WESTCHESTER COUNTY STREAMS,
BYRAM RIVER BASIN
FLOOD RISK MANAGEMENT FEASIBILITY STUDY
FAIRFIELD COUNTY, CONNECTICUT AND WESTCHESTER COUNTY, NEW YORK
FINAL INTEGRATED FEASIBILITY REPORT & ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT

APPENDIX F:
Pertinent Correspondence
March 19, 2020

Mr. Clifford Jones  
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
New York District  
26 Federal Plaza  
Room 17-442  
New York, NY 10278

RE: Byram Feasibility Study

Dear Mr. Jones:

I am writing this letter confirming our support for the Westchester County Streams, Byram River Basin, CT and NY Flood Risk Management Study. The Town of Greenwich supports the Recommended Plan described in the final feasibility report.

We are willing to work with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE), New York District and the New York State Department of Transportation (NYS DOT) on future funding needs and cost share obligations for the design and construction phases of the project which will be delineated in a Project Partnership Agreement (PPA). The Town of Greenwich will participate as the Non-Federal Sponsor for the Project. The Town of Greenwich will also enter into a local agreement with the NYS DOT, a Non-Federal Party to the PPA.

We look forward to working with the New York District to finalize this next important step which will provide flood risk management for the community. If you have any questions, please contact James W. Michel, P.E., Deputy Commissioner of Public Works at 203-622-7813.

Sincerely,

Fred Camillo  
First Selectman

“The Town of Greenwich is Dedicated to Diversity and Equal Employment Opportunity”
March 2, 2020

Mr. Clifford Jones
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
New York District
26 Federal Plaza
Room 17-442

RE: Byram Feasibility Study

Dear Mr. Jones:

I am writing this letter on behalf of The New York State Department of Transportation ("the Department") confirming its support for the Westchester County Streams, Byram River Basin, CT and NY Flood Risk Management Feasibility Study. The Department supports the Recommended Plan described in the final feasibility report.

In accordance with applicable laws, rules and regulations, the Department is willing to work with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE), New York District and the Town of Greenwich, CT on future funding needs and cost share obligations for the design and construction phases of the project which will be delineated in a Project Partnership Agreement (PPA). The Department agrees to pursue all local cooperation requirements for the project by participating as a Non-Federal Party to the PPA and by signing a local agreement with the Town of Greenwich.

The Department looks forward to working with the USACE, New York District to finalize this next important step which will provide flood risk management for the community.

If you have any questions, please contact Eric Foster, P.E., Regional Structures Engineer at (845)-431-5735 or by email at eric.foster@dot.ny.gov. Thank you.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

Todd Westhuis, P.E.
Chief of Staff
CC:
Thomas McIntyre, Assistant Commissioner Regions 1, 8 & 9
Lance Macmillan, Regional Director
Eric Foster, P.E., Regional Structures Engineer
April 05, 2019

Colonel Thomas D. Asbery  
Commander  
United States Army Corps of Engineers  
New York District  
26 Federal Plaza  
New York, NY 10278

Re: Westchester County Streams, Byram River Flood Risk Management Study  
Town of Greenwich, Connecticut and Port Chester, New York

Dear Colonel Asbery:

I am writing this letter confirming our support for the Westchester County Streams, Byram River Flood Risk Management Study. New York State Department of Transportation supports the plan described in the draft feasibility report and are in favor of finalizing the report. We are willing to work with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE), New York District on future funding needs and cost share obligations for the design and construction phases of the project which will be delineated in a Project Partnership Agreement.

We look forward to working with the New York District to finalize this next important step which will help to reduce storm risk damages for our community. If you have any questions, please contact Paul Tirums, P.E., Regional Structures Engineer at (845)-431-7915 or by email at paul.tirums@dot.ny.gov.

