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Lake Michigan Shoreline Protection at Promontory Point
54th to 57th St., Lake Michigan Shoreline
IHPA LOG #0109170043WCK

June 21, 2002

Keith G. Ryder
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Chicago District
111 N. Canal St., 6th Floor
Chicago, IL 60606-7206

Dear Mr. Ryder:

We have reviewed the referenced project. This property is listed as a contributing property in the "Historic Resources of the Chicago Park District Multiple Property Submission", which was listed on the National Register of Historic Places. Consultation with this office regarding the project is guided by the Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) for the Illinois Shoreline Erosion Interim 3 Project which was fully executed in August, 1993.

In our opinion, the project which would repair or reconstruct elements of the historic step stone revetment along the Promontory Point shoreline, does not meet The Secretary of the Interior's "Standards for Rehabilitation and Guidelines for Rehabilitation of Historic Buildings" and therefore, does not conform to Stipulations 2(a) and 2(b) of the MOA. Pursuant to Stipulation 2 of the MOA, the Corps should continue consultation with this office, the City of Chicago and the Chicago Park District to seek a design alternative that will conform to the Secretary of the Interior's Standards. The Corps shall ensure that the design and construction of the revetment will match the existing in accordance with the Standards.

If you have any questions, please contact Cody Wright, Cultural Resources Manager, Illinois Historic Preservation Agency, 1 Old State Capitol Plaza, Springfield, IL 62701, 217/785-3977.

Sincerely,

Amne E. Haaker

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November 18, 2003

Keith G. Ryder U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Chicago District 111 N. Canal St., 6th Floor Chicago, IL 60606-7206

Dear Mr. Ryder:

At our June 25th meeting in Chicago, it was agreed that the Corps would respond to our Adverse Effect letter of June 21, 2002 regarding the Corps' proposal to replace the historic stepstone revetments at Promontory Point with concrete. Additionally, it was agreed that a site inspection of the subject shoreline revetments (and other revetments scheduled for future rehabilitation) would be arranged for July, 2003.

To date, this office has received no response to our Adverse Effect letter and no arrangements have been made for the shoreline site inspection(s). We have received information that representatives of the Corps, the City of Chicago, and the Chicago Park District have been consulting with the community regarding alternative designs for the project. In accordance with the terms of the Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) for the Illinois Shoreline Erosion Interim 3 Project executed in August, 1993, our office should have been invited to these consultations pursuant to Stipulation 2a of the Memorandum of Agreement.

In our opinion, the exclusion of our agency from the ongoing consultation process, a requirement of the MOA, and the lack of response to our adverse effect determination for the referenced project, has diminished the intent and purpose of the MOA. Therefore, if we do not receive a response to our request of June 21, 2002 (as promised by your agency in the June 25, 2003 meeting) within 10 days from the receipt of this letter, we will terminate the MOA. The Corps will then be required to request the comments of the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation (MOA signatories) regarding further implementation of this project. Please let us know how you wish to proceed.

Sincerely,

Anne E. Haaker

Deputy State Historic

Preservation Officer

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Cc: John Fowler, Advisory Council on Historic Preservation
David Doig, Chicago Park District
Joanne Milo, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Chicago District
Marcia Jimenez, Commissioner, Chicago Department of Environment