

Appendix D

Unincorporated Areas

The State of New Hampshire has twenty-five (25) unincorporated areas. These Townships, Locations, Grants and Purchases are very sparsely populated (if at all) and do not fall under the jurisdiction of any county, city or town government. Due to their lack of local representation and the fact that they are not immune to natural hazards the State felt that these areas warrant representation within this Plan. Most of these areas contain at least one State road and some comprise a portion of the White Mountain National Forest. Twenty-three (23) of the areas fall within the boundaries of Coos County, one in Carroll County and another in Grafton. Listed below are the twenty-five (25) areas along with a brief history and geographical description of each.

Atkinson and Gilmanton Academy Grant, NH: Atkinson and Gilmanton Academy Grant is a township in Coos County. It was granted by the State legislature to Gilmanton Academy and Atkinson Academy in equal shares in 1809 and contained about 19,000 acres. It was later expanded by annexation of previously ungranted land to the west. The Grant population was 12 at the 2000 census. It is part of the Berlin, NH-VT Micropolitan Statistical Area.

According to the United States Census Bureau, the Grant has a total area of 19.7 square miles. None of the area is covered with water. The highest point is an unnamed ridge that reaches 2,620 feet above sea level near the Grant's southwestern corner. The Grant boundaries shown in 1874 maps differ from those of 1850s maps by showing a parcel of ungranted "State land" on the western edge of this Grant (and north of Dix's Grant), and another "Dartmouth College Grant" to the west of that (later annexed to the eastern edge of Clarksville).

Bean's Grant, NH: Bean's Grant is a township located in southern Coos County, north of Crawford Notch State Park. The Grant population was 0 at the 2000 census. In 1851, the New Hampshire General Court authorized the governor and council to appoint a land commissioner to sell the public lands, and James Willey of Conway was appointed to that office. Bean's Grant was made by Commissioner Willey to Charles Bean of Maine in 1855, and it contained about 3,300 acres.

According to the United States Census Bureau, the location has a total area of 9.7 square miles, all land. Bean's Grant is bordered to the east by Chandler's Purchase, to the southeast by Cutt's Grant, to the southwest by Hart's Location and Carroll, and to the northwest by Crawford's Purchase. The only roadway in the Grant is Base Road, running from the Jefferson Notch Road (a small section of which is also in the Grant) to the nearby Cog Railway at Marshfield Station, to the east. Many mountains of the Presidential Range are located here, including Mount Pierce, Mount Jackson and Mount Webster, each of which is traversed by the Appalachian Trail. The summit of Mount Pierce is the highest point in Bean's Grant, measuring 4,310 feet (1,310 m) above sea

level. Brooks in the Grant drain east to the Saco River or west to the Ammonoosuc River. Several popular hiking trails to the Presidential Range traverse the Grant, originating near Saco Lake or further south in Crawford Notch.

Bean's Purchase, NH: Bean's Purchase is a township in Coos County. As of the 2000 census the population was 4. It is part of the Berlin, NH–VT Micropolitan Statistical Area. In 1851 the New Hampshire State legislature authorized the governor and council to appoint a land commissioner to sell the public lands, and James Willey of Conway was appointed to that office. Bean's Purchase was made by Commissioner Willey to Alpheus Bean of Bartlett in 1812 for \$1,025 and contained about 59,000 acres.

According to the United States Census Bureau, the Purchase has a total area of 65.3 square miles, of which 0.04 square miles, or 0.03%, is water. The highest point in Bean's Purchase is the summit of Carter Dome, at 4,832 feet above sea level.

Cambridge, NH: Cambridge is a township in Coös County. Most of the township is forested wilderness, but it contains the southernmost edge of Umbagog Lake, accessed via New Hampshire Route 26 from Errol or from Upton, Maine. It contains a section of the 13-Mile Woods Scenic Area along the Androscoggin River. New Hampshire Route 16 also crosses the northwest corner of the Township. The population was 10 at the 2000 census. It is part of the Berlin, NH–VT Micropolitan Statistical Area. It was granted in 1773 to Nathaniel Rogers and others and contained about 23,160 acres.

