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March 17, 2011

Dr. John Farrell
Mr. Kevin Kapuscinski
SUNY ESF, Department of Environmental and Forest Biology
1 Forestry Drive
Syracuse, New York 13210

Dear Dr. Farrell and Mr. Kapuscinski:

I am pleased to inform you that the Niagara Greenway Ecological Fund Standing Committee has approved funding for your proposal, "Evaluation of Nearshore Fish Assemblages, Habitat, and the Effects of Herbivorous Rudd (*Scardinius erythrophthalmus*): Determining the Efficacy of Fish Habitat Restoration Efforts in the Buffalo Harbor and Niagara River." The committee expects your project to make a significant contribution to the ecological understanding and conservation of Niagara.

This letter hereby awards $188,881 for the award period of March 1, 2011 to February 28, 2012, and a check for that amount is enclosed. You are authorized to begin expending funds for the purposes of this project as described in your above referenced proposal. At the conclusion of the project, the GESC requests that you provide a project summary document and presentation at a GESC meeting.

Please feel free to contact me at 716-851-7010 if you have any questions.

Yours truly in the Ecological Conservation of Niagara,

FOR

Tim DePriest
Chair, Niagara Greenway Ecological Standing Committee

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Enclosure

Cc: Mr. Steve Schoenwiesner, GESC Secretary
Mr. William Nicholson
Ms. Susan Benoit