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**ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT  
FOR THE SEABROOK  
DUNE IMPROVEMENT PROJECT**

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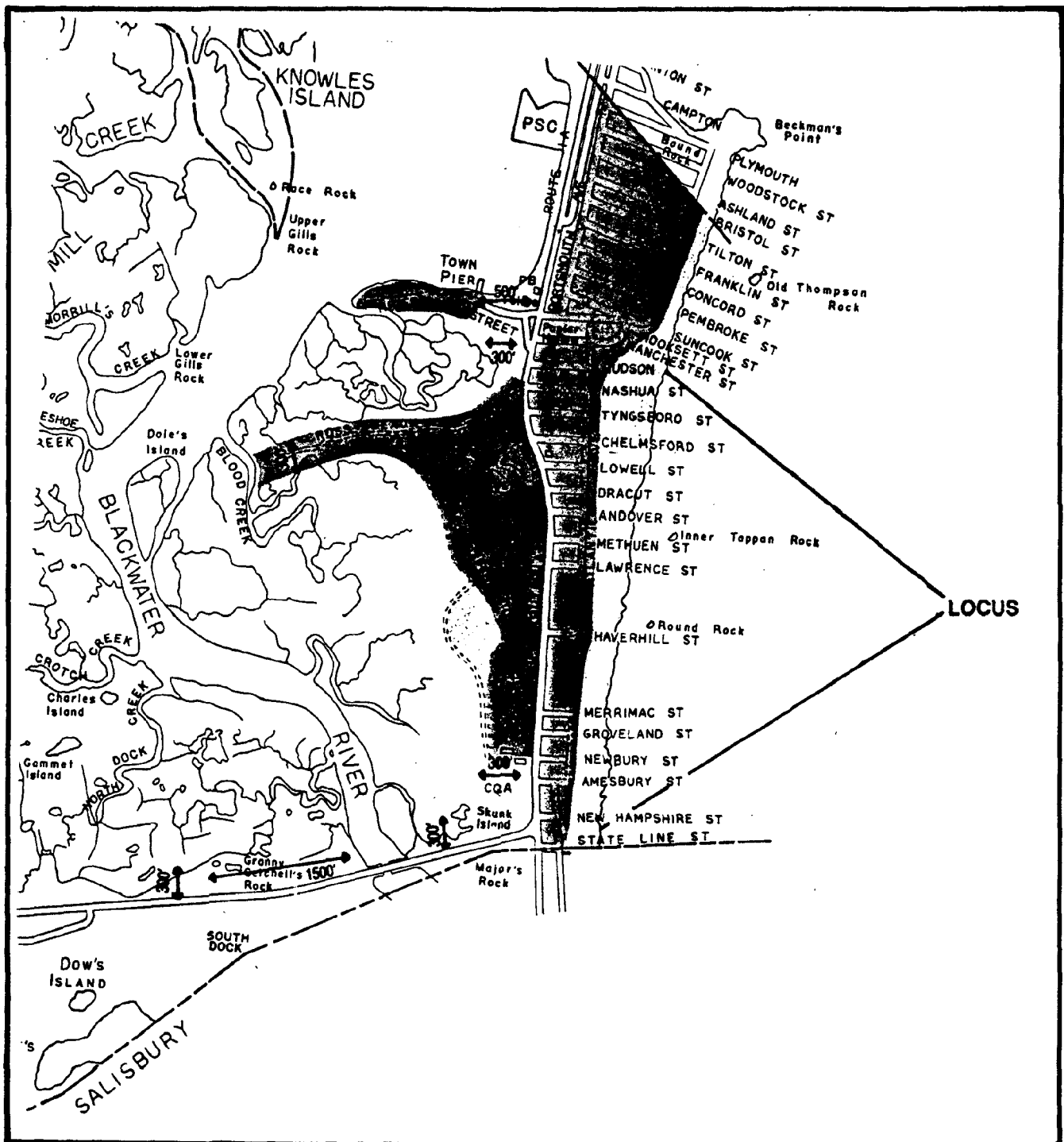
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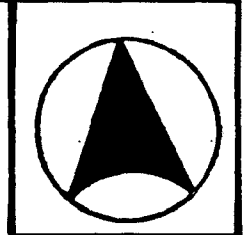
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## LOCUS MAP

SOURCE: TOWN ZONING MAP, SEABROOK, NEW HAMPSHIRE



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## **1.0 Introduction**

### **1.1 Background**

The Seabrook foredunes are one of three discreet sand dune areas remaining on the New Hampshire coast. These dunes are located within an approximate 5,400 ft. reach between State Line Street and Hooksett Street (Locus Map). Due to a meandering tidal inlet at Hampton Harbor to the north and varying sand supplies, these dunes have formed since the early 1900's as part of an accretional barrier spit system. The vertical and horizontal growth of the dunes provides for flood control and storm damage prevention which protects private and public property located further landward. Because these dunes have been badly eroded and degraded, their natural function capacity has been severely limited. Erosion and vegetation loss have been caused primarily by encroachment of adjacent beach users, and by pedestrian movement through these dunes at public access points leading to the beach.

### **1.2 Purpose**

The purpose of this project is to identify measures to improve and restore the dunes where they have been eroded, damaged or not allowed to grow; to identify the availability, volume, and cost of materials; and, to develop a pedestrian circulation plan which includes specifications for walkway construction through the dunes. All measures, materials, and plans will be used or designed to be used for recreation purposes, as required by zoning.

The primary effort is focused on improving the beach access routes extending seaward from 14 public streetends. Improvement and restoration of degraded dunes between these extended street accessways is also part of the project. Dune form, volume, and vegetation are the primary characteristics necessary to protect the natural functional capacity of the foredunes.

### **1.3 Approach**

A three-phase work plan was implemented to provide the Town with 1) planning and conceptual design, 2) preliminary engineering and environmental assessment and 3) final design. Meetings were conducted with the Conservation Commission and the Town Administrative Assistant. Field measurements and observations, ground photos, and discussions with beachgoers occurred during the summer of 1988. Existing aerial photos and topographic information were combined to provide four base maps at a scale of 1" = 50'. Construction materials, sources, and costs for access routes, dune protection, waste disposal, and signage are documented in the environmental assessment narrative and, to the extent necessary, provided on the project plans. Construction priorities (i.e., high, moderate, and low) are proposed to allow the Town flexibility in completing the project within its financial ability.

## **2.0 Existing Conditions**

### **2.1 General Description**

The Seabrook foredunes are located seaward of and parallel to U.S. Route 1A (between State Line Street and Haverhill Street) and Atlantic Avenue (between Haverhill Street and Hudson Street). Private ownership seaward of the street-ends off Route 1A and Atlantic Avenue is limited to a zone of single house lots approximately 100' deep. A total of over 60 lots define this zone as developed with residential dwellings, pools, garages, and

landscaping features which have modified the dune environment. It is the area between these properties and the beach which is owned by the Town of Seabrook and is in need of improvements. In general, the land between the privately-owned properties that provides an entry to the dunes from the street-ends no longer exhibit the surficial characteristics (e.g., sediment and vegetation) of the natural dune. The predicted 100-year storm elevations for this stretch of dunes is 14' NGVD as mapped by the Federal Emergency Management Agency in August 1985.

In general the dunes north of State Line Street become wider, higher, more stable, and less used for beach access. The dunes are generally composed of a single swale and ridge system. Nearby residents have paid for construction and have placed different access structures along the public access ways; however, these are temporary and deterioration of the dunes continues.

The dominant vegetative species throughout the foredune swale and ridge system is American beachgrass (Ammophila brevigulata, dom.). Other species observed in the swales include beach heather (Hudsonia tomentosa) and seaside golden rod (Solidago sempervirens). Beach pea (Lathyrus maritimus), poison ivy (Rhus radicans), daisy miller (Artemisia stelleriana), and salt-spray rose (Rosa rugosa) were observed within the dune ridge. No wildlife was observed in the dune system during four, summer, daytime site visits. Within the northern most 2200 feet of dune from Lawrence to Hooksett Streets, dune toe areas ranging from 30 ft to 65 feet exhibit newly established stands of American beachgrass.

The predominant cause of dune destruction is pedestrian traffic accessing the beach. In addition, numerous recreational and aesthetic uses conflict with proper dune management. These include artificial cuts for views of the ocean from dwellings, cleared and flattened pathways and areas for boat storage, volleyball courts, sitting and lying areas protected from the wind and cookout areas.

## 2.2 Street-end Accessways

Public access to the beach in Seabrook is provided in areas extending seaward from some 14 public streets (see Locus Map) listed as follows:

- |                  |                |
|------------------|----------------|
| 1. New Hampshire | 8. Andover     |
| 2. Amesbury      | 9. Dracut      |
| 3. Newbury       | 10. Lowell     |
| 4. Groveland     | 11. Chelmsford |
| 5. Haverhill     | 12. Tyngsboro  |
| 6. Lawrence      | 13. Nashua     |
| 7. Methuen       | 14. Hudson     |

Hooksett Street, located north of Hudson Street is an additional public access, but was not included in this project. In addition to pedestrian use, vehicular use is allowed by deed only at Haverhill Street. New Hampshire Street is currently used by town-owned vehicles for beach trash pick-up in lieu of State Line Street. Evidence of small off-road vehicles was also observed at several other streetends.

Specific measurements (i.e., profiles) of the existing topography along the street-end accessways were taken in June 1988. Distances and elevational changes were recorded starting at the street-ends and finishing at the low-tide water line (Table 1). Four distinct

zones along each profile were determined (i.e., entry, dune swale, dune ridge, and beach) in order to differentiate between potential walkway treatments.

The dune swale and ridge system ranges between 200 ft. from street-ends to the beach and 525 ft. in width at Newbury and Nashua Streets, respectively. The crests of these dunes range between 4.1 ft. and 8.3 ft. above the street elevations with extremes of 1.5 ft. and 10.8 ft. at Haverhill and Andover Streets, respectively (Table 2). The distances from the dune crest to the summer berm varied from 150 ft. to 275 ft.

Each profile is graphically represented in Appendix A to show the variation in topography from the entry to the beach. Superimposed on the profile in a lighter-weight line is the adjacent grade to demonstrate how much of a cut presently exists in the dune. This information was used to calculate the amount of fill necessary to improve the integrity (e.g., form and volume) of the dune.

