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Hands Mill Dam Removal in Washington VT

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Gianna,

Thank you for your ongoing consultation with our office regarding the proposed removal of the Hands Mill Dam in Washington, Vermont. At this time we understand that a lead federal agency for Section 106 consultation has not yet been identified but that this project is applying for multiple federal funding sources including FEMA and will also require ACOE review.

As discussed in project meetings and described in greater detail in the UVM CAP reports there are multiple historic resources which may be affected by this proposed undertaking. The determination of eligibility documentation for the dam and the associated mill remains is currently being revised but it is likely it will be determined eligible for the National Register of Historic Places as a contributing resource to a Washington Village Historic District. While it is likely there will be adverse effects to historic resources associated with this project the Vermont SHPO appreciates the environmental and safety reasons guiding the Town and Winooski NRCD to pursue removal of the dam.

UVM CAP has recommended further archaeological studies to investigate sensitive areas in the area of potential effect and is in process of revising their recommendations related to above-ground historic resources based on our last consultation meeting. VTSHPO is available to continue Section 106 consultation with the project team and any federal agency that is involved with this undertaking to resolve potential adverse effects.

Thank you,

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