Greenway Ecological Standing Committee

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

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Dear Ms. O'Neill:

On behalf of the Greenway Ecological Standing Committee, I am pleased to inform you that the Standing Committee has approved funding to support the development of the Niagara River Riparian Restoration Program.

At a meeting held on January 20, 2009, the Committee members present unanimously supported providing a total of $330,985 for your project. The funding will be disbursed in three annual installments after successful completion of each phase of the project and after annual approval by the Standing Committee.

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: Kerri Bentkowski

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