

Consistency Documentation

August 24, 2022

Matthew Roberts HRG, Inc. 501 Allendale Road, Suite 203 King of Prussia PA 194062246

RE: ER Project # 2022PR03835.001, Eastern Pike County Regional Act 537 Plan, Department of Environmental Protection, Milford Borough, Pike County

Dear Matthew Roberts:

Thank you for submitting information concerning the above referenced project. The Pennsylvania State Historic Preservation Office (PA SHPO) reviews projects in accordance with state and federal laws. Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, and the implementing regulations (36 CFR Part 800) of the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation, is the primary federal legislation. The Environmental Rights amendment, Article 1, Section 27 of the Pennsylvania Constitution and the Pennsylvania History Code, 37 Pa. Cons. Stat. Section 500 et seq. (1988) is the primary state legislation. These laws include consideration of the project's potential effects on both historic and archaeological resources.

Above Ground Resources

No Above Ground Concerns - Environmental Review - No Effect - Above Ground

Based on the information received and available within our files, it is our opinion that the proposed project will have No Effect on above ground historic properties, including historic buildings, districts, structures, and/or objects, should they exist. Should the scope of the project change and/or should you be made aware of historic property concerns, you will need to reinitiate consultation with our office using PA-SHARE.

For questions concerning above ground resources, please contact Emma Diehl at emdiehl@pa.gov.

Archaeological Resources

No Archaeological Concerns - Environmental Review - No Effect - Archaeological

Based on the information received and available in our files, in our opinion, the proposed project should have No Effect on archaeological resources. Our analysis indicates that archaeological resources are potentially located in this project area. Should the scope of the project be amended to include additional ground-disturbing activity and/or should you be made aware of historic property concerns, you will need to reinitiate consultation with our office using PA-SHARE.

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For questions concerning archaeological resources, please contact Emma Diehl at emdiehl@pa.gov.

Sincerely,

Emma Diehl

Environmental Review Division Manager



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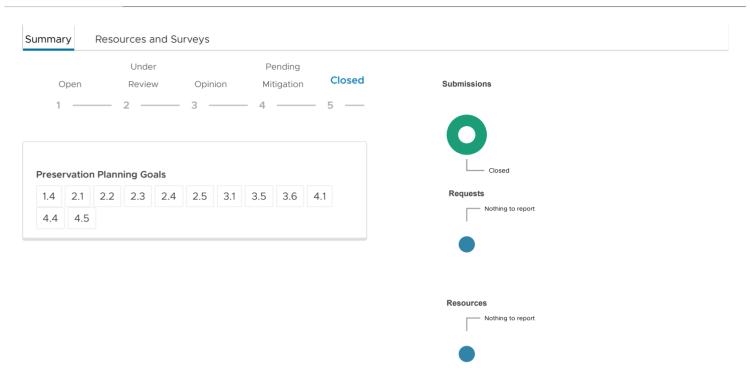
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PROJECT Eastern Pike County Regional Act 537 Plan

2022PR03835 Environmental Review



Project Summary

Project Name

Eastern Pike County Regional Act 537 Plan

Project Description

The project is an Act 537 Sewage Facilities Plan for Milford Borough, Matamoras Borough, Milford Township, and Westfall Township. The plan evaluates the sewage facility needs of each municipality in the Plan. The Plan contemplates structural alternatives for a sewer extension to Milford Borough, Matamoras Borough and Westfall Township, where the sewer lines eventually convey to the Westfall Municipal Authority Wastewater Treatment Plant. The proposed sewer extensions are attached to this project submission as well as a OneDrive link to complete copy of the Plan. The proposed structural alternatives are in the Planning/ Conceptual Stage and have not advanced to the Design Stage yet.

Legacy Number

No Data

Comments

No Data

Date CreatedCreated By08/24/2022Emma Diehl

Date Closed 08/24/2022

06/24/2022

Closed By Emma Diehl

Submitted from PATH

Environmental Review

Involves Ground Disturbance

10 or More Resources in the APE

Present Land Use

In the project area, the land that will be disturbed is largely existing roadways and other areas that have already been developed. The sewer extension primarily serves the commercial districts in each municipality, which are on major roads (typically PennDOT Roads such as US Route 6/209, etc.)

Past Land Use

The ground already experienced disturbance when roads were constructed as well as during upgrades, maintenance, repaving, etc.

