

## MEETING RECORD

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Project Name	Illinois Veterans Home Quincy, new buildings and campus rehab	
Project Number	USDVA # 17-051; Illinois CDB #040-010-115, Perkins Eastman #77550.00	
Subject	Draft NEPA EA document review feedback (B.2.B).	
Meeting Location	Virtual TEAMS	
Meeting Date	3/31/2021	
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Participants	<p>USDVA-SVHCGP:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-- Christine Modovsky, CFM, Environmental Specialist</li> <li>-- Jason Sturm, CFM, Environmental Specialist</li> <li>-- Alec Bennett, Senior Historic Preservation Specialist</li> <li>-- Anna Gaug, Program Director</li> <li>-- Liz Yo, Architect, CFM and Illinois Grant Coordination</li> <li>-- Lisa Moore, Grants Administration and Coordination for Illinois</li> </ul> <p>IDVA:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-- Gwen Diehl, Illinois SVH coordinator</li> <li>-- Connie Watson, IL Grants Administration</li> </ul> <p>IL CDB:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-- Chris MacGibbon, Project Manager.</li> </ul> <p>Perkins Eastman:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-- Ramu Ramachandran, Project Manager Bridging team for A/E</li> </ul> <p>GSG Environmental Consultants</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-- Bill Santelik, Project Manager and NEPA EA</li> <li>-- Ted Cagney, Phase I and II Environmental specialist</li> </ul>	

### 1. References

- a. USDVA – United States Department of Veterans’ Affairs
- b. SVHCGP – USDVA’s State Veterans Homes Construction Grant Program
- c. CFM – USDVA’s Construction and Facilities Management team
- d. IDVA – Illinois Department of Veterans Affairs
- e. CDB – Illinois Capital Development Board
- f. PE – Perkins Eastman

### 2. NEPA EA – draft document review (Section B, Item 2.B)

- a. Bill and Ted shared that all comments had been addressed and requested feedback on language used indicating intent to comply with all local, state and federal laws for issues identified in Phase I and II ESA related to contaminated soil, RECs.
- b. Christine requested that more specifics are needed on mitigating strategies for each contaminated soil or RECs identified in the reports. She added that while the USDVA understands this is a Design-Build process, that specifics are needed prior to a FONSI determination and a grant award.
- c. Christine and Jason shared that, if needed, options could be presented for mitigating strategies, and that the process did not intend to force any certain strategy be followed. It is important that

such options are not too open ended, in that they should not generate other issues. Even a sentence or two was sufficient.

- d. Jason Sturm added that Monarch butterflies be added as a candidate federally listed species under Table 9.
- e. Jason Sturm asked CDB and understood that about 20 to 40 trees approximately were going to be impacted by the construction (general rough numbers from a recent Design-Builder discussion regarding a preliminary tree removal plan).
- f. Alec Bennett confirmed that the historic MOA referenced both the 17-051 rehab project and the 17-060 independent water main replacement project. Christine mentioned that the same Phase I and II studies could be resubmitted by Connie for the 17-060 water main project due to similar site utility area of work on the same campus.
- g. Gwen inquired as to when the NEPA could be published. Christine responded that it could be after completion of this round of edits.
- h. For the grant checklist, the Section B.2.B could be accepted as complete when the draft is released for public comment with USDVA approval. USDVA may file a 'pending memo'.

### 3. Next steps:

- a. PE to work with GSG and Design-Builder to obtain specific mitigation strategies for each soil / REC item and resubmit that the draft EA.
- b. Bill to add Monarch butterflies to Table 9.
- c. Publish for 30-day comment after obtaining USDVA approval.
- d. IDVA requested PE to help obtain some clarifications from the USDVA, related to timelines for submissions for B.7 items. Understand what the 180 day timelines apply to after the Sec B.6 conditional letter is sent.
- e. Understand 180 day requirements as it would apply to this Design Build document development flow.
- f. Connie Watson could upload the 17-051 Phase I and II for 17-060.

cc: Participants

Attachments: None