COMPENSATORY MITIGATION OPTIONS

Compensatory wetland mitigation options are to be developed based on the scope of the overall (direct and secondary) impacts to the functions and values of the wetland resources to be affected by the project.

PRESERVATION

* On-site preservation of remaining lands within the project area and other bordering lands.
* Lands abutting other conservation lands in the Ammonoosuc River watershed within the 4 town area.
* NCES Ammonoosuc River land and/or other lands in fee or easement.
* Lands which provide connectivity of habitats containing high priority wetland resources.

RESTORATION

* On-site wetland and stream restoration.
* Other off-site restoration opportunities such as dam and culvert removals to enhance aquatic passage, floodplain and riverbank restoration and upland buffer restoration.

CREATION

* On-site stormwater treatment wetlands and gravel pit reclamation wetlands.

IN-LIEU FEE

* Options may include financial payment to the DES Aquatic Resource Management (ARM) fund and/or collaborating with others on conservation project/s in the watershed.

COMBINATION

* Develop a combination of on-site and off-site mitigation options to meet overall mitigation goals.