One or More Above Ground Resources 45 Years in Age or Older

Approximate Age of Buildings

No Data

This project includes

✓ Construction Demolition Rehabilitation Disposition

Opinion

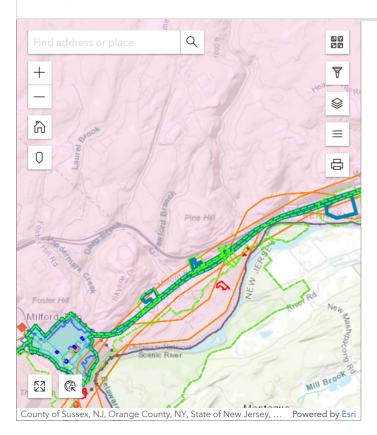
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Opinion Date

08/24/2022

Opinion Comment

No Data



Environmental Review Location

Ape Location Description

The area of potential effect was the Study/ Planning areas included in the Act 537 Plan. The sewer extension is proposed to be done on existing roads, so minimal undisturbed earth will be affected. There are no proposed changes to any historical buildings/ structures. The Project address is the Municipal Authority of the Township of Westfall (MATW) Wastewater Treatment Plant.

Lod Location Description

The sewer extensions (Alternative 2B, 3B, and 6F) are proposed along predominantly the major roads (Broad Street, Harford Street, Route 6/209, and Pennsylvania Avenue) in Milford Borough, Milford Township, Westfall Township, and Matamoras Borough. The underground disturbance will be done on existing roadways that have already been disturbed, and the disturbances from the extension will be done on previously disturbed areas.

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Project Address

155 Westfall Town Drive

Project CityProjectProject ZipMatamorasState183372100

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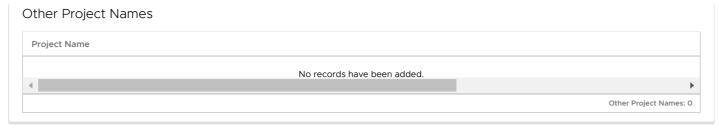
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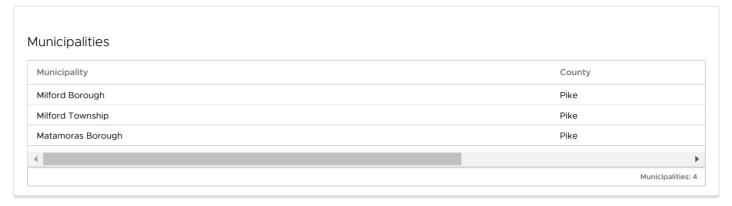
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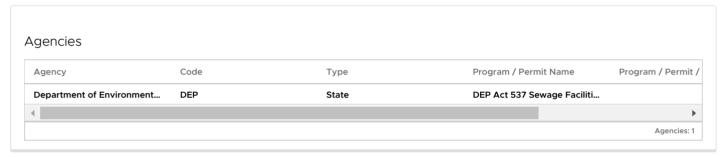
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Project Located On Private

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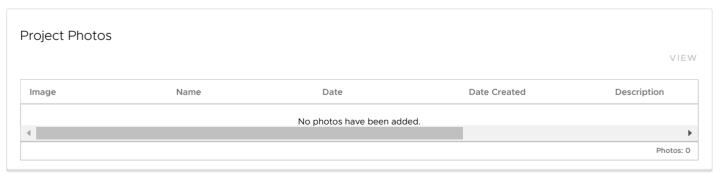
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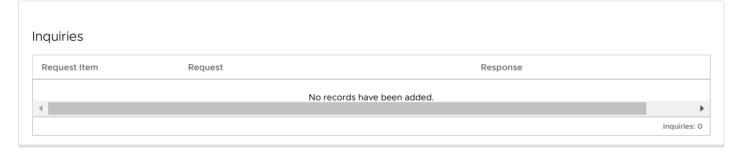








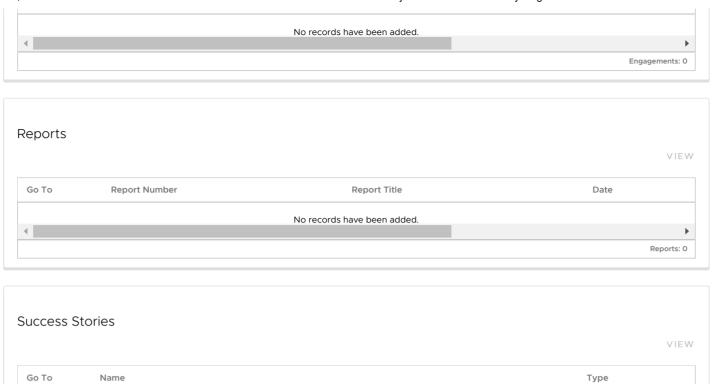












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Eastern Pike County Regional Act 537 Plan (PNDI-767410)

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This project has been finalized and submitted for review.

