

# Appendix G

Affected Environment Information

# APPENDIX G: AFFECTED ENVIRONMENT INFORMATION

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# APPENDIX G-1: GENERALIZED STRATIGRAPHIC COLUMN

System	Series		Formation	Member	Description	Thickness (feet)		
	Upper	Trimn	ners Rock	Millrift Sloat Brook	Dark-gray to medium-dark gray siltstone, shale, and very fine-grained sandstone, coarsening upwards. Fossiliferous (brachiopods).	720-1,825		
	Middle	Maha	ntango		Medium-dark-gray sittstone and silty shale. Fossiliferous, biostromes (corals, brachiopods, pelecypods, bryozoans).	1,300-2,450		
		Marce	əllus	Brodhead Creek	Dark-gray, laminated to poorly bedded silty shale; depauperate brachiopods. Medium-dark gray shaly limestone.	800-950		
-				Stony Hollow	Medium-dark-gray to medium-gray, laminated to thin-bedded, shaly limestone, fossiliferous (brachiopods).	150		
DEVONIAN	e			Union Springs	Medium-dark-gray to dark-gray laminated shale; sheared along detachment.	50		
0	Middle			Seneca	Fossiliferous cherty limestone. Contains TIOGA ash bed.	15		
DEV	-		ndaga ermilk Falls)	Moorehouse (Stroudsburg)	Medium-gray limestone and argillaceous limestone with beds, pods and lenses of dark-gray chert. Fossiliferous (brachiopods, ostracodes), burrowed.	135		
				Nedrow (McMichal)	Medium-dark-gray calcareous argilite with lenses of light-medium gray fossiliferous limestone.	40		
				Edgecliff (Foxtown)	Medium-dark-gray calcareous siltstone and argillaceous limestone containing lenses of dark-gray chert. Fossiliferous, one-inch diameter crinoid "colum- nals" in lower half.	80		
		Schol	harie		Medium-to medium-dark gray argillaceous calcareous siltstone. Fossiliferous (brachiopods, <i>Taonurus</i> burrows in lower half, vertical burrows in upper half).	100-150		
		Esopus		Esopus			Medium- to dark-gray silty shale and shaly to finely arenaceous siltstone. Poorly fossiliferous. Burrowed ( <i>Taonurus</i> ).	180-300
		Ŷ.	Ridgeley		Light- to medium-gray, fine- to coarse-grained calcareous sandstone and quartz-pebble conglomerate with minor siltstone, arenaceous limestone, and dark-gray chert. Fossiliferous (brachiopods).	0-16		
		Oriskany Group	Shriver Chert		Medium-dark-gray siliceous calcareous shale and siltstone and beds, lenses, and pods of dark-gray chert and minor calcareous sandstone. Fossiliferous (brachiopods), burrowed.	50-85		
			Port Ewen Shale		Medium-dark-gray poorly fossiliferous, irregularly laminated calcareous shale and siltstone grading up to fossiliferous, burrowed, irregularly bedded calcareous siltstone and shale.	150		
			Minisink Limestone		Dark- to medium-gray argillaceous fossiliferous limestone.	11-14		
~			New Scotland	Maskenozha	Dark-gray silty calcareous laminated fossiliferous shale with lenticular argillaceous fossiliferous limestone.	45		
NIAI				Flatbrookville	Medium-dark-gray sity and calcareous fossiliferous shale with lenticular medium-gray argillaceous, very fossiliferous limestone.	20-33		
DEVONIAN	Lower		Coeymans	Stormville	Medium-gray, fine- to coarse-grained, biogenic limestone, fine-to medium- grained arenaceous limestone, fine- to coarse-grained, crossbedded and planarbedded calcareous sandstone and quartz-pebble conglomerate, with some dark-gray chert. Fossiliferous (brachiopods, crinoids).	0-20		
	Γo			Shawnee Island Thacher Mbr	Shawnee Island: Medium-gray, argillaceous and arenaceous irregularly bedded fossiliferous and burrowed limestone with chert at top. Contains bioherms of medium-light-gray very coarse grained crudely bedded biogenic limestone with corals, stromatoporoids, and shelly fauna ( <i>Gypidula</i> ). Thacher: Dark-gray, unevenly bedded limestone with yellowish-gray shale	0-60		
				of Manlius Fm	partings. Medium-dark gray argillaceous massive fossiliferous limestone (diversified	0-60		
		erg		Kalkberg Limestone	fauna) with nodules and lenses of dark-gray chert.			
		Helderberg Group[		Peters Valley	Medium-gray arenaceous limestone to light-medium-gray fine- to coarse- grained pebbly calcareous sandstone. Cross bedded, fossiliferous.	0-9		
		ΞŪ		Depue Limestone	Medium- to dark-gray arenaceous and argillaceous fossiliferous Limestone.	13-29		

			Ravena	Medium-dark-gray slightly argillaceous, fossiliferous limestone.	0-30
		Rondout	Mashipacong	Medium-dark- to light-gray shale, calcareous shale, and very fine- to medium- grained argillaceous limestone. Mudcracks, cut and fill.	8-15
SILURIAN AND DEVONIAN	n & onian		Whiteport Dolomite	Dark- to medium-gray mud-cracked laminated dolomite.	5-10
SILUF	Up. Silurian & Low. Devonian		Duttonville	Dark- to medium-gray calcareous shale and argillaceous limestone. Mud-cracked intervals and biostromal limestone beds.	10-20
		Decker	Wallpack Center Clove Brook	Wallpack Center: Lenticular and evenly bedded quartz-pebble conglomerate, calcareous sandstone and siltstone, argillaceous and arenaceous limestone and dolomite. Cross bedded, planar bedded, flaser bedded, fossiliferous. Clove Brook: Medium-gray to medium-dark gray fossiliferous (crinoidal) limestone with light-olive-gray shale partings near top.	0-85
Upper	Bossardville Limestone	2	Dark- to medium-gray, laminated argillaceous linestone locally containing deep mud cracks (as much as 20 feet deep) grading up to dark-gray laminated limestone. Poorly fossiliferous (ostracodes).	12-110	
		Poxono Island		Light-olive-gray to green, calcareous and dolomitic, laminated, fissile to nonfissile shale, olive-green dolomite, sandstone, and siltstone.	500-800
SILURIAN	Middle & Upper	Bloomsburg Red Beds		Red, green, and gray siltstone, shale, sandstone, and conglomeratic sandstone in upward-fining sequences. Cross- bedded and laminated, mud cracks, cut and fill, scattered ferroan dolomite concretions. Partly burrowed. Fish scales locally.	1,500
	dle	Shawangunk (Members loose their identity	Tammany	Gray, fine- to coarse-grained, partly crossbedded, pyritic conglomerate, evenly bedded quartzite, and about 2% dark-gray argillite.	800
	Lower and Middle	several miles northeast of	Lizard Creek	Gray to olive-gray, fine- to coarse-grained, partly crossbedded, pyritic, thin- to thick-bedded quartzite interbedded with thin-to thick bedded, gray argillite.	275
	Lower 8	Delaware Water Gap)	Minsi	Gray to olive-gray, fine- to coarse-grained, partly crossbedded, pyritic and feldspathic, thin- to thick-bedded quartzite, conglomeratic quartzite, and conglomerate. Locally contains mud-cracked argillite.	300
CIAN	Upper Upper	Martinsburg	Pen Argyl	Dark-gray to grayish black, thick- to thin-bedded (some beds more than 20 feet thick), evenly bedded claystone slate, rhythmically interbedded with quartzose slate, subgraywacke, and carbonaceous slate. Taconic unconformity at top. Disappears under Shawangunk about one mile west of Delaware Water Gap.	3,000-6,000
ORDOVICIAN	Middle and Upper Middle and Upper		Ramseyburg	Medium- to dark-gray claystone slate alternating with light- to medium-gray, thin- to thick-bedded graywacke and graywacke siltstone.	2,800
0	Mid		Bushkill	Dark- to medium-gray thin-bedded (beds do not exceed six Inches thick), claystone slate with thin interbedded quazrtzose slate and graywacke siltstone and carbonaceous slate. Not exposed in Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area.	4,000

# APPENDIX G-2: MAJOR GEOLOGIC FORMATIONS THAT THE ALTERNATIVES WOULD CROSS WITHIN THE STUDY AREA

				Alterr	ative						
Period	Geologic Unit	1	2	2b	3	4	Description	Drainage	Ease of Excavation	Foundation Stability	Paleontology
Devonian	Mahantango Formation	х	х	x	x	<	Medium-gray, olive-weathering, fine- to coarse- grained sandstone and numerous dark-gray to brown shale interbeds; includes "Centerfield coral reef" in eastern Pennsylvania	Good surface drainage	Moderately easy to moderately difficult; locally difficult; fast to moderate drilling rate	Good; need for excavation to sound material; need for under drainage	Formation well known for fossils; includes fossil findings of many species and specimens
	Marcellus Shale	X	x	X	x	<	Black, carbonaceous shale; limestone (Purcell member) is present locally; may contain abundant pyrite and siderite concretions and nodules; Tioga bentonite is included at base in eastern Pennsylvania		Moderately easy; fast drilling rate	Good; should be excavated to sound material	Sparse with fossils; those found indicate an oxygen-poor deep marine environment
	Buttermilk Falls Limestone	x	х	X	x x	<	Medium-gray, fine to coarsely crystalline, fossiliferous, partly argillaceous limestone; gray, calcareous, silty shale; and dark-gray chert; deeply leached in western part of outcrop belt	Good surface drainage	Moderately difficult in east to easy in the west; drilling rate is moderate to fast	Generally good, but only fair where bedrock is deeply weathered; should be excavated to sound material	Includes fossiliferous grey limestone; many specimens found in this formation
	Esopus Formation	X	X	x	x	<	Very fine- to coarse-grained, gray to olive-gray, hard siltstone and medium- to dark-gray, silty shale	Good surface drainage	Moderately difficult; weathered zones in western part of the outcrop belt are easy; very closely spaced, blocky fracture pattern in siltstone facilitates excavation in some areas; drilling rate is moderate to fast	Good when excavated to sound bedrock	Somewhat fossiliferous; an important specimen used to justify a taxonomic revision was collected in this formation
	Ridgeley Sandstone	x	х	X	X		In eastern Pennsylvania, white to very light-gray quartz sandstone and fine-grained pebble conglomerate; fossiliferous	Good surface drainage	Difficult; degree and depth of weathering are a major factor; the greater the amount of weathered, friable rock, the easier to excavate; drilling rate is slow	Good when excavated to sound, fresh bedrock; deep weathering may be a special problem	Relatively fossil rich; trace fossils collected indicate a barrier beach
	Coeymans Formation	x	х	X	X		Gray, sandy and clayey limestone and gray, fine- to coarse-grained calcareous sandstone and quartz-pebble conglomerate; amount of limestone decreases westward	Good surface drainage, except in deeply leached, porous areas to the west, where surface drainage is moderate		Excellent in unweathered bedrock; fair to poor where deeply weathered, requiring special foundation design	Very abundant in fossils; contains trace fossils and fossil-rich patch reefs
Silurian	Decker Formation	x	X	x	x		Variable lithology; lenses and beds of medium- to light-gray, calcareous sandstone and siltstone, quartz-pebble conglomerate, and arenaceous fine- to coarse-grained limestone near the Delaware River, grading westward to silty, finely arenaceous limestone, calcareous siltstone, fine- grained calcareous sandstone, and shale	Good surface drainage	Easy where deeply weathered and leached; moderately difficult in unweathered bedrock; drilling rate is moderate to fast	Fair; should be excavated to sound material; may require special foundation support design in some areas	Abundantly fossiliferous with trace fossils present; many abundant marine fauna
	Poxono Island Formation	X	х	X	Х		Limy, light-olive-gray to green, silty and sandy shale, olive-green dolomite, and minor thin interbeds of fine-grained limy sandstone	Good surface drainage	Moderately easy, should be rippable where steeply dipping; fast drilling rate	Good; should be excavated to sound bedrock	Not a commonly fossil-rich formation
	Bloomsburg Red Beds	X	x	x	x	K X	Predominantly red shale and siltstone; some sandstone, thin impure limestone, and green shale	Good surface drainage	Moderately easy; relatively fast drilling rate	Good; should be excavated to sound material	Significant specimen findings in DEWA of a rare ancestral horseshoe crab; fish scales and vertebrate fossils have been found in this formation

				Alter	native							
Period	Geologic Unit	1	2	2b	3	4	5	Description	Drainage	Ease of Excavation	Foundation Stability	Paleontology
	Shawangunk Formation	x	х	x	X	x		Light- to dark-gray, fine- to very coarse-grained sandstone and conglomerate containing thin shale interbeds; crossbedded; tightly cemented	Good surface drainage	Difficult; boulder fields on lower slopes beneath outcrop areas are a special problem; drilling rate is very slow	Good; excavate to sound bedrock	Sparsely fossiliferous; contains some fossils, including rare jellyfish-like fauna
Ordovician	Martinsburg Formation (including the Ramseyburg Member)	Х	X	X	X	x		Buff-weathering, dark-gray shale and thin interbeds of siltstone, metabentonite, and fine- grained sandstone; brown-weathering, medium- grained sandstone containing shale and siltstone interbeds is present in the middle of the formation; basal part grades into limy shale and platy-weathering silty limestone	Good surface drainage	Moderately easy in shale; moderately difficult in limestone; difficult in sandstone; fast drilling rate	Good; should be excavated to sound rock; limestone should be investigated for solution openings	Oldest fossiliferous unit in DEWA; many specimens of certain groups have been identified from this formation
								Ramseyburg Member is interbedded medium- to dark-gray to brownish-gray, fine- to medium- grained, thin- to thick-bedded graywacke sandstone and siltstone and medium- to dark- gray, laminated to thin-bedded shale and slate				

Source: USGS 2005, 1; 2006, 1; Geyer and Wilshusen 1982; NPS 2004.