According to the United States Census Bureau, the Township has a total area of 51.4 square miles, of which 50.8 square miles is land and 0.6 square miles, or 1.24%, is water. The highest point is the summit of Cambridge Black Mountain, at 2,780 feet above sea level.

Chandler's Purchase, NH: Chandler's Purchase is a township located in Coos County. It was granted by Commissioner Willey to Jeremiah Chandler of Conway in 1835 for \$300 and contained about 10,000 acres. As of the 2000 census, the Purchase had a total population of 0.

According to the United States Census Bureau, the Purchase has a total area of 2.1 square miles. None of the area is covered by water other than by streams such as the Ammonoosuc River, which flows through the Purchase. The highest point is the summit of Mount Eisenhower, at 4,780 feet above sea level.

Crawford's Purchase, NH: Crawford's Purchase is a township located in Coos County. It was granted by Commissioner Willey to Thomas Abbott, Nathaniel Abbott and Ethan Allen Crawford in 1834 for \$8,000 and contained about 15,712 acres. As of the 2000 census, the Purchase had a total population of 0.

According to the United States Census Bureau, the Purchase has a total area of 8.2 square miles. None of it is covered by water, except for streams such as the Ammonoosuc River,

which flows through the southern part of the Purchase. The highest point is 2,890 feet above sea level, at the northern corner of the Purchase boundary.

Cutt's Grant, NH: Cutt's Grant is a township located in Coos County. It was granted by the New Hampshire legislature to Thomas Cutts of Maine in 1810. As of the 2000 census, the Grant had a total population of 0.

According to the United States Census Bureau, the Grant has a total area of 11.4 square miles, none of which is covered by water other than streams. The highest point in Cutt's Grant is its northeastern corner, located just south of Gulf Peak on the southern slope of Mount Washington, where the elevation reaches 4,720 feet above sea level.

Dix's Grant, NH: Dix's Grant is a township located in Coos County. As of the 2000 census, the Grant had a total population of 0.

According to the United States Census Bureau, the Grant has a total area of 20.2 square miles, none of which is covered by lakes or rivers. The Grant's highest point is 3,279 feet above sea level, along the ridge of Crystal Mountain.

Dixville, NH: Dixville (also known as *Little Switzerland*) is a township in Coos County. Dixville was granted by the legislature to Timothy Dix, Jr., in 1805 and contained about 29,340 acres; the price was \$4,500. It was organized for voting purposes in 1960, and the village of Dixville Notch is commonly known as the first place to cast votes in U.S. elections. The original grant included the eastern portion (north of Wentworth's Location) now known separately as Dix's Grant. The population was 75 at the 2000 census. Dixville is the location of The Balsams Grand Resort Hotel. It is part of the Berlin, NH–VT micropolitan statistical area.

According to the United States Census Bureau, the township has a total area of 49.0 square miles, of which 48.9 square miles is land and 0.1 square miles, or 0.29%, is water. The elevation of Dixville Notch is 1,887 feet above sea level, in Dixville Notch State Park. (The term "notch" is the local equivalent of "pass" or "gap", and refers to a low place between mountains or mountain ranges.) Nearby Dixville Peak is the highest point in the township at 3,482 feet. The township is served by New Hampshire Route 26.

Erving's Location, NH: Erving's Location is a township in Coos County. According to the 2000 census, 1 person lived in Erving's Location. There is a dirt road that starts at New Hampshire State Route 26 in Millsfield just north of a pond and ends to the west in Erving's Location's northeast corner. It is the only way to get to Erving's Location without hiking.

According to the United States Census Bureau, the location has a total area of 3.7 square miles. None of the area is covered by lakes or rivers. The location's highest point is 2,840 feet above sea level, along its eastern boundary, partway up the slope of Mount Kelsey, the summit of which is located in Millsfield.

Green's Grant, NH: Green's Grant is a township located in Coos County. As of the 2000 census, the Grant had a total population of 0.

According to the United States Census Bureau, the Grant has a total area of 3.7 square miles, none of which is covered by water bodies other than streams. The highest point in the Grant is along its eastern boundary, on the lower slopes of Middle Carter Mountain, where the elevation reaches 2,540 feet above sea level.