Project Review Results

- 1	Revision date	Receipt Status	Payment Status	Receipt File	Bounda
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Agency Status

Agency	User Status		
DCNR	Concluded		
DEP	Saved		
PFBC	Received		
PGC	Concluded		
USFWS	Saved		

Submitted by mroberts_24721 on Thu, 08/25/2022 - 09:37

Project Type:

- $\circ\;$ Waste Transfer, Treatment, and Disposal
 - Liquid waste/Effluent
 - Sewage module/Act 537 plan

Project ID: PNDI-767410
Project Size: Standard
Project Edit Status: Final

Document Upload Opt-Out: Not Selected **No Documents Required:** Not Selected

Avoidance Measure Non-Compliance: Not Selected

File attachments:

Attachment	Date	Size
2022.08.29 Project Description.pdf (https://conservationexplorer.dcnr.pa.gov/sites/default/files/2022.08.29%20Project%20Description.pdf)	08/29/2022 - 13:10	123.65 KB
Planning Area Mapping Optimized.pdf (https://conservationexplorer.dcnr.pa.gov/sites/default/files/Planning%20Area%20Mapping Optimized 0.pdf)	08/29/2022 - 13:18	9.09 MB
Map11 Study AreaMap 24x36.pdf (https://conservationexplorer.dcnr.pa.gov/sites/default/files/Map11 Study%20AreaMap 24x36 0.pdf)	08/29/2022 - 13:18	967.95 KB

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Alternatives 6F.pdf (https://conservationexplorer.dcnr.pa.gov/sites/default/files/Alternatives 6F 0.pdf)	08/29/2022 - 13:18	607.32 KB

User Project Number(s): 003054.0444 (Phase 07)

Project Description: The Eastern Pike County Regional Act 537 Plan is a regional Act 537 Sewage Facilities Plan for Westfall Township, Milford Borough, Milford Township, and Matamoras Borough. The plan evaluates the sewage facilities needs in all four municipalities and evaluates alternatives for each municipality. The selected structural alternatives (Alternatives 2B, 3B, and 6F) were chosen for Milford Borough, Westfall Township, and Matamoras Borough and proposed a sanitary extension to the Municipal Authority of the Township of Westfall (MATW)'s existing collection system and eventually would be treated by the MATW Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP). No upgrades are contemplated for the MATW WWTP at this time because it has both the hydraulic and organic capacity to treat the proposed flow. The proposed sanitary sewer extensions are proposed on existing developments and roads.

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1. PROJECT INFORMATION

Project Name: Eastern Pike County Regional Act 537 Plan

Date of Review: 8/29/2022 04:39:52 PM

Project Category: Waste Transfer, Treatment, and Disposal, Liquid waste/Effluent, Sewage module/Act 537 plan

Project Area: 1,509.55 acres

County(s): Pike

Township/Municipality(s): MATAMORAS; MILFORD; MILFORD TOWNSHIP; WESTFALL TOWNSHIP

ZIP Code:

Quadrangle Name(s): MILFORD; PORT JERVIS NORTH; PORT JERVIS SOUTH

Watersheds HUC 8: Middle Delaware-Mongaup-Brodhead

Watersheds HUC 12: Sawkill Creek; Shimers Brook-Delaware River; Shingle Kill-Delaware River

Decimal Degrees: 41.331375, -74.783063

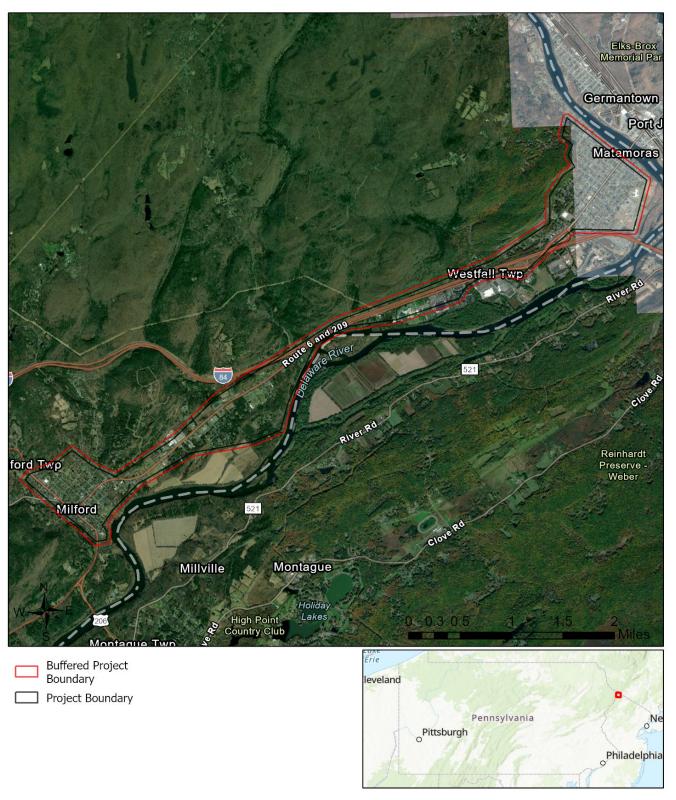
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2. SEARCH RESULTS

Agency	Results	Response
PA Game Commission	Potential Impact	FURTHER REVIEW IS REQUIRED, See Agency Response
PA Department of Conservation and Natural Resources	Potential Impact	FURTHER REVIEW IS REQUIRED, See Agency Response
PA Fish and Boat Commission	Potential Impact	FURTHER REVIEW IS REQUIRED, See Agency Response
U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service	Potential Impact	FURTHER REVIEW IS REQUIRED, See Agency Response