### APPENDIX G-3: MAJOR GEOLOGIC FORMATIONS/ROCK TYPES THAT THE ALTERNATIVES COULD CROSS OUTSIDE THE STUDY AREA

					Alter	native		
Period	Geologic Unit	Description	1	2	2b	3	4	5
Jurassic	Boonton Formation	Reddish-brown to brownish-purple, fine-grained sandstone, siltstone, and mudstone	х	Х	X	х	Х	х
	Towaco Formation	Reddish-brown to brownish-purple, fine- to medium-grained micaceous sandstone, siltstone, and silty mudstone	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х
Pennsylvanian	Llewellyn Formation	Gray, fine- to coarse-grained sandstone, siltstone, shale, conglomerate, and numerous anthracite coals in repetitive sequences	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х
	Pottsville Formation	Predominantly gray sandstone and conglomerate; also contains thin beds of shale, claystone, limestone, and coal	Х	х	х	Х	х	х
Mississippian	Mauch Chunk Formation	Grayish-red shale, siltstone, sandstone, and some conglomerate; some local non-red zones	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х
	Pocono Formation	Light-gray to buff or light-olive-gray, medium-grained crossbedded sandstone and minor siltstone; commonly conglomeratic at base and in middle	х	х	х	х	х	х
Mississippian into Devonian	Spechty Kopf Formation	Light- to olive-gray, fine- to medium-grained crossbedded sandstone, siltstone, and local polymictic diamictite, pebbly mudstone, and laminate						Х
Devonian	Catskill Formation	Grayish-red sandstone, siltstone, shale, and mudstone; locally conglomeratic; contains gray sandstone in upper part	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х
	Trimmers Rock Formation	Olive-gray siltstone and shale, characterized by graded bedding; marine fossils; some very fine-grained sandstone in northeast	х	х	х	х	х	х
	Mahantango Formation	Medium-gray, olive-weathering, fine- to coarse-grained sandstone and numerous dark-gray to brown shale interbeds; includes "Centerfield coral reef" in eastern Pennsylvania; also includes the following members, in descending order: Tully Limestone, Sherman Ridge Sandstone, Montebello Sandstone, Fisher Ridge Sandstone, Dalmatia Shale, and Turkey Ridge Sandstone	Х	X	x	Х	X	X
	Marcellus Shale	Black carbonaceous shale; limestone (Purcell Member) is present locally; may contain abundant pyrite and siderite concretions and nodules; Tioga bentonite is included at base in eastern Pennsylvania	Х	х	х	Х	х	х
Silurian	Bloomsburg Red Beds	Grayish-red, thin- to thick-bedded, poorly to moderately well sorted massive siltstone, sandstone, and local quartz-pebble conglomerate containing local planar to trough crossbedded laminations	Х	х	х	Х	х	х

					Alter	native		
Period	Geologic Unit	Description	1	2	2b	3	4	5
Ordovician	Martinsburg Formation	Buff-weathering, dark-gray shale and thin interbeds of siltstone, metabentonite, and fine-grained sandstone; brown-weathering, medium- grained sandstone containing shale and siltstone interbeds is present in the middle of the formation; basal part grades into limy shale and platy- weathering, silty limestone						×
	Ramseyburg Member	Interbedded medium- to dark-gray to brownish-gray, fine- to medium- grained, thin- to thick-bedded graywacke sandstone and siltstone and medium- to dark-gray, laminated to thin-bedded shale and slate	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х	х
	Bushkill Member	Interbedded medium- to dark gray, thinly laminated to thick-bedded shale and slate and less abundant medium-gray to brownish-gray, laminated to thin-bedded siltstone	Х	х	х	х	х	х
	Lower Part of Beekmantown Group	Very thin- to thick-bedded, interbedded dolomite and minor limestone; upper beds are light olive-gray to dark-gray, fine- to medium-grained, thin- to thick-bedded dolomite	Х	х	x	Х	х	X
	Epler Formation	Very finely crystalline, light-gray limestone interbedded with gray dolomite; coarsely crystalline limestone lenses present						X
	Graywacke and Shale of Martinsburg Formation	Shale containing conspicuous graywacke; includes autochthonous sandstone and shale of Shochary Ridge						X
	Jacksonburg Formation	Dark-gray, shaly limestone (cement rock) having slaty cleavage; basal medium- to thick-bedded limestone (cement limestone) increases in thickness eastward						Х
Cambrian	Allentown Dolomite	Very thin- to very thick-bedded dolomite containing minor orthoquartzite and shale; upper part is medium-light- to medium-dark-gray, fine- to medium-grained, locally coarse-grained, medium- to very thick-bedded dolomite	Х	Х	X	Х	Х	
	Leithsville Formation	Light- to dark-gray and light-olive-gray, fine- to medium-grained, thin- to medium-bedded dolomite	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х
	Allentown Formation	Medium- to medium-dark-gray, thick-bedded dolomite and impure limestone; dark-gray chert stringers and nodules; laminated; oolitic and stromatolitic; some orange-brown-weathering calcareous siltstone at base						Х

					Alter	native		
Period	Geologic Unit	Description	1	2	2b	3	4	5
Proterozoic Biotite-Quartz- Feldspar Gneiss Gray-weathering, locally rusty, gray to tan on medium-coarse-grained, moderately layered variable in texture and composition; comport microperthite, quartz, and biotite; locally consillimanite, and opaque minerals   Hornblende Granite Pinkish-gray- to medium-buff-weathering, p gray, medium- to coarse-grained, gneissoid and sparse granite gneiss composed princi- microperthite, quartz, oligoclase, and hornblende	Gray-weathering, locally rusty, gray to tan or greenish-gray, fine- to medium-coarse-grained, moderately layered and foliated gneiss that is variable in texture and composition; composed of oligoclase, microcline microperthite, quartz, and biotite; locally contains garnet, graphite, sillimanite, and opaque minerals	X	X	X	X	X	X	
		Pinkish-gray- to medium-buff-weathering, pinkish-white or light-pinkish- gray, medium- to coarse-grained, gneissoid to indistinctly foliated granite and sparse granite gneiss composed principally of microcline microperthite, quartz, oligoclase, and hornblende	Х	X	X	X	X	X
	Potassic Feldspar Gneiss	Light-gray- to pinkish-buff-weathering, pinkish-white to light-pinkish-gray, fine- to medium-grained, moderately foliated gneiss				Х	Х	X
	Pyroxene Granite	Gray- to buff- or white-weathering, greenish-gray, medium- to coarse- grained, massive, gneissoid to indistinctly foliated granite containing mesoperthite to microantiperthite, quartz, oligoclase, and clinopyroxene	Х	х	X	Х	Х	X
	Quartz-Oligoclase Gneiss	White-weathering, light-greenish-gray, medium- to coarse-grained, moderately layered to indistinctly foliated gneiss	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х	X
	Felsic to Mafic Gneiss	Light, medium-grained, predominantly quartz and feldspar of igneous origin						X
Unknown	Diorite	Made largely of white to light-gray plagioclase and black hornblende; may also contain biotite	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х	X
	Miscellaneous formations/rock types <5%	NA	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х	X

## APPENDIX G-4: PERCENTAGE OF GEOLOGIC FORMATIONS CONTAINING LIMESTONE OUTSIDE THE STUDY AREA

			Penr	nsylvania	Counties			New 、	Jersey Co	ounties
	Carbon	Lackawanna	Luzerne	Monroe	Northampton	Pike	Wayne	Morris	Sussex	Warren
Alternatives	5	1,2,2b,3,4	All	All	4,5	1,2,2b,3,4	1,2,2b,3,4	All	All	All
Formation									0.89%	
Allentown Formation					11.11%					
Berkshire Valley and Poxono Island Formations, undivided								0.34%		
Bossardville Limestone									0.36%	
Buttermilk Falls Limestone				0.01%						
Buttermilk Falls Limestone through Esopus Formation, undivided	0.50%			4.20%						
Decker Formation through Poxono Island Formation, undivided	0.75%			1.69%						
Epler Formation					10.01%					
Jacksonburg Formation					5.75%					
Jacksonburg Limestone									0.69%	2.27%
Jacksonburg Limestone and Sequence at Wantage, undivided										0.29%
Kalkberg Limestone, Coeymans Limestone, Manlius Limestone									0.35%	
Leithsville Formation					4.25%					
Limestone of Martinsburg Formation					0.12%					
Minisink Limestone and New Scotland Formation									0.35%	
Ontelaunee Formation					0.62%					
Port Ewen Shale									0.34%	
Poxono Island Formation									1.16%	
Rickenbach Formation					3.54%					

			New Jersey Counties							
	Carbon	Lackawanna	Luzerne	Monroe	Northampton	Pike	Wayne	Morris	Sussex	Warren
Ridgeley Formation through Coeymans Formation, undivided	0.50%			2.01%						
Rondout Formation and Decker Formation									0.30%	
Schoharie Formation				0.01%					0.50%	

Source: USGS 2005, 1, 2006, 1.

## APPENDIX G-5: OTHER PUBLIC AND CONSERVATION LANDS THAT COULD BE CROSSED OUTSIDE THE STUDY AREA

County	State Game Lands/Wildlife Management Areas	State Parks	State Forests	Important Bird Areas/Important Mammal Areas	Federal Lands	National Wildlife Refuges	TNC Preserves
Carbon County, Pennsylvania	State Game Lands 40, 91, 129, 141, 149, and 168	Beltzville State Park, Hickory Run State Park, Lehigh Gorge State Park	Delaware State Forest, Weiser Forest	Hickory Run State Park IBA, Lehigh Valley/Lehigh Gorge State Park IMA, State Game Land 129/Hickory Run State Park/Holiday Pocono IMA	Beltzville Lake, Delaware and Lehigh National Heritage Corridor		
Lackawanna County, Pennsylvania	State Game Lands 91, 135, 300, 307, and 312	Archbald Pothole State Park Lackawanna State Park	Lackawanna State Forest		Lackawanna National Heritage Valley		Dick and Nancy Eales Preserve at Moosic Mountain
Luzerne County, Pennsylvania	State Game Lands 57, 91, 119, 149, 187, 206, 207, 224, 260, and 292	Frances Slocum State Park, Lehigh Gorge State Park, Nescopeck State Park, Ricketts Glen State Park	Lackawanna State Forest	Dutch Mountain Wetlands Complex– State Game Land 57 IBA, Lehigh Valley/Lehigh Gorge State Park IMA, Ricketts Glen State Park, Crevling Lake Area IBA, State Game Land 129/Hickory Run State Park/Holiday Pocono IMA, Susquehanna Riverlands IBA	Delaware and Lehigh National Heritage Corridor, Lackawanna National Heritage Valley		
Monroe County, Pennsylvania	State Game Lands 38, 127, 129, 168, 186, 221, 312, and 318	Big Pocono State Park, Gouldsboro State Park, Tobyhanna State Park	Delaware State Forest	Cherry Valley Watershed IMA, Delaware State Forest/ Bushkill Creek Area IMA, Delaware Water Gap IMA, Long Pond Preserve IBA, Long Pond Preserve IMA, Pocono Lake Preserve IBA, Pocono Lake/Adams Swamp/Two-Mile Run IMA, State Game Land 129/Hickory Run State Park/Holiday Pocono IMA, Tobyhanna and Gouldsboro State Parks/State Game Land 127 IMA	Delaware River Water Trail	Cherry Valley NWR	Cherry Valley, Fern Ridge Bog, Long Pond, Tannersville Cranberry Bog, Thomas Darling Preserve at Two-mile Run

County	State Game Lands/Wildlife Management Areas	State Parks	State Forests	Important Bird Areas/Important Mammal Areas	Federal Lands	National Wildlife Refuges	TNC Preserves
Morris County, New Jersey	Berkshire Valley, Black River, Budd Lake, Musconetcong River, Rockaway River, South Branch, Splitrock Reservoir Access, Wildcat Ridge	Farny State Park, Hacklebarney State Park, Hopatcong State Park		Allamuchy Mountain State Park IBA, Great Swamp National Wildlife Refuge IBA, Hatfield Swamp IBA, Northern Musconetcong Mountain Region IBA, Pequannock Watershed IBA, Picatinny Arsenal North/Denmark Lake IBA, Wildcat Ridge Wildlife Management Area and Splitrock Reservoir IBA	Morristown National Historical Park, Picatinny Arsenal, Crossroads of the American Revolution National Heritage Area	Great Swamp NWR	
Northampton County, Pennsylvania	State Game Land 168	Jacobsburg Environmental Education Center	Delaware State Forest		Delaware and Lehigh National Heritage Corridor, Delaware River Water Trail	Cherry Valley NWR	Minsi Lake/Totts Gap Corridor, Mount Bethel Fens
Pike County, Pennsylvania	State Game Lands 116, 180, 183, 209, and 316	Promised Land State Park	Delaware State Forest	Delaware State Forest/Bushkill Creek Area IMA, Delaware Water Gap IMA, Promised Land State Park, Bruce Lake Natural Area IBA, Shohola Waterfowl Management Area IBA, Upper Delaware Scenic River IBA	Delaware River Water Trail		