Hadley's Purchase, NH: Hadley's Purchase is a township located in Coos County. As of the 2000 census, the Purchase had a total population of 0.

According to the United States Census Bureau, the purchase has a total area of 7.4 square miles, none of which is covered by water other than streams. The highest point in the Purchase is 3,180 feet above sea level, along its eastern border. The highest summit in Hadley's Purchase is Mount Crawford, at 3,119 feet.

Hale's Location, NH: Hale's Location is a township in Carroll County. The population was 58 at the 2000 census.

According to the United States Census Bureau, the Location has a total area of 2.4 square miles, all of it land. The highest point in Hale's Location is White Horse Ledge, at 1,450 feet above sea level.

Kilkenny, NH: Kilkenny is a Township located in Coos County. It was granted on June 4, 1774, containing about 26,911 acres (10,500 more than today). The town was granted to Jonathan Warner and others on June 4, 1774. In 1840 it contained 19 inhabitants, in 1856, 19, and an area of 15,906 acres, having a value of \$20,000. Kilkenny Township once included a large portion of what is now the eastern edge of Jefferson, tapering south into the area of Jefferson Notch at the foot of Mount Mitten. This included much of the area known as "Jefferson Highland" on the Portland Road (US-2). By the 1870s, maps were showing the southern edge of Kilkenny as a line extending the northern border of Jefferson and Lancaster. The 1896 topographic map, however, shows that the boundary had again been adjusted several miles south, to include Mount Waumbek and Pliny Mountain, uninhabited areas. Deeds in this area often refer to the "Kilkenny Addition".

On the 1935 topographic map, the "Upper Ammonoosuc Trail" crossed Kilkenny along Priscilla Brook and through the pass from the Keenan Brook area of Randolph, north of Pliny Mountain. This trail has since been abandoned, although a 2002 atlas of New Hampshire shows a "Priscilla Brook Trail" in the same location. The Willard Bowl north of Mount Waumbek, drained by Garland Brook, was considered as a site for development of a ski area in 1971, when it was owned by former governor Hugh Gregg. On the 1896 topographic map there was a B&M railroad spur up much of Garland Brook, to an elevation of 2,100 feet. By 1935 the tracks were gone. As of the 2000 Census, the Township had no inhabitants.

Kilkenny is located entirely within the boundaries of the White Mountain National Forest and is home to Mount Waumbek and Mount Cabot of the Pilot Range, each over 4,000 feet high, as well as several other peaks over 3,000 feet. The summit of Mount Cabot is the highest point in Kilkenny, at 4,160 feet above sea level. Kilkenny is bordered to the south and west by Jefferson, to the west by Lancaster, to the north by Stark, and to the east by Berlin and Milan. The West Branch of the Upper Ammonoosuc River originates on the eastern slope of the Pilot Range. According to the United States Census Bureau, the Township has a total area of 25.6 square miles, of which 0.04% is water.

Livermore, NH: Livermore is an unincorporated civil township in Grafton County. It was briefly inhabited as a logging town in the late 19th and early 20th centuries. The site of the logging town is about 15 miles east of Lincoln on NH Route 112 (the Kancamagus Highway, which opened in 1959). Voting for Livermore residents (if any) is overseen by the moderator of Lincoln. The population was reported as 3 at the 2000 census.

According to the United States Census Bureau, the town has a total area of 63.8 square miles, of which 63.6 square miles is land and 0.2 square miles, or 0.27%, is water. To the south is Waterville Valley, to the north and west is Lincoln (and a southern tip of Bethlehem), and to the east are Hart's Location, Bartlett and the northwestern corner of Albany. The village of Livermore was benchmarked with an elevation of 1,264 feet, a quarter mile from the eastern boundary adjoining Hart's Location. The curving northwestern border of the township follows the height of land between the drainage of the East Branch of the Pemigewasset River to the west and the headwaters of the Sawyer River and the Swift River to the east. It is crossed by Kancamagus Pass. Important summits along the border (from northeast to southwest) include Mount Bemis, at 3,706 feet above sea level; Mount Lowell, at 3,743 feet; Mount Carrigain, the highest point in Livermore at 4,700 feet; Mount Kancamagus, at 3,728 feet; and Mount Osceola, at 4,326 feet.

