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STATE CLEARINGHOUSE RECOMMENDATION

State Application Identifier: MD20201028-0939
Applicant: Mabbett & Associates, Inc. **and** US Army Garrison Fort George G. Meade DPW
Project Description: Draft Programmatic Environmental Assessment: Proposed Action Includes Stream Restoration Activities to Improve Water Quality, Reduce Flooding, Enhance Fish Habitat, Prevent Further Stream Degradation, Provide Numerous Co-Benefits, and Maintain Regulatory Compliance at Fort Meade, Maryland
Project Address: Eight Impaired Stream Reaches, Midway Branch, Franklin Branch, Rogue Harbor, Severn Run, U.S. Army Garrison, Fort George G. Meade, MD 20755
Project Location: Anne Arundel County
Recommendation: Consistent with Qualifying Comments

Dear Ms. Kittel and Ms. Kopich:

In accordance with Presidential Executive Order 12372 and Code of Maryland Regulation 34.02.02.04-.07, the State Clearinghouse has coordinated the intergovernmental review of the referenced project. This letter constitutes the State process review and recommendation.

Review comments were requested from the Maryland Departments of General Services, Natural Resources, Transportation, and the Environment; the Maryland Military Department; Anne Arundel County; and the Maryland Department of Planning, including the Maryland Historical Trust. The Maryland Military Department did not have comments; and Anne Arundel County did not provide comments.

The Maryland Departments of General Services, Natural Resources, and Transportation; and the Maryland Department of Planning, including the Maryland Historical Trust found this project to be consistent with their plans, programs, and objectives.

The Maryland Department of Planning (Planning) provided the following comments: "Planning finds this stream restoration project consistent with the County's Comprehensive Plan Water Resources Goals. (2009 Plan, Chapter 5: Environmental Stewardship, p.59)"

The Maryland Historical Trust has determined that the project will have "no adverse effect" on historic properties and that the federal and/or State historic preservation requirements have been met.

The Maryland Department of the Environment (MDE) found this project to be generally consistent with their plans, programs, and objectives, but included certain qualifying comments summarized below.

1. "Any solid waste including construction, demolition and land clearing debris, generated from the subject project, must be properly disposed of at a permitted solid waste acceptance facility, or recycled if possible. Contact the Solid Waste Program at (410) 537-3315 for additional information regarding solid waste activities and contact the Resource Management Program at (410) 537-3314 for additional information regarding recycling activities.
2. The Resource Management Program should be contacted directly at (410) 537-3314 by those facilities which generate or propose to generate or handle hazardous wastes to ensure these activities are being conducted in compliance with applicable State and federal laws and regulations. The Program should also be contacted prior to construction activities to ensure that the treatment, storage or disposal of hazardous wastes and low-level radioactive wastes at the facility will be conducted in compliance with applicable State and federal laws and regulations.
3. The proposed project may involve rehabilitation, redevelopment, revitalization, or property acquisition of commercial, industrial property. Accordingly, MDE's Brownfields Site Assessment and Voluntary Cleanup Programs (VCP) may provide valuable assistance to you in this project. These programs involve environmental site assessment in accordance with accepted industry and financial institution standards for property transfer. For specific information about these programs and eligibility, please contact the Land Restoration Program at (410) 537-3437.
4. Borrow areas used to provide clean earth back fill material may require a surface mine permit. Disposal of excess cut material at a surface mine may require site approval. Contact the Mining Program at (410) 537-3557 for further details."

Please remember, you must comply with all applicable state and local laws and regulations. If you need assistance or have questions, contact the State Clearinghouse staff person noted above at 410-767-4490 or through e-mail at sylvia.mosser@maryland.gov.

Thank you for your cooperation with the MIRC process.

Sincerely,

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