County	State Game Lands/Wildlife Management Areas	State Parks	State Forests	Important Bird Areas/Important Mammal Areas	Federal Lands	National Wildlife Refuges	TNC Preserves
Sussex County, New Jersey	Bear Swamp, Culvers Brook Access, Flatbrook-Roy, Hainesville, Hamburg Mountain, Little Flatbrook Access, Paulinskill River, Sparta Mountain, Trout Brook, Walpack, Weldon Brook, Whittingham	Allamuchy Mountain State Park, High Point State Park, Hopatcong State Park, Kittatinny Valley State Park, Stephens State Park, Swartswood State Park	Stokes State Forest	Allamuchy Mountain State Park IBA, Appalachian Mountains IBA, Bear Swamp Wildlife Management Area - Sussex IBA, Cedar Swamp/Farber Tract IBA, Clove Brook Road Corridor IBA, Delaware Water Gap and Valley IBA, Giant Fen Area IBA, Hamburg Mountain IBA, Hyper Humus Marshes IBA, Kittatinny Camp/Van Ness Road IBA, Kittatinny Mountain Eastern Slope IBA, Moe Mountain IBA, Pequannock Watershed IBA, Rockport Marsh IBA, Sparta Mountain Wildlife Management Area IBA, Stokes State Forest and High Point State Park IBA, Vernon Valley Grasslands/Pochuck Marsh IBA, Wallkill River National Wildlife Refuge IBA, Walpack Valley IBA, Wantage Grasslands IBA, Wawayanda Mountain IBA, Whittingham Wildlife Management Area IBA		Wallkill River National Wildlife Refuge	Arctic Meadows, Blair Creek, Johnsonburg Swamp, Kittatinny Ridge Preserves, Mashipacong Bogs, Minisink Valley, Muckshaw Ponds, Sussex Swamp Preserves
Warren County, New Jersey	Alpha Grasslands Preserve, Beaver Brook, Belvidere Access, Buckhorn Creek, Columbia, Hackettstown Hatchery, Harmony Access, Honey Run, Hummers Beach Access, Knowlton Access, Musconetcong River, Pequest, Pohatcong, Ratzman Access, Rockport, White Lake	Allamuchy Mountain State Park, Hopatcong State Park, Kittatinny Valley State Park, Stephens State Park	Jenny Jump State Forest, Worthington State Forest	Allamuchy Mountain State Park IBA, Alpha (Pohatcong) Grasslands IBA, Delaware Water Gap and Valley IBA, Jenny Jump State Forest IBA, Kittatinny Mountain Eastern Slope IBA, Merrill Creek Reservoir IBA, Mount Tammany Cliffs IBA, Old Mine Road IBA			Blair Creek, Johnsonburg Swamp, Kittatinny Ridge Preserves

County	State Game Lands/Wildlife Management Areas	State Parks	State Forests	Important Bird Areas/Important Mammal Areas	Federal Lands	National Wildlife Refuges	TNC Preserves
Wayne County, Pennsylvania	State Game Lands 70, 159, 299, 300, 310, and 312	Gouldsboro State Park, Prompton State Park, Tobyhanna State Park, Varden Conservation Area		Tobyhanna and Gouldsboro State Parks/State Game Land 127 IMA, Upper Delaware Scenic River IBA	Prompton Lake, Lackawanna National Heritage Valley, Delaware River Water Trail		Lacawac Sanctuary, Lehigh Pond, Long Eddy River Edges Preserve

Source: PGC 2010; NJDEP 2003, 2011; PADCNR 2011a, 2011b, 2011c; USFWS 2011a; National Atlas 2003a, 2003b; TNC 2010, 2011; Audubon PA 2010; NJ Audubon 2010; Lackawanna Heritage Valley Authority n.d.; Crossroads of the American Revolution Association 2010; Delaware & Lehigh National Heritage Area 2009; NPS 2011b.

## **APPENDIX G-6: SPECIES DOCUMENTED IN DEWA**

#### SPECIES LIST FOR DEWA AND SPECIES OBSERVED DURING FIELD SURVEYS

		Alte	Alternatives				
Scientific Name	Common Name	1, 2, 2b	3	4	5		
Birds	_						
Gavia stellata	Red-throated Loon*						
Gavia immer	Common Loon*	x					
Podiceps grisegena	Red-necked Grebe*						
Podiceps auritus	Horned Grebe*						
Podilymbus podiceps	Pied-billed Grebe*						
Phalacrocorax carbo	Great Cormorant*						
Phalacrocorax auritus	Double-crested Cormorant*						
Botaurus lentiginosus	American Bittern*	x					
Ixobrychus exilis	Least Bittern*						
Ardea herodias	Great Blue Heron*	x	х				
Casmerodius albus	Great Egret*						
Egretta thula	Snowy Egret*						
Egretta tricolor	Tricolored Heron*						
Egretta caerulea	Little Blue Heron*						
Butorides striatus	Green Heron*	x					
Nycticorax nycticorax	Black-crowned Night-heron*						
Cygnus olor	Mute Swan						
Cygnus columbianus	Tundra Swan*						
Branta canadensis	Canada Goose*	x					
Branta bernicla	Brant*						
Chen caerulescens	Snow Goose*						
Aix sponsa	Wood Duck*	x					
Anas platyrhynchos	Mallard*	x					
Anas rubripes	American Black Duck*						
Anas strepera	Gadwall*						
Anas acuta	Northern Pintail*						
Anas americana	American Wigeon*						
Anas clypeata	Northern Shoveler*						
Anas discors	Blue-winged Teal*						
Anas crecca	Green-winged Teal*						
Aythya valisineria	Canvasback*						
Aythya americana	Redhead*						
Aythya collaris	Ring-necked Duck*						
Aythya marila	Greater Scaup*						

Scientific Name		Alte	Alternatives					
	Common Name	1, 2, 2b	3	4	5			
Aythya affinis	Lesser Scaup*							
Clangula hyemalis	Long-tailed Duck*							
Melanitta nigra	Black Scoter*							
Melanitta fusca	White-winged Scoter*							
Bucephala clangula	Common Goldeneye*							
Bucephala albeola	Bufflehead*							
Lophodytes cucullatus	Hooded Merganser*							
Mergus merganser	Common Merganser*	x						
Oxyura jamaicensis	Ruddy Duck*							
Cathartes aura	Turkey Vulture*	x		х	х			
Coragyps atratus	Black Vulture*	x						
Circus cyaneus	Northern Harrier*							
Accipiter striatus	Sharp-shinned Hawk*	x						
Accipiter cooperii	Cooper's Hawk*	x	х					
Accipiter gentilis	Northern Goshawk*	x						
Buteo lineatus	Red-shouldered Hawk*	x		х	х			
Buteo platypterus	Broad-winged Hawk*	x						
Buteo jamaicensis	Red-tailed Hawk*	x						
Buteo lagopus	Rough-legged Hawk*							
Aquila chrysaetos	Golden Eagle*							
Haliaeetus leucocephalus	Bald Eagle*	x						
Pandion haliaetus	Osprey*	x						
Falco columbarius	Merlin*							
Falco sparverius	American Kestrel*							
Falco peregrinus	Peregrine Falcon*							
Phasianus colchicus	Ring-necked Pheasant							
Bonasa umbellus	Ruffed Grouse							
Meleagris gallopavo	Wild Turkey	x						
Fulica americana	American Coot*							
Rallus limicola	Virginia Rail*							
Porzana carolina	Sora*							
Pluvialis squatarola	Black-bellied Plover*							
Charadrius semipalmatus	Semipalmated Plover*							
Charadrius vociferus	Killdeer*							
Tringa melanoleuca	Greater Yellowlegs*							
Tringa flavipes	Lesser Yellowlegs*							
Tringa solitaria	Solitary Sandpiper*	x						
Actitis macularia	Spotted Sandpiper*							

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Calidris melanotos	Pectoral Sandpiper*							
Calidris minutilla	Least Sandpiper*							
Scolopax minor	American Woodcock*							
Gallinago gallinago	Wilson's Snipe*							
Larus philadelphia	Bonaparte's Gull*							
Larus atricilla	Laughing Gull*							
Larus delawarensis	Ring-billed Gull*							
Larus argentatus	Herring Gull*							
Larus glaucoides	Iceland Gull*							
Larus hyperboreus	Glaucous Gull*							
Larus fuscus	Lesser Black-backed Gull*							
Larus marinus	Great Black-backed Gull*							
Sterna caspia	Caspian Tern*							
Sterna hirundo	Common Tern*							
Zenaida macroura	Mourning Dove*	x						
Columba livia	Rock Dove							
Coccyzus americanus	Yellow-billed Cuckoo*							
Coccyzus erythropthalmus	Black-billed Cuckoo*							
Tyto alba	Barn Owl*							
Asio otus	Long-eared Owl*							
Asio flammeus	Short-eared Owl*							
Bubo virginianus	Great Horned Owl*							
Nyctea scandiaca	Snowy Owl*							
Strix varia	Barred OwI*	x						
Aegolius acadicus	Northern Saw-whet Owl*							
Otus asio	Eastern Screech-owl*							
Caprimulgus vociferus	Whip-poor-will*	x						
Chordeiles minor	Common Nighthawk*							
Chaetura pelagica	Chimney Swift*							
Archilochus colubris	Ruby-throated Hummingbird*	x		х	х			
Megaceryle alcyon	Belted Kingfisher*	x						
Melanerpes erythrocephalus	Red-headed Woodpecker*							
Melanerpes carolinus	Red-bellied Woodpecker*	х		х	х			
Sphyrapicus varius	Yellow-bellied Sapsucker*							
Picoides pubescens	Downy Woodpecker*	х	х	х	х			
Picoides villosus	Hairy Woodpecker*	x		х				
Picoides arcticus	Black-backed Woodpecker*							
Colaptes auratus	Northern Flicker*	x						

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Dryocopus pileatus	Pileated Woodpecker*	х	х	х	х			
Contopus borealis	Olive-sided Flycatcher*	х						
Contopus virens	Eastern Wood-pewee*	х	х	х	х			
Empidonax virescens	Acadian Flycatcher*	х						
Empidonax flaviventris	Yellow-bellied Flycatcher*							
Empidonax traillii	Willow Flycatcher*							
Empidonax alnorum	Alder Flycatcher*							
Empidonax minimus	Least Flycatcher*	х						
Sayornis phoebe	Eastern Phoebe*	х						
Myiarchus crinitus	Great Crested Flycatcher*	х						
Tyrannus tyrannus	Eastern Kingbird*	х	х					
Lanius excubitor	Northern Shrike*							
Vireo olivaceus	Red-eyed Vireo*	х	х					
Vireo gilvus	Warbling Vireo*	х						
Vireo philadelphicus	Philadelphia Vireo*							
Vireo griseus	White-eyed Vireo*							
Vireo flavifrons	Yellow-throated Vireo*	х						
Vireo solitarius	Blue-headed Vireo*	х						
Cyanocitta cristata	Blue Jay*	х	х	х	х			
Corvus corax	Common Raven*	х		х	х			
Corvus brachyrhynchos	American Crow*	х						
Corvus ossifragus	Fish Crow*							
Eremophila alpestris	Horned Lark*							
Progne subis	Purple Martin*							
Stelgidopteryx serripennis	Northern Rough-winged Swallow*	х						
Riparia riparia	Bank Swallow*							
Tachycineta bicolor	Tree Swallow*	х						
Hirundo pyrrhonota	Cliff Swallow*							
Hirundo rustica	Barn Swallow*	х						
Parus bicolor	Tufted Titmouse*	х	х	х	х			
Parus atricapillus	Black-capped Chickadee*	х		х	х			
Parus carolinensis	Carolina Chickadee*							
Sitta canadensis	Red-breasted Nuthatch*	х		х	х			
Sitta carolinensis	White-breasted Nuthatch*	х	х	х	х			
Certhia americana	Brown Creeper*	х						
Thryothorus Iudovicianus	Carolina Wren*	х						
Troglodytes aedon	House Wren*	х						
Troglodytes troglodytes	Winter Wren*							

