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Re: Trip-Generation Letter  
Tax Map 4, Lot 145 Residential Development  
Amherst, New Hampshire

Dear Mr. Branon:

Vanasse Hangen Brustlin, Inc. (VHB) has prepared this letter to summarize the trip-generation estimates associated with the proposed residential development to be located on the property identified as Tax Map 4, Lot 145 in Amherst, New Hampshire. The site is approximately 15.9 acres and is bordered by Upham Road to the north and County Road to the west. Upham Road and County Road are legislatively categorized as Class V Local Roads under Town of Amherst jurisdiction. As proposed, the site would be developed with six single-family homes. This letter summarize the trip-generation estimates and methodologies associated with the proposed residential development.

## Trip Generation Methodology

To determine the vehicular trips that would be generated by the proposed development, trip-generation rates published by the Institute of Transportation Engineers (ITE)<sup>1</sup> were researched. Table 1 summarizes the trip-generation estimates of the proposed residential development. The trip-generation calculations are attached to this letter.

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<sup>1</sup> Trip Generation Manual. 11th ed. Washington, DC: Institute of Transportation Engineers, 2021.

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**Table 1 – Trip-Generation Summary**

<b>Time Period/Direction</b>	<b>Proposed Trips <sup>a</sup></b>
<b>Weekday Daily</b>	
Enter	29
Exit	29
Total	58
<b>Weekday AM Peak Hour</b>	
Enter	1
Exit	3
Total	4
<b>Weekday PM Peak Hour</b>	
Enter	4
Exit	2
Total	6
<b>Saturday Daily</b>	
Enter	29
Exit	29
Total	58
<b>Saturday Peak Hour</b>	
Enter	3
Exit	3
Total	6

a ITE Land Use Code 210 (Single-Family Detached Housing) for 6 dwelling units.

As shown in Table 1, the proposed residential development is estimated to generate 4 total trips (1 entering and 3 exiting) during the weekday AM peak hour, 6 total trips (4 entering and 2 exiting) during the weekday PM peak hour, and 6 total trips (3 entering and 3 exiting) during the Saturday peak hour.

In accordance with common traffic engineering practice, a development may have a noticeable impact if the addition of peak hour site trips would increase traffic volumes on an intersection approach by 100 vehicles or



more.<sup>2</sup> In addition, New Hampshire Department of Transportation (NHDOT) guidance<sup>3</sup> suggests that a development estimated to generate 100 vehicles per hour or more (total of entering and exiting trips) through an intersection may result in a change in vehicular operations (i.e., noticeably drop level of service or increase volume-to-capacity [v/c] ratios). In general, traffic increases less than these thresholds could be attributed to the fluctuation of vehicles due to driver patterns that occur during the day, on different days of a week, or different months of a year. As shown in Table 1, the proposed residential development is not anticipated to exceed these thresholds (i.e., entering trips <100 vehicles per hour, and exiting trips <100 vehicle per hour).

## Conclusion

In summary, ITE and NHDOT methodologies suggest that a development may have a noticeable impact if the addition of site trips increases traffic volumes on an intersection approach or at an intersection by 100 vehicles per hour or more. Based on the findings of this trip-generation letter, the site trips for the proposed residential development do not trigger these thresholds. Therefore, the proposed six-lot residential development on Tax Map 4, Lot 145 is anticipated to result in minimal impacts to the adjacent roadway network.

Sincerely,

VHB

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Jason R. Plourde".

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<sup>2</sup> Transportation Impact Analyses for Site Development: An ITE Proposed Recommended Practice. Washington, DC: Institute of Transportation Engineers, 2010.

<sup>3</sup> Bollinger, Robert E. Inter-Department Communication. New Hampshire Department of Transportation, Bureau of Traffic. 17 Feb. 2010.

## **Attachments**

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Trip-Generation Calculations

**ITE TRIP GENERATION WORKSHEET**  
*(11th Edition, Updated 2021)*

**LANDUSE:** Single-Family Detached Housing  
**LANDUSE CODE:** 210  
**SETTING/LOCATION:** General Urban / Suburban  
**JOB NAME:**  
**JOB NUMBER:**

Independent Variable --- Number of Dwelling Units

6 dwelling units

**WEEKDAY**

RATES:	# Studies	R <sup>2</sup>	Total Trip Ends			Independent Variable Range			Directional Distribution	
			Average	Low	High	Average	Low	High	Enter	Exit
DAILY	174	0.95	9.43	4.45	22.61	246	10	2,945	50%	50%
AM PEAK OF GENERATOR	169	0.91	0.75	0.34	2.27	217	10	2,945	26%	74%
PM PEAK OF GENERATOR	178	0.92	0.99	0.49	2.98	203	10	2,945	64%	36%
AM PEAK (ADJACENT ST)	192	0.90	0.70	0.27	2.27	226	10	2,945	26%	74%
PM PEAK (ADJACENT ST)	208	0.92	0.94	0.35	2.98	248	10	2,945	63%	37%

TRIPS:

	BY AVERAGE			BY REGRESSION		
	Total	Enter	Exit	Total	Enter	Exit
DAILY	58	29	29	76	38	38
AM PEAK OF GENERATOR	5	1	3	11	3	9
PM PEAK OF GENERATOR	6	4	2	8	5	3
AM PEAK (ADJACENT ST)	4	1	3	6	1	4
PM PEAK (ADJACENT ST)	6	4	2	7	4	3

**SATURDAY**

RATES:	# Studies	R <sup>2</sup>	Total Trip Ends			Independent Variable Range			Directional Distribution	
			Average	Low	High	Average	Low	High	Enter	Exit
DAILY	63	0.91	9.48	3.36	16.52	179	15	1,000	50%	50%
PEAK OF GENERATOR	42	0.89	0.92	0.41	1.78	152	15	644	54%	46%

TRIPS:

	BY AVERAGE			BY REGRESSION		
	Total	Enter	Exit	Total	Enter	Exit
DAILY	58	29	29	64	32	32
PEAK OF GENERATOR	6	3	3	15	8	7

**SUNDAY**

RATES:	# Studies	R <sup>2</sup>	Total Trip Ends			Independent Variable Range			Directional Distribution	
			Average	Low	High	Average	Low	High	Enter	Exit
DAILY	60	0.94	8.48	2.61	16.44	186	15	1,000	50%	50%
PEAK OF GENERATOR	40	0.92	0.83	0.36	1.67	163	15	644	53%	47%

TRIPS:

	BY AVERAGE			BY REGRESSION		
	Total	Enter	Exit	Total	Enter	Exit
DAILY	52	26	26	-18	-9	-9
PEAK OF GENERATOR	5	3	2	10	5	4