

**FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT**

**REHABILITATION OF DAMAGED FLOOD CONTROL WORKS  
BRODHEAD CREEK LEVEE  
EAST STROUDSBURG, MONROE COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA**

The United States Army Corps of Engineers proposes to repair a 35-foot reach and a 45-foot reach of damaged levee embankment along the Brodhead Creek upstream and downstream, respectively, of the Oakland Avenue drainage structure. The purpose of the proposed project is to restore the damaged areas resulting from a significant storm that passed through the area in April 2005 to its original 500-year level of storm protection. The maintained levee system provides storm protection for the borough's residential area.

A Section 404 (b)(1) evaluation has been prepared and is included in this Draft Environmental Assessment. This evaluation concludes that the proposed action would not result in any significant environmental impacts relative to the areas of concern under Section 404 of the Federal Clean Water Act. This Environmental Assessment has concluded that the proposed project can be conducted in a manner which should not violate Pennsylvania's Water Quality Standards. Pursuant to Section 401 of the Clean Water Act, a 401 Water Quality Certificate has been received from the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection. There are no known properties listed on, or eligible for listing on, the National Register of Historic Places that would be affected by the proposed activity. The proposed project has been designed to avoid archaeologically sensitive areas, and is therefore not expected to impact any cultural resources.

The draft Environmental Assessment for the project was forwarded to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region III, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, the National Marine Fisheries Service, the Pennsylvania State Historic Preservation Office, the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection, and all other known interested parties.

This draft Environmental Assessment has determined that the proposed activity is not likely to jeopardize the continued existence of any species or the critical habitat of any fish, wildlife or plant, which is designated as endangered or threatened pursuant to the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended by P.L. 96-159. Because the Environmental Assessment concludes that the selected plan is not a major Federal action significantly affecting the human environment, I have determined that an Environmental Impact Statement is not required.

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