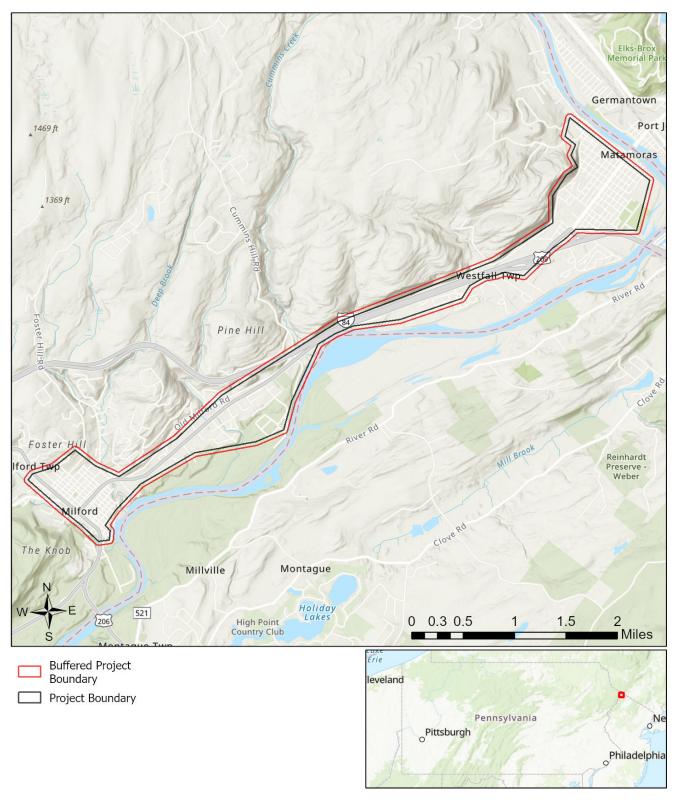
As summarized above, Pennsylvania Natural Diversity Inventory (PNDI) records indicate there may be potential impacts to threatened and endangered and/or special concern species and resources within the project area. If the response above indicates "No Further Review Required" no additional communication with the respective agency is required. If the response is "Further Review Required" or "See Agency Response," refer to the appropriate agency comments below. Please see the DEP Information Section of this receipt if a PA Department of Environmental Protection Permit is required.

Eastern Pike County Regional Act 537 Plan



Sources: Esri, Airbus DS, USGS, NGA, NASA, CGIAR, N Robinson, NCEAS, NLS, OS, NMA, Geodatastyrelsen, Rijkswaterstaat, GSA, Geoland, FEMA, Intermap and the GIS user community

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RESPONSE TO QUESTION(S) ASKED

Q1: Will the project require permanent alteration or removal of natural vegetation, soils, water (streams, ponds, vernal pools, etc.)?

Your answer is: No

3. AGENCY COMMENTS

Regardless of whether a DEP permit is necessary for this proposed project, any potential impacts to threatened and endangered species and/or special concern species and resources must be resolved with the appropriate jurisdictional agency. In some cases, a permit or authorization from the jurisdictional agency may be needed if adverse impacts to these species and habitats cannot be avoided.

These agency determinations and responses are **valid for two years** (from the date of the review), and are based on the project information that was provided, including the exact project location; the project type, description, and features; and any responses to questions that were generated during this search. If any of the following change: 1) project location, 2) project size or configuration, 3) project type, or 4) responses to the questions that were asked during the online review, the results of this review are not valid, and the review must be searched again via the PNDI Environmental Review Tool and resubmitted to the jurisdictional agencies. The PNDI tool is a primary screening tool, and a desktop review may reveal more or fewer impacts than what is listed on this PNDI receipt. The jurisdictional agencies **strongly advise against** conducting surveys for the species listed on the receipt prior to consultation with the agencies.

PA Game Commission RESPONSE:

Further review of this project is necessary to resolve the potential impact(s). Please send project information to this agency for review (see WHAT TO SEND).

PGC Species: (Note: The Pennsylvania Conservation Explorer tool is a primary screening tool, and a desktop review may reveal more or fewer species than what is listed below.)

Scientific Name	Common Name	Current Status	
Sensitive Species**		Threatened	

PA Department of Conservation and Natural Resources RESPONSE:

Further review of this project is necessary to resolve the potential impact(s). Please send project information to this agency for review (see WHAT TO SEND).