### **3.0 Proposed Project**

#### **3.1 General Description**

Improvements to the Seabrook dunes are necessary to address a number of related concerns including access and dune protection. These include the introduction of sand to be used as fill material, salt-tolerant vegetation, walkway structures, fencing, signage, and the potential of ancillary features to provide additional dune protection and pedestrian comfort. The locations of accessways and areas proposed for fill and vegetation are shown on plans developed by Wright-Pierce Engineers. Fill and vegetation areas are differentiated between those associated with public access and those impacted from private intervention. Typical details, cross-sections, and plan views are also included on the plans. A general description of each improvement measure/feature is provided below.

##### **Sand:**

Sand to be used as fill material is the singlemost important feature of any dune improvement program. The form and volume of a foredune is critical for flood control and sediment supply for eroding beaches and should be restored so that equal protection is provided across the entire foredune ridge. Although the existing foredune is composed of fine wind-blown sand, a medium-sized sand is present in and around the accessway cuts through the ridge. For fill purposes, the sand should be washed (e.g., clean of silt and clay fractions) and can vary between the fine- and medium-sized fractions. Volumes calculated for each street accessway are tabulated (Table 3) and totals approximately 13,000 cubic yards. An additional 10,000 cubic yards is required for cuts located between the street accessways (Table 5).

Potential sources for sand fill were identified outside of the project area. Existing beach and dune sand is not recommended for use in this project. Sand and gravel companies can provide fill material and provide it by truck. The sand could be off loaded in the entry of each street and smaller loaders or trucks would place the sand starting at the dune toe and finishing in the dune swale. The cost for sand is approximately \$5.00 per cubic yard, delivered, resulting in a total project cost of approximately \$115,000.

Another source of sand could be dredged material from Hampton Harbor. Possible disposal methods could include direct hydraulic pumping to the dunes, creating a spoil area on land and trucking it to the site or carrying the sand to the vicinity by barge and off loading it to



the beach for additional handling by trucks/loaders. A Corps of Engineer 404 Permit (#11-78-557) was issued in 1978 and subsequently used in the spring of 1979 and 1987 for the dredging of approximately 75,000 cubic yards, of which 25,000 cubic yards were satisfactory for beach nourishment. The Conservation Commission would be the most likely agent for pursuing this alternative.

### **Vegetation**

Salt-tolerant vegetation is critical to a dune improvement program for the purposes of stabilization and increased sand-trapping. American beachgrass is the most common species used for replanting dunes and is commercially available. Typically, there are three stems to a culm and 100 culms in a bundle. Approximately 66,800 culms (Table 4) and 22,000 culms (Table 5) have been calculated for the street accessways and areas in between, respectively. The total project need is approximately 888 bundles. At a rate of \$20.00 per bundle the total cost would be \$17,760 for materials.

Planting methods for the beachgrass culms consist of the following:

1. Space the culms 12-24 inches apart (18 inches is preferable).
2. Plant at a depth of 6-8 inches.
3. Plant between November 15 and April 15.
4. Fertilize with granular 10-10-10 or preferably three parts nitrogen to one part phosphorus.
5. Apply 80 pounds of nitrogen and 25 pounds of phosphorus per acre in the early spring. A first-year application is adequate.

Alternatives to purchasing beachgrass would be transplanting existing grasses from the dune toe to ridge and swale areas or harvesting seeds from existing plants and sidecasting them. Each alternative would be more labor intensive and the rate of success for growth from seeds is unknown.

### **Access Structures**

Various construction materials and designs for walkways from the street-ends to the beach are proposed. To be consistent with existing efforts, concrete patio blocks are proposed in the entry sections of the street accessways (see plan detail). These areas have firm, gravelly soils and are not subject to wind erosion.

At grade pressure-treated wood walkways connected by galvanized cable, similar to that at State Line Street and preferred by the Conservation Commission, are proposed for a majority of the accessways through the swale and ridge environments. The weight of these walkways will prevent them from shifting throughout the year, yet they can be lifted to adjust to any changing form of the dune. They may be constructed in place but must be installed after the fill has been provided. They are four feet wide for pedestrian use and eight feet wide for vehicles at Haverhill Street.

Elevated wood access is proposed at two locations (Amesbury and Lawrence Streets) for the purpose of allowing possible construction over existing vegetation and providing a view of the beach and dune environment. Elevated observation decks are also proposed for these sites and for Tyngsboro Street to provide resting and viewing use. Two to three feet of separation between the walkway or deck and the grade must be allowed to permit growth of dune vegetation.

At-grade wooden planks are proposed for the dune toe areas north of Lawrence Street which may be prone to damage from winter storms. These lighter structures also connected by galvanized cables could be removed during the winter at the same time trash cans are now removed. While cutting of the dune is not a problem in these areas at the present time, it may be in the future if dune growth continues. In addition, a complete access link from the dune ridge to the beach is maintained.

### **Fencing**

Protection of newly planted grasses, establishment of pedestrian circulation patterns, and potential dune sand accumulation are the primary reasons for proposed sand fencing. Approximately 2,000 linear feet of fencing is proposed seaward of the dune ridge in conjunction with the planting and walkway schemes. Proposed materials consist of wood-slat-and-wire and metal fence posts. The estimated cost is \$1,030.00 for 2,000 linear feet.

An alternative material for the sand fence is a high modulus polymer "Tensar" structure. Some advantages over the wood-slat-and-wire are: it will not rust, rot, or corrode; has five times the service life; has one-fourth the weight; have one-fifth the rolled diameter; and won't be broken up for firewood. The estimated cost is slightly higher than the other wood-slat fence.

### **Ancillary Features**

Several features are proposed to further protect the dunes and provide comfort to the beachgoer. Signs to identify beach access points for the handicapped and to keep off the dunes will be provided at appropriate locations. Existing trash cans will be placed on removable at-grade wooden platforms. Additional features at the entry to each accessway which may be appropriate and include split-rail fencing to confine the entrance for pedestrians only, as well as, park benches and shade trees for relief on sunny days after long walks to and from the beach. (Table 7).

### **3.2 Street-end Accessways**

Specific recommendations and measurements for access features are listed by street in Table 6. This information was used to project the cost of materials for each access and the project total including sand fill, grass, and fencing (Table 9). A list of vendors is included in Appendix B as sources for materials outlined in this report.

Based on field data and observations, a priority list for dune improvements was compiled for the streets within the project area (Table 8). Factors considered include: 1) the overall distance to the beach, noting a higher need for sand fill and planting to protect facilities in close proximity to the ocean; 2) dune length, noting a need to protect narrow dune swale and ridge areas; and, 3) dune height, noting a need to protect low ridge or extreme cuts in the dune. Beach use was considered to a limited extent (i.e., no specific counts were made) so that walkway priorities could also be suggested. It was determined that construction priorities for the walkways would be consistent with the final ratings for dune improvements.

A three-year program of dune improvement and walkway construction conducted on a street-by-street basis would result in the following:

	<u>Street</u>	<u>Material Cost</u>
Year 1	New Hampshire	\$4,054.00
	Newbury	2,544.26
	Groveland	3,198.01
	Lawrence	<u>5,586.50</u>
	Subtotal	\$15,382.77
Year 2	Amesbury	\$ 6,882.00
	Haverhill	31,922.54
	Methuen	3,755.25
	Andover	5,398.34
	Lowell	<u>6,997.61</u>
	Subtotal	\$54,955.74
Year 3	Dracut	\$ 4,676.06
	Chelmsford	12,215.86
	Tyngsboro	12,468.77
	Nashua	13,049.88
	Hudson	<u>9,479.75</u>
	Subtotal	\$51,890.32

Another strategy would be to first restore and improve the dune stability and integrity and then construct walkway structures. By separating the project in this manner, costs would break down into those for dune improvements and for walkway structures.

## 4.0 Impact Assessment

Anticipated impacts of the proposed project were evaluated on the basis of various public interest factors used by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. The following checklist summarizes the anticipated impacts of the proposed project. On weighing the various factors, the net environmental effects are considered to be positive.

### 4.1 Effects on Public Interest Factors:

CODE:	+ (Beneficial)	- (Adverse )	(0 Negligible Effect)
	0 Water Quality		0 Drainage
	+ Flooding		+ Circulation Patterns
	0 Economics		+ Erosion/Accretion
	- Aesthetics		0 Land Use Classification
	0 Wildlife		0 Energy Needs
	0 Finfish/Plankton		0 Air Quality
	0 Food and Fiber Production		0 Noise
	+ Floodplain Values		0 Safety

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Needs and Welfare of the People | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Recreation |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Benthic Flora & Fauna           | <input type="checkbox"/> Mineral Needs         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Water Supply and Conservation   | <input type="checkbox"/> Other                 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Historical                      |  |

#### 4.2 Evaluation of Affected Public Interest Factors

Factor	Anticipated Effect (Beneficial +; Adverse -)	Comment
Flooding	+	Dune form, volume, and vegetative stability will improve the flood control function.
Aesthetics	-	Existing and created waterviews will be lost for certain landowners.
Floodplain Values	+	Physical improvements as well as educational signs to keep off dunes will enhance natural values.
Circulation Patterns	+	Pedestrian and vehicular traffic will be controlled and enhanced with wooden structures.
Erosion/Accretion	+	Additional sand fill and grasses will increase the ability of the dune to provide sediment to eroding beaches.

### 5.0 Permit Requirements

The New Hampshire Coastal Program under the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services and the New Hampshire Office of State Planning have jurisdictional control over activities in the Seabrook Sand Dunes. Any activity, even improvements, must be permitted prior to the commencement of work. (RSA: 483-A).

