

**APPENDIX C – AGENCY
COORDINATION**



**Illinois Historic
Preservation Agency**

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LaSalle County
Ottawa
707 East Etna Road
15.86 acres Construction of Emergency Operations Building

PLEASE REFER TO: IHPA LOG #012102208

October 27, 2008

John Henning
Under His Wings Ministries
2520 Reynolds Manor Drive
Ottawa, IL 61350

Dear Mr. Henning:

We have reviewed the documentation submitted for the referenced project(s) in accordance with 36 CFR Part 800.4. Based upon the information provided, no historic properties are affected. We, therefore, have no objection to the undertaking proceeding as planned.

Please retain this letter in your files as evidence of compliance with section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended. This clearance remains in effect for two (2) years from date of issuance. It does not pertain to any discovery during construction, nor is it a clearance for purposes of the Illinois Human Skeletal Remains Protection Act (20 ILCS 3440).

If you are an applicant, please submit a copy of this letter to the state or federal agency from which you obtain any permit, license, grant, or other assistance.

Sincerely,

Anne E. Haaker

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Deputy State Historic
Preservation Officer

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MEMO

TO: File

FROM: John F. Henning

DATE: February 20, 2009

RE: Section 7 Endangered Species Act Consultation – LaSalle County, Illinois Emergency Operations Center (EOC) Grant – State CFDA #97-052

I spoke with Jody Miller of the U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service regarding possible endangered species affecting the site proposed for construction of the LaSalle County Emergency Management Agency's Emergency Operations Center. There was an indication that the Indiana Bat shows up for LaSalle County; however, after reviewing the proposed site, it was determined not to be an issue for the following reasons:

- The closest known location for the bats is approximately 20 miles from the site.
- There are no trees on the site; therefore, no tree removal is proposed.
- The habitat for these bats is shown as cave areas near streams and there are no caves or streams on or adjacent to the proposed site.

Ms. Miller indicated no need for further review and that we could prepare our own clearance memo to indicate there will be no effect on the listed species, their habitats, or proposed or designated critical habitat. She directed me to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service website for a sample memo we could use to satisfy the regulations.

Memo was prepared on this date to comply with the direction given by Ms. Miller.

MEMO

TO: Federal Emergency Management Agency/Department of Homeland Security

FROM: John F. Henning, Grant Administrator

DATE: February 20, 2009

RE: Section 7 Endangered Species Act Consultation – LaSalle County, Illinois Emergency Operations Center (EOC) Grant – state CFDA #97-052

LaSalle County, Illinois has a grant from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) to construct a new Emergency Operations Center (EOC) for the county's Emergency Management Agency (EMA) (T34N, R3E, Section 36).

The project consists of a construction of a 9,100 square foot (70'x130') building to house the operations of the EMA EOC and provide storage areas for equipment for the EOC. Project construction is estimated to begin the summer of 2009.

LaSalle County reviewed the U.S. Fish and Wildlife technical assistance website on February 2, 2009, for federally listed threatened and endangered species. According to the website, 4 species are listed and may be present in LaSalle County, Illinois: the Indiana bat, Sheepnose mussel, Decurrent false aster, and Eastern prairie fringed orchid.

The proposed project is located on a vacant piece of ground that the only vegetation present is grass and there are no trees on the property. The closest known location for the Indiana bat is in LaSalle, Illinois, a distance of approximately 20 miles from the site. In addition there are no bodies of water on or near the site. Therefore has been determined that there will be "no effect" on the listed species, their habitats, or proposed or designated critical habitat.



Applicant: LaSalle County
Contact: John F. Henning
Address: 707 East Etna Road
Ottawa, IL 61350

IDNR Project #: 0905038
Date: 01/14/2009

Project: LaSalle County EMA EOC Building
Address: 707 East Etna Road, Ottawa

Description: Proposed construction of a new building to house the County's Emergency Management Agency (EMA) and its Emergency Operations Center (EOC). This is being done with a grant through U.S. Homeland Security (passed through the IL Emergency Management Agency) as well as County funds.

Natural Resource Review Results

Consultation for Endangered Species Protection and Natural Areas Preservation (Part 1075)

The Illinois Natural Heritage Database shows the following protected resources may be in the vicinity of the project location:

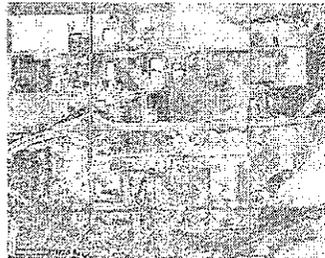
Fox River INAI Site
River Redhorse (*Moxostoma valenciennium*)

Wetland Review (Part 1090)
The National Wetlands Inventory does not show wetlands within 250 feet of the project location.