DCNR Species: (Note: The Pennsylvania Conservation Explorer tool is a primary screening tool, and a desktop review may reveal more or fewer species than what is listed below. After desktop review, if a botanical survey is required by DCNR, we recommend the DCNR Botanical Survey Protocols, available here: https://conservationexplorer.dcnr.pa.gov/content/survey-protocols)

Scientific Name	Common Name	Current Status	Proposed Status	Survey Window
Carex sprengelii	Sedge	Special Concern Species*	Special Concern Species*	Fruits mid-May - late June
Sensitive Species**		Special Concern Species*	Special Concern Species*	Flowers June and July; fleshy, spiney, flattened stems year-round

PA Fish and Boat Commission RESPONSE:

Project Search ID: PNDI-767410

Further review of this project is necessary to resolve the potential impact(s). Please send project information to this agency for review (see WHAT TO SEND).

PFBC Species: (Note: The Pennsylvania Conservation Explorer tool is a primary screening tool, and a desktop review may reveal more or fewer species than what is listed below.)

Scientific Name	Common Name	Current Status
Sensitive Species**		Endangered
Alasmidonta undulata	Triangle Floater	Special Concern Species*
Alasmidonta varicosa	Brook Floater	Special Concern Species*
Utterbackiana implicata	Alewife Floater	Special Concern Species*

U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service RESPONSE:

Further review of this project is necessary to resolve the potential impact(s). Please send project information to this agency for review (see WHAT TO SEND).

- * Special Concern Species or Resource Plant or animal species classified as rare, tentatively undetermined or candidate as well as other taxa of conservation concern, significant natural communities, special concern populations (plants or animals) and unique geologic features.
- ** Sensitive Species Species identified by the jurisdictional agency as collectible, having economic value, or being susceptible to decline as a result of visitation.

WHAT TO SEND TO JURISDICTIONAL AGENCIES

If project information was requested by one or more of the agencies above, upload* or email the following information to the agency(s) (see AGENCY CONTACT INFORMATION). Instructions for uploading project materials can be found here. This option provides the applicant with the convenience of sending project materials to a single location accessible to all three state agencies (but not USFWS).

*If information was requested by USFWS, applicants must email, or mail, project information to IR1_ESPenn@fws.gov to initiate a review. USFWS will not accept uploaded project materials.

Check-list of Minimum Materials to be submitted:

Project narrative with a description of the overall project, the work to be performed, current physical characteristics of the site and acreage to be impacted.

A map with the project boundary and/or a basic site plan(particularly showing the relationship of the project to the physical features such as wetlands, streams, ponds, rock outcrops, etc.)

In addition to the materials listed above, USFWS REQUIRES the following

✓ SIGNED copy of a Final Project Environmental Review Receipt

The inclusion of the following information may expedite the review process.

Color photos keyed to the basic site plan (i.e. showing on the site plan where and in what direction each photo was taken and the date of the photos)

*Included in project mapping

4. DEP INFORMATION

The Pa Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) requires that a signed copy of this receipt, along with any required documentation from jurisdictional agencies concerning resolution of potential impacts, be submitted with applications for permits requiring PNDI review. Two review options are available to permit applicants for handling PNDI coordination in conjunction with DEP's permit review process involving either T&E Species or species of special concern. Under sequential review, the permit applicant performs a PNDI screening and completes all coordination with the appropriate jurisdictional agencies prior to submitting the permit application. The applicant will include with its application, both a PNDI receipt and/or a clearance letter from the jurisdictional agency if the PNDI Receipt shows a Potential Impact to a species or the applicant chooses to obtain letters directly from the jurisdictional agencies. Under concurrent review, DEP, where feasible, will allow technical review of the permit to occur concurrently with the T&E species consultation with the jurisdictional agency. The applicant must still supply a copy of the PNDI Receipt with its permit application. The PNDI Receipt should also be submitted to the appropriate agency according to directions on the PNDI Receipt. The applicant and the jurisdictional agency will work together to resolve the potential impact(s). See the DEP PNDI policy at https://conservationexplorer.dcnr.pa.gov/content/resources.



5. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

The PNDI environmental review website is a preliminary screening tool. There are often delays in updating species status classifications. Because the proposed status represents the best available information regarding the conservation status of the species, state jurisdictional agency staff give the proposed statuses at least the same consideration as the current legal status. If surveys or further information reveal that a threatened and endangered and/or special concern species and resources exist in your project area, contact the appropriate jurisdictional agency/agencies immediately to identify and resolve any impacts.

For a list of species known to occur in the county where your project is located, please see the species lists by county found on the PA Natural Heritage Program (PNHP) home page (www.naturalheritage.state.pa.us). Also note that the PNDI Environmental Review Tool only contains information about species occurrences that have actually been reported to the PNHP.

