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Introducing: EMMIT!

For more than forty years, the N.H. Division of Historical Resources -- the State Historic Preservation Office -- has been collecting data about the state's historical and archaeological places. Almost exclusively, these records are paper documents stored at our offices. Each year, 400-500 visitors use this archive for research, planning and regulatory purposes. But access to these documents has been limited to Monday-Friday during work hours and only at our Concord location.

We are proud to announce that there is a new option. Today, we are launching a map-based online inventory of the more than 16,000 digitized records on file at the DHR. The Enhanced Mapping and Management Information Tool (EMMIT) not only makes these important documents available, it also does so using Geographic Information System (GIS) technology to pinpoint locations of historic resources.

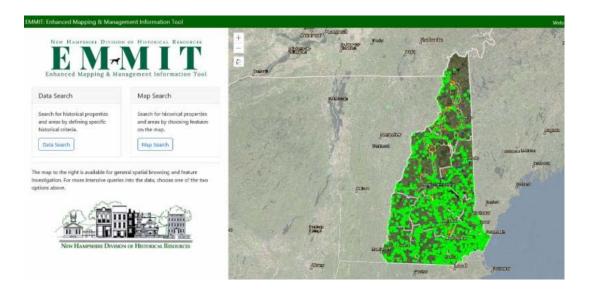




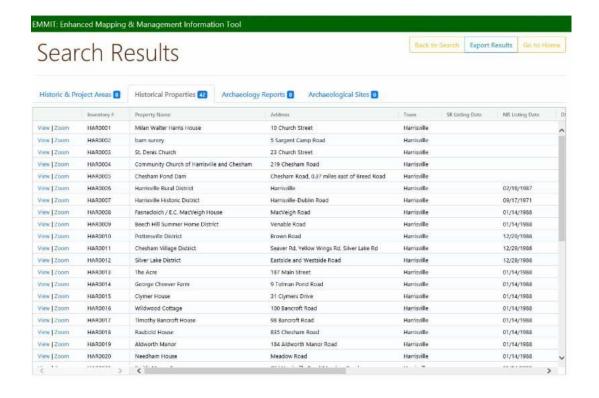




EMMIT is an invaluable support tool for anyone interested in the state's history and its historic places. Researchers, local preservation commissions, cultural resource consultants, planners, public agencies, and engineering, environmental, land use and development firms can all benefit from EMMIT's online accessibility without taking a trip to DHR's Concord office.



Data searches on EMMIT can be based on several criteria, including property name, address, town and Determination of Eligibility status. Multiple fields can be searched at one time, creating more customized results.



Map searches on EMMIT can be done by selecting a specific point or polygon feature on the map. Users may also create customized searches by drawing a point, line or area around the location that they are researching and can choose to set a buffer around the area they've created, using meters, feet, kilometers or miles. Map searches can be exported as a PDF.



EMMIT documents available to subscribers as downloadable PDFs include:

- -- National Register of Historic Places nomination forms, photos and maps
- -- N.H. State Register of Historic Places inventory forms, photos and maps
- -- Individual inventory forms, photos and maps
- -- Project area forms, photos and maps
- -- Historic district area forms, photos and maps
- -- Historic American Buildings Survey (HABS) documentation
- -- Historic American Engineering Record (HAER) documentation
- -- N.H. Historic Property Documentation
- -- Archaeological site forms (restricted access)
- -- Archaeological survey reports (restricted access, survey locations are not available within the GIS map)

Due to the sensitive nature of the location of **archaeological sites**, access to documents from EMMIT's files that relate to archaeological sites will only be granted to qualified archaeological consultants by permission through the DHR.

EMMIT is the only online, up-to-date, comprehensive inventory of the state's historic and archaeological resources. However, the identification of historic places in New Hampshire is an ongoing initiative, and many of the state's historic, architectural and archaeological resources have not yet been identified. Hundreds of new records are submitted to the DHR annually; EMMIT will be updated on a regular basis throughout year as new records are submitted.

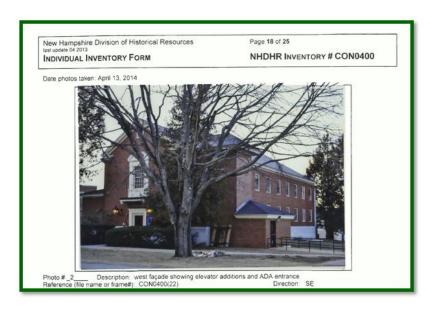




EMMIT's subscription fees vary depending on the type of organization, number of user accounts and the length of the subscription. Contact the DHR directly if you have any questions about subscription fees, at EMMIT@dncr.nh.gov or 603-271-3483.

Anyone requesting a subscription to EMMIT will receive an email confirmation with a link to a subscription form. Once the NHDHR has received the completed form and payment, the subscription will be activated within three to five business days.

A sneak preview of the breadth of EMMIT's data and mapping potential is available through a Guest Access feature, which shows all points and areas that have corresponding documentation in EMMIT and also provides a user-guided demonstration of certain mapping features.



Of course, our office in the Van McLeod Building at 19 Pillsbury Street in Concord -- yes, it's in EMMIT, too -- will still be open for researchers and to anyone who needs assistance. We'll be happy to help you!

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The launch of EMMIT achieves a long-time goal at the DHR. Please join us in

celebrating and learn more at EMMIT.dncr.nh.gov.



Working together to preserve and celebrate New Hampshire's irreplaceable historic resources through education, stewardship and protection.

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