

Salisbury Board of Selectmen

Meeting Summary

November 21, 2023 @ 5:00 p.m.

Selectman Brett Walker, Chair	Present
Selectman John W. Herbert	Absent
Selectman Jim Hoyt	Absent
Town Administrator April Rollins	Present
Municipal Assistant Joanne Lord	Absent

The Chair of the Board of Selectmen and the Road Agent (RA) will meet with the Tucker Pond Association's Douglas Darling and Laura Colcord to discuss the final application stages for the NHDES' Watershed Assistance 319 Grant.

Mr. Darling stated things are shifting, the pre-proposal will go to NH DES then they select which projects to fund and we were selected but our budget was cut to \$100K, so now we are deciding on which sites to work on. We are considering three WMP sites along Warner Rd (Sites #1 between 3rd and 4th Rds, Site #6 near 2nd Rd, and Site #15 between 5th and 6th Rds), therefore enabling the use of grant funds to pay for materials that will be needed as Warner Rd is rebuilt

RA MacDuffie Jr. stated site #1 needs a concrete pipe but it also needs inlet & outlet work. RA MacDuffie Jr. noted Warner Road is on the Town's Capital Improvements Program (CIP) for 2026 and he typically does the work.

Chair Walker stated the proposal says it will include "in-kind" hours but the Road Agent is a contractor and the Town doesn't have the employees or the equipment. Mr. Darling stated he has spoken with an environmental consultant and she had confirmed that if the project is contracted it can be used as matching funds. Ms. Colcord explained that two sites have been added that are high impact and would have the same phosphorus reduction.

Mr. Darling added that there will be a steering committee to review the engineering plans. RA MacDuffie Jr. noted the plans will need to be site specific. Mr. Darling asked if the engineered plans could be used by the Road Agent's company. RA MacDuffie Jr. replied absolutely, they could do the project without the plans but DES will want the project engineered.

Chair Walker expressed concern with the upgrades being proposed in the Town's right-of-way

(ROW) and not being able to conduct maintenance after the fact. Mr. Darling asked the distance of the ROW from the road's edge. RA MacDuffie Jr. replied typically it extends to the stone walls and landowner permission will be needed for the other work.

Ms. Colcord asked about Site #15 (between 5th and 6th Rds), which the Watershed Management Plan describes as half filled with sediment. RA MacDuffie Jr said it is likely not undersized, but too high in the ground. RA MacDuffie also made it clear that Site #6, near 2nd Rd, must be replaced sooner rather than later - it will not last until Warner Rd is rebuilt in 2026.

Chair Walker asked what the grant's timeline is for spending the funds. Mr. Darling replied the funding starts on July 1, 2024 then two years out from that date but they have to wait for approval from the NH Executive Council. Chair Walker noted the project falls in line with the Town's CIP schedule, so it is good timing and site #6 can be replaced before 2026 but the other two sites will need to wait. RA MacDuffie Jr. stated he wouldn't be opposed to revising the CIP and putting off the Hensmith Road/Loverin Hill Road top coat until 2026 but do the base coat in 2025, the funding would be close for both projects but the engineering could increase the scope of the project's cost. RA MacDuffie Jr. stated near the collapsed culvert, the whole ditch should be rip-rapped with 6"-8" stone and permits will be needed for the wetlands.

Mr. Darling requested ballpark figures for all three sites (materials + labor & equipment), so they have a total. Ms. Colcord noted the grant contributes funds to materials and the engineering. Mr. Darling stated it may take them three of these Watershed grants to get the pond to where they want it to be. Chair Walker stated he doesn't see a problem with repairing site #6 after 7/1/24 out of the Town's Summer Maintenance line and then addressing the other two sites in 2025. Chair Walker noted the funding would be contingent on the Planning Board, the Selectmen and Town Meeting approval and the voters will not want to see too much of an increase.

NEXT MEETING: Wednesday, December 6, 2023 @ 7 p.m. at the Academy Hall

ADJOURNMENT: The work session ended at 5:43 p.m.