6. AGENCY CONTACT INFORMATION

PA Department of Conservation and Natural Resources

Bureau of Forestry, Ecological Services Section 400 Market Street, PO Box 8552 Harrisburg, PA 17105-8552

Email: RA-HeritageReview@pa.gov

PA Fish and Boat Commission

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Division of Environmental Services 595 E. Rolling Ridge Dr., Bellefonte, PA 16823

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U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service

Pennsylvania Field Office Endangered Species Section 110 Radnor Rd; Suite 101 State College, PA 16801 Email: IR1_ESPenn@fws.gov

NO Faxes Please

PA Game Commission

Bureau of Wildlife Management Division of Environmental Review 2001 Elmerton Avenue, Harrisburg, PA 17110-9797

Email: RA-PGC PNDI@pa.gov

NO Faxes Please

7. PROJECT CONTACT INFORMATION

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8. CERTIFICATION	
I certify that ALL of the project information contained in this receipt (includi size/configuration, project type, answers to questions) is true, accurate an location, size or configuration changes, or if the answers to any questions	d complete. In addition, if the project type,
change, I agree to re-do the online environmental review.	· ·
Matthew Robert	8/30/2022
applicant/project proponent signature	date



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VIA ONLINE

August 29, 2022

Re: Eastern Pike County Regional Act 537 Plan

Pike County, Pennsylvania

Dear Agencies:

The Eastern Pike County Regional Act 537 Plan for Milford Borough, Milford Township, Westfall Township, and Matamoras Borough addresses the wastewater disposal needs of these municipalities. Through an evaluation of existing on-lot disposal systems, soil suitability, and commercial needs and growth, needs areas in the planning region were identified. Structural alternatives for providing improved sewage facilities to these areas were evaluated on the basis of environmental soundness, cost-effectiveness, and structural feasibility. Alternatives Exhibit Nos. 2B, 3B, and 6F have been selected. These alternative exhibits involve extending public sewer service to these need areas and connecting to the existing Municipal Authority of the Township of Westfall (MATW) WWTP in Westfall Township. The proposed sewer extensions are proposed over existing roads and previously developed land. The MATW WWTP has sufficient hydraulic and organic capacity for these recommended structural alternatives. The draft receipt from the PNDI Conversation indicated Potential Impacts and further review is required by the PA Game Commission, PA Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, PA Fish and Boat Commission, and U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. A Planning Area Map as well as a PDF with a collection of Planning Area Maps in relation to physical features have been uploaded. In addition, the selected alternative exhibits have been uploaded to the PNDI Conservation Explorer Portal.

If necessary, the Eastern Pike County Regional Act 537 Plan can be viewed/downloaded in its entirety at:

https://hrginc0-my.sharepoint.com/:f:/g/personal/mroberts hrg-inc_com/EmdLM4E6P5ZEvjkg_hKg-G0BNlflyNV0pzN5tspi19SxRw?e=eMG08C

Please feel free to give me a call if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

HERBERT, ROWLAND & GRUBIC, INC.

Matthew Roberts, E.I.T. Staff Professional I

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Enclosures

PENNSYLVANIA GAME COMMISSION

2001 Elmerton Avenue Harrisburg, PA 17110-9797

Wildlife Management (717) 787-5529

September 9, 2022

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PNDI Receipt File: project_receipt_eastern_pike_county_regio_767410_FINAL_1.pdf Re: Eastern Pike County Regional Act 537 Plan Matamoras, Milford, and Westfall Townships; Pike County, Pennsylvania

Dear Matthew,

Thank you for submitting Pennsylvania Natural Diversity Inventory (PNDI) Environmental Review Receipt project_receipt_eastern_pike_county_regio_767410_FINAL_1.pdf for review. The Pennsylvania Game Commission (PGC) screened this project for potential impacts to species and resources of concern under PGC responsibility, which includes birds and mammals only.

No Impact Anticipated

PNDI records indicate species or resources of concern are located within the vicinity of the project. However, based on the information you submitted concerning the nature of the project, the immediate location, and our detailed resource information, the PGC has determined that no impact is likely. Therefore, no further coordination with the PGC will be necessary for this project at this time.

This response represents the most up-to-date summary of the PNDI data files and is <u>valid for two (2) years</u> from the date of this letter. An absence of recorded information does not necessarily imply actual conditions on site. Should project plans change or additional information on listed or proposed species become available, this determination may be reconsidered.

Should the proposed work continue beyond the period covered by this letter, please resubmit the project to this agency as an "Update" (including an updated PNDI receipt, project narrative and accurate map). If the proposed work has not changed and no additional information concerning listed species is found, the project will be cleared for PNDI requirements under this agency for two additional years.

This finding applies to impacts to birds and mammals only. To complete your review of state and federally-listed threatened and endangered species and species of special concern, please be sure that the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, the PA Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, and/or the PA Fish and Boat Commission have been contacted regarding this project as directed by the online PNDI ER Tool found at www.naturalheritage.state.pa.us.

Sincerely,

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BUREAU OF FORESTRY

September 14, 2022 **PNDI Number: 767410**Version: Final 1; 8/29/22

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Re: Eastern Pike County Regional Act 537 Plan Matamoras, Milford, Milford, Westfall Township, Pike County, PA

Dear Matthew Roberts,

Thank you for the submission of the Pennsylvania Natural Diversity Inventory (PNDI) Environmental Review Receipt Number 767410 (Final_1) for review. PA Department of Conservation and Natural Resources screened this project for potential impacts to species and resources under DCNR's responsibility, which includes plants, terrestrial invertebrates, natural communities, and geologic features only.