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Scientific Name	Common Name	1, 2, 2b	3	4	5			
Cistothorus palustris	Marsh Wren*							
Regulus satrapa	Golden-crowned Kinglet*	x		х	х			
Regulus calendula	Ruby-crowned Kinglet*	х						
Polioptila caerulea	Blue-gray Gnatcatcher*	х	х	х	х			
Sialia sialis	Eastern Bluebird*	х						
Turdus migratorius	American Robin*	х	х	х	х			
Hylocichla mustelina	Wood Thrush*	х	х					
Catharus fuscescens	Veery*	х						
Catharus ustulatus	Swainson's Thrush*							
Catharus minimus	Gray-cheeked Thrush*							
Catharus guttatus	Hermit Thrush*	х						
Dumetella carolinensis	Gray Catbird*	x	х	х	х			
Mimus polyglottos	Northern Mockingbird*							
Toxostoma rufum	Brown Thrasher*	x						
Sturnus vulgaris	European Starling	x						
Anthus rubescens	American Pipit*							
Bombycilla cedrorum	Cedar Waxwing*	x						
Parula americana	Northern Parula*	x						
Vermivora celata	Orange-crowned Warbler*							
Vermivora peregrina	Tennessee Warbler*							
Vermivora chrysoptera X pinus	Brewster's Warbler*	х						
Vermivora pinus	Blue-winged Warbler*	х						
Vermivora chrysoptera	Golden-winged Warbler*							
Vermivora ruficapilla	Nashville Warbler*							
Dendroica petechia	Yellow Warbler*	х						
Dendroica pensylvanica	Chestnut-sided Warbler*							
Dendroica magnolia	Magnolia Warbler*	x						
Dendroica tigrina	Cape May Warbler*							
Dendroica caerulescens	Black-throated Blue Warbler*							
Dendroica cerulea	Cerulean Warbler*	x						
Dendroica fusca	Blackburnian Warbler*	x						
Dendroica coronata	Yellow-rumped Warbler*	x		х	х			
Dendroica virens	Black-throated Green Warbler*	x						
Dendroica discolor	Prairie Warbler*	x						
Dendroica palmarum	Palm Warbler*							
Dendroica pinus	Pine Warbler*	x						
Dendroica castanea	Bay-breasted Warbler*							
Dendroica striata	Blackpoll Warbler*	x						

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Scientific Name	Common Name	1, 2, 2b	3	4	5	
Dendroica dominica	Yellow-throated Warbler*					
Helmitheros vermivorus	Worm-eating Warbler*	x				
Protonotaria citrea	Prothonotary Warbler*					
Mniotilta varia	Black-and-white Warbler*	x				
Setophaga ruticilla	American Redstart*	x				
Seiurus aurocapillus	Ovenbird*	x				
Seiurus noveboracensis	Northern Waterthrush*	x				
Seiurus motacilla	Louisiana Waterthrush*	x				
Oporornis formosus	Kentucky Warbler*					
Oporornis agilis	Connecticut Warbler*					
Oporornis philadelphia	Mourning Warbler*					
Geothlypis trichas	Common Yellowthroat*	x		х	х	
Wilsonia pusilla	Wilson's Warbler*	x				
Wilsonia canadensis	Canada Warbler*	x				
Wilsonia citrina	Hooded Warbler*	x	х			
lcteria virens	Yellow-breasted Chat*					
Piranga rubra	Summer Tanager*	x				
Piranga olivacea	Scarlet Tanager*	x	х			
Cardinalis cardinalis	Northern Cardinal*	x	х	х	х	
Pheucticus Iudovicianus	Rose-breasted Grosbeak*	x				
Guiraca caerulea	Blue Grosbeak*					
Passerina cyanea	Indigo Bunting*	x		х	х	
Pipilo erythrophthalmus	Eastern Towhee*	x	х	х	х	
Spizella arborea	American Tree Sparrow*					
Spizella pusilla	Field Sparrow*	x				
Spizella passerina	Chipping Sparrow*	x				
Ammodramus savannarum	Grasshopper Sparrow*					
Passerculus sandwichensis	Savannah Sparrow*					
Pooecetes gramineus	Vesper Sparrow*					
Zonotrichia albicollis	White-throated Sparrow*	x		х	х	
Zonotrichia leucophrys	White-crowned Sparrow*					
Passerella iliaca	Fox Sparrow*					
Melospiza melodia	Song Sparrow*	х				
Melospiza lincolnii	Lincoln's Sparrow*					
Melospiza georgiana	Swamp Sparrow*	х				
Junco hyemalis	Dark-eyed Junco*	х		х	х	
Calcarius lapponicus	Lapland Longspur*					
Plectrophenax nivalis	Snow Bunting*					

Scientific Name		Alte	Alternatives					
	Common Name	1, 2, 2b	3	4	5			
Sturnella magna	Eastern Meadowlark*							
Dolichonyx oryzivorus	Bobolink*							
Molothrus ater	Brown-headed Cowbird*	x						
Agelaius phoeniceus	Red-winged Blackbird*	x						
Euphagus carolinus	Rusty Blackbird*							
Quiscalus quiscula	Common Grackle*	x						
Icterus galbula	Baltimore Oriole*	x						
Icterus spurius	Orchard Oriole*	x						
Coccothraustes vespertinus	Evening Grosbeak*							
Pinicola enucleator	Pine Grosbeak*							
Carpodacus purpureus	Purple Finch*			х	x			
Carpodacus mexicanus	House Finch*							
Loxia curvirostra	Red Crossbill*							
Loxia leucoptera	White-winged Crossbill*							
Carduelis flammea	Common Redpoll*							
Carduelis pinus	Pine Siskin*							
Carduelis tristis	American Goldfinch*	x		х	х			
Passer domesticus	House Sparrow							
Mammals		·	•					
Didelphis virginiana	Virginia Opossum							
Blarina brevicauda	Northern Short-Tailed Shrew							
Cryptotis parva	Least Shrew							
Sorex hoyi	Pygmy Shrew							
Sorex cinereus	Masked Shrew							
Sorex fumeus	Smokey Shrew							
Sorex palustris	Water Shrew							
Condylura cristata	Star-Nosed Mole	x						
Scalopus aquaticus	Eastern Mole							
Pipistrellus subflavus	Eastern Pipistrelle							
Eptesicus fuscus	Big Brown Bat							
Lasiurus borealis	Eastern Red Bat							
Lasiurus cinereus	Hoary Bat							
Myotis leibii	Eastern Small-Footed Myotis	x						
Myotis lucifugus	Little Brown Bat							
Myotis septentrionalis	Northern Myotis							
Ursus americanus	Black Bear	x	х	х	x			
Procyon lotor	Common Raccoon	x						
Mustela frenata	Long-Tailed Weasel	x	1	1				

		Alternatives				
Scientific Name	Common Name	1, 2, 2b	3	4	5	
Mustela vison	Mink					
Lutra canadensis	River Otter					
Mephitis mephitis	Striped Skunk					
Canis latrans	Coyote		х			
Vulpes vulpes	Red Fox					
Urocyon cinereoargenteus	Gray Fox					
Lynx rufus	Bobcat	х				
Marmota monax	Woodchuck	x				
Sciurus carolinensis	Gray Squirrel	x		х	х	
Tamiasciurus hudsonicus	Red Squirrel	x				
Glaucomys volans	Southern Flying Squirrel					
Tamias striatus	Eastern Chipmunk	x		х	х	
Castor canadensis	American Beaver	х				
Napaeozapus insignis	Woodland Jumping Mouse					
Zapus hudsonius	Meadow Jumping Mouse					
Peromyscus maniculatus	Deer Mouse		х			
Peromyscus leucopus	White-Footed Mouse					
Synaptomys cooperi	Southern Bog Lemming					
Clethrionomys gapperi	Southern Red-Backed Vole	x				
Microtus pennsylvanicus	Meadow Vole					
Microtus pinetorum	Woodland Vole					
Ondatra zibethicus	Common Muskrat	x				
Rattus norvegicus	Norway Rat					
Mus musculus	House Mouse					
Erethizon dorsatum	Porcupine	x	х			
Lepus americanus	Snowshoe Hare					
Sylvilagus floridanus	Eastern Cottontail	x				
Odocoileus virginianus	White-Tailed Deer	x	х	х	х	
Amphibians		·				
Notophthalmus viridescens viridescens	Red-Spotted Newt	x	х	х	х	
Ambystoma jeffersonianum	Jefferson Salamander					
Ambystoma maculatum	Spotted Salamander	x				
Ambystoma opacum	Marbled Salamander	х				
Ambystoma platineum	Silvery Salamander					
Desmognathus fuscus fuscus	Northern Dusky Salamander	х	х			
Desmognathus ochrophaeus	Mountain Dusky Salamander					
Eurycea bislineata	Northern Two-Lined Salamander		х			
Eurycea longicauda longicauda	Long-Tailed Salamander					

		Alte	ernati	ives	
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Gyrinophilus porphyriticus porphyriticus	Northern Spring Salamander				
Hemidactylium scutatum	Four-Toed Salamander				
Plethodon glutinosus	Northern Slimy Salamander	x	х		
Plethodon cinereus	Red-back Salamander	x	х	х	х
Pseudotriton ruber ruber	Northern Red Salamander				
Rana catesbeiana	American Bullfrog	x		х	х
Rana clamitans melanota	Green Frog	x	х	х	х
Rana palustris	Pickerel Frog	x		х	х
Rana pipiens	Leopard Frog	x	х		
Rana sylvatica	Wood Frog	x		х	х
Bufo americanus americanus	Eastern American Toad	x	х	х	х
Bufo woodhousii fowleri	Fowler's Toad	x			
Acris crepitans crepitans	Northern Cricket Frog				
Hyla versicolor	Gray Treefrog	x			
Pseudacris crucifer crucifer	Northern Spring Peeper	x	х		
Reptiles	·	·			
Chelydra serpentina serpentina	Common Snapping Turtle	x			
Sternotherus odoratus	Common Musk Turtle				
Chrysemys picta	Painted Turtle	x			
Pseudemys rubriventris	Redbelly Turtle				
Clemmys guttata	Spotted Turtle				
Clemmys insculpta	Wood Turtle	x			
Glyptemys muhlenbergii	Bog Turtle				
Graptemys geographica	Common Map Turtle				
Trachemys scripta elegans	Red-Eared Slider				
Terrapene carolina carolina	Eastern Box Turtle	x			
Eumeces fasciatus	Five-Lined Skink	x			
Sceloporus undulatus hyacinthinus	Northern Fence Lizard	x		х	х
Carphophis amoenus amoenus	Eastern Worm Snake				
Coluber constrictor constrictor	Northern Black Racer	x			
Diadophis punctatus edwardsii	Northern Ringneck Snake	x		х	х
Elaphe obsoleta obsoleta	Black Rat Snake	х			
Heterodon platirhinos	Eastern Hognose Snake	х			
Lampropeltis triangulum triangulum	Eastern Milk Snake	х			
Nerodia sipedon sipedon	Northern Water Snake	х			
Opheodrys vernalis	Smooth Green Snake	х			
Storeria dekayi dekayi	Northern Brown Snake				

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Storeria occipitomaculata occipitomaculata	Northern Redbelly Snake						
Thamnophis sirtalis sirtalis	Eastern Garter Snake	х	х				
Thamnophis sauritus sauritus	Eastern Ribbon Snake	х					
Crotalus horridus	Timber Rattlesnake	х	х				
Agkistrodon contortrix mokasen	Northern Copperhead	х					
Fish							
Petromyzon marinus	Sea Lamprey						
Amia calva	Bowfin						
Anguilla rostrata	American Eel	х					
Oncorhynchus mykiss	Rainbow Trout						
Salmo trutta	Brown Trout						
Salvelinus fontinalis	Brook Trout						
Alosa aestivalis	Blueback Herring						
Alosa pseudoharengus	Alewife						
Alosa sapidissima	American Shad						
Dorosoma cepedianum	Gizzard Shad						
Carpiodes cyprinus	Quillback						
Esox americanus	Redfin Pickerel						
Esox masquinongy	Muskellunge						
Esox niger	Chain Pickerel						
Cyprinus carpio	Common Carp						
Exoglossum maxillingua	Cutlips Minnow						
Cyprinella analostana	Satinfin Shiner						
Catostomus commersoni	White Sucker						
Ameiurus catus	White Catfish						
Ameiurus natalis	Yellow Bullhead						
Ameiurus nebulosus	Brown Bullhead						
Ictalurus punctatus	Channel Catfish						
Noturus gyrinus	Tadpole Madtom						
Noturus insignis	Margined Madtom						
Campostoma anomalum	Central Stoneroller						
Notemigonus crysoleucas	Golden Shiner						
Notropis amoenus	Comely Shiner						
Luxilus cornutus	Common Shiner						
Notropis hudsonius	Spottail Shiner						
Notropis procne	Swallowtail Shiner						
Rhinichthys atratulus	Blacknose Dace						

