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EI-845

Stephen N. Van Winkle
Director of Public Works
City of Peoria
419 Fulton Street
Peoria, Illinois 61602-1263

Re: DCCA Business Development Public Infrastructure Program Grant to Purchase Pioneer
Lead Rail Spur from Union Pacific Railroad
County: Peoria TRS: T09N R07E Section 01 & T09N R08E Section 06
Interagency Wetlands Policy Act Review, Endangered Species Consultation
IDNR Project #: 0100011

Dear Mr. Van Winkle:

According to State statutes, all environmentally altering projects, funded by the State of Illinois (DCCA), must complete the Endangered Species Consultation Process (ESCP) as well as be in compliance with the Interagency Wetlands Policy Act (IWPA) of 1989.

According to the Natural Heritage Database, there are no known occurrences of listed endangered or threatened species, Illinois Natural Area Inventory (INAI) sites, dedicated Illinois Nature Preserves in the vicinity of the project. According to the National Wetlands Inventory (NWI) maps, there are no wetlands associated with this project. It is possible, however, that the NWI maps do not accurately represent the wetlands in this area or that the project boundaries change as the design process proceeds. As a result, it is important for the applicant to be made aware that if a wetland is involved with this project, it is their legal responsibility to contact either their contact at DCCA or IDNR prior to taking action on this project. No further coordination is needed. This consultation is terminated.

Should you need additional information regarding the consultation process, or should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at 217/785-5500.

Sincerely,

Michael R. Branham
OREP - Division of Resource Review & Coordination

cc: DCCA, Business Development Public Infrastructure Program

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