No Impact Anticipated

PNDI records indicate species or resources under DCNR's jurisdiction are located in the vicinity of the project. However, based on the information you submitted concerning the nature of the project, the immediate location, and our detailed resource information, DCNR has determined that no impact is likely. No further coordination with our agency is needed for this project.

Recommended Best Management Practices:

- Use a conservative approach to project design that minimizes permanent and temporary disturbances to soil and native vegetation. This will conserve habitat and limit opportunities for invasive plants.
- Clean boot treads, tools, construction equipment, and vehicles thoroughly (especially the undercarriage and wheels) before they are brought on site. This will remove invasive plant seeds and invasive earthworms/cocoons that may have been picked up at other worksites.
- Use clean project materials (e.g., weed-free straw) or materials native to the worksite to avoid introducing invasive species from contaminated sources.
- Revegetate or cover disturbed soil and stockpiles quickly to discourage the germination of invasive plants. Implement
 proper erosion control practices to stabilize soil and reduce runoff.
- Do not use seed mixes that include invasive species. More information about invasive plants in Pennsylvania can be found at the following link: http://www.dcnr.pa.gov/Conservation/WildPlants/InvasivePlants/Pages/default.aspx
- Use habitat appropriate seed mixes. For example, use a riparian seed mix when reseeding along a waterway. The Bureau of Forestry Planting & Seeding Guidelines can be found at the following link for recommendations: http://www.docs.dcnr.pa.gov/cs/groups/public/documents/document/dcnr 20031083.pdf
- Use native plants for landscaping, revegetation, and stormwater management. Do not use nonnative invasive species.
 Reduce the area of lawn and impermeable surfaces to the fullest extent practicable in favor of native gardens or habitat
 conserve
 sustain
 enjoy

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restoration (e.g., forest, meadow, wetland, etc.). More information about lawn conversion can be found at the following link: https://www.dcnr.pa.gov/Conservation/Water/LawnConversion/Pages/default.aspx

- Plant forest buffers where trees were historically present along streams, wetlands, and bodies of water. Buffers should be a minimum of 35 feet in width (ideally at least 100 feet in width). Where trees are not appropriate (e.g., powerline rights-of-way), buffer with native shrubs and herbaceous plants. More information about riparian buffers can be found at the following link: https://www.denr.pa.gov/Conservation/Water/RiparianBuffers/Pages/default.aspx
- Manage rights-of-way for diverse native plant communities and wildlife (e.g., monarch butterfly). In seed mixes, include wildflowers that have overlapping bloom periods and provide forage for pollinators throughout the growing season. Avoid blanket herbicide applications; instead, spot-treat undesirable tall woody vegetation and invasive weeds. Where mowing is necessary, reduce frequency to once every few years during the dormant season (i.e., after first frost in late fall and before bird nesting in early spring), leaving some refugia for overwintering wildlife.
- Monitor for invasive plants before, during, and after project activities and promptly control any identified infestations.
 Frequent monitoring allows for early detection and rapid response.

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Sincerely,

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September 16, 2022

IN REPLY REFER TO

SIR# 56747

HRG, Inc.
Matthew Roberts
501 Allendale Road
King of Prussia, Pennsylvania 19406

RE: Species Impact Review (SIR) – Rare, Candidate, Threatened and Endangered Species

PNDI Search No. 767410_1

Eastern Pike County Regional Act 537 Plan

Matamoras Borough, Milford Borough, Milford Township, Westfall Township: PIKE County

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If you have any questions regarding this review, please contact Sidney Shaw at 814-359-5180 or sishaw@pa.gov and refer to the SIR # 56747. Thank you for your cooperation and attention to this important matter of species conservation and habitat protection.

Sincerely,

Christopher A. Urban, Chief Natural Diversity Section

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Roberts, Matthew

From: Roberts, Matthew

Sent: Thursday, November 3, 2022 5:11 PM

To: Yu, Sze Wing

Subject: RE: Eastern Pike County Regional Act 537 Plan (PNDI 767410) - Question and Info

Good afternoon,

Thank you for your review and your response. We will put together the eagle nest project screening form as we get further along in the project as this is still in the Planning Stage.

As for the dwarf wedgemussel, we will put into place those attached measures to minimize erosion, sedimentation, and pollution during construction.

Best, Matthew Roberts, E.I.T. Staff Professional I

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From: Yu, Sze Wing <szewing_yu@fws.gov>
Sent: Monday, October 24, 2022 3:12 PM
To: Roberts, Matthew <mroberts@hrg-inc.com>

Subject: Eastern Pike County Regional Act 537 Plan (PNDI 767410) - Question and Info

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Dear Matthew Roberts,

Hello, I am with the USFWS and am reviewing the Eastern Pike County Regional Act 537 Plan (PNDI 767410, Ecosphere 2022-0080686). This project is within the range of the endangered dwarf wedgemussel, and it is near several bald eagle nests. I have one question about your construction plans pertaining to the dwarf wedgemussel, and information regarding the bald eagle nests.