An IDNR staff member will evaluate this information and contact you within 30 days to request additional information or to terminate consultation if adverse effects are unlikely.

Location
The applicant is responsible for the accuracy of the location submitted for the project.

County: LaSalle
Township, Range, Section:
34N, 3E, 36



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MEMO

TO: File (State Grant CFDA #97-052)

FROM: John F. Henning

DATE: January 14, 2009

RE: Illinois Department of Natural Resources consultation under 17 Ill Admin. Code Part 1075 & 1090; LaSalle County, Illinois Emergency Operations Center (EOC) Grant – State CFDA #97-052

I spoke with Keith Shank of the Illinois Department of Natural Resources regarding the submission of a consultation request regarding endangered species and what effect it may have on the site proposed for construction of the LaSalle County Emergency Management Agency's Emergency Operations Center. He discussed his concern with possible run off from the site and how that may affect the River Redhorse fish and indicated he may recommend some detention of water run-off from the building. However, he stated that the Department would do a review and based upon that would make a determination of effect and notify LaSalle County in writing the findings and its recommendations, if any.



Illinois Department of Natural Resources

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Pat Quinn, Governor

Marc Miller, Acting Director

March 23, 2009

John F. Henning
LaSalle County
707 East Etna Road
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Re: LaSalle County EMA EOC Building
Project Number(s): 0905038
County: LaSalle

Dear Applicant:

This letter is in reference to the project you recently submitted for consultation. The natural resource review provided by EcoCAT identified protected resources that may be in the vicinity of the proposed action. The Department has evaluated this information and concluded that adverse effects are unlikely. Therefore, consultation under 17 Ill. Adm. Code Part 1075 and 1090 is terminated.

Consultation for Part 1075 is valid for two years unless new information becomes available that was not previously considered; the proposed action is modified; or additional species, essential habitat, or Natural Areas are identified in the vicinity. If the project has not been implemented within two years of the date of this letter, or any of the above listed conditions develop, a new consultation is necessary. Consultation for Part 1090 (Interagency Wetland Policy Act) is valid for three years.

The natural resource review reflects the information existing in the Illinois Natural Heritage Database and the Illinois Wetlands Inventory at the time of the project submittal, and should not be regarded as a final statement on the site being considered, nor should it be a substitute for detailed site surveys or field surveys required for environmental assessments. If additional protected resources are encountered during the project's implementation, you must comply with the applicable statutes and regulations. Also, note that termination does not imply IDNR's authorization or endorsement of the proposed action.

Please contact me if you have questions regarding this review.

Michael Branham
Division of Ecosystems and Environment
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**LASALLE COUNTY
LAND EVALUATION
and
SITE ASSESSMENT
REPORT**

*Prepared by LaSalle County Soil & Water
Conservation District*

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Revised 10/24/07

THE LAND EVALUATION AND SITE ASSESSMENT SYSTEM

One of the primary goals of LaSalle County's Zoning Ordinance is to protect farmland from development. This Land Evaluation and Site Assessment System (LESA) is designed to help local decision-makers where farmland is being considered for some other use.

The Land Evaluation and Site Assessment System is recognized nationally as an impartial system that helps determine the value of land for agriculture. Local LESA systems are currently in use in many counties in Illinois, including all the counties that surround LaSalle County.

This system is to be used whenever a zoning change is requested for a parcel of land currently zoned as "agricultural". The Land Evaluation and Site Assessment system will be used to determine the agricultural value of the land. The score sheets will be completed by the LaSalle County Soil and Water Conservation District and LaSalle County Environmental Services staff. Each staff will consult prior to issuing the report to concur with scoring and discuss any inconsistencies. This value is scored on a scale of 0 to 300, with land scoring from 200 points and greater being extremely valuable for agriculture, and from 0 to 100 points having little value for agriculture. This score will be reported to the zoning board, who will use it in making a decision on the request for a zoning change.

The LESA System has two parts. The first is the Land Evaluation (LE), which considers the productivity of the soils on the land, any limitations that it may have for crop production, and whether the soils are considered to be "prime" or "important" farmlands by USDA. Each soil has a relative value (a score of 0 to 100 with 0 being the worst and 100 being the best). *The LaSalle County Soil Survey can be located at www.websoilsurvey.nrcs.usda.gov.*

The Site Assessment (SA) is the second part. It considers such factors as the land's distance to towns and cities; the quality of roads adjacent to the site; the availability of sewer and water; and surrounding land use. It also considers whether a proposed use is compatible with agricultural operations; if substantial investments have been made to develop infrastructure, and whether the proposed use is compatible with existing land use plans. Each factor contributes to a score that ranges from 0 to a maximum of 200 points.