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Rhinichthys cataractae	Longnose Dace					
Semotilus atromaculatus	Creek Chub					
Semotilus corporalis	Fallfish					
Fundulus diaphanus	Banded Killifish					
Morone americana	White Perch					
Morone saxatilis	Striped Bass					
Ambloplites rupestris	Rock Bass					
Enneacanthus gloriosus	Bluespotted Sunfish					
Lepomis auritus	Redbreast Sunfish					
Lepomis cyanellus	Green Sunfish					
Lepomis gibbosus	Pumpkinseed					
Lepomis macrochirus	Bluegill					
Micropterus dolomieu	Smallmouth Bass					
Micropterus salmoides	Largemouth Bass					
Pomoxis annularis	White Crappie					
Pomoxis nigromaculatus	Black Crappie					
Etheostoma olmstedi	Tessellated Darter					
Perca flavescens	Yellow Perch					
Percina peltata	Shield Darter					
Stizostedion vitreum	Walleye					
Cottus cognatus	Slimy Sculpin					
Invertebrates						
Alasmidonta heterodon	Dwarf Wedgemussel					
Alasmidonta undulata	Triangle Floater					
Alasmidonta varicosa	Brook Floater					
Anodonta implicata	Alewife Floater					
Elliptio complanata	Eastern Elliptio					
Lampsilis cariosa	Yellow Lampmussel					
Cambarus bartonii	Appalachian Brook Crayfish					
Orconectes limosus	Spinycheek Crayfish					
Trichoptera	Caddisfly Sp.					
Ephemeroptera	Mayfly Sp.					
Plecoptera	Stonefly Sp.					
Calopteryx maculata	Ebony Jewelwing	x				
Lestes vigilax	Swamp Spreadwing	x				
Argia fumipennis	Variable Dancer	x				
Ischnura posita	Fragile Forktail	x				
Ischnura verticalis	Eastern Forktail	x	1			

Scientific Name	Common Name	Alterna	Alternatives				
		1, 2, 2b 3	4	5			
Aeshna tuberculifera	Black Tipped Darner	x					
Aeshna verticalis	Green Striped Darner	x					
Anax junius	Common Green Darner	x					
Boyeria vinosa	Fawn Darner	x					
Epiaeschna heros	Swamp Darner	x					
Gomphus borealis	Beaverpond Clubtail	x					
Epitheca (Tetragoneuria) cynosura	Common Baskettail	x					
Celithemis elisa	Calico Pennant	x					
Celithemis eponina	Halloween Pennant	x					
Erythemis simplicicollis	Eastern Pondhawk	x					
Ladona julia	Chalk Fronted Corporal	x					
Leucorrhinia frigida	Frosted Whiteface	x					
Leucorrhinia intacta	Dot-Tailed Whiteface	х					
Libellula luctuosa	Widow Skimmer	x					
Plathemis lydia	Common Whitetail	x					
Libellula pulchella	Twelve Spotted Skimmer	x	х	х			
Libellula vibrans	Great Blue Skimmer	x					
Pachydiplax longipennis	Blue Dasher	x					
Perithemis tenera	Eastern Amberwing	x					
Sympetrum semicinctum	Band Winged Meadowhawk	х					
Sympetrum vicinum	Autumn Meadowhawk	x					
Tramea lacerata	Black Saddlebags	x					
Cordulegaster spp.	Unid. Spiketail	x					
Somatochlora spp.	Unid. Emerald	x					
Epargyreus clarus	Silver Spotted Skipper	x					
Erynnis baptisiae	Wild Indigo Duskywing	х					
Thymelicus lineola	European Skipper	x					
Hesperia leonardus	Leonard's Skipper	x					
Polites peckius	Peck's Skipper	x					
Pompeius verna	Little Glassywing	x					
Poanes massasoit	Mulberry Wing	x					
Euphyes conspicua	Black Dash	x					
Papilio glaucus	Tiger Swallowtail	x	х	x			
Papilio troilus	Spicebush Swallowtail	x					
Pieris rapae	Cabbage White	x					
Colias philodice	Clouded Sulphur	x					
Colias eurytheme	Orange Sulphur	x		1			
Phoebis sennae	Cloudless Sulphur	x		1			

Scientific Name	Common Name	Alte	Alternatives				
		1, 2, 2b	3	4	5		
Lycaena phlaeas	American Copper	х					
Cupido comyntas	Eastern-Tailed Blue	x					
Celastrina ladon	Spring Azure	x					
Celastrina neglecta	Summer Azure	x					
Danaus plexippus	Monarch	x					
Speyeria cybele	Great Spangled Fritillary	x					
Phyciodes tharos	Pearl Crescent	x					
Euphydryas phaeton	Baltimore Checkerspot	x					
Polygonia interrogationis	Question Mark	x					
Polygonia comma	Eastern Comma	x					
Vanessa atalanta	Red Admiral	x					
Vanessa cardui	Painted Lady	x					
Vanessa virginiensis	American Lady	x					
Limenitis Archippus	Viceroy	x					
Enodia anthedon	Northern Pearly Eye	x					
Satyrodes appalachia	Appalachian Brown	x					
Megisto cymela	Little Wood Satyr	x					
Coenonympha tullia	Common Ringlet	х					

\* Indicates migratory species

Bold text indicates special-status species, identified as such by Pennsylvania, New Jersey, or both

All species listed were documented by NPS, those with checkmarks in the alternatives boxes were observed during 2010 & 2011 field surveys.

#### APPENDIX G-7: LIFE HISTORY REQUISITES FOR SPECIAL STATUS SPECIES NOT OBSERVED OR OTHERWISE DOCUMENTED

#### **AQUATIC WILDLIFE SPECIES**

**Eastern Pearlshell** (*Margaritifera margaritifera*): The eastern pearlshell is found in small streams and rivers that support host fish species: brook trout (*Salvelinus fontinalis*), brown trout (*Salmo trutta*) or Atlantic salmon (*S. salar*) and uses a variety of substrates (CT DEP 2010). They generally live buried in clean, mixed stable substrates. The eastern pearlshell is considered critically imperiled in Pennsylvania and has been known from several sites in the Delaware River in Pennsylvania; however, it appears to be extirpated from Monroe County and is now known from only one population in Schuykill County (NatureServe 2009). Its status is undetermined in New Jersey (NatureServe 2009).

**Ironcolor Shiner** (*Notropis chalybaeus*): The ironcolor shiner prefers pools and slow runs of low gradient, small acidic creeks and small rivers with sandy substrate (Nature Serve 2009). The ironcolor shiner may be extirpated from Pennsylvania though it was once known from the Delaware River; however, it has not been documented in DEWA waters since 1978 (Nature Serve 2009; NPS 2010). It is considered critically imperiled in both Pennsylvania and New Jersey (Nature Serve 2009).

**Banded Sunfish** (*Enneacanthus obseus*): This species is considered critically imperiled in Pennsylvania and appears to be extirpated from its historic range in the Middle Delaware River (Pike County). It is currently known only from the lower Delaware River near Philadelphia, Pennsylvania (NatureServe 2009). The banded sunfish prefers small ponds, and backwaters of creeks as well as small and large rivers and boggy brooks over sand or mud in sluggish, acidic, heavily vegetated waters (NatureServe 2009).

#### **TERRESTRIAL WILDLIFE SPECIES**

**Cobblestone Tiger Beetle** (*Cicindela marginipennis*): Cobblestone tiger beetles are a federal species of concern. They are found on gravel and cobblestone bars that have small patches of sand, on the upstream ends of treed islands in small to large river systems associated with islands or bends in large rivers. These gravel bars are sparsely vegetated (TNC 2004, 2; Committee on the Status of Endangered Wildlife in Canada [COSEWIC] 2008, 8–9). The historic range of the cobblestone tiger beetle was believed to stretch from West Virginia to Indiana and Pennsylvania, but it is now only found in isolated areas in several states in the northeastern United States, including within the Delaware River in New Jersey (COSEWIC 2008; New Hampshire Fish and Wildlife Service [NHFWS] 2005, 1–2). Dam construction, river channelization, water pollution, and the use of ATVs may have contributed to the decline of this species (COSEWIC 2008, 12). The cobblestone tiger beetle has historically occurred on a few islands within DEWA and MDSR. However, the current status of these occurrences is unknown. An invertebrate survey of the corridors for alternatives 1, 2, and 2b did not observe cobblestone tiger beetles (EcolSciences 2009). Because the type of habitat required by the cobblestone tiger beetle is not found within areas that will be disturbed in the study area (all gravel or cobblestone bars would be spanned by the transmission line), this invertebrate species was dismissed from further analysis.

**Superb jewelwing** (*Calopteryx amata*): Superb jewelwing dragonflies are a New Jersey State threatened species. This species of dragonfly is found near fast-moving streams with areas of dense canopy and abundant stream vegetation. The superb jewelwing has a range along the east coast from Maine to North Carolina. In New Jersey their habitat is limited to northwestern Sussex County along fast-moving streams. The superb jewelwing is threatened in New Jersey due to limited range and habitat vulnerability (CWFNJ 2012). An invertebrate survey of the DEWA corridors for alternatives 1, 2, and 2b resulted in no

spottings of the superb jewelwing within areas that will be disturbed in the study area (EcolSciences 2009). This invertebrate species was dismissed from further analysis.

**Harpoon clubtail** (*Gomphus descriptus*): The harpoon clubtail dragonfly is considered threatened in New Jersey due to rarity and limited suitable habitat. Harpoon clubtail dragonflies inhabit rivers and streams near gravel bars. Much of their time is spent burrowing. Within New Jersey these dragonflies are limited to the ridges and valleys of Sussex County (CWFNJ 2012). The harpoon clubtail dragonfly was not observed during an invertebrate survey of the corridors for alternatives 1, 2, and 2b (EcolSciences 2009). This invertebrate species was dismissed from further discussion since suitable habitat will not be disturbed in the study area.

**Kennedy's emerald** (*Somatochlora kennedyi*): The Kennedy's emerald dragonfly is threatened in New Jersey. These dragonflies are known to habitat streams flowing through open habitats, like marshes and bogs. The Kennedy's emerald distribution ranges from Massachusetts west to Minnesota within the United States (Massachusetts Division of Fisheries and Wildlife n.d). New Jersey is the southern limit of the Kennedy's emerald has a limited distribution. Sussex County contains the only known population in New Jersey. The rarity and the sensitivity of habitat threaten the Kennedy's emerald in New Jersey (CWFNJ 2012). An invertebrate survey of the corridors for alternatives 1, 2, and 2b did not observe any Kennedy's emerald dragonflies (EcolSciences 2009). This species was dismissed from further analysis because suitable habitat for this species will not be disturbed in the study area.

**Gray petaltail** (*Tachopteryx thoreyi*): The gray petaltail dragonfly is listed as endangered in New Jersey. This dragonfly is a woodland species that inhabits small seepages with skunk cabbage and ferns. The gray petaltail range is thought the eastern United States and limited to Bergen, Morris, Passaic, and Sussex Counties in New Jersey. This species is endangered in New Jersey since the largest know colony was destroyed during a residential development (CWFNJ 2012). This dragonfly species was not located in the corridors for alternatives 1, 2, and 2b during an invertebrate survey (EcolScience 2009). The gray petaltail was dismissed from further analysis since disturbance to suitable habitat will not occur within the study area.

**Brook snaketail** (*Ohpiogomphus asperses*): Brook snaketail dragonflies are threatened in New Jersey. This species inhabits clear sand bottomed fast-moving streams, often flowing through dense woodlands. The brook snaketail occurs from Nova Scotia west to Quebec and south to North Carolina (Massachusetts Division of Fisheries and Wildlife 2008). In New Jersey the brook snaketail is limited to the northwest Ridge and Valley areas. This species is threatened in New Jersey due to its rarity and lack of suitable breeding habitat (CWFNJ 2012). Brook snaketail dragonflies were not observed during an invertebrate survey of the corridors for alternatives 1, 2, and 2b (EcolScience 2009). Suitable habitats will not be disturbed within the study area therefore the brook snaketail dragonfly has been dismissed from further analysis.

**Blue-spotted Salamander** (*Ambystoma laterale*): The blue-spotted salamander inhabits hardwood forests that contain soil types of sandy and silt loams, gravelly, loamy sand, or muck soil types. Ground cover usually consists of rotting logs, rocks, and leaf litter where blue-spotted salamanders can remain in moist depressions. Areas of temporary standing water typically serve as breeding areas. The blue-spotted salamander was listed as endangered in New Jersey in 1974 based on the declining population numbers, believed to be associated with habitat loss and pesticide use (NJ ENSP 2001). The blue-spotted salamander presently remains state-listed as endangered by Pennsylvania and New Jersey. No potential habitat for the blue-spotted salamander has been identified within the study area and will therefore be dismissed from further discussion.

#### PLANTS

**Northern Arrowhead** (*Sagittaria cuneata*): Northern arrowhead is state-listed by New Jersey as endangered. It is an aquatic plant that is found in swampy areas or standing water in ponds, lakes, stream edges, and ditches and is considered an obligate-wetland plant. This species is found in marshes and wetlands throughout temperate North America, extending from north-central Alaska to Labrador and south to California and northern Texas (NRCS 2010). Because Northern arrowhead was not observed in New Jersey, where it is listed, along the alignment for any of the alternatives, this plant species was dismissed from further analysis.

**Yellow sedge** (*Carex flava*): Yellow sedge is state-listed by Pennsylvania as a threatened species. The yellow sedge is a wetland-obligate species that occurs mostly in the northern United States and in Canada. This species is perennial sedge that grows to a maximum of 2.5 feet. Fruiting occurs from June to August (NRCS 2010). Yellow sedge was not observed during any of the vegetation surveys (NPS 2011a; Mellon 2010); therefore, this species was dismissed from further analysis.