A sample Dredge and Fill Permit Application with appropriate enclosures is included in Appendix C. This application should be fully completed and sent to:

Delbert Downing, Chairman  
New Hampshire Wetland Board  
P. O. Box 2008  
Concord, New Hampshire 03303-2008

Office of State Planning  
2 1/2 Beacon Street  
Concord, New Hampshire 03301

**Table 1****APPROXIMATE LENGTHS (IN FEET) OF ACCESS SEGMENTS**

	<b>Street</b>	<b>Entry</b>	<b>Dune Swale</b>	<b>Dune Ridge</b>	<b>Upper Beach</b>	<b>Total</b>
1.	New Hampshire	100	---	150	50	300
2.	Amesbury	75	50	175	25	325
3.	Newbury	---	25	150	25	200
4.	Groveland	---	50	150	25	225
5.	Haverhill	100	75	150	25	350
6.	Lawrence	100	25	100	50	275
7.	Methuen	125	50	150	25	350
8.	Andover	125	50	200	25	400
9.	Dracut	150	75	175	25	425
10.	Lowell	100	100	200	25	425
11.	Chelmsford	125	125	225	---	475
12.	Tyngsboro	100	150	250	---	500
13.	Nashua	100	100	275	50	525
14.	Hudson	50	150	200	25	425

**Table 2**
**FLOOD CONTROL CHARACTERISTICS OF EXISTING  
AND PROPOSED DUNES**

Street	Dune Height (ft)		Distance (ft) from Crest to Berm	
	Existing	Proposed	Existing	Proposed
1. New Hampshire	3.9	7.4	150	175
2. Amesbury	7.1	10.9	150	150
3. Newbury	5.9	7.7	200	175
4. Groveland	8.8	12.1	200	200
5. Haverhill	1.5	16.5	150	175
6. Lawrence	3.3	7.8	200	175
7. Methuen	7.9	11.2	150	125
8. Andover	10.8	13.1	150	150
9. Dracut	8.8	11.2	175	150
10. Lowell	5.1	8.9	217	142
11. Chelmsford	5.7	10.0	200	175
12. Tyngsboro	6.5	10.4	150	150
13. Nashua	7.8	9.7	275	225
14. Hudson	7.4	11.8	225	150

**SUMMARY**

Crest/ Berm	#	Dune Heights		Change
		Avg. Existing	Avg. Proposed	
<150	(2)	6.5	10.2	+3.7
150	(5)	7.5	11.5	+4
175	(5)	4.1	9.9	+5.8
>200	(2)	8.3	10.9	+2.6

**Table 3****APPROXIMATE FILL VOLUMES**

<b>Street</b>	<b>Swale Fill (ft<sup>3</sup>)</b>	<b>Dune Fill (ft<sup>3</sup>)</b>	<b>Total Fill (ft<sup>3</sup>)</b>	<b>Cubic Yards</b>
1. New Hampshire	---	10,255	10,255	380
2. Amesbury	---	18,823	18,823	697
3. Newbury	---	2,645	2,645	98
4. Groveland	---	3,882	3,882	144
5. Haverhill	---	132,937	132,937	4,924
6. Lawrence	---	4,775	4,775	177
7. Methuen	---	2,028	2,028	75
8. Andover	---	9,693	9,693	359
9. Dracut	---	3,909	3,909	145
10. Lowell	---	10,077	10,077	373
11. Chelmsford	17,872	18,021	35,893	1,329
12. Tyngsboro	19,921	16,428	36,349	1,346
13. Nashua	32,065	3,611	39,676	1,469
14. Hudson	23,555	16,291	39,846	1,476

**Total Yards = 12,992 x \$5/yard = \$64,961**

**Table 4**

**APPROXIMATE AREA PROPOSED FOR  
REVEGETATION ALONG EACH STREET ACCESS  
INCLUDING ADJACENT DUNE TOE AREAS**

Street		Acreage	Square Feet	x(.45) = Culms
1.	New Hampshire	.1806	7,867	3,540
2.	Amesbury	.2784	12,127	5,640
3.	Newbury	.0756	3,293	1,480
4.	Groveland	.1573	6,852	3,080
5.	Haverhill	.4813	20,965	9,430
6.	Lawrence	.1503	6,547	2,950
7.	Methuen	.1337	5,824	2,620
8.	Andover	.1346	5,863	2,640
9.	Dracut	.2310	10,062	4,530
10.	Lowell	.2955	12,872	5,790
11.	Chelmsford	.4341	18,909	8,510
12.	Tyngsboro	.3327	14,492	6,520
13.	Nashua	.2990	13,024	5,860
14.	Hudson	.2242	9,766	4,395
Total		3.4083	148,465	66,810



**Table 5****APPROXIMATE FILL VOLUMES AND REVEGETATION AREAS FOR  
BEACHES AT PRIVATELY CREATED ACCESS POINTS**

<b>Location*</b>	<b>Sand Fill (Cu. Yards)</b>	<b>Grass Plantings (Sq. Feet)</b>	<b>No. Culms X(.45)</b>
A	1,389	2,500	1,125
B	1,259	4,250	1,913
C	185	1,000	450
D	163	1,100	495
E	-----	1,000	450
F	148	800	360
G	-----	2,250	1,013
H	90	696	313
I	84	760	342
J	41	368	166
K	1,778	6,000	2,700
L	41	-----	-----
M	-----	1,800	810
N	856	7,700	3,465
O	1,926	6,500	2,925
P	1,102	4,250	1,913
Q	267	1,800	810
R	-----	1,300	585
S	100	900	405
T	600	3,240	1,458
U	-----	600	270
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>10,029</b>	<b>48,814</b>	<b>21,968</b>

\*See plans for exact location relative to street accessways.

**Table 6**

**ACCURATE MEASUREMENTS IN FEET AND  
RECOMMENDED ACCESS FEATURES**

Street	Entry		Dune Swale/Ridge		Dune Toe	
1. New Hampshire	90	E	150	B*		X
2. Amesbury	88	E	192	EW, OD		X
3. Newbury	---	---	156	B		X
4. Groveland	19	PB	176	B		X
5. Haverhill	---	---	274	B*		X
6. Lawrence	90	PB	200	EW, OD	28	WP, X
7. Methuen	90	PB	225	B	56	WP, X
8. Andover	126	PB	234	B	28	WP, X
9. Dracut	167	PB	196	B	50	WP, X
10. Lowell	100	PB	291	B	50	WP, X
11. Chelmsford	100	PB	316	B, OD	60	WP, X
12. Tyngsboro	100	PB	362	B	58	WP, X
13. Nashua	62	PB	438	B	60	WP, X
14. Hudson	---	---	100	B	62	WP, X

B = Boardwalk  
 EW = Elevated Walkway  
 OD = Observation Deck  
 \* = 8 feet wide  
 -- = not in existence

E = Existing Gravel  
 PB = Patio Block  
 WP = Wooden Planks  
 x = platform for trashcan

**Table 7**

**ANCILLARY ACCESS TREATMENT FOR ADDED DUNE  
PROTECTION AND PEDESTRIAN COMFORT**

	<b>Split Rail Fence</b>	<b>Shade Trees</b>	<b>Park Bench</b>
New Hampshire	X		
Amesbury	X		
Newbury	X		
Groveland	X		
Lawrence	X		
Methuen		X	X
Andover			X
Dracut	X	X	X
Chelmsford	X	X	X
Tyngsboro	X	X	X
Nashua	X	X	X

## Table 8

### RESTORATION PRIORITIES BASED ON THREE CRITERIA

Street	Overall Distance	Dune Length	Dune Height	Veg. Cover*	Final Rating
1. New Hampshire	H	H	H	M	H
2. Amesbury	H	M	M	H	M
3. Newbury	H	H	H	L	H
4. Groveland	H	H	L	L	H
5. Haverhill	M	M	H	H	M
6. Lawrence	H	H	H	L	H
7. Methuen	M	H	L	L	M
8. Andover	M	M	L	L	M
9. Dracut	L	M	L	H	L
10. Lowell	L	M	H	H	M
11. Chelmsford	L	L	H	H	L
12. Tyngsboro	L	L	M	H	L
13. Nashua	L	L	L	H	L
14. Hudson	L	L	M	M	L

H = High

M = Moderate

L = Low

\*Excluded from final rating

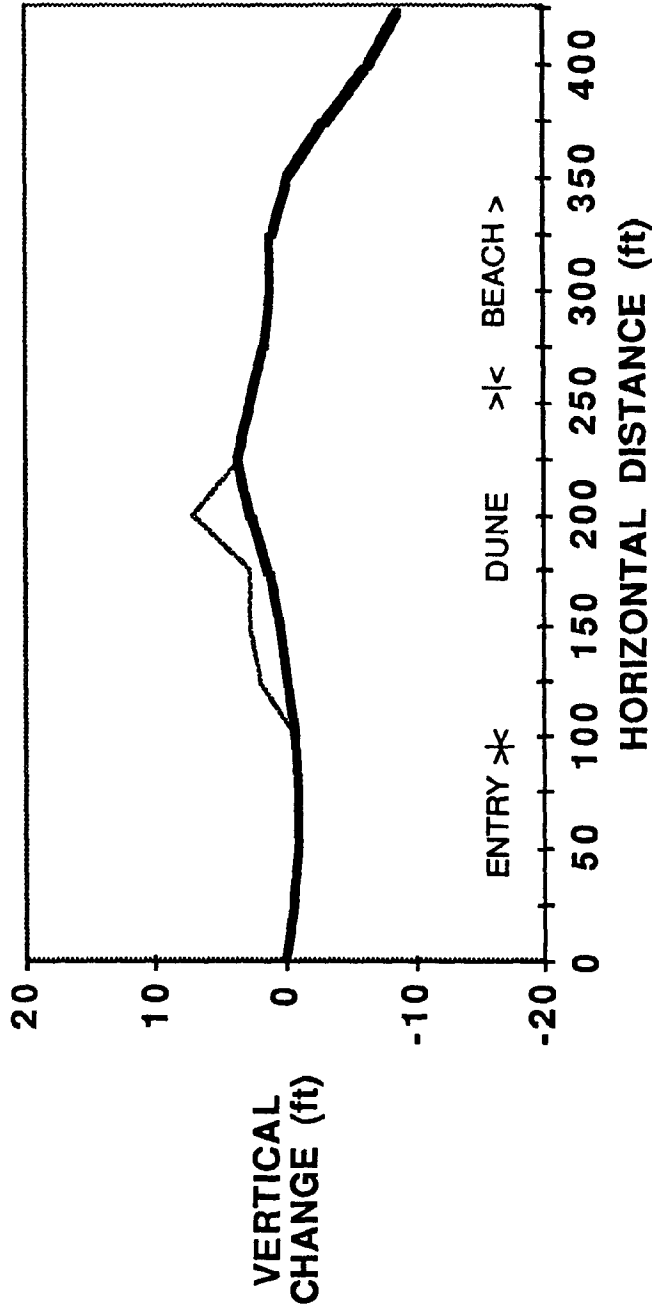
**Table 9****ESTIMATED COSTS OF MATERIALS FOR  
EACH STREET-END ACCESSWAY**

<u>Street</u>	<u>Sand</u>	<u>Grass</u>	<u>Entry</u>	<u>Swale/Ridge</u>	<u>Toe</u>	<u>Total</u>
New Hampshire	1,900	885	-----	1,269	---	4,054
Amesbury	3,485	1,477	-----	1,920	---	6,882
Newbury	490	735	-----	1,320	---	2,545
Groveland	720	871	118	1,489	---	3,198
Haverhill	24,620	4,985	-----	2,318	---	31,923
Lawrence	885	2,073	558	2,000	70	5,586
Methuen	375	779	558	1,904	140	3,756
Andover	1,795	772	781	1,980	70	5,398
Dracut	725	1,133	1,036	1,658	125	4,677
Lowell	1,865	1,926	620	2,462	150	7,023
Chelmsford	6,645	2,128	620	2,673	150	12,216
Tyngsboro	6,730	1,911	620	2,673	150	12,084
Nashua	7,345	1,465	384	3,706	150	13,050
Hudson	7,380	1,099	-----	846	155	9,480
<hr/>						
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$64,960</b>	<b>\$22,239</b>	<b>\$5,295</b>	<b>\$28,218</b>	<b>\$1,160</b>	<b>\$123,175*</b>

\*Includes \$273 for observation decks and \$1,030 for sand fencing. Add \$50,000 to include 10,000 cubic yards of sand per Table 5.