The system's scoring will show the following:

- * Land that is highly productive and located in rural areas will score high on both the land evaluation and site assessment parts. It probably should be kept in agricultural use.
- * Land that is highly productive but close to cities and towns will score high on the land evaluation part and low on the site assessment parts. A land use change should be carefully considered.
- * Land that has low productivity in rural areas will score low on the land evaluation part and high on the site assessment part. However, the loss of this land for crop production may be acceptable. The impact of the change in land use on roads, school districts, and compatibility with farming operations needs to be considered.
- * Land that has low productivity close to town will score low on the land evaluation part and low on the site assessment part. This land would probably be suited for a land use change.

II. Site Assessment Part (200 points possible)

1. **Distance to an incorporated city/village.** This factor gives fewer points to farmland that is close to an incorporated city/village and more points for farmland further from an incorporated city/village. It helps guide development to sites that are adjacent to an incorporated city/village. *Incorporated city/village as shown on the LaSalle County Comprehensive Plan Map.*

SCORE

More than 1.5 miles from an incorporated city/village limits	35 pts.
1.0 to 1.5 miles from an incorporated city/village limits	30 pts.
3/4 mile to 1.0 mile from an incorporated city/village limits	25 pts.
1/2 to 3/4 mile from an incorporated city/village limits	10 pts.
1/4 to 1/2 mile from an incorporated city/village limits	5 pts.
Less than 1/4 mile from an incorporated city/village limits	0 pts.

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2. **Transportation (roads, highways, providing access).** This factor gives fewer points to farmland with high quality roads adjacent to them. It gives more points as the quality of roads decreases. This factor guides development to sites with high quality transportation networks nearby. It also steers development away from areas where the current roads are insufficient for excessive traffic. *If an access road is available for the site, it will be the road used in the scoring.*

Township aggregate road	25 pts.
Township oil and chip	20 pts.
Township hotmix/blacktop	15 pts.
County highway	10 pts.
State highway and Interstate	5 pts.

10

3. **Area adjacent to subject site that is being used for production agriculture.** This factor gives more points to sites that are surrounded by other farming operations. The points are less when the farmland has other land uses adjacent to it. This factor guides development to areas where development has already occurred and away from areas dominated by farming operations. *Production agriculture is defined as commercially growing crops such as corn, soybeans, small grains, vegetables, fruits, and nuts, or raising livestock or timber.*

All sides in production agriculture	25 pts.
3 sides in production agriculture	15 pts.
2 sides in production agriculture	10 pts.
1 side in production agriculture	5 pts.
All sides in non-agricultural use	0 pts.

5

7. **Investment for urban development actions.** This factor helps guide development to sites where the public has invested money over a period of time to provide services and support systems for a given site. *High investment is where an incorporated city/village has done more than one of the following adjacent to the site: a) upgraded roads and streets within the past two years or b) installed water and sewer lines. Medium investment is where a city, town, or other unit of local unit government has done one of the above listed actions adjacent to the site. Check with the local Health Department for current location maps of facilities.*

No such investments	20 pts.	_____
Medium investments	10 pts.	_____
High investments	0 pts.	_____

8. **Distance to a LaSalle County approved Agricultural Area and/or approved Conservation Area.** This factor gives more value to a site if it is located within or close to an Agricultural Area. It recognizes the interest that local people have in protecting the viability of agriculture in their area. It makes forming an Ag Area an encouragement for farmers to participate in an Area's formation. *The County defines an Agricultural Area as defined in the Ag Area statute and on the LaSalle County Comprehensive Plan map.*

Within an Agricultural Area	25 pts.	_____
Less than one mile from the boundary of an Agricultural Area	10 pts.	_____
Greater than one mile from the boundary of an Agricultural Area	0 pts.	_____

