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RE: Higbee Marina Reconstruction and Beneficial Reuse of Dredge Materials, Somers Point, New Jersey

Dear Ms. Marcopul:

We have been provided with a copy of your March 5, 2018, stamp on the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers January 31, 2018, correspondence to Mr. Wes Swain, City Administrator, City of Somers Point, New Jersey, regarding the combined Higbee Marina Reconstruction and Somers Point-Mays Landing Road Living Shoreline/Beneficial Reuse projects. The proposed project has received funding by the Department of the Interior's Hurricane Sandy Coastal Resiliency Grant.

Based on our review of the following pertinent material, including personal communication with your staff, we concur with your determination that the combined projects "will not adversely affect historic properties":

- Corps of Engineers' February 2, 2018, public notice (CENAP-OP-R-2015-1060-24, February 2, 2018) and supporting permit documentation (e.g., NJDEP 0121-17-0002.1 and 0121-17-0003.1, 3.2);
- Email of July 11, 2018, from Vincent Maresca, Historic Preservation Office (HPO) to Lindsey Davis, New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, re: Somers Point NFWF Project GP24 Application (#0121-17-0003.1 CZM170001 0121-17-0003.2);
- Personal communication with Vincent Maresca, Historic Preservation Office, on February 15, 2018, including discussion on the Higbee Marina dredging and the Somers Point-Mays Landing Road beneficial use of the Higbee Marina dredge material; and,
- November 28, 2017, correspondence from Meghan MacWilliams Baratta, NJ HPO, to Gregory K. Schneider, PE, Somers Point City Engineer, Mott Associates, LLC, conveying HPO's determination that the Higbee Marina Reconstruction fill would not encroach upon the Bay Front Historic District.

We request that in the Corps of Engineers permit(s) for these projects the provision is included to ensure that in carrying out the proposed work, in the event that previously unidentified archaeological resources are discovered, the grantee/contractor shall immediately halt all construction work involving subsurface disturbance in the area of the resource and in the surrounding area where further subsurface resources can reasonably be expected to occur and immediately notify this office and the SHPO of the discovery.

Thank you for your review of the project documentation. Please contact me at (617) 223-8565 if I can be of further assistance.

Sincerely,



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