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December 11, 2024

Veronica Yeung Partner Engineering and Science, Inc. 100 W Walnut Street #600 Pasadena, CA 91124

RE: Delaware Coastal Management Program — Federal Consistency Negative Determination Concurrence for HUD Church Street Station 1 (FC 2025.0006)

Dear Ms. Yeung,

COASTAL

PROGRAMS

The Delaware Coastal Management Program (DCMP) of the Delaware Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control (DNREC) has completed its review of the above referenced project, dated and received by this office on November 12, 2024. The review request was submitted on behalf of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

PROPOSED ACTION

HUD proposes to provide financial assistance for the improvement of existing structures at Church Street Station, located near 201 Allen Way, Milford, Sussex County, Delaware. Proposed improvements include roof, siding, stair, plumbing, and appliance/fixture repair and renovation, as well as the installation of a new gazebo and picnic area. No new construction or ground disturbance is proposed for the project.

FEDERAL CONSISTENCY UNDER THE COASTAL ZONE MANAGEMENT ACT

Pursuant to the Coastal Zone Management Act (CZMA) of 1972 administered by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), as amended, each federal agency activity within or outside the coastal zone that can have reasonably foreseeable effects on any land or water use or natural resource of the coastal zone shall be carried out in a manner which is consistent to the maximum extent practicable with the enforceable policies of NOAA-approved state management programs.

Under the CZMA implementing regulations, *Federal Consistency with Approved Coastal Management Programs* (15 CFR 930), subpart C, if a federal agency determines that there will not be coastal effects, then the federal agency shall provide the state agencies with a negative determination

for a federal agency activity, which has been identified by a state on a list or through case-by-case monitoring, is the same or similar to other activities for which a negative determination has been issued in the past, or for which the federal agency undertook a thorough analysis of coastal effects.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

In accordance with 15 CFR 930.35(c), a public notification was not required for this negative determination.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Please be advised that the Division of Air Quality (DAQ) recommends that retrofitted on road and non-road diesel engines be used to reduce emissions associated with the project construction. This includes equipment that is used on-site, as well as equipment that is used to transport materials to and from the site. DAQ also recommends the use of dust suppressants and measures to prevent the transport of dust off-site from material stockpile, material movement, and use of unpaved roads.

Please note that the following Delaware air quality regulations may apply: Particulate Emissions from Construction and Materials Handling (7 DE Admin. Code 1106) and Excessive Idling of Heavy-Duty Vehicles (7 DE Admin. Code 1145).

CONCURRENCE

Based on its review and pursuant to 15 CFR 930, the DCMP concurs that the project as proposed would result in no coastal effects.

Pursuant to 15 CFR 930.46, HUD shall notify the DCMP of any proposed modifications to activities after receiving a decision from the DCMP. Modifications will be subject to supplemental federal consistency review if effects to any coastal use or resource will be substantially different than originally described.

Please be advised that this federal consistency review does not negate the need for other authorizations that may be required.

Thank you for the opportunity to evaluate this federal agency activity. If you have any questions, please contact me or Mike Snyder of my staff at (302) 739-9283.

Sincerely,

Jesse Hayden (Dec 11, 2024 10:39 EST) Jesse Hayden, Administrator Delaware Coastal Management Program

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