

Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation

ANDREW M. CUOMO Governor ERIK KULLESEID Commissioner

ARCHAEOLOGY COMMENTS

Phase IA/IB Archaeological Survey Recommendation Project: Mid-Hudson Industrial Park: Warehouse Construction PR#: 21PR02475 Date: 22 April 2021

Your project is in an archaeologically sensitive location. Therefore, the State Historic Preservation Office/Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation (SHPO/OPRHP) recommends a Phase IA/IB archaeological survey for components of the project that will involve ground disturbance, unless substantial prior ground disturbance can be documented. A Phase IA/IB survey is designed to determine the presence or absence of archaeological sites or other cultural resources in the project's Area of Potential Effects (APE).

If you consider the entire project area to be disturbed, documentation of the disturbance will need to be reviewed by SHPO/OPRHP. Examples of disturbance include mining activities and multiple episodes of building construction and demolition. Documentation of ground disturbance typically consists of soil bore logs, photos, or previous project plans. Agricultural activity is not considered to be substantial ground disturbance.

Please note that in areas with alluvial soils or fill archaeological deposits may exist below the depth of superficial disturbances such as pavement or even deeper disturbances, depending on the thickness of the alluvium or fill. Evaluation of the possible impact of prior disturbance on archaeological sites must consider the depth of potentially culture-bearing deposits and the depth of planned disturbance by the proposed project.

Our office does not conduct archaeological surveys. A 36 CFR 61 qualified archaeologist should be retained to conduct the Phase IA/IB survey.

Please also be aware that a Section 233 permit from the New York State Education Department (SED) may be necessary before archaeological fieldwork is conducted on State-owned land. If any portion of the project includes the lands of New York State, you should contact the SED before initiating survey activities. The SED contact is Christina Rieth and she can be reached at <u>christina.rieth@nysed.gov</u>. Section 233 permits are not required for projects on private land.

If you have any questions concerning archaeology, please contact Philip Perazio at philip.perazio@parks.ny.gov.



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KATHY HOCHUL Governor ERIK KULLESEID Commissioner

March 14, 2022

Sean Brady 555 Hudson Valley Avenue New Windsor, NY 12553

Re: USACE Mid-Hudson Industrial Park: Warehouse Construction 21PR02475

Dear Sean Brady:

Thank you for requesting the comments of the Division for Historic Preservation of the Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation (OPRHP). We have reviewed the submitted materials in accordance with the New York State Historic Preservation Act of 1980 (Section 14.09 of the New York Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation Law). These comments are those of the Division for Historic Preservation and relate only to Historic/Cultural resources.

We have reviewed the submitted Phase IA/IB report entitled "Phase IA Literature Search and Sensitivity Assessment & Phase IB Archaeological Field Reconnaissance Survey: Neelytown Business Park". Unfortunately, there are issues with the report that will need to be addressed before we can provide a formal response to the submission.

We have concerns regarding the remains of a 19th century house and related structures identified during the survey which necessitate report revisions. We understand that the house is likely the map documented structure (MDS) attributed to "E. Van Alst" on the 1858 and 1875 Beers maps. According to the report, the property originally belonged to Alexander Trimble as indicated on the 1851 Sidney map. Four building foundations were mapped at the location shown on the maps. A well feature was also present. These features were documented. But they were not identified as a site. It is the opinion of OPRHP that this location constitutes an archaeological site. OPRHP has created the site in CRIS (M. Trimble Historic Site - USN 07112.000400). However, additional information is required to fill out the site details.

Therefore, we request that:

- the report be revised to indicate that a 19th century archaeological site was identified,
- the site be clearly identified on project maps within the revised report,
- full descriptive information be submitted for the CRIS record, and
- a recommendation be made concerning how the site should be addressed moving forward.

If further correspondence is required regarding this project, please refer to the OPRHP Project Review (PR) number noted above. If you have any questions, please contact me via email.

Sincerely,

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KATHY HOCHUL Governor ERIK KULLESEID Commissioner

April 26, 2023

Justin Dates Senior Project Manager Colliers Engineering & Design 555 Hudson Valley Avenue New Windsor, NY 12553

Re: USACE Mid-Hudson Industrial Park: Warehouse Construction 21PR02475

Dear Justin Dates:

Thank you for requesting the comments of the New York State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO). We have reviewed the submitted materials in accordance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966. These comments are those of the SHPO and relate only to Historic/Cultural resources. They do not include other environmental impacts to New York State Parkland that may be involved in or near your project. Such impacts must be considered as part of the environmental review of the project pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act and/or the State Environmental Quality Review Act (New York State Environmental Conservation Law Article 8).

OPRHP has reviewed the Phase IA/IB Archaeological Survey report for the Mid-Hudson Industrial Park: Warehouse Construction project (21PR02475) prepared by Hudson Cultural Services, Consulting Archaeologist (March 2023; 22SR00120). OPRHP concurs with the report recommendation that no additional archaeological investigation is warranted.

It is OPRHP's opinion that the project will result in No Effect on historic properties, including archaeological and/or historic resources, listed in or eligible for the New York State and National Registers of Historic Places.

If you have any questions, I can be reached at <u>Bradley.Russell@parks.ny.gov</u>.

Sincerely,

Brad Russell

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