Sincerely,

Michael K. Schaefer, P.E.  
Regional Design Engineer

Cc: Rifat Salim, Project Manager, New York District U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
    James W. Michel, Town of Greenwich, Dept. of Public Works
April 3, 2019

Colonel Thomas D. Asbery
Commander
United States Army Corps of Engineers
New York District
26 Federal Plaza
New York, NY 10278

Re: Westchester County Streams, Byram River Flood Risk Management Study
Town of Greenwich, Connecticut and Port Chester, New York

Dear Colonel Asbery:

I am writing this letter confirming our support for the Westchester County Streams, Byram River Flood Risk Management Study. The Town of Greenwich supports the plan described in the draft feasibility report and are in favor of finalizing the report. We are willing to work with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE), New York District on future funding needs and cost share obligations for the design and construction phases of the project which will be delineated in a Project Partnership Agreement.

We look forward to working with the New York District to finalize this next important step which will help to reduce storm risk damages for our community. If you have any questions, please contact James W. Michel, P.E., Deputy Commissioner of Public Works at 203-622-7813.

Sincerely,

Peter J. Tesei
First Selectman

CC: Rifat Salim (USACE)
    James W. Michel (TOG-DPW)
June 16, 2008

Mr. Eugene Brickman, Deputy Chief
Planning Division
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
New York District
26 Federal Plaza
New York, NY 10278

Dear Mr. Brickman,

We appreciate your organization’s efforts, to date, in working with the Town of Greenwich to move the Byram River Basin Feasibility Study forward. As we previously stated, the Town is willing to serve as the non-Federal sponsor.

As a next step, we understand that we would enter into an agreement with the Corps, upon its receipt of funding, which would outline our cost sharing arrangement. As you explained, three parties must take part in this agreement – the Corps, the Town of Greenwich, and the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC). Because the Byram River flows through both Connecticut and New York State, by law, the NYSDEC must be party to the studies we hope to undertake.

However, as New York State property was not impacted by the April 2007 flooding and has no particular interest in continuing the study, NYSDEC would be a no-cost participant for the Feasibility Study. Their participation is a formality to allow the project to move forward. If the study recommendations include measures that should be implemented in New York, cost sharing for their construction would be addressed separately from this study. Furthermore, in speaking with your staff, we understand that the Feasibility Study scope will be negotiated between the Corps and the Town, with the resulting emphasis on solutions suitable to address the flood and storm damage issues the Town has experienced.
Mr. Eugene Brickman

June 16, 2008

We support proceeding with the agreement on this basis, and look forward to receiving the standard agreement for our Law Department’s review. If you have any further questions or require additional information, please contact Amy Siebert, Deputy Commissioner of Public Works at 203-622-7717.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

Peter J. Teseli
First Selectman

C:  J. Crary, Town Administrator
    J. W. Fox, Town Attorney
    L. Hubbs, DPW Commissioner
    A. Siebert, DPW Deputy Commissioner
    S. Marucci, DPW
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GREENWICH

Peter J. Tesei
First Selectman

February 29, 2008

Mr. Eugene Brickman, Deputy Chief
Planning Division
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
New York District
26 Federal Plaza
New York, NY 10278

Dear Mr. Brickman,

On behalf of the Town of Greenwich, we have completed our review of the draft 905(b) analysis for the Westchester County Streams Reconnaissance Study and concur with the Study’s recommendations and findings. We support proceeding with the cost-shared Feasibility Study for the Byram River Basin and are willing to serve as the non-Federal sponsor.

I understand our obligation as a non-Federal sponsor in a Feasibility Study, including the cost-sharing requirement of 50 percent of the study costs, of which up to 100% of those costs could be provided as in-kind service.

Actual commitment of funds will be contingent upon reaching an agreement with specific provisions of a Project Management Plan (PMP). The Town of Greenwich has designated Amy Siebert, Deputy Commissioner of Public Works, to serve as the point of contact for this study. We look forward to working with you on this important study.

Sincerely,

Peter J. Tesei
First Selectman

C:  J. Crary, Town Administrator
    L. Hubbs, DPW Commissioner
    A. Siebert, DPW Deputy Commissioner