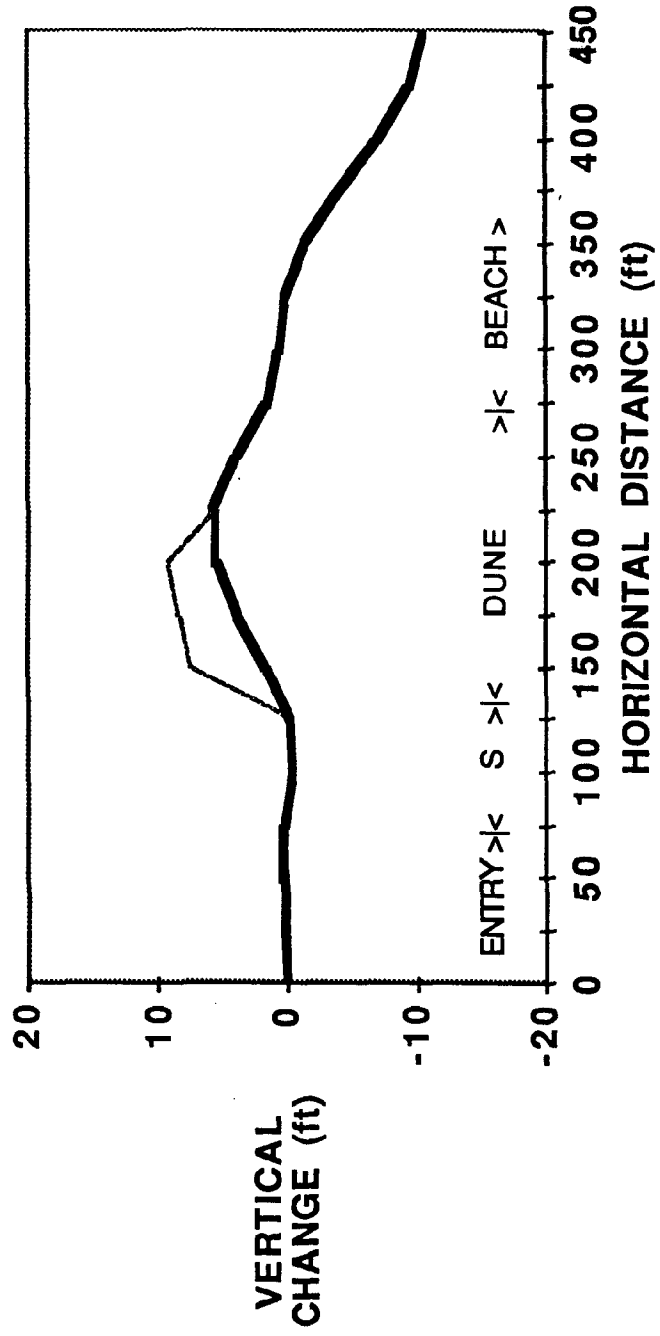
**Appendix A**  
**Sand Dune Profiles**

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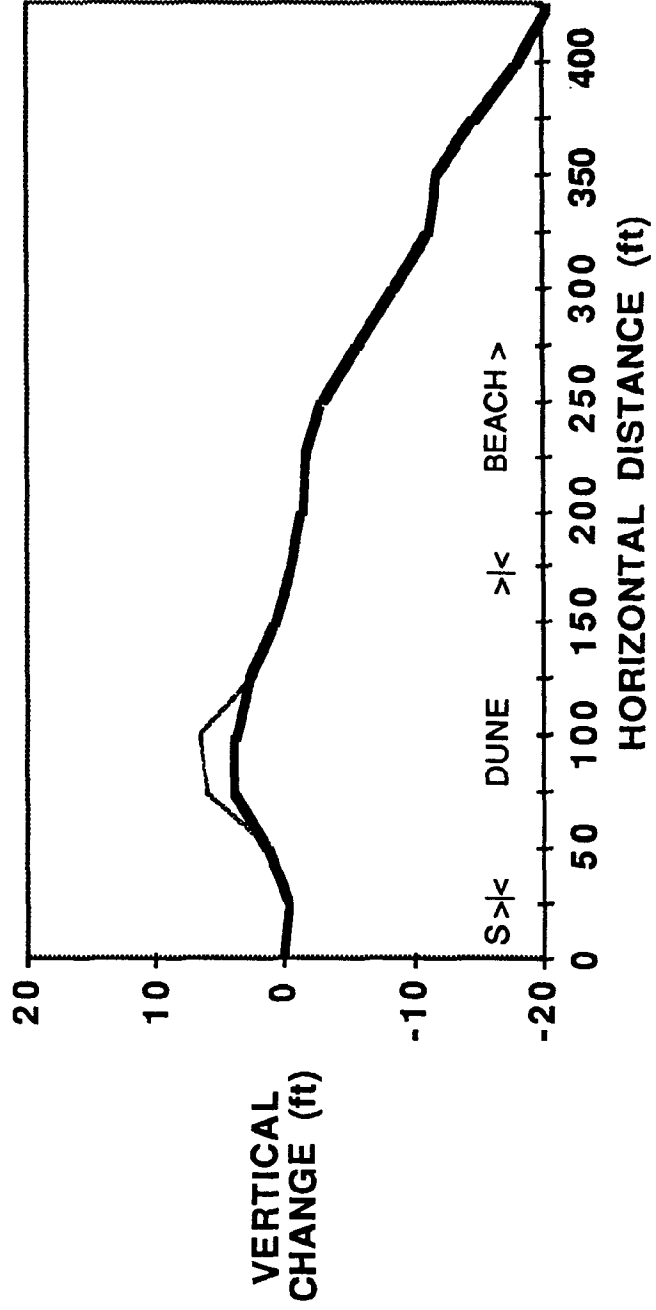
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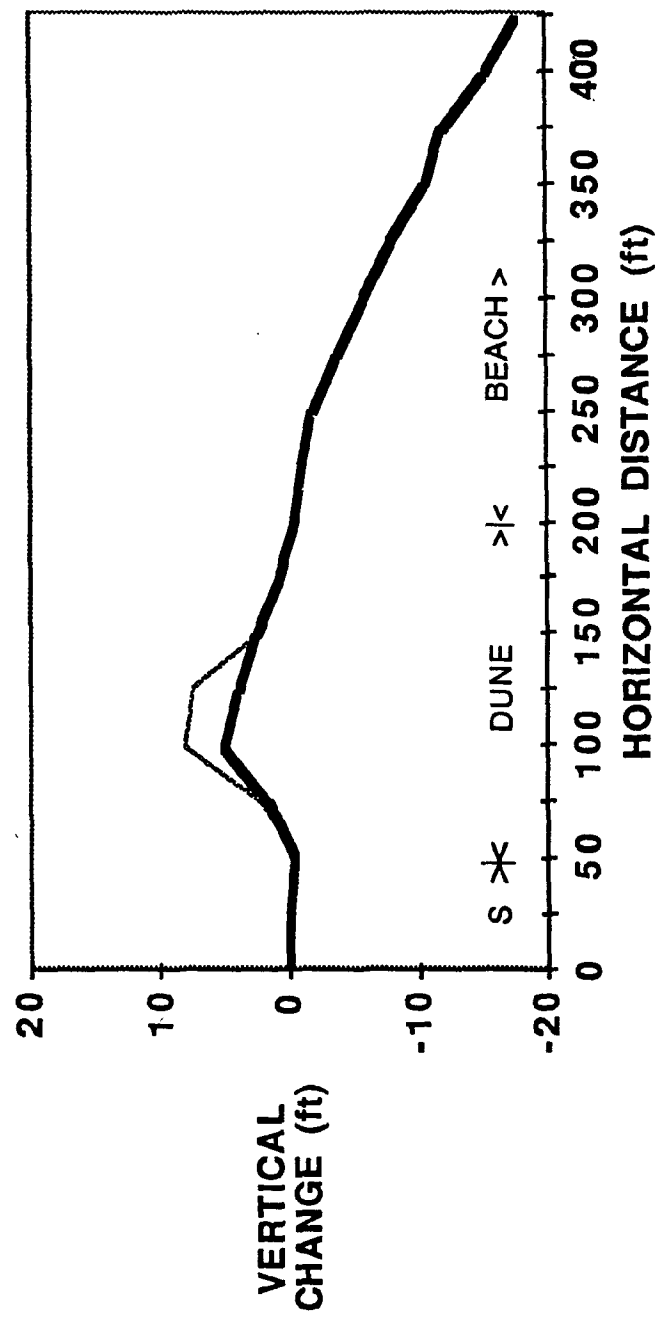


