construction or operation due to the fact that the project is located in an urban industrial area."

With regard to fisheries, Interior noted that Applicant had consulted with the Policy and Technical Committees for Anadromous Fishery Management of the Merrimack River. As a result, Applicant's proposal for fish passage and related facilities incorporated the comments and plans of the Massachusetts Division of Marine Fisheries, Massachusetts Division of Fisheries and Game, the New Hampshire Fish and Game Department, NMFS, and FWS.

NMFS expressed concern with respect to the protection and safety of adult shortnose sturgeon during downstream migration. Applicant met with officials from NMFS and provided that agency with sufficient information to demonstrate that adequate safeguards are incorporated in the project design. NMFS subsequently reported that, based on the additional information, it now concludes that the project will not have an adverse effect on any population of shortnosed sturgeon in the Merrimack River.

The FWS and the Massachusetts Division of Fisheries and Game both stated that no significant adverse impacts on fish species are expected from the construction or operation of Project No. 2800.

On January 27, 1978, Applicant filed an Exhibit S which incorporated the comments of the aforementioned agencies and which generally conforms to this Commission's Rules and Regulations. The Exhibit S, however, contains conceptual plans, and not functional design drawings for fish passage facilities. Therefore, the Exhibit S is approved only to the extent that it proposes measures to conserve and enhance fishery resources affected by the project and conceptual plans for fishways. Special Article 30 has been included in the license to require Licensees to file functional design drawings for fish passage facilities to be constructed at the project and to file "as-built" drawings following construction of the facilities.

Articles 15 and 16, 31 and 33 of the license for the Lawrence Hydroelectric Project also relate to fish and fish passage facilities. Articles 15 and 16 provide for the installation of additional fish passage facilities should they become necessary. Special Article 31 requires Licensees

to conduct operational studies and to file a final report to the Commission on the effectiveness of the proposed fish ladder. Special Article 33 provides for monitoring of the fish passage facilities for determining the presence of threatened or endangered species, and implementing any measures necessary to protect and conserve such species.

#### Navigation

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Corps) reported that the proposed Lawrence Hydroelectric Project will not be in conflict with any existing or anticipated Corps projects; that it will have no effect on the navigability of the Merrimack River; and that the plans of the structures for Project No. 2800 are approved in accordance with the provisions of Section 4(e) of the Federal Power Act. 5/

#### Water Quality and Minimum Flow

Interior reported that "[t]here is a need for determining instantaneous minimum flow requirements at this and other upstream dams." Interior added that until the upstream minimum flows are determined, a minimum release of 400 cfs should be required from the Lawrence Project. Once minimum releases are set for upstream dams, Interior recommended increasing Project No. 2800's minimum flow from 400 cfs to 890 cfs.

The Massachusetts Division of Water Pollution Control (MDWPC) commented on the effect of the proposed project on the water quality of the Merrimack River. MDWPC stated in its letter of July 5, 1978, that "the Division was concerned lest the regimen of the river would be so changed through the operation of the proposed facility that the Class B standard would be violated." MDWPC determined that a minimum of 951 cfs should be released from the Great Stone Dam to maintain the "B" classification for the Merrimack River. MDWPC then issued, in accordance with the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, 6/a Water Quality Certificate. The certificate subjects the project to a minimum release of 951 cfs unless and until the reservoir water surface elevation is drawn below the crest of the dam; thereupon the required minimum release would be equal to inflow.

<sup>5/</sup> We are not including a special article requiring the licensee to comply with the Federal Water Pollution Control Act Amendments of 1972, §404, because it would be superfluous.

 $<sup>\</sup>underline{6}$ / See Section 401 of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act Amendments of 1972.

Applicant noted in response that the ability to maintain minimum releases from the Great Stone Dam in excess of those recommended by Interior had been demonstrated to FWS and the Policy Committee for Anadromous Fishery Management of the Merrimack River. In reference to the minimum releases required by the Water Quality Certificate, Applicant stated that the project will be operated in a manner that will not cause a violation of applicable water quality standards.

Article 32 of the license requires Licensees to maintain a continuous minimum flow of 951 cfs unless and until the reservoir water surface elevation is drawn below the crest of the dam; thereupon the minimum release must equal inflow.

#### Recreation

Project No. 2800 will be located in a highly industrial area bounded by numerous light industries such as shoe and electronics manufacturers. 7/ The industrial nature of the area limits recreational development at the Lawrence Project. Notwithstanding this limitation, Applicant submitted an Exhibit R recreation plan which will allow public access and enjoyment of the historical aspects of the project area as well as the new power generating facility. In its Exhibit R, Applicant proposes to provide a parking area, sanitary facilities, access walkways to fish viewing facilities, picnic tables, and trash receptacles. Applicant also proposes to provide a multi-media slide/tape presentation on hydroelectric generation, the functioning of the fish passage facilities, and the history of the Great Stone Dam.

In these circumstances we conclude that the Exhibit R is adequate and should be approved.

#### Cultural Resources

The Great Stone Dam and the North Canal, two structures listed in the National Register of Historic Places, are part of the Lawrence Hydroelectric Project. The South Canal and its associated gatehouse structure are eligible, as determined by the Secretary of the Interior, for inclusion in the National Register. These cultural resources will not be adversely affected by the redevelopment and operation of hydroelectric facilities for Project No. 2800.

<sup>7/</sup> These light industries occupy buildings that once housed the textile mills for which the Great Stone Dam and canal system was constructed. At the turn of the century, the Lawrence textile center was the largest in the world.