

# Northern Pass Job & Supplier Fairs

## FOR NEW HAMPSHIRE WORKERS AND BUSINESSES

Northern Pass will host its second Job & Supplier Fair in Concord in January to highlight the opportunities available for workers, businesses and those providing services to the many workers who will be needed to build the project.

People interested in working on the project or providing sub-contracting services can meet with the team leading the construction of Northern Pass at the event. Business owners in the hospitality and other service industries should also consider attending to discuss the opportunities available serving the many workers constructing the project.

Northern Pass expects to conclude the federal and state approval process in early 2018, and anticipates construction will begin by mid-April 2018. Some of the opportunities available include:

**Construction Jobs** — lineworkers, electricians, administrative/office personnel, project managers, traffic control personnel, safety personnel, mechanics, land surveyors, landscapers, laborers, fence installation personnel, building construction personnel, steel erection personnel, fiber-optic splicers, heavy equipment operators, truckers, material managers, welders, testing/commissioning personnel, traffic control, road building personnel, clearing/grubbing contractors, paving contractors, matting contractors, loggers, well/HDD drillers

**Logistics/Services Jobs** — lodging, campgrounds, restaurants, graphic design, environmental testing, equipment rental and maintenance, printers, office supply, security, photographers, snow removal services, caterers, apartment rentals, Porta-John rentals, portable office rentals, waste disposal, fuel suppliers, gravel/aggregate suppliers, hay suppliers, groundwater consultants, concrete and cement suppliers, asphalt suppliers, sign companies, hardware suppliers, lumber suppliers, street sweeping, material stockpiles and laydown yards

For a full list, go to [www.northernpass.us/job-registration.htm](http://www.northernpass.us/job-registration.htm), and for more information about job opportunities available through Northern Pass, call 1-855-NPT-JOBS or email [nptjobs@northernpass.us](mailto:nptjobs@northernpass.us).

**Northern Pass Job & Supplier Fair**  
**Wednesday, January 10**  
**3:00-8:00 p.m.**  
**Grappone Conference Center**  
**70 Constitution Ave., Concord, NH**

### Northern Pass Meets with North Country Workers in Whitefield

Northern Pass hosted its first Job & Supplier Fair in Whitefield on December 13, drawing more than 200 people to the Mountain View Grand to learn about the opportunities available to workers and businesses in the region. On hand were the project's general contractor, PAR Electrical Contractors, Inc., as well as Quanta Services and M.J. Electric LLC, to discuss the kind of positions they are looking to fill when construction of Northern Pass begins.

Representatives from the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers (IBEW) and the union's apprentice programs also attended. Northern Pass has signed a project labor agreement (PLA) with the IBEW, agreeing to hire local workers first.

People who attended spoke with contractors, construction companies and organizations, including the Coös County Business and Employers Group, Realtime Utility Engineers, Inc., Milwaukee Tools and Buckingham Tools.

Local businesses in the service and hospitality industries also met with representatives from Northern Pass about joining the Business Directory, a list of local services available to the project's many workers, such as restaurants, gas stations, retail stores, laundromats, auto repairs, hotels and recreational opportunities. A copy of the business directory will be given to everyone working on the Northern Pass project.



### SEC REVIEW OF NORTHERN PASS NEARS COMPLETION

The New Hampshire Site Evaluation Committee (SEC) issued a notice of deliberations in November, signaling the final stage of the state permitting process for Northern Pass. Twelve days of public deliberations will begin January 30, leading to an oral decision by February 23, and a final written decision by March 31. With the state, federal and Canadian permitting processes nearing completion, Northern Pass is on track to begin construction by spring 2018 and in-service by the end of 2020.

### Testimony Concludes at Final Hearings

The final hearings before the SEC finished in December, concluding the testimony and cross-examination of more than 120 witnesses. Briefs from the parties including their final arguments, will be filed with the SEC in mid-January. Counsel for the Public and intervenor briefs are due January 12 and Northern Pass' brief is due January 19.



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## 2017: Major Progress as Northern Pass Nears the Finish Line

Northern Pass achieved a number of milestones this year, positioning itself as the most advanced clean energy project in New England. From the issuance of the Presidential Permit to securing major contractors, Northern Pass enters 2018 expecting the conclusion of the state and federal permitting process and construction to begin in the spring.

### 2017

#### JANUARY

The New Hampshire Supreme Court ruled that the proposal by Northern Pass to use public highways for underground installation of electric transmission lines is clearly allowed under state law. The decision upholds a previous ruling by the NH Superior Court that dismissed a claim by the Society for the Protection of New Hampshire Forests.

#### APRIL

The New Hampshire Department of Transportation issued its final report to the New Hampshire Site Evaluation Committee (SEC) recommending approval of the project.

#### JULY

Eversource and Hydro-Québec submitted two proposals in response to the Massachusetts Clean Energy solicitation. Both proposals would use the Northern Pass Transmission project to deliver significant amounts of clean energy to the New England grid, interconnecting in New Hampshire.

#### SEPTEMBER

The U.S. Forest Service released its draft Record of Decision recommending that the agency issue a special use permit allowing Northern Pass to bury approximately 11 miles of transmission lines in areas along existing roads through the White Mountain National Forest.



#### DECEMBER

The SEC concluded the final hearings on Northern Pass on December 20, after approximately 70 days of testimony.

The Province of Québec granted Hydro-Québec (HQ) a permit to construct the hydroelectric transmission line that will connect with the Northern Pass project at the U.S. border.

#### MARCH

The New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services issued four key approvals of the project pertaining to the Wetland, Shoreland and Alteration of Terrain permits, and the 401 Water Quality Certificate.

#### JUNE

The New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission (PUC) approved a request by Northern Pass to cross public waters and public lands to construct the 192-mile hydroelectric transmission line project. In granting the licenses, the PUC found that the crossings will not interfere with the public's use of the land and waters affected by the crossings.

#### AUGUST

The DOE issued the Final Environmental Impact Statement for the Northern Pass transmission project, concluding that the proposed route is the "preferred alternative," that the project provides substantial benefits, and will result in only minimal impacts.

The SEC hosted a public comment session, the last of 26 state and federal public comment sessions held on Northern Pass during which residents could share their thoughts on the project with officials.

The DOE finalized a Programmatic Agreement regarding Northern Pass that prescribes the steps necessary to complete the federal and state agency review of historic and archeological resources, including addressing any adverse effect.

Eversource, the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, Quanta Services, Inc., and ABB Inc. finalized a comprehensive Project Labor Agreement and reaffirmed its commitment to hiring local workers first.

#### NOVEMBER

The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) approved the Presidential Permit for the Northern Pass allowing the project to construct transmission facilities at the U.S./Canada border in Pittsburg.

The staff of the PUC, the New Hampshire Office of the Consumer Advocate, Eversource, and Northern Pass reached a settlement that will enable Northern Pass to lease transmission rights-of-way from Eversource and sets aside \$15 million for New Hampshire electric customers for "programs, projects or other purposes that provide benefits to New Hampshire distribution customers."

### ABOUT NORTHERN PASS

Northern Pass is a 192-mile electric transmission line project that will provide New Hampshire and New England up to 1,090 megawatts of clean hydropower. This reliable and competitively-priced power will also bring a range of benefits to New Hampshire, including hundreds of millions of dollars in energy cost savings, additional tax revenue, and thousands of jobs during construction and beyond. To learn more about Northern Pass, go to [www.northernpass.us](http://www.northernpass.us). You can also email questions to [info@northernpass.us](mailto:info@northernpass.us) or call **1-800-286-7305**.