

**NORTHFIELD PLANNING BOARD
EARTH EXCAVATION
COMPLIANCE HEARING REPORT**

These instructions are intended as a brief synopsis of the requirements to schedule routine Compliance Hearings that are a condition of an Excavation Permit. Additional information, requirements and direction are contained within the Federal and NH law and administrative rules and applicable local Regulations and Ordinances. Please contact the Town Office for assistance.

The Applicant is responsible to submit correct, complete information. Meeting and application closing date schedules are available. Applications are to be submitted to, and are considered received at the time they are physically received in the Town Office during regular business hours. Proposals are subject to posted proposed changes in the Town's Ordinances and Regulations as applicable.

When a report is received in the Land Use Office, a copy will be forwarded to other applicable Town Departments, Boards and Commissions for their input. A date, time and place for the compliance hearing shall be set and all necessary notifications by certified mail and public posting shall occur.

The landowner or excavator must be in attendance. If someone other than the landowner or excavator will represent the report, a letter of authorization must be submitted at part of the report. At the hearing, the landowner or excavator shall present information on the operation. The Board shall comment/question, and the hearing shall be opened to abutters and other interested parties. All comments are to be directed to the Chair. All speakers shall identify themselves by name and address. Based on all evidence provided, the Board will evaluate:

1. need for any additional information.
2. conformance to prior conditions of approval.
3. whether operational impacts of the project conform to the description and commitment offered during the prior review process.
4. status of the security.

The Board may continue the hearing to time certain by stating the date/time/place of the continued meeting, for which no additional noticing shall be required. They may also require that additional noticing occur at the expense of the landowner/excavator. Multiple continuances will usually require re-noticing for the consideration of abutters. Re-noticing is also required when substantive changes are made to the original proposal. Decisions may be rendered by the Board at the close of the public hearing or at a later date. The Board will require further information as necessary and may also require independent review of submitted information at the cost of the landowner/excavator. Property under consideration must be made available for inspection during the review and operational phases.

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THE FOLLOWING IS INITIALLY REQUIRED AS PART OF THE HEARING REPORT

- Completed report form
- Annual Excavation Report to the Planning Board
- Applicable plans, permits, etc.
- Updated Notification List and Envelopes
- Hearing and Noticing Fees

If the Board determines that the Operation is in Compliance, they will:

- Set the date for the next routine compliance hearing;
- Determine any changes in security.

The Compliance Hearing Process cannot be used to amend the conditions of an Excavation Permit. However, applications/public hearings for amendments can be run concurrently with Compliance Hearings to save time and expense for the excavator. Applications to Amend shall be by the appropriate Application form/process. Contact the Town Office for Assistance.

The above process is required for routine compliance hearings scheduled as a condition of an Excavation Permit. However, compliance hearings may also be required at any time that the excavation site/operation is found noncompliant and the Excavator has failed to provide a timely action plan acceptable to the Town to cure the non-compliance or failed to comply with the terms of said plan once accepted. Continued non-compliance may result in Excavation Permit revocation.

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MUST BE TYPED OR PRINTED LEGIBLY IN PEN

Owner: _____ Contact Name: _____

Tel: _____ Fax: _____ e-mail: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Excavator: _____ Contact Name: _____

Tel: _____ Fax: _____ e-mail: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Agent: _____ Contact Name: _____

Tel: _____ Fax: _____ e-mail: _____

Address of Property: _____ Zoning District(s): _____

Tax Map & Lot #(s): _____ Total area: _____ (acres)

Acres currently in use: _____ (Indicate area on plan)

Describe in detail all **existing** uses & structures on the subject property: _____

Describe in detail all **proposed** uses, structures, construction or modifications: _____

Length of Permit requested: _____

Date that any Variance was granted, if any: _____

Date that any Special Exception was granted, if any: _____

STATEMENT OF ASSURANCE

I hereby certify that to the best of my knowledge this information is valid and that there is no violation of the approved ordinances, codes, and/or regulations of the Town of Northfield. I authorize the Members of the Board or their staff to enter onto my property for the purposes of this review.

Date

Signature of Owner or Authorized Individual (w/Auth. letter)