**Long's sedge** (*Carex longii*): Long's sedge is a wetland species that can be found from Texas to Wisconsin and east to the Atlantic Coast of the United States. It can be found on sandy lakeshores and in bogs. Blooming occurs in June, with fruiting following from July to September (NRCS 2010). Long's sedge is state-listed by Pennsylvania as tentatively undetermined, but is proposed as a threatened species. Long's sedge was not observed during any of the field surveys (NPS 2011a; Mellon 2010) and there are no records of this species occurring within the study area for this project; therefore, this species was dismissed from further analysis.

**Matted-spikerush** (*Eleocharis intermedia*): Matted-spikerush is an annual, grass-like, wetland plant that inhabits the eastern United States from Minnesota south to Tennessee and Mississippi and northeast to Maine and Canada (NRCS 2010). Matted-spikerush is state-listed by Pennsylvania as a threatened species and is protected by the Highlands Protection and Planning Act. Matted-spikerush was not observed during any of the field surveys (NPS 2011a; Mellon 2010) and there are no records of this species occurring within the study area for this project; therefore, this species was dismissed from further analysis.

**Northeastern Bulrush** (*Scirpus ancistrochaetus*): The northeastern bulrush is a member of the sedge family (Cyperaceae) and is found in ponds, wet depressions, or shallow sinkholes within small wetland complexes. Northeastern bulrush is highly tolerant of seasonally variable water levels. Not all botanists consider the northeastern bulrush to be a distinct species; however, based on morphological and genetic evidence as well as botanical expertise of an expert in the genus *Scirpus*, the USFWS recognizes the northeastern bulrush as a distinct species (USFWS 1993, 1, 2). Threats to the species include habitat loss and degradation caused by wetland draining, dredging, and filling for residential and agricultural development (USFWS 1993, 1). Northeastern bulrush is federally listed as an endangered species. It is also state-listed by Pennsylvania as an endangered species, although it is proposed to be changed to a (Pennsylvania) state-listed threatened species. Northeastern bulrush was not observed during any of the field surveys (NPS 2011a; Mellon 2010) and there are no records of this species occurring within the study area for this project. Because northeastern bulrush was not observed within the alignment for any of the alternatives and there are no records of occurrence, this plant species was dismissed from further analysis.

**Small-whorled Pogonia** (*Isotria medeoloides*): The small-whorled pogonia is a member of the orchid family (Orchidaceae) and is listed as federally threatened, as well as state-listed by Pennsylvania as endangered. This species is sparse but widely distributed, with a range extending from southern Maine and New Hampshire to northern Georgia and southeastern Tennessee. The small-whorled pogonia occurs on upland sites in mixed deciduous or mixed deciduous/coniferous forests that are generally second- or

third-growth successional stages. Habitat characteristics include sparse to moderate ground cover, relatively open understory, and proximity to features that create long-persisting breaks in forest canopy (USFWS 1992, 1). Deer browsing, fragmentation, and possibly alterations in soil moisture were identified as threats to the small-whorled pogonia. Species within the northern range emerge from leaf litter in May and flower in June. An individual plant may stay in flower from 4 days to nearly 2 weeks (USFWS 1992, 20). Small-whorled pogonia was not observed during any of the field surveys (NPS 2011a; Mellon 2010) and there are no records of this species occurring within the study area for this project. Because small-whorled pogonia was not observed within the alignment for any of the alternatives and there are no records of occurrence, this plant species was dismissed from further analysis.

**Swamp Pink** (*Helonias bullata*): Swamp pink is a federally threatened species and is state-listed by New Jersey as endangered, which is also protected by the Highlands Protection and Planning Act. Swamp pink is a perennial herbaceous plant with a small pink flower and oblong, dark-green leaves; the evergreen leaves of swamp pink can be seen year-round, and flowering occurs between March and May (USFWS 2011b). Swamp pink is a wetland plant species and occurs in a variety of palustrine forested wetlands, including swampy forested wetlands bordering meandering streamlets, headwater wetlands, sphagnous Atlantic white-cedar swamps, and spring seepage areas (USFWS 2011b). The primary threats to swamp pink are the indirect effects of off-site activities and development, such as pollution, introduction of invasive species, and subtle changes in groundwater and surface water hydrology (USFWS 2011b).

**Canadian Serviceberry** (*Amelanchier canadensis*): Canadian serviceberry is currently not state-listed by Pennsylvania; however, it is proposed to be listed as endangered. This deciduous species usually found as a small shrub or tree in wet sites. It blooms in late March and the resulting fruits provide food for wildlife (University of Connecticut 2010). Canadian serviceberry was not observed during any field surveys (NPS 2011a; Mellon 2010) and there are no records of this species occurring within the study area for this project. Because Canadian serviceberry was not observed within the alignment for any of the alternatives and there are no records of occurrence, this plant species was dismissed from further analysis.

# APPENDIX G-8: RARE AND UNIQUE COMMUNITIES PRESENT WITHIN THE COUNTIES OF PENNSYLVANIA AND NEW JERSEY THAT COULD BE TRAVERSED BY THE S-R LINE

				Pennsy	Ivania Co	unties			New Jersey Counties			
Common Name	State Rank	Carbon	Lackawanna	Luzerne	Monroe	Northampton	Pike	Wayne	Morris	Sussex	Warren	
Acidic broadleaf swamp	Vulnerable				х	х						
Acidic glacial lake	Imperiled to vulnerable	x	х				х	х				
Acidic glacial peatland complex	Not ranked						х	х				
Acidic shrub swamp	Vulnerable	x			х			х				
Aster-like boltonia/small- headed aster/field mint herbaceous vegetation	Critically imperiled to imperiled									x	x	
Atlantic white-cedar/great rhododendron swamp	Critically imperiled									x		
Basin graminoid-forb fen	Critically imperiled					х						
Big bluestem/Indian grass river grassland	Vulnerable					х		х				
Birch (black-gum) rocky slope woodland	Imperiled					х						
Black spruce swamp	Critically imperiled								х	х	x	
Black spruce/tamarack palustrine woodland	Imperiled						х	х				
Black spruce/tamarack peatland forest	Vulnerable						х					
Black spruce woodland bog	Critically imperiled								х	х		
Boreal conifer swamp	Vulnerable		х		х		х					
Broadleaf/conifer swamp	Vulnerable to apparently secure				Х							

				Pennsy	Ivania Co	unties			New Jersey Counties		
Common Name	State Rank	Carbon	Lackawanna	Luzerne	Monroe	Northampton	Pike	Wayne	Morris	Sussex	Warren
Calcareous glacial lake	Critically imperiled							х			
Calcareous riverside outcrop	Critically imperiled (PA)										
community	Critically imperiled to imperiled (NJ)					х				х	
Calcareous riverside seep community	Critically imperiled								х		
Calcareous seepage swamp	Critically imperiled					x					
Cave aquatic community	Imperiled									х	х
Cave terrestrial community	Imperiled									х	
Circumneutral broadleaf swamp	Imperiled to vulnerable					x					
Dry-mesic calcareous forest	Imperiled (unknown)									х	х
Dry oak/heath woodland	Vulnerable	x	х		x	х	x				
Ephemeral/fluctuating natural pool	Vulnerable	x		х	x	x					
Glacial bog	Vulnerable		х	x	x			х			
Hemlock/hardwood swamp	Imperiled								х	х	
Hemlock/mixed hardwood palustrine forest	Vulnerable to apparently secure		х	x	x		x	х			
Hemlock palustrine forest	Vulnerable	х									
Herbaceous vernal pond	Vulnerable to apparently secure					x					
Highbush blueberry/sphagnum wetland	Secure						x				
High-gradient clearwater creek	Vulnerable	x			x		x				

				Pennsy	Ivania Co	unties			New Jersey Counties		
Common Name	State Rank	Carbon	Lackawanna	Luzerne	Monroe	Northampton	Pike	Wayne	Morris	Sussex	Warren
Inland acidic seep community	Critically imperiled									х	
Leatherleaf/bog rosemary peatland	Imperiled to vulnerable		х	х	x		x	х			
Leatherleaf/cranberry peatland	Imperiled to vulnerable						x				
Leatherleaf/sphagnum boreal dwarf scrub shrub	Critically imperiled									х	
Little bluestem/Pennsylvania sedge opening	Vulnerable to apparently secure						x				
Limestone fen	Critically imperiled									х	х
Limestone glade	Critically imperiled									x	
Low heath scrub shrub	Critically imperiled	х	х	х	x			x			
Marl fen plant association	Critically imperiled									х	
Mesic central forest	Imperiled				x						
Mesic scrub oak/heath/pitch pine barrens	Critically imperiled	х		х	x						
Natural pond	Imperiled to vulnerable		х								
Northern Appalachian acidic cliff community	Secure	x	х	х				x			
Northern Appalachian acidic rocky summit community	Imperiled	х	x	х	x						
Northern Appalachian boulder field	Secure	х									
Northern Appalachian calcareous cliff community	Imperiled			х		х					
Northern Appalachian calcareous rocky summit community	Critically imperiled			x							

				Pennsy	Ivania Co	unties			New Jersey Counties			
Common Name	State Rank	Carbon	Lackawanna	Luzerne	Monroe	Northampton	Pike	Wayne	Morris	Sussex	Warren	
Northern Appalachian shale barren	Imperiled						x					
Northern Appalachian shale cliff community	Imperiled					x	x					
Northern conifer forest	Imperiled to vulnerable	х			х							
Northern hardwood forest	Imperiled to vulnerable				х		х					
Northern hardwood/conifer forest	Vulnerable							х				
Pitch pine/mixed hardwood woodland	Imperiled to vulnerable	x										
Pitch pine/scrub oak woodland	Imperiled to vulnerable						x					
Poor fen	Critically imperiled							x				
Prairie fen	Critically imperiled									х		
Prairie sedge/spotted joe/pye-weed marsh	Critically imperiled to imperiled					x						
Red spruce/mixed hardwood palustrine forest	Vulnerable			х	x		x	x				
Red spruce palustrine forest	Vulnerable	х	х	х	x		x	x				
Red spruce palustrine woodland	Imperiled to vulnerable	x					x					
Red-cedar/prickly-pear shale scrub shrub	Imperiled						x					
Rice cut-grass/green-fruited bur-reed/water smartweed seasonally flooded herbaceous vegetation	Vulnerable									х		
Rich red maple/black ash swamp	Critically imperiled to vulnerable									х	х	

				Pennsy	Ivania Co	unties			New Jersey Counties			
Common Name	State Rank	Carbon	Lackawanna	Luzerne	Monroe	Northampton	Pike	Wayne	Morris	Sussex	Warren	
Ridgetop dwarf-tree forest	Vulnerable	х		x	x		x					
Riverside ice scour community	Critically imperiled to imperiled							x				
Scrub oak scrub shrub	Vulnerable	х	x	х	x		х					
Shale cliff/rock outcrop community	Imperiled (unknown)										х	
Shrub fen	Critically imperiled				x							
Skunk cabbage/golden saxifrage forest seep	Apparently secure to secure					х						
Sphagnum/beaked rush peatland	Vulnerable						x					
Sycamore/green ash/American elm/ red-osier dogwood forest	Critically imperiled to imperiled									x	х	
Talus cave community	Imperiled to apparently secure			x								
Talus slope community	Imperiled to vulnerable									x	х	
Waterfall and plungepool	Vulnerable to apparently secure				x		х					
Water-willow ( <i>Decodon</i> verticillatus) shrub wetland	Vulnerable						x					
Xeric central conifer forest	Vulnerable to apparently secure						x					
Yellow water- crowfoot/clearweed/water smartweed herbaceous vegetation	Vulnerable									х	х	

			Pennsylvania Counties							New Jersey Counties			
Common Name	State Rank	Carbon	Lackawanna	Luzerne	Monroe	Northampton	Pike	Wayne	Morris	Sussex	Warren		
Source: PNHP 2010; NJDEP 2008a, 2008b, 2008c.													

Note: Communities in italics are found in New Jersey only; communities in bold are found in Pennsylvania only.

Ranking Definitions: Critically imperiled: At very high risk of extinction due to extreme rarity (often 5 or fewer populations), very steep declines, or other factors.

Imperiled: At high risk of extinction due to very restricted range, very few populations (often 20 or fewer), steep declines, or other factors.

Vulnerable: At moderate risk of extinction due to a restricted range, relatively few populations (often 80 or fewer), recent and widespread declines, or other factors.

Apparently secure: Uncommon but not rare; some cause for long-term concern due to declines or other factors.

Secure: Common; widespread and abundant.

Not ranked: Conservation status not yet assessed.

Unknown: Possibly in peril range-wide but status uncertain; need more information.

