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Dear Ms. Kaehler,

Thank you for your review of the determination of nonsignificance of the following project:

Log: 081312-13-WDFW

Property: Oneida Access Area Renovation DNS

The United States Army Corps of Engineers (Corps) will be solicited for a permit for this project under a Joint Aquatic Resources Permit Application (JARPA). Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA), as amended, requires federal agencies to consider the effects of proposed federal undertakings on heritage resources. NHPA's implementing regulations found in 36 CFR Part 800 require federal agencies (and their designees, permittees, licensees, or grantees) to initiate consultation with the State Historic Preservation Officer as part of the Section 106 review process. In order for the Corps to determine if the project in question will have an effect on historic properties or culturally significant resources, they may require a complete historic property or cultural resource survey.

The Corps also has Federal Trust Responsibility to local Tribes. This signifies their obligation to ensure Indian rights as part of the permit application review. Their consultation with federally recognized Tribes may be informal or formal process of negotiation, cooperation or discussions and once initiated, consultation must be complete before the Corps can finalize a permit decision.

We thank you for your interest in the project. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at (360) 902-8392.

Sincerely,

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