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Re: UPDATE - Indian River Flood Shoal Dredging and Beneficial Use – Emergency Project

Dear Ms. Carr,

Following a request for consultation with the Delaware Division of Historical and Cultural Affairs, State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) regarding the Indian River Flood Shoal Dredging and Beneficial Use – Emergency Project, a letter indicating there are no known archaeological sites or historic properties within the area of potential effect was provided on August 21, 2024.

Since receipt of this letter, there has been an UPDATE to the Project plan to include the potential dredging of two additional borrow sites for placement on the northside Indian River Inlet beach (North Beach). The UPDATED project aims to hydraulically maintenance dredge up to 800,000 cubic yards of material from three potential sources: 1) the Indian River Inlet Flood Shoal (as described previously), 2) Middle Island Shoal, and/or 3) Burton Island Shoal. Dredged material would be transported via pipeline for beneficial placement starting at the north jetty and extending northward for over 5,000 linear feet to enhance resiliency and protect critical infrastructure from storm events.

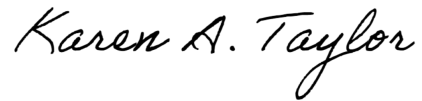
This Project is seeking the following approvals:

- US Army Corps of Engineers, Individual Permit
- Delaware 401 Water Quality Certification
- Coastal Zone Management Federal Consistency Review

This letter is seeking an **EXPEDITED SHPO REVIEW** of the UPDATED Indian River Flood Shoal Dredging and Beneficial Use – Emergency Project – for any known archaeological or historical sites within project area, specifically Middle Island Shoal and Burton Island Shoal, that may be impacted by the proposed project. Please find enclosed the current sampling plans with borrow site locations.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Karen A. Taylor at (302) 855-7302 or [karenann.taylor@delaware.gov](mailto:karenann.taylor@delaware.gov). Your time and attention to this critical project is appreciated.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Karen A. Taylor". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

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Enclosures