

# **United States Department of the Interior**

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Consultation Tracking Number: 05E1NY00-2014-SLI-0287 Project Name: Lackawanna former incinerator

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Subject: List of threatened and endangered species that may occur in your proposed project location, and/or may be affected by your proposed project.

To Whom It May Concern:

The enclosed species list identifies threatened, endangered, and proposed species, designated critical habitat, and candidate species that may occur within the boundary of your proposed project and/or may be affected by your proposed project. The species list fulfills the requirements of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service) under section 7(c) of the Endangered Species Act (ESA) of 1973, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*). This list can also be used to determine whether listed species may be present for projects without federal agency involvement. New information based on updated surveys, changes in the abundance and distribution of species, changed habitat conditions, or other factors could change this list.

Please feel free to contact us if you need more current information or assistance regarding the potential impacts to federally proposed, listed, and candidate species and federally designated and proposed critical habitat. Please note that under 50 CFR 402.12(e) of the regulations implementing section 7 of the ESA, the accuracy of this species list should be verified after 90 days. This verification can be completed formally or informally as desired. The Service recommends that verification be completed by visiting the ECOS-IPaC site at regular intervals during project planning and implementation for updates to species lists and information. An updated list may be requested through the ECOS-IPaC system by completing the same process used to receive the enclosed list. If listed, proposed, or candidate species were identified as potentially occurring in the project area, coordination with our office is encouraged. Information on the steps involved with assessing potential impacts from projects can be found at: http://www.fws.gov/northeast/nyfo/es/section7.htm

Please be aware that bald and golden eagles are protected under the Bald and Golden Eagle Protection Act (16 U.S.C. 668 *et seq.*), and projects affecting these species may require development of an eagle conservation plan ( http://www.fws.gov/windenergy/eagle\_guidance.html). Additionally, wind energy projects should follow the Services wind energy guidelines (http://www.fws.gov/windenergy/) for minimizing impacts to migratory birds and bats.

Guidance for minimizing impacts to migratory birds for projects including communications towers (e.g., cellular, digital television, radio, and emergency broadcast) can be found at: http://www.fws.gov/migratorybirds/CurrentBirdIssues/Hazards/towers/towers.htm; http://www.towerkill.com; and http://www.fws.gov/migratorybirds/CurrentBirdIssues/Hazards/towers/comtow.html.

We appreciate your concern for threatened and endangered species. The Service encourages Federal agencies to include conservation of threatened and endangered species into their project

planning to further the purposes of the ESA. Please include the Consultation Tracking Number in the header of this letter with any request for consultation or correspondence about your project that you submit to our office.

Attachment



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# **Official Species List**

### **Provided by:**

New York Ecological Services Field Office 3817 LUKER ROAD CORTLAND, NY 13045 (607) 753-9334 http://www.fws.gov/northeast/nyfo/es/section7.htm

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## Project Type: Superfund Site Remediation

**Project Description:** On behalf of NYSDEC, EA Science and Technology, Inc.(EA) is conducting a remedial investigation at the former incinerator site (#915206) located at 46 Reddon Street, City of Lackawanna, Erie County, New York. This request is part of a NYSDEC Fish and Wildlife Resources Impact Analysis. The study area includes the site and surrounding properties. Smokes Creek, North Branch, bounds the area to the north and is channelized in this reach. An official species list is hereby requested.

Thank you



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### **Project Location Map:**



**Project Coordinates:** MULTIPOLYGON (((-78.8239051 42.8201706, -78.8120401 42.8201242, -78.8101304 42.8164411, -78.819958 42.8162837, -78.8200009 42.8175114, -78.823948 42.8175106, -78.8239051 42.8201706)))

Project Counties: Erie, NY



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## **Endangered Species Act Species List**

There are a total of 1 threatened, endangered, or candidate species on your species list. Species on this list should be considered in an effects analysis for your project and could include species that exist in another geographic area. For example, certain fish may appear on the species list because a project could affect downstream species. Critical habitats listed on the **Has Critical Habitat** lines may or may not lie within your project area. See the **Critical habitats within your project area** section further below for critical habitat that lies within your project. Please contact the designated FWS office if you have questions.

northern long-eared Bat (Myotis septentrionalis) Listing Status: Proposed Endangered

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## Critical habitats that lie within your project area

There are no critical habitats within your project area.

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