

**Appendix 1a**  
**Pertinent Correspondence**



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December 1, 2016

Colonel David A. Caldwell  
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United States Army Corps of Engineers  
New York District  
26 Federal Plaza  
New York, New York 10278

Re: Montauk Point, New York, Hurricane and Storm Damage Reduction Project

Dear Colonel Caldwell:

The purpose of this letter is to confirm the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation's (Department) continued interest in participating in the Montauk Point, New York, Hurricane and Storm Damage Reduction Project (Project) as the Non-Federal Sponsor with the United States Army Corps of Engineers (Corps) for the construction of the Project. Furthermore, the Department supports the recommendations contained in the Hurricane Sandy Limited Reevaluation Report dated December 2016.

The Department understands that to the extent that the Disaster Relief Appropriation Act of 2013, Public Law 113-2 enacted January 29, 2013 (DRAA 13) funds appropriated by Congress are available, the Corps will construct the Project at 65 percent Federal expense.

This letter is not a commitment for the funding of any portion of the Project. The commitment can only be made when the proposed Project Partnership Agreement (PPA) with the Corps for the Project is signed by the Department and executed by the Office of the New York State Comptroller. The Department maintains that it is interested in being the Non-Federal Sponsor; however, the Department's participation will depend upon successful execution of a formal agreement with the Montauk Historical Society for future operation and maintenance of the Project.

The Department awaits the Corps submittal of their Water Quality Certification (WQC) application. Based on the Department's review of the Montauk Point, New York, Hurricane Sandy Limited Reevaluation Report dated December 2016, and the pre-application meeting held with Corps staff on November 2, 2016 and the agreements made by the Corps pursuant to that meeting, the Department does not foresee any problems that would preclude the issuance of the WQC once the Corps' application is submitted.

The Department will continue working with the Corps to move the Project forward as expeditiously as possible. If you have any questions, please contact me by email at [alan.fuchs@dec.ny.gov](mailto:alan.fuchs@dec.ny.gov), or by telephone at (518) 402-8185.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Susan McCormick for". The signature is written in a cursive style.

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Director  
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# Parks, Recreation, and Historic Preservation

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August 06, 2015

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26 Federal Plaza  
New York, NY 10278

Re: USACE  
Montauk Point Hurricane Sandy Limited Reevaluation Report and Environmental  
Assessment (Former Storm Damage Reduction Project)  
Montauk Point, 2000 NY27, NY  
04PR04116

Dear Mr. Wepler:

Thank you for requesting the comments of the New York State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO). We have reviewed the provided documentation in accordance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966. These comments are those of the SHPO and relate only to Historic/Cultural resources. They do not include other environmental impacts to New York State Parkland that may be involved in or near your project. Such impacts must be considered as part of the environmental review of the project pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act and/or the State Environmental Quality Review Act (New York Environmental Conservation Law Article 8).

We understand that the Montauk Point Storm Damage Reduction Project has been reanalyzed resulting in a revision to the proposed stone revetment. We note that the Montauk Point Lighthouse was designated a National Historic Landmark in 2012. National Historic Landmarks (NHLs) are nationally significant historic places designated by the Secretary of the Interior because they possess exceptional value or quality in illustrating or interpreting the heritage of the United States. Today, just over 2,500 historic places bear this national distinction.

Based upon review of the information submitted, we concur that the proposed work provided with your July 6, 2015 letter will have No Adverse Effect upon historic resources. If there are substantive changes made to the project plans or if unexpected conditions necessitate project changes, consultation with our office should resume.

If you have any questions, I can be reached at (518) 268-2181.

Sincerely,

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**Division for Historic Preservation**