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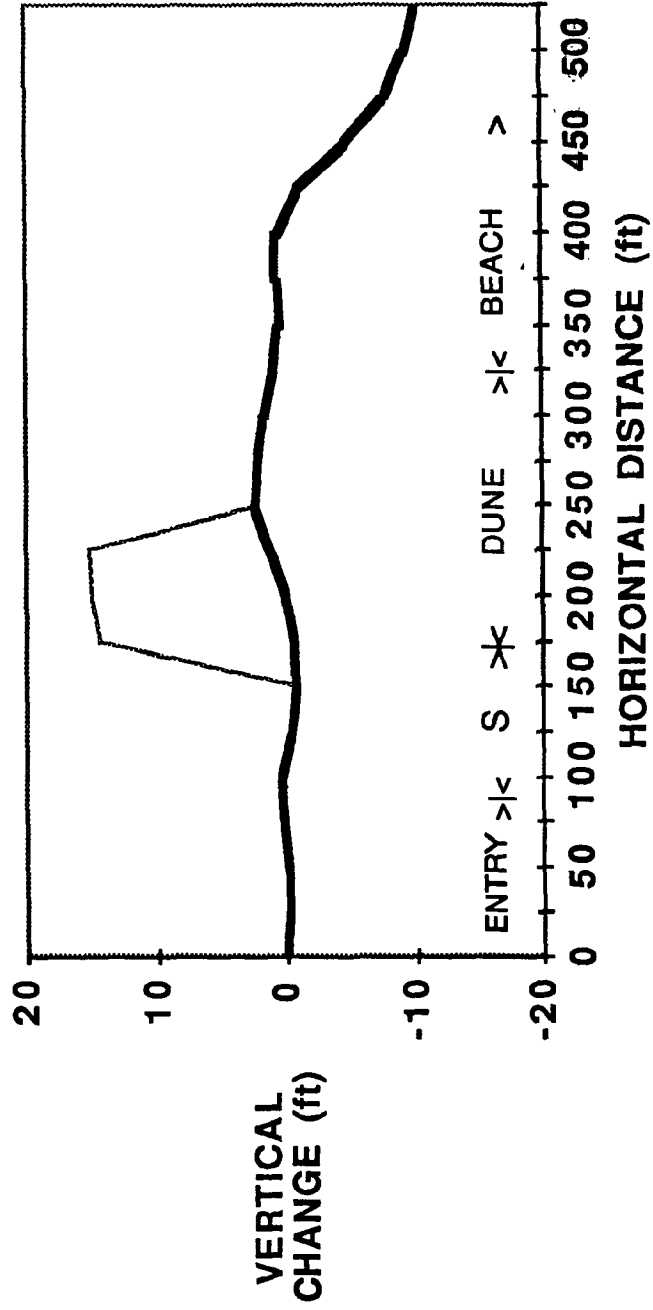


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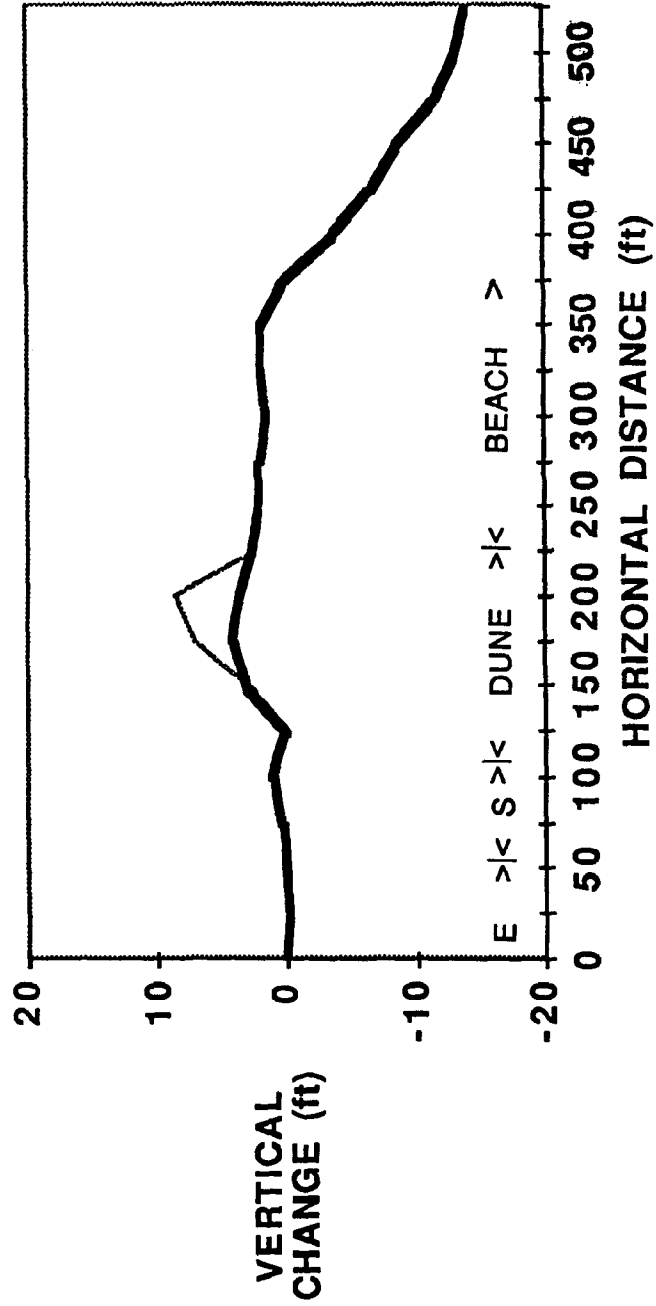
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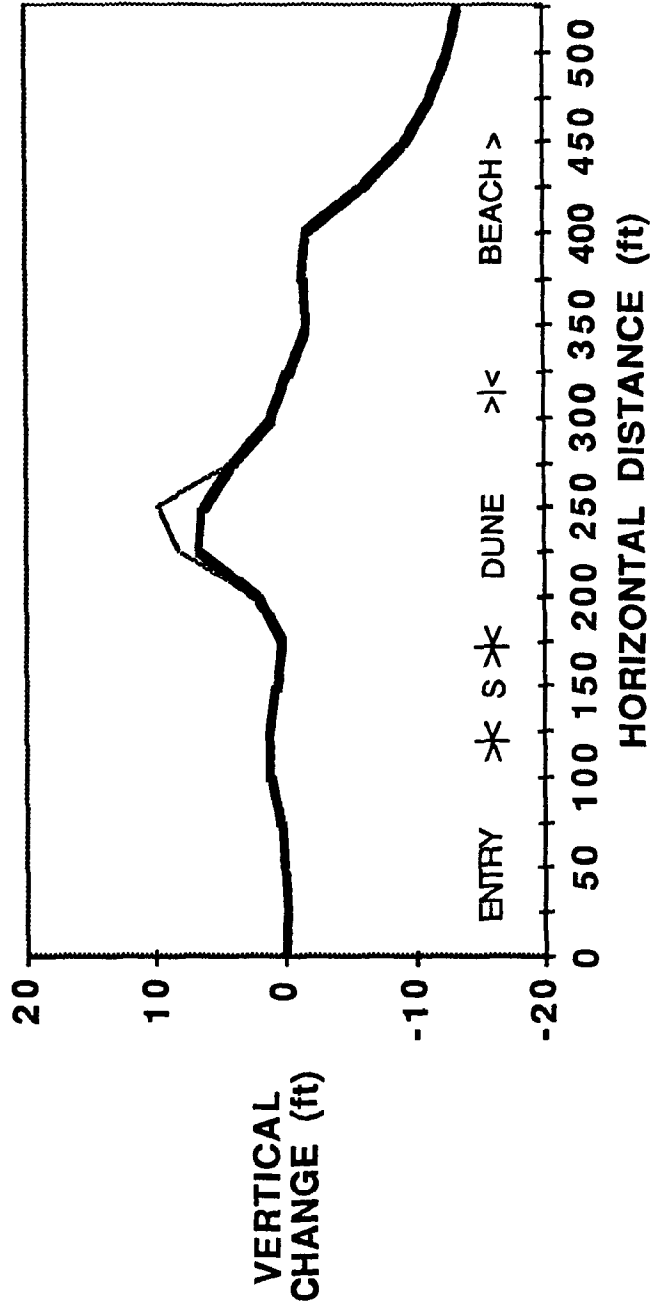
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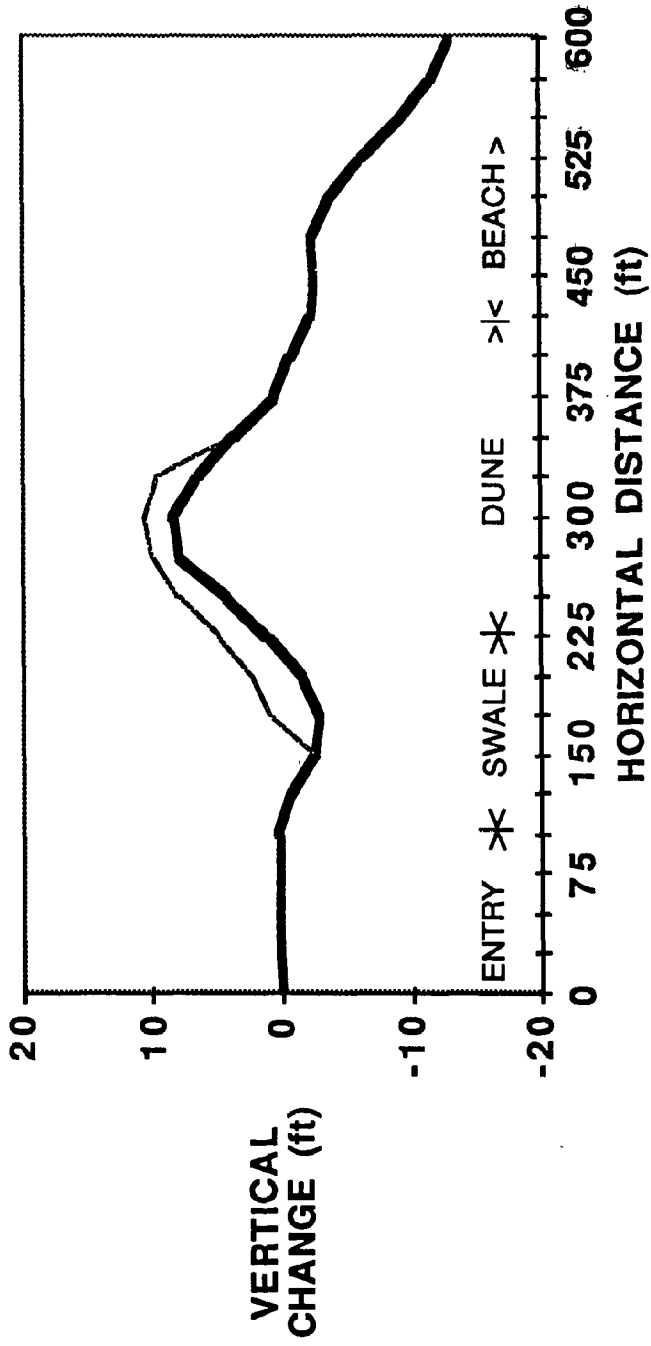
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# Profile #7 - Methuen Street