# APPENDIX G-9: NATURAL HERITAGE SITES/OUTSTANDING NATURAL FEATURES

### OUTSTANDING NATURAL FEATURES IDENTIFIED IN PENNSYLVANIA BY THE NATURE CONSERVANCY

County	Natural Heritage Sites
Carbon County, PA	Aquashicola Creek Wetlands, Bake Oven Knob, Bear Creek Lake, Bears Rocks, Beltzville Lake Vernals, Berry Run Barrens, Black Creek Gorge, Black Shanty Run, Broad Mountain West, Carpsrocus Creek Thickets, Christmans Ponds, Christmans Wetland, Cross Run Vernals, Devil's Potato Patch/Little Gap, East Side Wetland, Fawn Run Wetlands, Fourth Run Wetlands, Francis E. Walter Reservoir Site, Glen Onoko, Golf Course Wetland, Hell Creek Barrens, Hickory Run Boulder Field, Hickory Run Campground, Hickory Run Headwaters, Hickory Run Wetland, Hughes Swamp, Indian Mountain Barren, Irishtown Run, Keipers Run, Kidder Wetlands, Lake Harmony/Big Boulder Lake, Lehigh Gap, Lehigh Gorge at Sandy Run, Lehigh Gorge at Tank Hollow, Leonardsville Swamps, Mahoning Creek Wetlands, Mauch Chunk Ridge Barrens, Mosey Wood Wetlands, Mud Run Natural Area, Mud Swamp, Owl Creek Wetlands, Penn Forest/Wild Creek Reservoirs, Penn Haven Oak Barren, Penrose Swamp Barrens, Pine Run Woods, Pocono Mountain Barren, Pocono Mountain Wetlands, Quakake Creek Wetland, Roundhead Mountain Barren, Schoch Barrens Complex, Schoch Thicket, Scrub Mountain, Spring Mountain, Stone Mountain Woods, Stony Ridge, Swamp Run, and Yellow Run Barren
Lackawanna County, PA	AD 431 Mine – Riverdrift, America Swamp, Archbald Pothole, Atherton Pond, Bald Mountain, Balsam Swamp-Lackawanna, Bassett Pond, Bear Lakeigrassy Pond, Bear Swamp-Moscow, Behler Swamp, Bell Mountain Outcrops, Blue Shutter Road Swamp, Brzostek Swamp, Carpenter Swamp, Chapman Lake, Corby Swamp, County Line Island, Daleville Swamp, Dunmore Bald, Dunmore Swamps, Eagle Lake, Elmhurst Mud Pond, English Swamp, Fallbrook Swamp, Horseshoe Swamp, Johnson Pond-Westend Pond Complex, Kizer Pond, Lake Kewanee Bog, Long Swamp, Mash Creek Marsh, Montage Mountain Foothills, Montage Rocky Summit, Moosic Bend Lackawanna River, Moosic Lake, Moosic Mountain Barrens, Mountain Mud Pond, Nay Aug Gorge, Newton Lake/Mud Pond, Nines Pond, Painter Creek Bog, Panther Gorge, Panther Hill Site, Pittston Road Bog, Potter Creek Bog, Sadler Avenue AMLF #2 Site, Salem Hill Barren, Sand Springs Woods, Sickler Pond, Stafford Bald, Swartz Road Swamp, Tannery Road Swamp, Tunkhannock Creek, West Mountain Summit, and Wyoanna Cliffs

County	Natural Heritage Sites
Luzerne County, PA	Abrahams Creek Wetlands, Andy Pond, Arbutus Peak, Bald Mountain Road Swamp, Bear Creek At Shades Creek, Bear Creek Railroad Site, Bear Hollow, Bear Swamp, Beaver Run Wetlands, Behren Pond, Benton Station Fields, Black Creek Flats, Blue Nob Ridgetop Dwarf-Tree Forest, Boulder Run Swamp, Briggsville Vernal Pools, Campbell's Ledge, Canada Bog, Central Mountain, Choke Creek Shrub Swamp, Council Cup Cliffs, County Line Islands, County Line Swamp, Cranberry Pond, Dogtown Mines, Dorrance Bog, Dreck Creek Watershed, Dry Land Hill Pools, East Fork Harveys Creek (North), East Fork Harveys Creek (South), Edgewood Vernal Pools, Five Points Swamp, Folstown Mud Pond, Frances E. Walter Reservoir, Gardner Creek Reservoir, Glen Lyon Anthracite Mine, Grand View, Haas Route 115, Hanover Crossing Wetland, Harris Pond, Harveys Lake, Haystack Mountain, Hell's Kitchen, Hell's Kitchen AMLF # 3 Site, Hell's Kitchen, Anthracite Mine, Hobbie Meadow, Humboldt Barren, Huntington Creek, Ice Caves, Indefatigable Swamp, Indian Lake Swamp, Kendall Creek Wetland, Kirby Park, Kitchen Creek Falls, Kitchen Creek Ravines, Lake Jean, Lake Leigh, Lee Swamp, Lehigh Gorge, Lehigh River - Route 115 Bridge Site, Lehigh River at Choke Creek, Lilly Lake, Mill Creek at Suscon, Mountain Springs Lakes, Mud Pond, Mud Pond Woods, Mylet's Corners, Nanticoke Marsh, Nescopeck Creek Valley, Nescopeck Mountain Barrens, Nevel Swamp, Nuangola Lake, Nuangola Railroad Tunnel, Nuangola Station Swamp, Old Beaver Dam Swamp, Old Boston Mine, Opossum Swamp, Opperman Pass, Orloski's Bog, Penobscot Mountain Ridgetop, Shickshinny Mountain, Shingle Run, Slocum Marsh, Sorber Run Lake, State Game Lands #14, State Game Lands #573, Stockton Mountain Barrens, Summer Hill Bog, Suscon Railroad Grade Site, Susquehanna River at Duryea, Susquehanna River at Exeter, Susquehanna River at Hanover Green, Susquehanna River at Mocanaqua, Susquehanna River at Nanticoke, Susquehanna River in Columbia County (North), Susquehanna River at Exeter, Susquehanna River at Hanover Green, Susquehanna Rive
Monroe County, PA	Adams Swamp, Appalachian Trail, Arnott Fen, Bender Swamp, Big Marsh, Big Offset Barren, Big Spring, Bloomer Swamp, Bond Hill Falls, Boulder Field, Bradys Swamp, Camelback Mountain, Cherry Creek Fen, Circle Bog, Cresco Heights, Delaware River, Dutch Hill, Eschenbaugh Swamp, Fern Ridge Bog, Goose Pond Run Falls, Goose Pond Swamp, Green Ridge Marsh, H. Bender Falls, Halfmoon Lake, Huckleberry Marsh, Intake Dam Woods, Kintz Swamp, Lake Mineola Marsh, Lake Naomi Shrub Swamps, Lake Naomi, Laurel Drive Bog, Leavitt Falls, Little Pond Swamp, Lon Price Marsh, Long Pond Macrosite Preserve, Longpatch Swamp, Lost Lakes, Mount Wisner, Mud and Sipos Swamp Area, Pinemere Camp Swamp, Pocono Creek Floodplain Forest, Pocono Lake Preserve, Pocono Plateau Lake Wetlands, Pond Swamp, Ramaque Lake Swamp, Ramot Bog, Sand Spring, Schoch Barren, Selfice Swamp, Seven Pines Mountain, Spruce Cabin Pond, Spruce Cabin Run, Spruce Mountain Run Falls, Spruce Mountain, Stillwater Lake Swamps, Stoney Run Pond, Stony Run, Tannersville Bog, The Mash, Tims Swamp, Twomile Run Swamp, Underwood Swamp, Upper Buck Hill Creek, Vogt Farm Wetland, Wagner Way Swamp, Wagners Bog, Wallpack Bend Cliff, Wild Creek Reservoir Watershed, and Zimmer Wildlife Sanctuary
Northampton County, PA	Angle Swamp, Arrow Island, Bear Swamp, Bertsch Creek Seep, Big Offset Barren, Binney And Smith Woods, Blue Mountain, Bull Run, Bushkill Creek Watershed, Delaware River Water Gap, Delaware Shore Near Keifer Island, East Bangor Wetland Complex, East Johnsonville Swamp, Eastern Industries Quarry, Easton Bluff, Five Points Wetland, Foul Rift, Fox Gap Pond, Frost Hollow Overlook, Getters Island, Getz Swamp, Granite Hill, Grand Central Woods, Hellertown Marsh, Hellertown Reservoir Area Vernals, Frya Run Watershed, Island Park, Jacobsburg Environmental Education Center, Lake Poco, Lehigh Gap, Lehigh Slopes, Little Gap, Little Offset Swamp, Lohman Swamp, Lohman Wetlands, Mariton Uplands, Martins Creek Watershed, Minsi Lake Vernal Ponds, Morgan Hill, Mount Jack Limestone Outcrop, Mount Bethel Fens, Neffs Pond, Old Sow Island, Oughoughton Creek Power, Polly Acres Swamp, Portland Powerplant Site, Raesly Wood, Raubs Island, Raubsville Lock 22-23 Delaware River, Redington Cave, Rismiller Woods, School Road Swamp, Springtown Marsh, Steel City Slopes, Totts Gap, Totts Gap Swamp, Weaversville Ponds, and Whippoorwill Island

County Pike County, PA	Natural Heritage Sites     Bald Hill Swamp, Bald Hill, Balsam Swamp, Beaver Lake, Ben Bush Swamp, Big Bear Swamp, Big Dam Ridge Swamp, Big Swamp, Blooming Grove Long Pond Swamp, Bruce Lake, Buck Bar, Buckhorn Oak Barre, Bushkill Falls, Bushkill Shale Cliff, Bushkill Swamp, Conservation Island, Corilla Lake, Crooked Swamp, Crossroads Tavern Woods, Deep Brook, Delaware River, Dingmans Falls, Dry Brook Shale Barren, East Mountain Thicket, Edgemere Road Woods, Elbow Swamp, Eschbach Heights Shale Barren, Fairview Lake, Forest Lake, Fulmer Falls, Gates Run, Germantown Swamp, Glenside Shale Barren, Hemlock Farms Barren, High Knob, Holsey Meadow Swamp, Little York Swamp, Lackawaxen River, Lake Belle, Lake Giles, Lake Laura, Lake Maskenozha, Lake Paupack, Lake Scott, Ledgedale Swamp, Lehman Township Woods, Little Bushkill Swamp, Little Mud Pond Swamp, Little Mud Pond, Little Teedyuskung Lake Bog, Long Swamp, Low Knob, Lower Shapnack Island, Mainses Pond, Maple Swamp, Mashipacong Shale Cliff, Matamoras Cliffs, Millord Cliffs, Millrift Cliffs, Millrift Pine Flats, Mud Pond Region, Old Port Jervis Road Shale Cliff, Painter Swamp, Paupack Falls, Pecks Pond Bog, Pinchot Falls, Pine Lake, Pocono Environmental Education Center, Point Peter, Poison Brook Swamp, Raymondskill Falls, Rock Hill Pond, Sagamore Swamp, Sawkill Mud Pond, Shapnack Island, Shoemakers Barren, Shohola Falls Swamp, Silver Lake, Smiths Swamp, Spruce & Rowland Swamps, Sunrise Swamp, Sunset Creek Ravine, Taylortown Swamp, Tinkwig Creek, Toms Creek, Twelvemile Pond, Twin Lakes, Well Road Swamp, Wallenpaupack Creek, White Birch Swamp, and Wolf Lake
Wayne County, PA	Abrahamsville Cliffs, Aldenville Mud Pond, B'nai B'rith Bog, Barkley Lake, Bear Swamp, Beaver Pond, Belmont Lake, Bender Swamp, Bethel Swamp, Beyea Pond, Bigelow Lake, Buckingham Boat Access, Butternut Creek, Carley Brook Bog, Carr Pond, Chestnut Lake, Clemo Pond, Conkling Hill, Crockenburg Pond, Crooked Mud Pond, Damascus Cliffs, Delaware River, Delaware River, Dripping Cliffs, Dyberry Creek Rookery, East/West Branches Dyberry Creek, Elk Lake, Farrell Corners Fen, Finnegan Corners, Flat Rock Bog, Forest City Station Bald, Freytown Swamp, Gas Hollow, Girdland Bog, Hancock River Ledges, Hardwood Ridge, Harvey Cleveland Bog, Hawks Nest, Hawley Bog, Hiawatha Lake, Hoadley Pond, Holberts Pond, Howell Pond, Island Lake, Lackawaxen River, Lake Ariel, Lake Henry, Lake Lacawac, Lakewood Bog, Lehigh Pond, Little Bigelo, Little Hickory Lake, Lookout Bog, Lovelace Pond, Lower Woods, Maple Grove Church Bald, Maple Grove Wildflower Site, Maple Grove, Marsh Pond, Milanville Riverwash South, Milanville Riverwash, Milanville Woods, Miller Pond, Moosic Mountains, Mount Ararat, Narrowsburg Bend, Orson Glade, Pennsylvania Gas & Water Co. Lands, Peterson Lake, Pine Swamp, Pipeline Bog, Poyntelle Lake Orson, Prompton Bog,Rock Lake, Rocky Run, Salem Hill Barren, Schoolhouse Creek, Shehawken Lake, Silkmans Swamp, Sly Lake, Snag Pond, Spruce Lake, Spruce Pond, Star Pond, Starrucca Creek Tributary, Stockport Woods, Sugarloaf Mountain, Thousand-acre Swamp, Topps Bog, Upper Woods Pond, Wallsnpaupack Creek, Wangum Creek, West Damascus Rookery, and White Oak Pond

Sources: PA TNC 1990; PA TNC 1991; PA TNC 1998; PA TNC 1999; PA TNC 2005a; PA TNC 2005b; PA TNC 2006.

