

To: The Environmental Monitor

From: Trout Unlimited

Date: April 10, 2019

Re: Notification of filing an Ecological Restoration Limited Project Appendix A to Form 3, Notice of Intent for In-Stream Habitat Enhancement in two tributaries to Sanders Brook, Colrain, MA (42.724541, -72.786864)

Anticipated date of submission: April 29, 2019

The proposed project is to enhance up to one mile of in-stream woody habitat in two tributaries to Sanders Brook in the HO Cook State Forest in Colrain, MA, by adding 170-200 pieces of large wood per stream mile from the surrounding forest. The project would also help reconnect the river floodplain and restore the hydrologic and habitat connectivity within the forested watershed. This project seeks approval under the Massachusetts Wetlands Protection Act, (M.G.L. Ch. 131 §40; and 310 CMR 10.00) by the filing of a Notice of Intent (NOI) with the Colrain Conservation Commission. Sanders Brook and its tributaries are excellent coldwater brook trout fisheries in a protected forested landscape. The goal of this project is to improve coldwater habitat, groundwater exchange, and sediment transport, while improving flood resilience for downstream communities.

Reviewing Conservation Commission: Colrain Conservation Commission 55 Main Rd Colrain, MA, 01340 413-624-3356

Copies of the NOI may be examined or acquired from the Conservation Commission, or by contacting the applicant's representative, Erin Rodgers of Trout Unlimited at erin.rodgers@tu.org; or 603-852-8110 Monday and Friday between 9AM and 4PM.

See Conservation Commission website for the meeting schedule for exact dates and agendas on all public hearings.