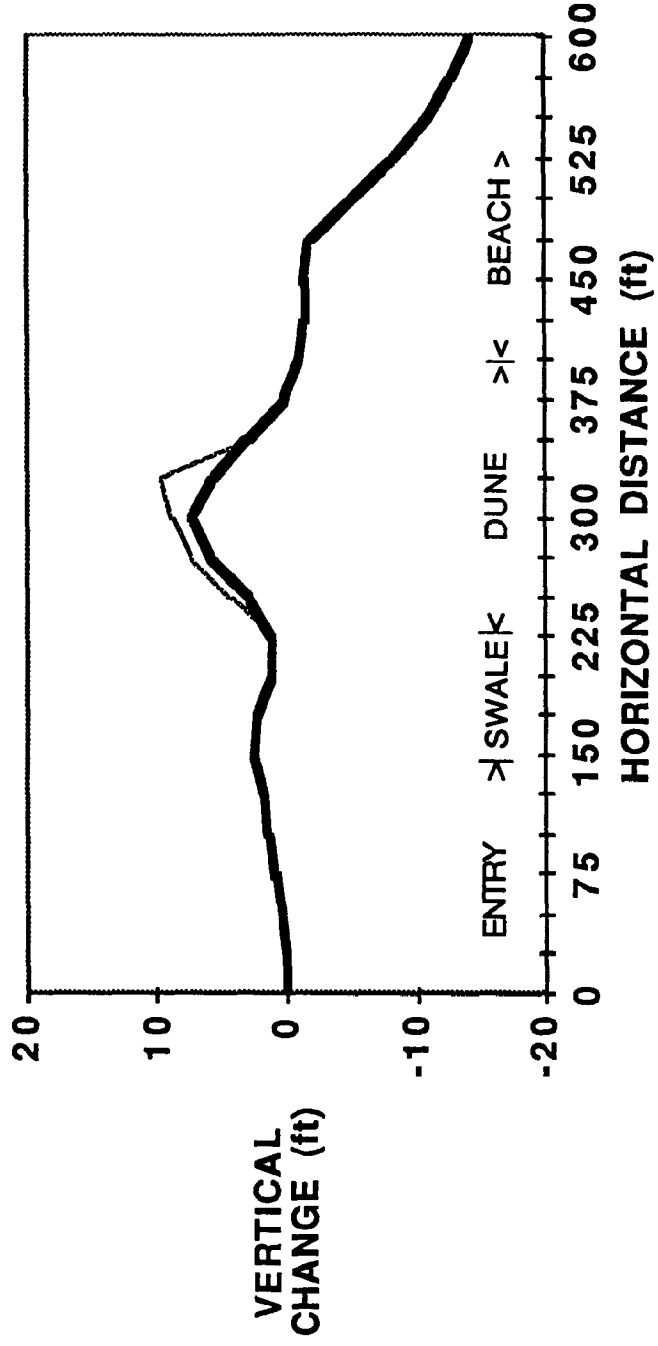


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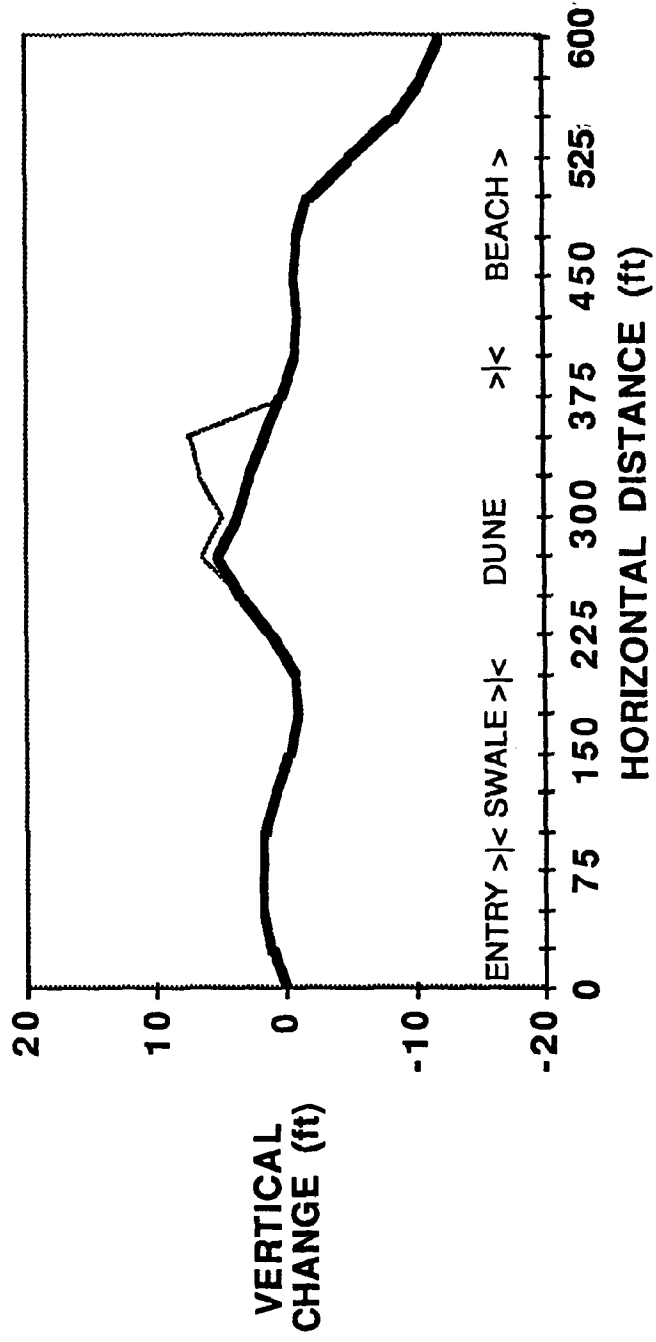
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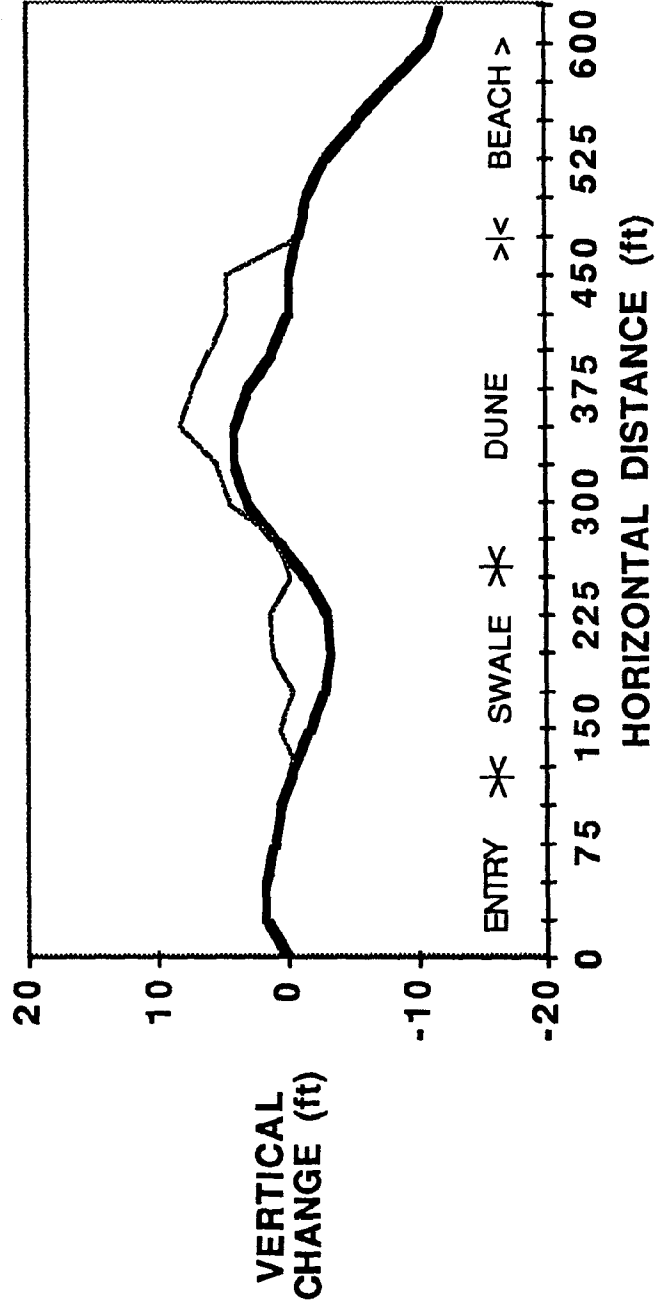
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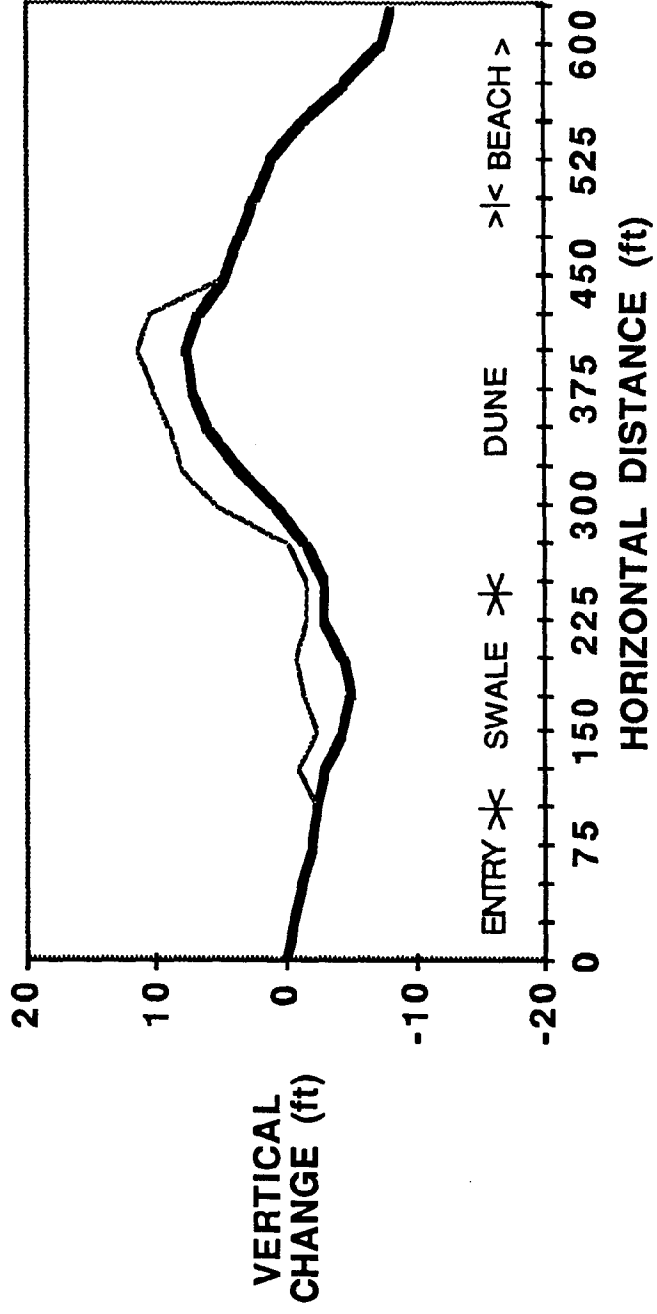
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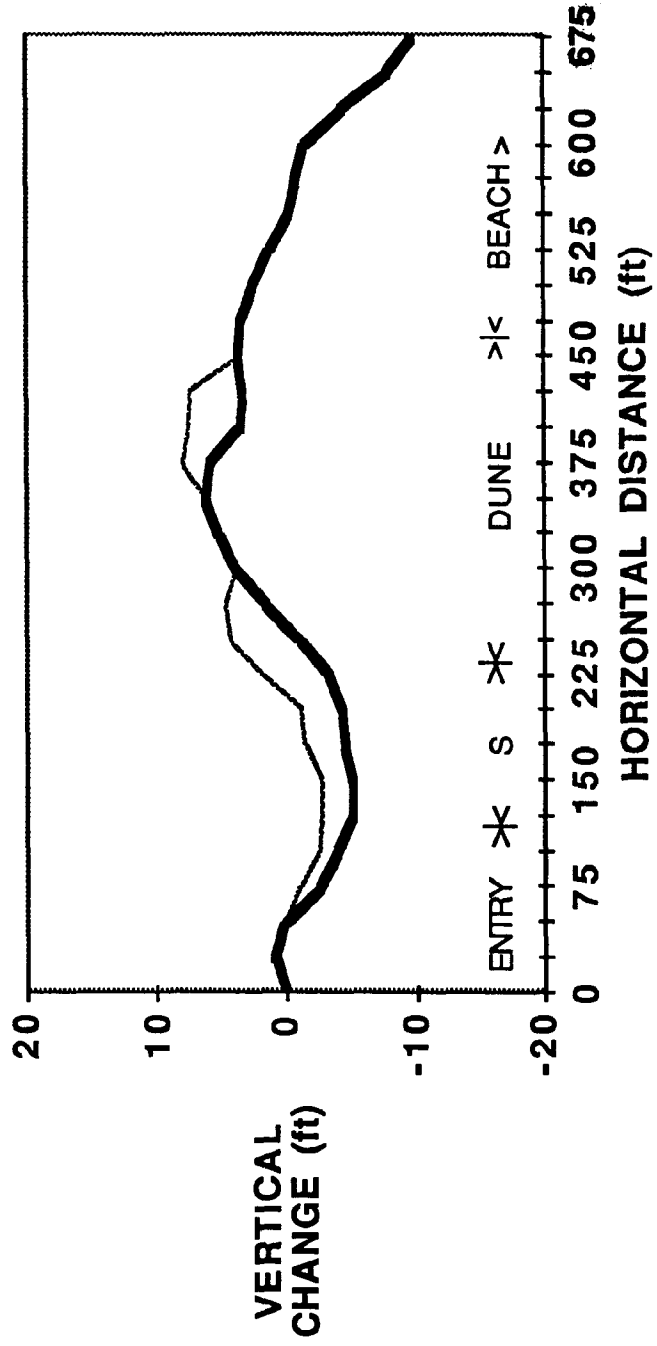


