Memorandum

To: Project File

From: Patrick Dunn

Date: November 4, 2014

Subject: New Jersey CDBG-DR Program Blue Acres Acquisition Program: Old Bridge Number of Proposed Activity Sites

The Task Order assigned for the Blue Acres Acquisition Program: Old Bridge Environmental Assessment was issued on August 11, 2014 for 42 sites. A finalized list of 29 sites was provided by the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection on September 17, 2014. All 29 sites were included on the previous list of 42 sites.

All agency correspondence sent before September 17, 2014 reflected the larger list of 42 sites.

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То:	Macwan, Vanessa; Dunn, Patrick
Cc:	Jablon, Rebecca; Steven.Sherman@icfi.com; Dave Jenkins; Kathy Clark
Subject:	RE: CDBG-DR Blue Acres EAs (Old Bridge and Linden) - Endangered Species Review

Vanessa,

Thank you. Kathy Clark also reviewed PAMS_PINS 1215_26049_27 and 1215_1000_11 through 1215_1000_8 for Statelisted species and anticipates no negative impacts from the proposed demolition and preservation. This concludes ENSP's review for the submitted sites.

Best,

Pat

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Hi Pat,

Patrick is off today. Yes, the shapefile with the five polygons cover all the properties with potential endangered and threatened animal species concerns.

Thanks, Vanessa

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Patrick,

Provided that the five sites you submitted cover all the properties undergoing demolition that intersect with potential endangered and threatened animal species concerns, ENSP has concluded that these projects (PAMS_PINS: 1215_1_25, 1215_1_28, and 2009_582_2) will not affect Northern Long-Eared Bat based on the following: although these projects will occur in an area where Northern Long-Eared Bats may be present, tree removal will not occur.

Since PAMS_PINS 1215_26049_27 and 1215_1000_11 through 1215_1000_8 intersect State-listed species, I am forwarding them to ENSP Biologist Kathy Clark for additional review.

If this project requires Land Use permits, all other potential endangered and threatened species concerns will be addressed in accordance with the normal Division of Land Use Regulation review process.

Best,

Pat

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Patrick,

I am in the process of completing the environmental assessments for two Community Development Block Grant-Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR) projects for the Blue Acres Program. The proposed projects are the acquisition of properties and demolition of all man-made features on the properties. The properties would remain permanently as open space. BA_Linden is the acquisition and demolition of 46 properties in Linden Township, Union County. BA_Old Bridge is the acquisition and demolition of 42 properties in Old Bridge Township, Middlesex County. Several proposed activity sites are within the threatened and endangered species layer for bat species and several others have a "Yes" in the parcel centroid for state listed endangered species. I have attached a shapefile for your review.

A Division of Land Use Regulation (DLUR) jurisdictional determination is needed for both projects to determine if a coastal permit is required. A DLUR jurisdictional determination may also be needed for both projects with respect to wetlands.

Please let me know if you need any additional details as this is the first time that I am going through this process. Thank you very much.

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