### NATURAL HERITAGE PRIORITY SITES IDENTIFIED IN NEW JERSEY BY NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

County	Natural Heritage Sites
Morris County, NJ	Bartley Ravine, Black River Meadow, Budd Lake Bog, Budd Lake Outlet, Chester Railroad Site, Green Pond Mountain, Green Pond Mountain North, Ironia, Isabels Site, Lake Denmark, Lincoln Park Gravel Pits, Mount Freedom, Mount Hope Bog, New Russia Gravel Pit Site, Picatinny Lake, Splitrock Reservoir Site, Valhalla Hemlock Glen, Great Piece Meadows, Pequannock River, Bridge to Nowhere, Pompton River Gravel Bar Site, and Sparta Pine Swamp
Sussex County, NJ	Andover Junction Site, Andover Ridge, Arctic Meadows, Branchville, Breakneck Mountain, Bridge to Nowhere, Brighton Meadow, Buckmire Pond, Buttermilk Falls, Cherry Ridge Ravine, Colesville, Crater Lake, Dingmans Ferry Bridge Site, Edison Bog, Emmens Station Site, First Time Fen, Flatbrook Valley Roadbank Site, Flatbrookville Rivershore, Franklin Mine, Franklin Quarry, Franklin Yard, Greendell Marsh, Greendell Powerline Site, Hainesville Woods, Hampton Ridge, Hardistonville, Heaters Pond Ridge, Hemlock Pond, High Point, Hopkins Corner Site, Hyper Humus, Johnsonburg, Kittatinny Cliffs and Talus, Kuser Cedar Swamp, Lake Grinnell Bog, Lubbers Run, Mashipacong Bogs, McAfee Quarry, Millville Ravine, Montague Rivershore-Bridge, Montague Rivershore-West, Montague Rivershore-White Brook, Montague Woods, Morris Lake Woods, Muckshaw Ponds, Ogdensburg Glades, Ogdensburg Meadow, Old Mine Road Site, Perona Lake, Rosencrans Ferry Site, Rudeville, Sawmill Pond Swamp, Second Chance, Shermans Glen, Shuster Pond, Site 564, Smith Ferry Site, Sparta Avenue, Sparta Pine Swamp, Sparta Station Site, Springdale, Steam Mill Site, Sterling Hill, Sterling Mine, Stillwater Ridge, Stockholm Slope, Sussex Mills, Swartswood Lake, Swartswood Sinkhole Ponds, Vernon Valley, Wallpack Center Road Site, Wallpack Ravine, Wallpack Ridge, Waterloo, Wawayanda Lake, Wawayanda Swamp, Wildcat Ravine and Bog, Wolf Lake, Woodruffs Gap, and Wrights Pond Bluffs
Warren County, NJ	Belvidere Riverside, Blairstown White Lake, Buttermilk Bridge Site, Columbia Floodplain, Dancing Leaves Site, Delaware, Depew Island, Dildine Island, Flatbrookville Rivershore, Foul Rift, Ghost Lake, Glovers Pond, Greendell Marsh, Greendell Ridge, Hardwick Meadow, Harmony Shore, High Rock Mountain, Hutchinson, Johnsonburg, Limestone Ridge Marsh, Luck Low Site, Luse Pond, Manunka Chunk Bluffs, Millbrook Gap, Mountain Lake Bog, Mt. Tammany, Pequest, Phillipsburg Bluffs, Pohatcong Mountain, Poxono Island, Poxono Shore, Riegelsville Bluffs, Shuster Pond, Southtown Sinkhole, Squires Corner Site, Swayze, Three Nest Cliff, Tocks Swamp, and Van Campen Glen

Source: NJDEP 2007

# APPENDIX G-10: GENERAL CONFORMITY APPLICABILITY ANALYSIS

The preferred alternative for the proposed project (alternative 2) would be constructed within the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) designated northeastern ozone (O<sub>3</sub>) transport region, a multistate ozone nonattainment area. The project is thereby potentially subject to the federal General Conformity Rule established at 40 CFR Part 93 Subpart B. A general conformity applicability analysis was conducted to determine if increases in air pollution from the construction of the preferred alternative (alternative 2) would cause or contribute to new violations of the National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS).

### 1. Regulatory Background: General Conformity Applicability Analysis

The General Conformity Rule was established to ensure that federal activities do not interfere with efforts to return nonattainment areas back into compliance with the NAAQS. In particular, Section 176(c) of the Clean Air Act prohibits federal agencies, departments, or instrumentalities from engaging in, supporting, licensing, or approving any action, in an area that is in nonattainment of the NAAQS, which does not conform to a USEPA approved state implementation plan. Therefore, the NPS must determine whether or not the project would interfere with the goals in the affected state implementation plans.

Pursuant to Clean Air Act Section 176(c) requirements, the USEPA promulgated 40 CFR Part 51, Subpart W and Part 93, Subpart B, "Determining Conformity of General Federal Actions to State or Federal Implementation Plans." These regulations, commonly referred to as the General Conformity Rule, apply to all federal actions except for those federal actions related to transportation plans, programs, and projects under Title 23 U.S. Code or the Federal Transit Act, which are subject to Transportation Conformity (40 CFR Part 93 Subpart A).

Alternative 2 would be constructed in areas of both Pennsylvania and New Jersey. In Pennsylvania, counties associated with the S-R line, including Pike, Monroe, Wayne, Northampton, Lackawanna, Luzerne, and Carbon Counties, are considered to be in attainment with the NAAQS. In New Jersey, counties associated with the S-R line, including Warren, Sussex, and Morris Counties, are considered to be in attainment for all criteria air pollutants except ozone. Morris County is also in nonattainment for  $PM_{2.5}$ . The general conformity applicability analysis has been based on the assumption that the proposed project is within the ozone transport region and a  $PM_{2.5}$  nonattainment area.

To regulate the emission levels resulting from a project, federal actions located in nonattainment areas are required to demonstrate compliance with the General Conformity Rule. The project area is located within a nonattainment area; therefore, a General Conformity Rule applicability analysis was conducted.

Section 93.153 of the General Conformity Rule sets applicability requirements for projects through establishment of *de minimis* levels for annual criteria pollutant emissions. These *de minimis* levels are set according to criteria pollutant nonattainment area designations. Projects with total emissions below the *de minimis* levels are exempt from the requirements of the rule. Those at or above the levels are required to perform a conformity determination as established in the rule. The *de minimis* levels apply to the largest single-year total of direct and indirect project emissions, from stationary and mobile sources, that can occur during the construction and operation phases of the action.

The NPS has completed a General Conformity Rule applicability analysis in order to determine if air quality impacts from the preferred alternative 2 are significant. For ozone, emissions have been estimated for the ozone precursor pollutants  $NO_X$  and volatile organic compounds (VOCs). Annual emissions for these compounds were estimated for each of the project actions (construction and maintenance) to determine if they would be below or above the *de minimis* levels established in the rule. The *de minimis* threshold for moderate ozone nonattainment areas in an ozone transport region is 100 tons per year (TPY) for  $NO_X$  and 50 TPY for VOCs. The *de minimis* levels for  $PM_{2.5}$  established in the rule are 100 TPY for directly emitted  $PM_{2.5}$  and each of the precursors  $SO_2$  and  $NO_X$ .

Sources of NO<sub>X</sub>, VOCs, PM<sub>2.5</sub>, and SO<sub>2</sub> associated with the proposed project would include emissions from land clearing and logging equipment, construction equipment, vehicles including workers' vehicles, trucks hauling and delivering construction materials, and off-gassing from resurfacing of paved roads. It also includes emissions from maintenance operations including worker's vehicles and landscaping equipment.

# 2. General Conformity Applicability Analysis

For this project, construction-related and maintenance operations-related general conformity analysis was performed for the preferred alternative (alternative 2). This conformity analysis and air emissions evaluation will follow the criteria specified in 40 CFR Part 51, and 93, Determining Conformity of General Federal Actions to State or Federal Implementation Plans: Final Rule (April 5, 2010). The emissions evaluation will also follow all NEPA-related criteria provided in 40 CFR Part 6.

The analysis of construction and maintenance operations emissions was based on estimates of the type and quantity of construction equipment likely to be involved in the project. Air emissions have been evaluated by use of the National Mobile Inventory Model (NMIM) software package, which incorporates data from the USEPA NONROAD 2005 and MOBILE 6.02 programs.

## 2.1 Construction Phase Emissions

Construction emission would result from the operation of heavy land clearing and logging equipment, delivery trucks and construction equipment, worker commuter vehicles, and asphalt paving.

The annual construction related emissions are provided in table G-1.

	Pollutants (tons/year)											
Year	VOC	NO <sub>x</sub> CO SO <sub>2</sub>			<b>PM</b> <sub>10</sub>	PM <sub>2.5</sub>						
2013	1.41	13.85	10.33	0.03	0.27	0.26						

### TABLE G-1: CONSTRUCTION EMISSIONS

# 2.2 Maintenance Operations Phase Emissions

The source of maintenance operations emissions are the sawing equipment and the operational (motor vehicle) sources. Table G-2 provides operations related emissions.

	Pollutants (tons/year)					
Year	VOC	NOx	CO	SO <sub>2</sub>	<b>PM</b> <sub>10</sub>	PM <sub>2.5</sub>
2014	3.15E-03	3.00E-02	1.54E-02	2.74E-05	1.99E-03	1.93E-03

## 3. Summary of Construction and Operations Emissions

The emissions from construction and maintenance operations occur in different years and do not combine on an annual basis. Table G-3 shows that emissions associated with constructing and maintenance operating the preferred alternative 2, when compared to the *de minimis* values for an area that is in moderate nonattainment for ozone; nonattainment for PM<sub>2.5</sub> established in 40 CFR § 93.153 (b) for NO<sub>X</sub>, PM<sub>2.5</sub>, and SO<sub>2</sub> for 100 tons per year; and for VOCs of 50 tons per year, fall below the *de minimis* values.

### TABLE G-3: ANNUAL EMISSIONS

A -41- 44-	Pollutants (tons/year)				
Activity	VOC	NO <sub>x</sub>	SO <sub>2</sub>	PM <sub>2.5</sub>	
de minimis levels	50	100	100	100	
Construction (2013)	1.41	13.85	0.03	0.26	
Maintenance Operations (2014)	0.003	0.03	2.74E-05	0.002	

# 4. Conclusion

The total direct and indirect emissions from stationary and mobile sources associated with the proposed project in any given year are less than the *de minimis* levels established under the General Conformity Rule. Hence, a full conformity determination is not required and the proposed project is not subject to the Rule.

# 5. Additional Considerations – Carbon Sequestration

The park is considered as a carbon sink. The contribution of preferred alternative (alternative 2) to climate change through greenhouse gas emissions was further analyzed.

Dominant Species	Acres - ROW Expansion	Acres - Roads outside of ROW
Autumn-olive, Gray Dogwood, Eastern Red Cedar	1.5	0
Black Cherry, Tulip Poplar, Red Maple, White Ash	8.4	0
Chestnut Oak, Northern Red Oak, Black Oak	7.3	0
Chestnut Oak, Sweet Birch	4	0
Eastern Hemlock, Chestnut Oak, White Oak, Northern Red Oak, Scarlet Oak, Sweet Birch	0.9	0
Eastern Hemlock, Yellow Birch, Sugar Maple	15.7	0.31
Eastern Red Cedar	3.2	0
Eastern White Pine	0	0.15
Eastern White Pine, Eastern Hemlock	2	0
Eastern White Pine, Northern Red Oak, Black Oak, American Beech	2.1	0.03
Northern Red Oak, Black Oak, White Oak, Sweet Birch, Eastern White Pine	5.4	0.04
Northern Red Oak, Sugar Maple, Tulip Poplar	1.7	0
Pine species Planted Forest	0.4	0
Silver Maple, American Elm	1.2	0
Smooth Alder	1	0
Sugar Maple, Yellow Birch, American Beech	27.6	0.18
Sweet Birch, Red Maple	8	0
Sycamore, Green Ash	0.5	0
White Oak, Northern Red Oak, Black Oak, Flowering Dogwood	17.6	0.49
Total	108.5	1.2

### TABLE G-4: DEFORESTATION DATA FOR ALTERNATIVE 2

Carbon sequestration rates for avoided deforestation have been estimated to be up to 172.1 tons of carbon per acre per year. Based on the total acres of mature forest removed for the expansion of the right-of-way and creation of access roads, the amount of carbon sequestration potential lost from deforestation could be as much as 18,879 metric tons of carbon per year. However, the forest in the right-of-way will be replaced by grassland. The Chicago Climate Exchange had credited carbon sequestration due to grass plantings at 1 metric ton of  $CO_2$  per acre per year, or around 0.273 metric tons of carbon per year. The uptake of carbon for the right-of-way area if converted to grass would be around 30 metric tons of carbon per year.

Activity	Sequestration Rate (metric tons C/acre/yr)	Applied Area	Sequestration Rate for S- R (metric tons C/yr)
Deforestation (ROW and access roads)	-172.1	109.7	-18879.37
Grass plantings (ROW)	0.273	108.5	29.6205

Source: USDOT 2010; Center for Integrated Natural Resources & Agricultural Management n.d.

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