

8. SIGNIFICANT NATURAL FEATURES

The project site is located on the Fore River, and the project will result in a small amount of fill and sheetpiles installed in the river. The area adjacent to the river has been filled within the past fifty years, and review of available data from the Maine DEP indicates that there are no Inland Waterfowl and Wading Bird or Shorebird habitats located in the project area.

The Fore River is a tidal river, and the project site is located within the 100-year flood plain. These conditions qualify the site as a wetland of special significance, and as a result, an Individual NRPA permit will be required. As part of the NRPA permitting process, the project is being sent to the Maine Natural Areas Program, the Maine Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife, and Maine Department of Marine Resources for review. Correspondence from these agencies will be forwarded upon receipt.