**Respectfully Submitted,
April Rollins, Town Administrator**

- Town Boundary
- Tucker Pond Watershed
- Road
- Watercourse
- Shoreline Runoff Projects
- Septic Replacements
- Septic Inspections
- NPS Sites

Tucker Pond

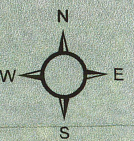
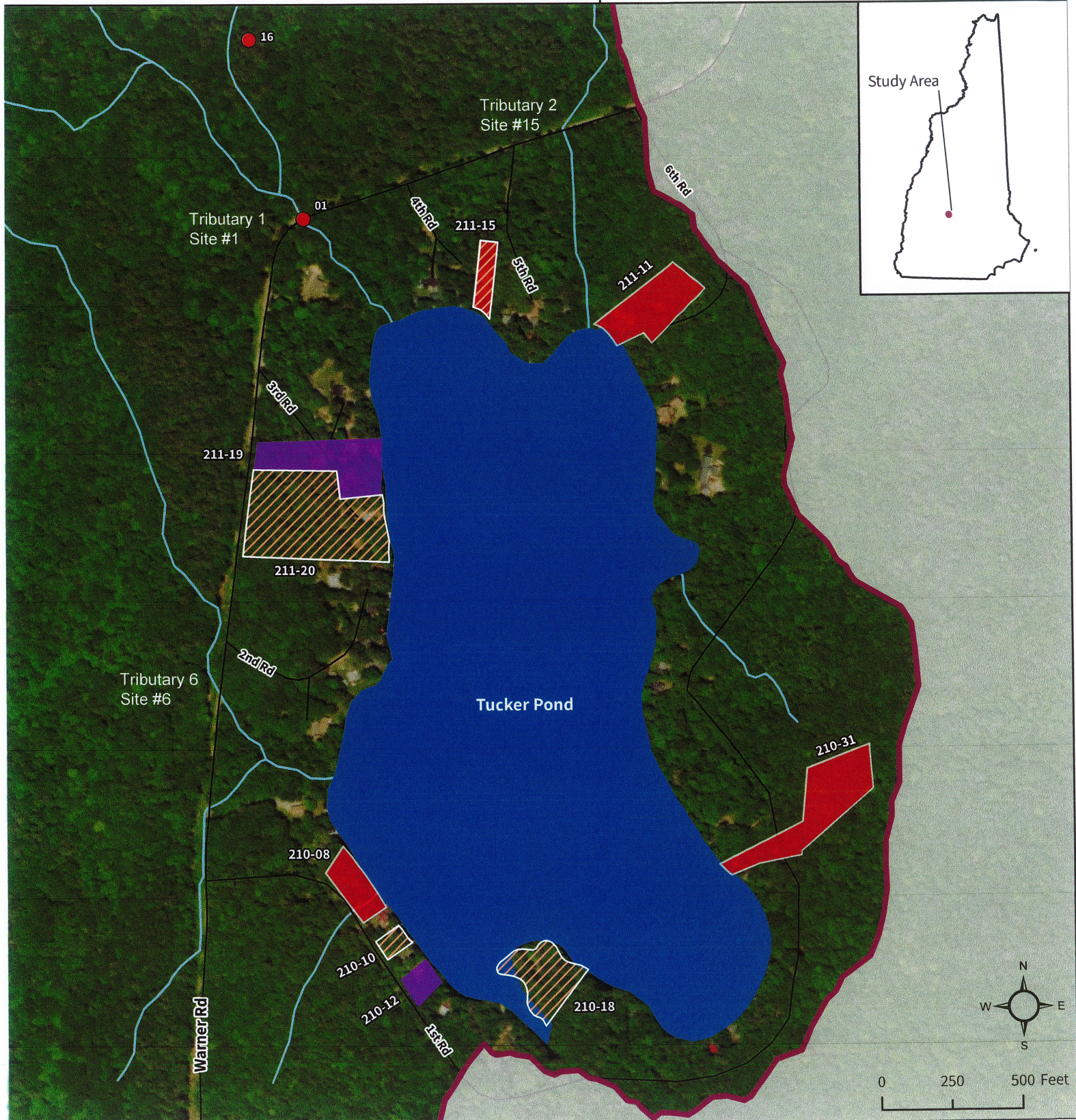
Salisbury, NH

319 Project Site Map

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 Projection: NAD 1983 New Hampshire State Plane
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Study Area



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