

June 8, 2012

Ms. Sue Graham
Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources
3911 Fish hatchery Rd
Fitchburg, WI 53711

Re: Grant Application for Funding – Supplemental Information
Lake Koshkonong/Mud Lake Wetland Restoration Project

Dear Sue:

As you know, we submitted a lake protection/wetland restoration grant application to the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (WDNR) on May 1, 2012 for the Lake Koshkonong/Mud Lake Wetland Restoration Project on behalf of the Rock-Koshkonong Lake District (RKLD). In our application we indicated that some additional information was forthcoming. Additionally, in our phone conversation on Monday, June 4, 2012, you described several additional things that would be valuable for this project to be more likely to receive grant funding.

In response, we submit the following as supplemental information to our grant application:

1. RKLD Board Resolution of support and commitment to the project, which follows the DNR suggested format;
2. Letter of support from the Twin Island Gun Club, Inc. which is the land owner of the property where the project is being constructed;
3. Letter of support from the Rock-Koshkonong Lake Association – which is a member based conservation organization committed to the lake since 1972; and
4. Letter from the RKLD treasurer verifying that there are sufficient funds in a segregated lake protection fund to cover the RKLD's expenses on this project.

You had also asked for documentation of a conservation easement for the project. As you know, we have developed an easement acceptable to the Department given the setting of this site, and the Twin Island Gun Club board is meeting this weekend to authorize the easement and we will send it to you on Monday.

Additionally, we have attached the permit application materials that were sent to the US Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) in acquiring permits for this project. This information documents the extensive public process and archeological and environmental assessment work that has taken place on this project. The USACE is waiting for final signature from the Colonel to finalize the permit which should be available in the coming days. These analyses and submittals are provided to you to document the extensive nature of the analyses of environmental effects of the project, which are referred to in the grant funding application. As you know, the DNR has supported this project as part of the Koshkonong PAS project with the Corps of Engineers and has arranged for the DNR permitting to be handled through a manual code process.

I urge you to recognize the value of this relatively unique project in the grant application scoring process. This project prevents the eventual destruction of the valuable Mud Lake wetlands and fishery resource. Additionally, it serves as an example of an approach that can address several of the most important issues on Lake Koshkonong, and does so in a win-win

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approach. This project can serve as model for future valuable projects at several different locations on Lake Koshkonong in the future.

Thank you for your assistance during the application review process. Let me know if there is anything else I can do to improve our prospects for successful grant award.

Please contact me at 608-839-4422 with any questions.

Sincerely,

Montgomery Associates: Resource Solutions, LLC



Sigi Sigmarsson, PE
Water Resources Engineer

Enclosures:

RKLD Board resolution
Letter of support from the Twin Island Gun Club, Inc.
Letter of support from the Rock-Koshkonong Lake Association
Letter from the RKLD treasurer

Copy, with enclosures:

Brian Christianson, RKLD Board Chairman
Rick Gerke, Twin Island Gun Club, Inc. Board Secretary