

**MOUNT SUNAPEE RESORT'S MASTER DEVELOPMENT PLAN (MDP) – JOURNEY TO FINAL DECISION**

**WEST BOWL (WB) OWNERSHIP**

<b>Original MDP (June 2014)</b>	<b>Draft Decision (April 2015)</b>	<b>Final MDP (March 2016)</b>
Mixed ownership between the State and private land	Rejected mixed land ownership model	Rejected mixed land ownership model
Lift and trails cross between public and private land – similar to US Forest Service and VT model	Required 150 acres of West Bowl lands be transferred to the State by 2028	Required 150 acres of West Bowl lands be transferred to the State by 2028
	All facilities necessary to operate ski area improvements within West Bowl land	All facilities necessary to operate improvements to the ski area within West Bowl land

**EXEMPLARY NATURAL COMMUNITY (ENC) IMPACT WITHIN POLYGON D**

4.2 acres of direct impact	1.6 acres of direct impact	1.1 acres of direct impact
Three (3) ski trails, all with snowmaking within ENC	Relocated two (2) proposed trails outside of ENC	Eliminated all ski trails within ENC
Lift corridor 125 feet wide	Retained one (1) ski trail with snowmaking under chairlift	No snowmaking within ENC
	Narrowed the lift corridor to 75-90 feet wide	Narrowed lift corridor to 50-60 feet
		Construction restrictions within lift corridor to protect soils and vegetation

**ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTIONS**

Permits required	Donation of 260 acres of conservation lands by 2028 (to State Park but not within Lease Area)	Donation of 260 acres of conservation lands prior to construction
		Deed restrictions placed on 52-arces Powell track at transfer
	Widens the Mount Sunapee/Pillsbury Greenway and protects headwaters of two brooks	Widens the Mount Sunapee/Pillsbury Greenway and protects headwaters of two brooks
	Anticipate adding 10 acres of ENC to state though conservation lands	Anticipate adding 70-90 acres of ENC to state through conservation lands
	\$10k toward research plots within Polygon D (plus monitoring)	\$40k toward Ecological Assessment Study to evaluate ENC system
	Formalize protection of East Bowl to protect Old Growth Forest	Formalize protection of East Bowl to protect Old Growth Forest
	Permits required	Last expansion of ski area boundary
	Permits required	

**DEVELOPMENT OF WEST BOWL & PRIVATE LANDS**

Facilities to operate ski area mixed between State and private land	All ski area facilities on state land	All ski area facilities on state land
No residential or commercial development on abutting private land due to Goshen zoning within Recreational District	No private or residential development on West Bowl lands	No private or residential development on West Bowl lands
	No residential or commercial development on abutting private land due to Goshen zoning within Recreational District	No residential or commercial development on abutting private land due to Goshen zoning within Recreation District
	Trails on West Bowl set back 20 feet within West Bowl boundary (plus local requirements)	Trails on West Bowl set back 50 feet within West Bowl boundary (plus local requirements)
	No trails or paths from private land to access public land – no exclusive access	No trails or paths from private land to access public land – no exclusive access

## HIKING TRAILS

Original MDP (June 2014)	Draft Decision (April 2015)	Final MDP (March 2016)
Maintain Summit Hiking Trail	Reasonably accommodate 4-season hiking on Summit Trail	Establish a Cooperative Maintenance Agreement, including annual work plan, between Department of Resources and Economic Development (DRED), MSR, and Sunapee Ragged Kearsarge Greenway Coalition (SRKGC) to maintain 4-season hiking on Summit Trail
	Mount Sunapee Resort (MSR) to conduct spring cleanup of Summit Trail	MSR to conduct spring cleanup of Summit Trail and provide free trail maps on property
	Six trail crossings with ski trails – reroute trail if necessary at MSR expense	Reduce trail crosses from six (6) to three (3) – establishes safety measures and no rerouting of Summit Trail

## MOUNTAIN COASTER

Requested	Conditional approval, but design and location to be reviewed by DRED	Neither approved nor denied
		Focus of Master Development Plan on West Bowl expansion

## ECONOMIC IMPACTS

Additional tax revenue to Goshen and Newbury	Additional tax revenue to Goshen and Newbury	Additional tax revenue to Goshen and Newbury
Additional tax revenue to State (BET/BPT and R&M)	Additional tax revenue to State (BET/BPT and R&M)	Additional tax revenue to State (BET/BPT and R&M)
Additional lease payment to DRED, which supports Cannon capital improvements	Additional lease payment to DRED, which supports Cannon capital improvements	Additional lease payment to DRED, which supports Cannon capital improvements
Cannon net revenues to benefit New Hampshire State Parks	Cannon net revenues to benefit New Hampshire State Parks	Cannon net revenues to benefit New Hampshire State Parks
Additional employment at MSR	Additional employment at MSR	Additional employment at MSR
Additional economic activity within Sunapee region	Additional economic activity within Sunapee region	Additional economic activity within Sunapee region

## OTHER CONDITIONS AND COMPONENTS

Permitting – local, state & federal	Permitting – local, state & federal	Permitting – local, state & federal
	Add additional 10-year option to existing lease	Update Environmental Management Plan as studies become available
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		Signed approval letter with 23 conditions
		Add NH Department of Transportation to Mount Sunapee Advisory Committee (MSAC)
Add hiking trail update to agenda at MSAC Annual Operating Plan meeting		