



Parks, Recreation, and Historic Preservation

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Mrs. Laurie Husted
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Re: USFWS
Annandale Dam Micro Hydropower
16PR06319

Dear Mrs. Husted:

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 have reviewed your submission dated September 8, 2016 for the Annandale Dam Micro Hydropower project. We note that the Annandale Dam and associated buildings and structures are listed in the National Register of Historic Places as part of the Hudson River Historic District. The Hudson River Historic District is a National Historic Landmark (NHL) district. NHL's 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. We understand that this is a preliminary study to investigate the feasibility of installing micro hydropower on the Annandale Dam.

Because the dam and nearby historic structures are National Register listed, we would consider the impacts of any proposed projects to these resources, their surroundings, and any archaeological resources that may be present. We encourage you to consider the integration of these historic features into any proposed project. In order for our office to continue its review of your project, please provide us with the following documentation:

1. Photos: Photos should indicate locations of proposed work, illustrate representative examples of historic features, and be keyed to site and floor plans.
2. Plans and specifications of all proposed work. Preliminary or pre-final documents are preferred.

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3. Additional Research: Depending upon the scope of work, it may be necessary to further investigate the history of the site and identify any additional associated historic resources. This research would help to prioritize the preservation of those features that best represent the historical character of the site.

Plans, specifications, and other documentation requested in this letter should be provided via our Cultural Resource Information System (CRIS) at www.nysparks.com/shpo/online-tools/. Once on the CRIS site, you can log in as a guest and choose "submit" at the very top menu. Next choose "submit new information for an existing project". You will need this project number and your e-mail address.

If you have any questions, I can be reached at (518) 268-2164.

Sincerely,



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