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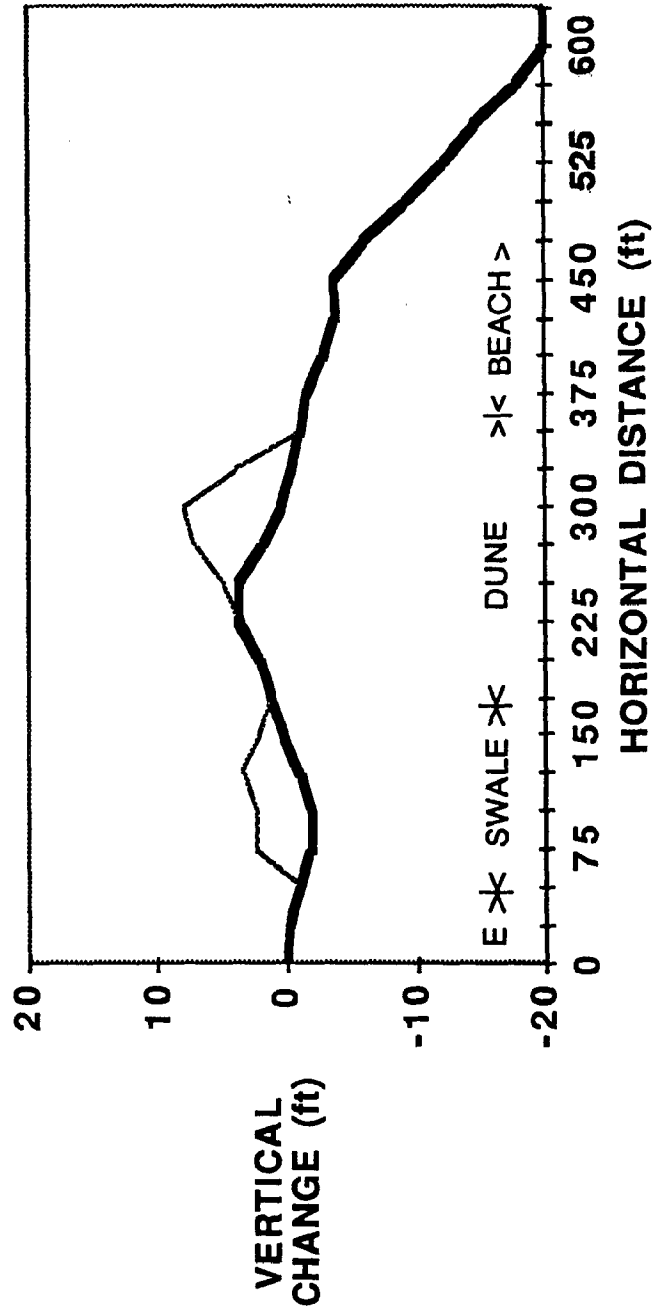


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# Profile #13 - Nashua Street



# Profile #14 - Hudson Street



## **Appendix B**

### **Vendor List for Selected Materials**

## Vendors List

Vendor	Item	Price (08-88)
Galloway Trucking P. O. Box 809 Plaistow, NH 03865 Contact: John Galloway Phone: (603) 382-7982	Sand	\$5.25 / ton (delivered) (0.88 yds / ton)
Newmarket Sand and Gravel Route 125 Newmarket, NH 03857 Contact: Bob Spinney Phone: (603) 659-3566	Sand	\$4.75 / ton (delivered)
Evergreen Nursery 146 Great Western Road So. Dennis, MA 02660 Phone: (508) 398-1743	Beach Grass ( <u>Ammophila breviligulata</u> )	\$.20 / plant
Springer Environmental Services 245 Keene Road Acushnet, MA 02743 Phone: (508) 763-2152	Beach Grass	\$.15 / plant
Sylvan Nurseries 1028 Hasseneck Road Westport, MA 02790 Phone: (508) 636-4773	Beach Grass	\$.30 / plant
Pressure Treated Lumber		
Ridgewood Lumber Sales P. O. Box 717 Kingston, NH 03848 Phone: (603) 642-5588	4" x 6" x 8'	\$8.31
	4" x 4" x 8'	\$4.69
	1" x 6" x 8'	\$3.52
	2" x 6" x 8'	\$4.20
Timber Mart 240 Lafayette Road Seabrook, NH Phone: (603) 474-9551	4" x 6" x 8'	\$11.07
	4" x 4" x 8'	\$5.58
	1" x 6" x 8'	\$5.18
	2" x 6" x 8'	\$4.71
Ricci Supply 105 Bartlett Street Portsmouth, NH 03801 Phone: (603) 964-9590	4" x 6" x 8'	\$13.37
	4" x 4" x 8'	\$6.00
	1" x 6" x 8'	\$5.76
	2" x 6" x 8'	\$4.67

<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Item</u>	<u>Price</u>
Ricci Supply 105 Bartlett Street Portsmouth, NH 03801 Phone: (603) 964-9590	Snow Fencing 4' x 4' x 50'	\$25.76 / roll
TRI-City Masonry Route 16 Somersworth, NH Phone: (603) 692-5030	Patio Blocks (Steel reinforce. 2' x 2' x 2")	\$6.20 / each
Jackson Hardward Marine RR #2 Box 170 Kittery, Maine 03904 Phone: (207) 439-1133	Galvanized Steel Cable (7x 7- 3/8")	\$.35 / ft.



## **Appendix C**

### **Sample Dredge and Fill Permit Application**



Sample  
only

PIP No.: \_\_\_\_\_  
(For Office Use Only)

New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services

Wetlands Board  
P.O. Box 2008  
Concord, NH 03301-2008

Application for Filling, Dredging or Construction of Structures under RSA Chapters 483-A and 149:8a.

PROJECT CLASS

FEE

FOR WETLANDS BOARD OFFICE USE ONLY

MINIMUM IMPACT

\$ 10.00

FEE RECEIVED \_\_\_\_\_

MINOR

\$ 25.00

Check No.

Amount

Init.

MAJOR

\$100.00

FILE NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_

FILING FEE (CHECK OR MONEY ORDER MADE  
PAYABLE TO NH WETLANDS BOARD) IS REQUIRED  
TO ACCOMPANY THIS APPLICATION FORM TO THE  
WETLANDS BOARD OFFICE.

Four (4) copies of this application are required. Three of the copies are filed with the town/city.

