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Lisa A. Ellis
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re: Draft Habitat Evaluation Report, Naval Weapons Station,
Yorktown, VA

Dear Ms. Ellis:

The Department of Conservation and Recreation (DCR) has reviewed the subject project and offers the following comments.

The proposed project is not anticipated to have any adverse impacts on existing or planned recreational facilities nor will it impact any streams on the National Park Service Nationwide Inventory-Final List of Rivers, potential State Scenic Rivers or existing or potential State Scenic Byways.

DCR has searched its Biological and Conservation Datasystem (BCD) for occurrences of natural heritage resources from the area outlined on the submitted map. Natural heritage resources (NHR's) are defined as the habitat of rare, threatened or endangered plant and animal species, unique or exemplary natural communities and significant geologic formations.

According to the information currently in our files, there are no natural heritage resources documented in the project area. The absence of data may indicate that the project area has not been surveyed, rather than confirm that the area lacks natural heritage resources.

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New and updated information is continually added to BCD. Please contact DCR for an update on this natural heritage information if a significant amount of time passes before it is utilized.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on this project.

Sincerely,



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Planning Bureau Manager

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