Low and Burbank's Grant, NH: Low and Burbank's Grant is a township located in Coos County. As of the 2000 census, the Grant had a total population of 0.

According to the United States Census Bureau, the Grant has a total area of 26.1 square miles, all of it land. Features of Low and Burbank's Grant include Mt. Sam Adams at 5,584 feet above sea level (the highest point in the Grant) and Mt. Madison, elevation 5,367 feet. Both peaks are part of the Presidential Range of the White Mountains. The northern slopes of the range comprise one of the most densely tracked areas in the White Mountain National Forest. The Randolph Mountain Club and the Appalachian Mountain Club maintain seasonal huts and cabins on the north slopes of these two mountains, at or above 4,000 feet.

Martin's Location, NH: Martin's Location is a township located in Coos County. As of the 2000 census, the location had a total population of zero. The Dolly Copp campground is located here.

The location straddles the Peabody River and New Hampshire Route 16 due east of Mount Madison, north of Green's Grant and bounded to the north by Gorham. According to the United States Census Bureau, the location has a total area of 3.8 square miles, all of which is land. The highest point is the southeast corner of the location, at 2,600 feet above sea level.

Millsfield, NH: Millsfield is a township in Coos County. It is part of the Berlin, NH–VT Micropolitan Statistical Area. In 1774, Millsfield was granted to George Boyd and others and contained about 23,200 acres. It was named in honor of Sir Thomas Mills. In 1952, Millsfield was organized for voting purposes. The population was 22 at the 2000 census.

According to the United States Census Bureau, the township has a total area of 45.3 square miles, of which 45.0 sq mi is land and 0.3 sq mi, or 0.77%, is water. The township is bordered to the west by Erving's Location and Odell, to the north by Dixville, to the east by Errol, and to the south by Dummer. Millsfield has the only road that leads to Erving's Location, a place that according to the 2000 U.S. Census had a population of 1. The road goes to the north of Mount Kelsey, the highest point in Millsfield at 3,472 feet above sea level.

Odell, NH: Odell is a township in Coos County. In 1851, the New Hampshire General Court authorized the governor and council to appoint a land commissioner to sell the public lands, and James Willey of Conway was appointed to that office. In 1834, Odell, which contained 23,751 acres, was sold by Commissioner Willey to Richard Odell of Conway for \$1,863. As of the census of 2000 census the population was five.

Odell is bounded to the west by Stratford, to the south by Stark, to the east by Dummer and Millsfield, and to the north by Erving's Location and Columbia. A substantial portion of the state-owned Nash Stream Forest lies within the township. There are three mountains, each having elevations above 3,000 feet: Muise Mountain, Whitcomb Mountain and Long Mountain, whose two summits are the two highest points in Odell, at 3,661 feet above sea level each. There are only a few rough roads and no highways here. According to the United States Census Bureau, the township has a total area of 45.2 square miles, of which 44.5 sq mi is land and 0.7 sq mi, or 1.51%, is water. Odell is bordered to the north by Columbia and Erving's Location.

Pinkham's Grant, NH: Pinkham's Grant is a township located in Coos County. As of the 2000 census, the grant had a total population of 0.

According to the United States Census Bureau, the grant has a total area of 3.8 square miles, all of it land. The highest point in the grant is 3,050 feet above sea level along Wildcat Ridge on the grant's eastern boundary. The grant occupies the center of Pinkham Notch, a major pass in the White Mountains.

Sargent's Purchase, NH: Sargent's Purchase is a township located in Coos County. According to the United States Census Bureau, the purchase has a total area of 25.9 square miles (67 km²), of which 0.04% is water.

Mount Washington, with an elevation of 6,288 feet above sea level, the highest mountain in New England, is located in Sargent's Purchase. Other notable summits within the purchase include Mount Monroe, at 5,380 feet; Mount Isolation, at 4,004 feet; and Stairs Mountain, at 3,468 feet. The Ammonoosuc River has its headwaters in the purchase.