1. NAME OF OWNER Town of Seabrook TELEPHONE NUMBER 474-3311  
(Please print clearly or type)
- MAILING ADDRESS P.O. Box 456, Seabrook, NH 03874
2. LOCATION OF PROPOSED CONSTRUCTION Seabrook Beach Sand Dunes  
(Street, road, highway) (Town, City)
- tax map \_\_\_\_\_ lot \_\_\_\_\_ (latitude \_\_\_\_\_ longitude \_\_\_\_\_)  
(Major projects only)
3. Complete the location map on reverse side on all copies or attach a map to each copy.
4. Adjacent to, or in (salt) (fresh) water Atlantic Ocean  
(Name of water body)
5. Type of project (☒ Fill) (☐ Dredge) (☐ Pier) (☒ Other walkway)  
(Specify)
6. Reason(s) for proposed construction Provide public access across sand dune and improve ability of dunes to provide protective barrier from ocean storms.
7. Proposed starting date Unknown Completion date —
8. Contractor or Agent "to be announced" Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

9. Description of construction:

- (a) Type of Material: Dredge \_\_\_\_\_ Fill Beach Sand
- (b) Estimated area to be dredged (square feet) \_\_\_\_\_
- (c) Estimated area to be filled (~~square feet~~) 23,021 cu. yds.
- (d) Final disposition of dredged material \_\_\_\_\_
- (e) If any channel is to be constructed, the distance the flow of water is to be rerouted. \_\_\_\_\_
- (f) If waterfront structure, indicate length of frontage. \_\_\_\_\_

10. I hereby certify that the applicant has filed three copies of said application with a detailed plan with the town/city of Seabrook as required by Chapter 483-A:1 as amended 1985.

DATE \_\_\_\_\_ SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_

11. Complete list of all abutting property owners, their addresses and phone numbers. This certifies that they have been notified in writing of the work proposed.

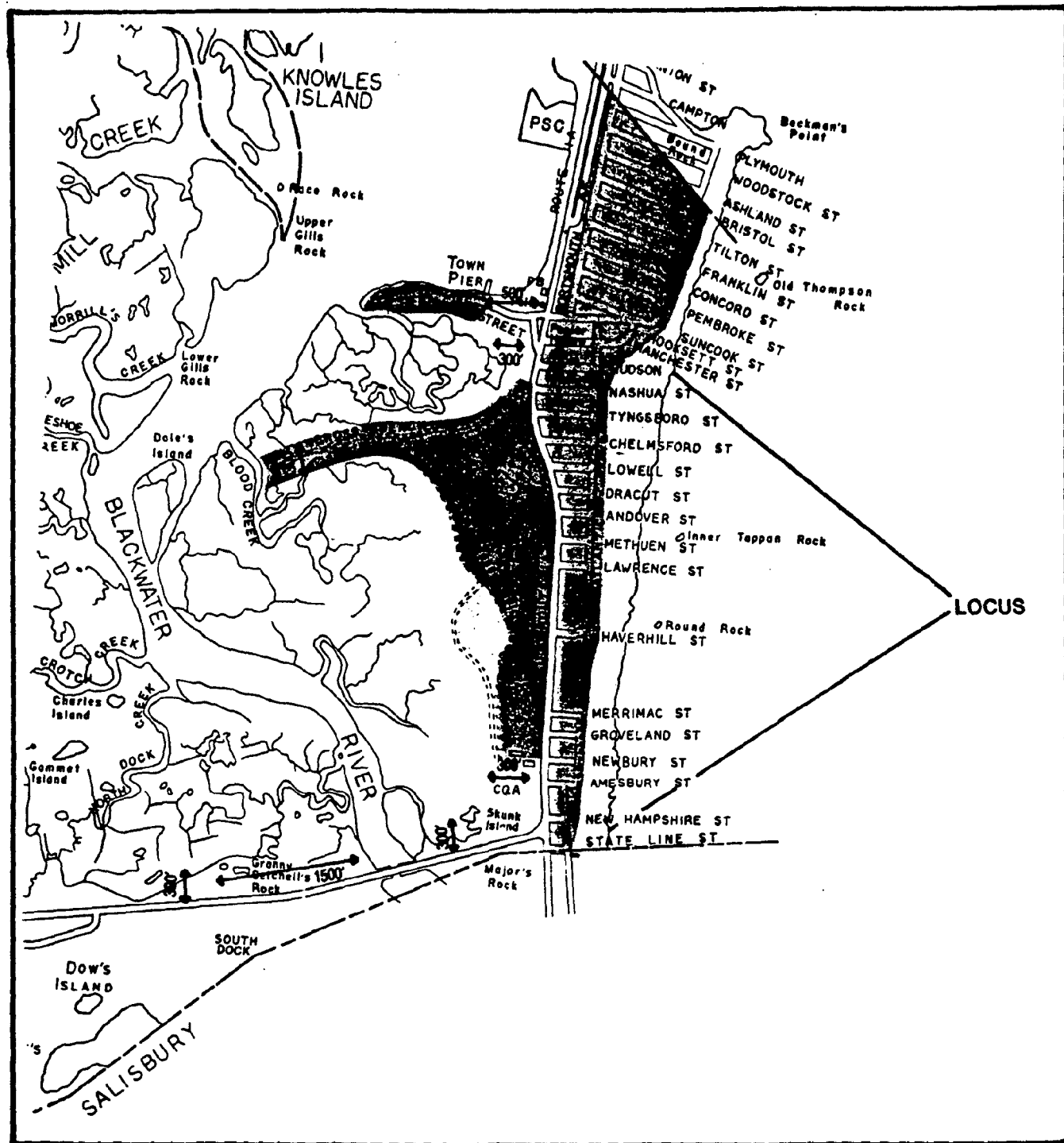
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SIGNATURE OF OWNER OR AUTHORIZED AGENT \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_

MAP OF LOCATION OF PROJECT

" See Attached "

SUFFICIENT DETAIL SO THAT INSPECTOR CAN LOCATE PROJECT SITE



Office of the Selectman  
Seabrook Town Hall  
P. O. box 456  
Seabrook, NH 03874

Dear Abutter:

Pursuant to RSA:483-A, the Town of Seabrook is informing all abutters that a New Hampshire Wetlands Board Dredge and Fill application has been submitted for improvements to the Sand Dunes lying parallel to Seabrook Beach (see attached locus map). The purpose of the proposed project is to provide public access across the dunes while at the same time improving the ability of the dunes to provide a natural protective barrier from ocean storms.

Public access will be improved through the construction of wooden walkways at fourteen street locations. Dune improvements will be achieved through selective additions of sand and dune grass plantings as well as erection of sand fences at specific locations. A copy of the proposal and plan are on file at the Town Hall for your review.

Any questions, concerns or recommendations should be sent in writing to the Selectman's Office and Chairman of the New Hampshire Wetlands Board by writing:

Delbert Downing, Chairman  
N. H. Wetlands Board  
P. O. Box 2008  
Concord, New Hampshire 03301-2008

Sincerely,

Town Manager

Seabrook Abutters List  
September, 1988

<u>NAME</u>	<u>MAP LOT</u>	<u>BOOK</u>	<u>PAGE</u>
Chertavian, Levon & Joyce A. Clark Road Lowell, MA 01800	21-013-001	2307	1111
Giuffrida, Frank J. Hill Top Steak House Saugus, MA 01906	21-014-002		
Boyle, Thomas E. Jr. & Maura A. 150 Westview Road Lowell, MA 01851	22-013-014		
Archambault, Dewey G. Gagnon, Paul A. 170 Merrimack Street Lowell, MA 01852	22-015-000		
Shionis, Charles & Nancy 36 Wildrose Drive North Andover, MA 01845	22-015-016		
Cavan, David J. & Mildred D. 71 Newton Street West Boylston, MA 01583	22--016-017		
Kinlock, Marion B. Robataille, Jane K. Stasiak, Michael A. 383 Atlantic Avenue Seabrook, NH 03874	22-017-018	2727	765
Deshler, Howard G. & Dorothy 67 Ocean Drive Seabrook, NH 03874	20-027-000		
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Nader, Richard J. & Lydia B. 77 Ocean Drive Seabrook, NH 03874	20-024-000	2342	33
Trust Seabrook Domenic Realty 98 Puritan Avenue Worcester, MA 01604	20-023-000	2500	61
Pechinski, Dorothy M. & Benjamin M. 46 Avon Street Lawrence, MA 01841	20-022-000		
Graham, William F., Jr. & Eleanor B. 149 Golden Hill Road Haverhill, MA 01830	20-021-000		
Welsh, Richard & Muriel 13 North Road Kensington, NH 03833	20-019-20		
Gulezian, Gladys C. 30 Brentwood Circle North Andover, MA 01845	20-018-000	2507	277
Saba, Stanley & Lorraine 70 Lovejoy Road P. O. Box 1268 Andover, MA 01810	20-017-000	2488	1753
Faneros, Arthur J. & Christine 18 Moun Joy Drive Tewksbury, MA 01876	20-016-000	2651	918
D'Ursa, Edna Campeone, Felicia Lubetz, Kyle I. P. O. Box 1028 Seabrook, NH 03874	20-014-015		
Trust M. A. P. Realty Piscitello, Ignatius R.J. 123 Ocean Drive Seabrook, NH 03874	20-012-013	2697	1075

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Burns, Robert E. & Phyllis K. 4919 Blackford Drive East South Bend, IN 46614	21-001-000		
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Samia, Leonard & Robert J. C/O Samia Companies Leo Birmingham Parkway Brighton, MA 02135	22-009-001	2570	2924
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Fouher, Francis P. O. Box 2183 Seabrook, NH 03874	22-007-001		
Hart, Mary M. C/O William E. Hart 203 High Street Andover, MA 01810	22-006-003	2469	916
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Richards, Joseph & Mary 33 Ocean Blvd Seabrook, NH 03874	22-033-000		
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Catalano, Nicholas 77 Brown Street Methuen, MA 01844	22-010-001		
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West, Warren & Marie 18 Newbury Street Seabrook, NH 03874	22-008-001		
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Linnehan, James & Katherine C. 45 Clark Road Lowell, MA 01852	21-009-001	2309	599
Green, Barbara J. 55 Harvard Street Lowell, MA 01800	21-010-001		
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Wroblewski, Patricia A. 94 Concord Street Nashua, NH 03060	21-010-003	2413	1284
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