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Appendix 4 – USFWS Concurrence 10 August 2023

Supplemental Environmental Assessment to the Upper Ohio Navigation Study for the purpose of the Temporary Conveyance Bridge and Associated Structures at Montgomery Locks and Dam

U.S. FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE
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This responds to your inquiry about a PNDI Internet Database search that resulted in a potential conflict with a federally listed, proposed or candidate species.

PROJECT LOCATION INFORMATION

County: Beaver

Township: Beaver; Midland; Industry; Potter; Raccoon; Shippingport

USFWS COMMENTS EMAILED MAILED

To: Madison Duke

MISC INFORMATION

Date received by FWS: 8/3/2023

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SPECIFIC PROJECT: Upper Ohio Montgomery In Water Placement and Construction

FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE COMMENT(s):

NO EFFECT

Except for occasional transient species, no federally listed, proposed or candidate species under our jurisdiction are known or likely to exist in the project area. Should project plans change, or if additional information on listed or proposed species becomes available, this determination may be reconsidered.

NOT LIKELY TO ADVERSELY AFFECT

The federally listed rayed bean, Indiana bat, northern long-eared bat occurs or may occur in or near the project area. However, based on our review of the information provided, including the project description and location (proposed location of dredging material placement does not contain habitat suitable to support rayed bean; most tree removal was completed Nov 15 - April 5; the remainder will be cut between Oct 1 and March 31; the total tree removal is less than 10 acres; take of northern long-eared bat is not reasonable certain to occur), no adverse effects to this species are likely to occur. If there is any change in the location, scale, scope, layout or design of the project, further consultation or coordination with the Service will be necessary.

The above determination is valid for two years from the date of this letter. In addition, this response relates only to federally listed, proposed, and candidate species under our jurisdiction, based on an office review of the proposed project's location and anticipated impacts. No field inspection of the project area has been conducted by this office. *Please reference the above PNDI # and USFWS Project # in any future correspondence regarding this project.*

This review was conducted by the biologist listed below. He/she can be contacted at 814-206-(Extension).

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