

# Greenway Ecological Standing Committee

NYS Department of Environmental Conservation, US Fish and Wildlife Service, New York Power Authority, Niagara Relicensing Environmental Coalition, Tuscarora Nation, Tonawanda Seneca Nation, and Seneca Nation

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Dr. Neil Ringler  
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The Research Foundation  
Office of Research Programs  
1 Forestry Drive  
Syracuse, NY 13210

Dear Dr. Ringler:

On behalf of the Greenway Ecological Standing Committee, I am pleased to inform you that the Standing Committee has approved funding to support your proposal entitled "Muskellunge Genetic Structure, Reproductive Ecology, and Interaction with the Fish Community."

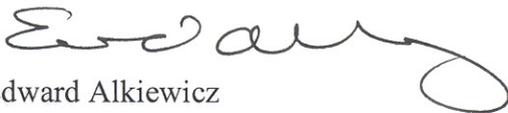
At a meeting held on January 20, 2009, the Committee members present unanimously supported providing a total of \$148,617 to the Research Foundation of State University of New York for this project.

Our Standing Committee is charged with supporting projects that are consistent with the adopted Niagara River Greenway Plan and support ecological enhancements within the Niagara River Greenway. That Plan was developed with strong community input and provides a vision that recognizes the importance of way-finding and the recreational assets that comprise the Greenway.

The Committee will be in contact with you shortly with instructions on accessing the funding and reporting requirements.

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,



Edward Alkiewicz  
Secretary

cc: Robert Mason  
Dr. John Farrell  
Kevin L. Kapuscinski