



# Rivers Management and Protection Program

## Protected River Sign Request

### (Rivers within State Right-of-Ways)



New Hampshire’s 18 designated rivers are recognized by the United States Congress, the New Hampshire General Court, and their local municipalities as significant resources. As a result of a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA), the N.H. Department of Transportation (DOT) and the N.H. Department of Environmental Services (DES) created signs that may be installed within state right-of-ways. These new signs will identify New Hampshire’s Designated Rivers, signifying a designated river’s importance to the state’s natural and cultural heritage.

#### Sign Locations

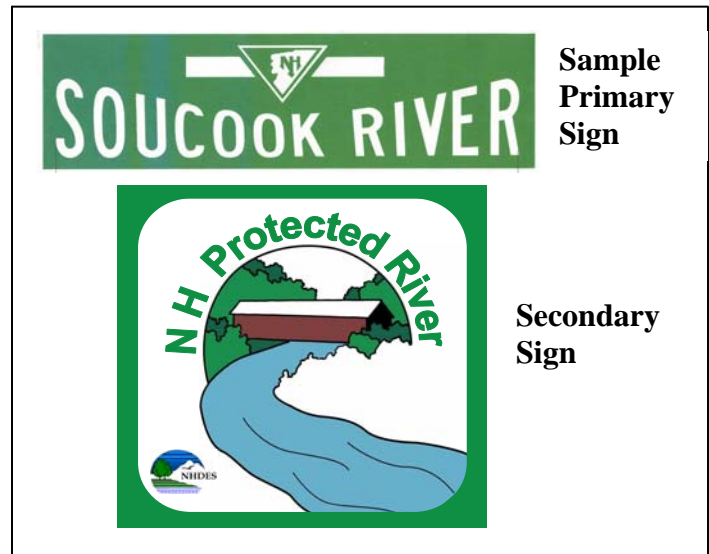
The signs will be erected upon state highways, other than interstate highways, divided portions of the New Hampshire turnpike system, and limited access highways. The signs will be placed within the states right-of-ways, at bridge crossings of the designated river by the town/city or an appropriate contractor. Approval for sign installations must be received from before a sign is installed. To obtain approval, fill out the form on the reverse side and submit to DES. DES will submit the application to DOT. Once approved, DES will place the order with the Department of Corrections. One form must be submitted for each location.

#### Sign Measurement

The primary sign is 30 inches long and 12 inches high. The secondary sign is 24 inches square. The signs will be mounted on a steel U-post or other posts that meet the requirements of the MOA, and as depicted in the adjacent graphic.

#### Estimated Cost

The Local Advisory Committee is responsible for securing funding to cover all costs associated with the production approval and installation of the signs.



Sample Primary Sign

Secondary Sign

Upon approval by DES, NH Rivers Management and Protection Program staff will place the order with the NH Department of Corrections. The following provides a breakdown of costs

**Primary sign (\$23) + Secondary sign (\$40) + Sign post (\$27.00) = \$90**

Please note that it is expected that most locations will require two sets of signs, one facing traffic on either side of the road. Therefore, two sign sets cost \$180. Hardware is not provided.

**If you have any questions, please contact DES’s Rivers and Lakes Program Coordinator, Jacquie Colburn at: 271-2959 or [riversprogram@des.nh.gov](mailto:riversprogram@des.nh.gov).**



# Rivers Management and Protection Program Protected River Signs within State Right-of-Ways



## Installation Permission Form

In the box provided please draw a site map indicating the location of the designated river, the name of the town(s) the designated river is located in, the route number or road name, bridge, and proposed location of sign installation showing the distance from the edge of the pavement. Use one form to show each sign location. Also identify the distance the designated river sign will be located from a nearby recognizable intersection. Please be as accurate as possible.

I acknowledge and agree to all criteria listed in the Memorandum of Agreement between the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services and the New Hampshire Department of Transportation.

**Elected or Authorized Municipal Official**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Town: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Director of the Department of Public Works**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Town: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Chair of Local Advisory Committee**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ River: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Proposed sign location(s) site map**

**Bill to be sent to:**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  primary signs

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  secondary signs

City and Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  posts

City and Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

**Return to:** Rivers Management and Protection Program  
NH Department of Environmental Services  
PO Box 95  
Concord, NH 03302-0095

**Or fax to:** (603) 271-7894

**Questions:** Contact Jacquie Colburn, DES Lakes and Rivers Coordinator, at (603) 271-2959 or [riversprogram@des.nh.gov](mailto:riversprogram@des.nh.gov).