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Christopher Collier Black Swamp Conservancy PO Box 332 Perrysburg, OH 43552

Dear Mr. Collier,

I have reviewed the Natural Heritage Database for the Paulding County Riparian Farmland project area, including a one mile radius, in Crane Township, Paulding County, Ohio. The numbers/letters on the list below correspond to the areas marked on the accompanying map. Common name, scientific name and status are given for each species.

- A. Forrest Woods Preserve Black Swamp Conservancy
- B. Marie DeLarme Creek Conservation Site
- C. Maumee State Scenic River
- 1. Maple-Ash-Oak Swamp Plant Community

Floodplain Forest Plant Community

Rorippa aquatica – Lake Cress, state threatened, federal species of concern

Iris brevicaulis - Leafy Blue Flag, threatened

Carex crus-corvi - Raven-foot Sedge, threatened

Cuscuta cuspidata - Cuspidate Dodder, endangered

Carex lupuliformis - False Hop Sedge, potentially threatened

Hemidactylium scutatum – Four-toed Salamander, species of concern

Great Blue Heron Rookery

Breeding Amphibian Site

2. Maple-Ash-Oak Swamp Plant Community

Floodplain Forest Plant Community

Rorippa aquatica – Lake Cress, state threatened, federal species of concern

In addition to the species given in the list above, there is a record for the Blanding's Turtle (*Emydoidea blandingii*), state threatened, federal species of concern, within your project study area and/or the one mile radius. Please be aware that we do not give out specific location data for this sensitive species so it is not shown on the attached map.

If this project is located within 1000 feet of a state designated scenic river, the approval of the Director of ODNR may be required in accordance with Ohio Revised Code section 1547.82. Please contact Scenic River Program Manager Bob Gable at 614-265-6814 for further information.

A Conservation Site is an area deemed by the Natural Heritage Program to be a high quality natural area not currently under formal protection. It may, for example, harbor one or more rare species, be an outstanding example of a plant community or have geologically significant features, etc. These sites may be in private ownership and our listing of them does not imply permission for access.

We are unaware of any geologic features, state wildlife areas, nature preserves, parks or forests or national wildlife refuges, parks or forests within a one mile radius of the project area.

Our inventory program has not completely surveyed Ohio and relies on information supplied by many individuals and organizations. Therefore, a lack of records for any particular area is not a statement that rare species or unique features are absent from that area. This letter only represents a review of rare species and natural features data within the Ohio Natural Heritage Database. It does not fulfill coordination under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) or the Fish and Wildlife Coordination Act (48 Stat. 401, as amended; 16 U.S. C. 661 et seq.) and does not supersede or replace the regulatory authority of any local, state or federal agency nor relieve the applicant of the obligation to comply with any local, state or federal laws or regulations.

Please contact me at 614-265-6818 if I can be of further assistance.

Sincerely,

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