The Delaware River is known to support the dwarf wedgemussel and maintaining water quality is essential for its habitat. Attached is a list of measures to minimize erosion, sedimentation, and pollution during construction. Can your project agree to put these measures in place?

Bald eagles are known to nest in the vicinity of the project area, with at least 6 nests located within a half mile of the project site. Consequently, we recommend that you evaluate the project type, size, location and layout in light of the National Bald Eagle Management Guidelines to determine whether or not bald eagles might be disturbed as a direct or indirect result of this project. If it appears that disturbance may occur, we recommend that you consider modifying your project consistent with the Guidelines. These guidelines and directions to filling out the project screening form are available at https://www.fws.gov/media/northeast-bald-eagle-project-screening-form. The form is a self-certification and you do not need to submit the completed form to the Pennsylvania Field Office, but do keep a copy for your records. If you have additional questions regarding eagle permits, please contact Thomas Wittig, Northeast Regional Bald and Golden Eagle Coordinator at 413-253-8577 or Thomas Wittig@fws.gov.



Northeast Bald Eagle Project Screening Form | FWS.gov

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Sincerely,

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PROJECT REVIEW FORM

Request to Initiate SHPO Consultation on State and Federal Undertakings

SHPO USE ONLY	Reviewers: MS / ED

DATE RECEIVED: 10/1/20 DATE DUE: 10/15/20

ER NUMBER: 2021-0006-103-A HRSF:

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November 5, 2020

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PNDI Receipt File: project_receipt_eastern_pike_county_regio_719273_FINAL_1.pdf Re: Eastern Pike County Regional Act 537 Plan Matamoras, Milford and Westfall Townships, Pike County, Pennsylvania

Dear Mr. Roberts,

Thank you for submitting Pennsylvania Natural Diversity Inventory (PNDI) Environmental Review Receipt *project_receipt_eastern_pike_county_regio_719273_FINAL_1.pdf* for review. The Pennsylvania Game Commission (PGC) screened this project for potential impacts to species and resources of concern under PGC responsibility, which includes birds and mammals only.

No Impact Anticipated

PNDI records indicate species or resources of concern are located within the vicinity of the project. However, based on the information you submitted concerning the nature of the project, the lack of tree removal, the immediate location, and our detailed resource information, the PGC has determined that no impact is likely. Therefore, no further coordination with the PGC will be necessary for this project at this time.

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This finding applies to impacts to birds and mammals only. To complete your review of state and federally-listed threatened and endangered species and species of special concern, please be sure that the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, the PA Department of Conservation and Natural

Mr. Matthew Roberts November 5, 2020

Resources, and/or the PA Fish and Boat Commission have been contacted regarding this project as directed by the online PNDI ER Tool found at www.naturalheritage.state.pa.us.

Sincerely,

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Environmental Planner

Division of Environmental Planning & Habitat Protection

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October 20, 2020

IN REPLY REFER TO

SIR# 53558

HRG, Inc. Matthew Roberts 501 Allendale Road King of Prussia, Pennsylvania 19406

RE: Species Impact Review (SIR) – Rare, Candidate, Threatened and Endangered Species

PNDI Search No. 719273 1

Eastern Pike County Regional Act 537 Plan

PIKE County: Matamoras Borough, Milford Township, Westfall Township

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If you have any questions regarding this review, please contact Nevin Welte at 412-586-2334 and refer to the SIR # 53558. Thank you for your cooperation and attention to this important matter of species conservation and habitat protection.

Sincerely,

Christopher A. Urban, Chief Natural Diversity Section

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October 6, 2020 **PNDI Number: 719273**Version: Final 1; 10/01/20

Matthew Roberts HRG, Inc. 501 Allendale Road, Suite 203 King Prussia, PA 19406

Email: mroberts@hrg-inc.com (hard copy will not follow)

Re: Eastern Pike County Regional Act 537 Pike, PA

Dear Mr. Roberts,

Thank you for the submission of the Pennsylvania Natural Diversity Inventory (PNDI) Environmental Review Receipt Number 719273 (Final_1) for review. PA Department of Conservation and Natural Resources screened this project for potential impacts to species and resources under DCNR's responsibility, which includes plants, terrestrial invertebrates, natural communities, and geologic features only.

No Impact Anticipated with Habitat Avoidance Measure

PNDI records indicate species or resources under DCNR's jurisdiction are located in the vicinity of the project. As such it is requested that all project activities avoid and suitably buffer the hill/cliff habitat along the N edge of the project area. With compliance to these habitat avoidance measures, DCNR has determined that no impact is likely. No further coordination with our agency is needed for this project.

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