Site Assessment Score _____

Land Evaluation Score _____

LESA Score _____

91.878041

151.87804

Reviewed by LaSalle County Environmental Services

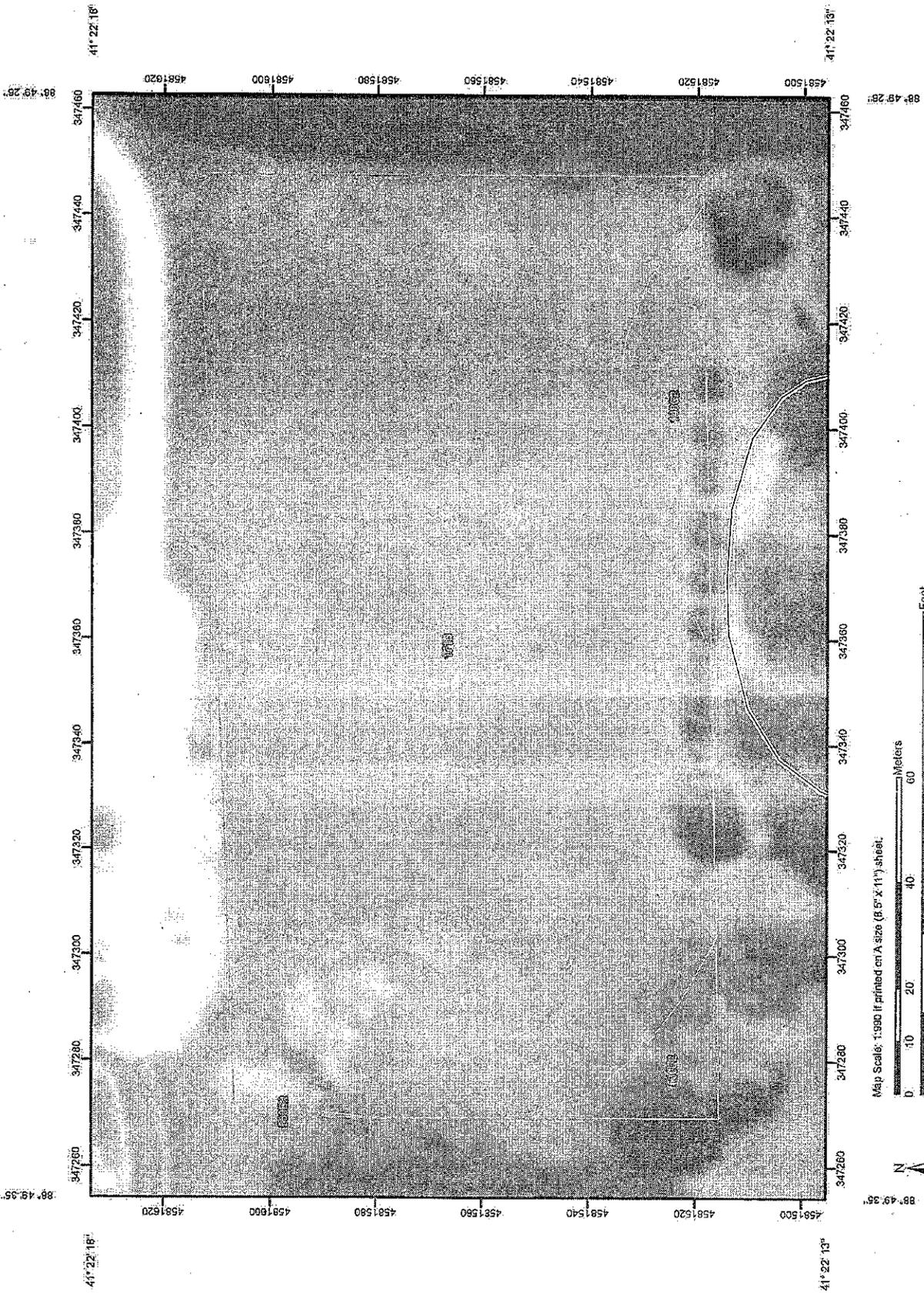
Signature

Date

Reviewed and Approved by LaSalle County SWCD

Signature (Chairman)

Date



88° 49' 25" 41° 22' 18" 88° 49' 25" 41° 22' 18"

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MAP LEGEND

	Area of Interest (AOI)		Very Stony Spot
	Soils		Wet Spot
	Special Point Features		Other
	Blowout	Special Line Features	
	Borrow Pit		Gully
	Clay Spot		Short Steep Slope
	Closed Depression		Other
	Gravel Pit	Political Features	
	Gravelly Spot		Cities
	Landfill	Water Features	
	Lava Flow		Oceans
	Marsh or swamp		Streams and Canals
	Mine or Quarry	Transportation	
	Miscellaneous Water		Rails
	Perennial Water		Interstate Highways
	Rock Outcrop		US Routes
	Saline Spot		Major Roads
	Sandy Spot		Local Roads
	Severely Eroded Spot		
	Sinkhole		
	Slide or Slip		
	Sodic Spot		
	Spill Area		
	Stony Spot		

MAP INFORMATION

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 The soil surveys that comprise your AOI were mapped at 1:12,000. Please rely on the bar scale on each map sheet for accurate map measurements.

Source of Map: Natural Resources Conservation Service
 Web Soil Survey URL: <http://websoilsurvey.nrcs.usda.gov>
 Coordinate System: UTM Zone 16N NAD83

This product is generated from the USDA-NRCS certified data as of the version date(s) listed below.

Soil Survey Area: LaSalle County, Illinois
 Survey Area Date: Version 5, May 12, 2008

Date(s) aerial images were photographed: Data not available.

The orthophoto or other base map on which the soil lines were compiled and digitized probably differs from the background imagery displayed on these maps. As a result, some minor shifting of map unit boundaries may be evident.