



TOWN OF GREENWICH

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Peter J. Tesei
First Selectman

June 16, 2008

Mr. Eugene Brickman, Deputy Chief
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Dear Mr. Brickman,

We appreciate your organization's efforts, to date, in working with the Town of Greenwich to move the Byram River Basin Feasibility Study forward. As we previously stated, the Town is willing to serve as the non-Federal sponsor.

As a next step, we understand that we would enter into an agreement with the Corps, upon its receipt of funding, which would outline our cost sharing arrangement. As you explained, three parties must take part in this agreement – the Corps, the Town of Greenwich, and the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC). Because the Byram River flows through both Connecticut and New York State, by law, the NYSDEC must be party to the studies we hope to undertake.

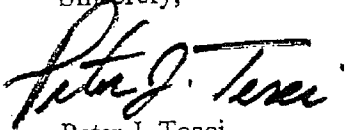
However, as New York State property was not impacted by the April 2007 flooding and has no particular interest in continuing the study, NYSDEC would be a no-cost participant for the Feasibility Study. Their participation is a formality to allow the project to move forward. If the study recommendations include measures that should be implemented in New York, cost sharing for their construction would be addressed separately from this study. Furthermore, in speaking with your staff, we understand that the Feasibility Study scope will be negotiated between the Corps and the Town, with the resulting emphasis on solutions suitable to address the flood and storm damage issues the Town has experienced.

Mr. Eugene Brickman

June 16, 2008

We support proceeding with the agreement on this basis, and look forward to receiving the standard agreement for our Law Department's review. If you have any further questions or require additional information, please contact Amy Siebert, Deputy Commissioner of Public Works at 203-622-7717.

Sincerely,



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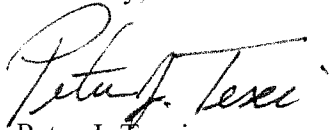
Dear Mr. Brickman,

On behalf of the Town of Greenwich, we have completed our review of the draft 905(b) analysis for the Westchester County Streams Reconnaissance Study and concur with the Study's recommendations and findings. We support proceeding with the cost-shared Feasibility Study for the Byram River Basin and are willing to serve as the non-Federal sponsor.

I understand our obligation as a non-Federal sponsor in a Feasibility Study, including the cost-sharing requirement of 50 percent of the study costs, of which up to 100% of those costs could be provided as in-kind service.

Actual commitment of funds will be contingent upon reaching an agreement with specific provisions of a Project Management Plan (PMP). The Town of Greenwich has designated Amy Siebert, Deputy Commissioner of Public Works, to serve as the point of contact for this study. We look forward to working with you on this important study.

Sincerely,



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