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JAY SHEERS, CHAIRMAN CITY OF BEACON PLANNING BOARD ONE MUNICIPAL PLAZA STE ONE BEACON NY 12508



Re: Project: 25 Townsend St. Subdivision

City of Beacon, Dutchess County CH6274

Dear Chairman Sheers,

We have reviewed the SEQR lead agency coordination request for the above referenced project which our office received on January 28, 2016.

In addition to transmitting the following comments, this letter also serves to confirm that we have no objection to your board/agency assuming lead agency status for this project.

Department Jurisdiction

Based upon our review of the circulated documents, it appears that the project will require the Department permits that are indicated below by a checked box:

Permit for Stormwater Discharges from Construction Activities (GP-0-08-001): For proposed disturbance of 5000 square feet or more of land within the NYC Department of Environmental Protection East of Hudson Watershed or for proposed disturbance of 1 acre or more of land outside the NYC DEP Watershed. If this site is within an MS4 area (Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System), the SWPPP must be reviewed and accepted by the municipality and the MS-4 Acceptance Form must be submitted to the Department. If the site is not within an MS4 area and other DEC permits are required, the sponsor must provide two copies of the required Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP) with their permit application for DEC review and approval. Other permits will not be issued until the SWPPP is approved. Authorization for coverage under the SPDES General Permit is not granted until the Department issues any other necessary DEC permits.

State-listed Species: DEC has reviewed the State's Master Habitat Databank (MHDB) records. We have determined that the site is located within or near record(s) of the following state-listed species: Indiana bat (Myotis sodalis), a New York State Endangered species. A permit is required for the incidental taking of any species identified as "endangered" or "threatened", which can include the removal of habitat.

If this project requires the removal of any trees greater than 4 inches in diameter at breast height, then measures may be required to avoid potential harm to Indiana bat. For more information, please contact DEC Bureau of Wildlife at 845-256-2257.



We cannot provide a definitive statement on the presence or absence of any other rare or state-listed species of significant natural communities at this project site. The absence of data does not necessarily mean that rare or state-listed species, natural communities or other significant habitats do not exist on or adjacent to the proposed site. Rather, our files currently do not contain information which indicates their presence. For most sites, comprehensive field surveys have not been conducted .Depending on the nature of the project and the conditions at the project-site, further information from on-site surveys or other sources may be required to fully assess impacts on biological resources.

☑Cultural Resources: We have reviewed the statewide inventory of archaeological resources maintained by the New York State Museum and the New York State Office of Parks, Recreation, and Historic Preservation. These records indicate that the project is located within an area considered to be sensitive with regard to archaeological resources. Therefore, the DEC review of the project will require preparation of a cultural resources assessment and the review of the New York State Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation.

Questions pertaining to the Department's jurisdiction or related matters should be directed to the undersigned analyst assigned to the project. Please refer to the DEC project number identified above in all correspondence to the Department. Thank you.

Sincerely,

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