Second College Grant, NH: Second College Grant is a township located in Coos County. The area of this township is owned and controlled by Dartmouth College. As of the 2000 census, the grant had a total population of 0. Trails and cabins are available for use by the Dartmouth community, and are maintained by the Dartmouth Outing Club and Dartmouth's Outdoor Programs Office. The DOC maintains three cabins available for rent by DOC members (Peaks, Alder Brook, and Stoddard), and the OPO maintains seven cabins for use by Dartmouth-affiliated individuals and their guests. Many freshmen spend a few days in the Grant as part of their freshmen trips just before freshman orientation. The Grant is also used for timber production, but forest-friendly, sustainable practices are employed.

The grant is bounded by the Maine border to the east, Atkinson and Gilmanton Academy Grant to the north, Dix's Grant to the west, and Wentworth's Location to the south. One of the other contemporaneous "Dartmouth" grants was to the north of Dixville but was annexed as the eastern end of Clarksville. According to the United States Census Bureau, the grant has a total area of 41.7 square miles, of which 41.6 sq mi is land and 0.1 sq mi, or 0.12%, is water. The highest point is a 2,840-foot knoll just west of Mount Tucker.

Success, NH: Success is an unincorporated township located in Coos County. It is located directly to the east of the city of Berlin, New Hampshire, and borders on the state of Maine. Success is part of the Berlin, NH-VT Micropolitan Statistical Area. Success was granted in 1779 and contained about 90,472 acres. The grantees were Benjamin Mackay and about seventy (70) others.

The State of New Hampshire requires a nearby incorporated town to exercise the responsibilities that would fall to the Town of Success if it should be incorporated. Some towns in the State bearing such responsibility have sought to be relieved of it. As of the 2000 census, the township had a total population of 2.

According to the United States Census Bureau it is one of 5 places in the United States with a population of exactly two people. As of 2005, one of the larger land owners in Success is the Androscoggin Valley Regional Refuse Disposal District. Additionally, the township has a total area of 59.2 square miles, of which 58.8 square miles is land and 0.5 square miles, or 0.81%, is water. The highest point in the township is the summit of Mount Success, a peak in the Mahoosuc Range with an elevation of 3,565 feet above sea level.

Thompson and Meserve's Purchase, NH: Thompson and Meserve's Purchase is a township located in Coos County. Thompson and Meserve's Purchase was sold by Commissioner Willey to Samuel W. Thompson of Conway and George P. Meserve of Jackson, New Hampshire in 1855 for \$500. As of the 2000 census, the purchase had a population of 0.

According to the United States Census Bureau, the Purchase has a total area of 18.5 square miles, all of it land. The highest point in the purchase is 6,000 feet above sea level on the slope of Chandler Ridge, just north of the summit of Mount Washington. Thompson and Meserve's Purchase contains a northern portion of the Presidential Range, including Mount Adams, the second highest mountain in New Hampshire at 5,774 feet, and Mount Jefferson, the third highest peak at 5,712 feet. To the east of the Presidential peaks lies the Great Gulf, a deep glacial cirque.

Wentworth's Location, NH: Wentworth's Location is a township in Coos County. The land was sold in 1797 to George Wentworth of Portsmouth and operated as an unorganized 'plantation' from 1797-1881. The town was incorporated from 1881 to 1966, then became an organized township. The population was 44 at the 2000 census. It is part of the Berlin, NH-VT Micropolitan Statistical Area.

The Location is along the border with Maine and north of the town of Errol, east of Dixville. To the north is the Second College Grant. The Magalloway River traverses the south-eastern corner, as does Route 16. Mount Dustan, elevation 2,878 feet above sea level, is the Location's highest point and overlooks the village from the west. Black Mountain, elevation 2,750 feet is in the more remote western edge of the location. At one point there was a fire tower on Mount Dustan. According to the United States Census Bureau, the location has a total area of 19.5 square miles, of which 18.8 square miles is land and 0.7 square miles, or 3.70%, is water.