

Appendix G
FISH AND WILDLIFE RESOURCE ASSESSMENT DOCUMENTATION

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Commissioner

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Dear Andy Smith:

In response to your recent request, we have reviewed the New York Natural Heritage Program database with respect to the Brownfield Cleanup Project at Former Alliance Metal Stamping and Fabricating Facility, Pixley Industrial Parkway, Town of Gates, Monroe County.

We have no recent records of rare or state-listed animals or plants, or of significant natural communities, at this site or in its immediate vicinity.

Our database does have a historical record of a rare plant in the area of the project site: in 1867, **Northern Bog Aster** (*Symphyotrichum boreale*, listed by NYS as Threatened) was collected from "Fisk's Woods, Gates". We do not know the precise location where this plant was collected, we have no recent information on this population, and there is uncertainty regarding its continued presence. We provide this information for your general reference. While its current status is not known, if suitable habitat for this plant is present in the vicinity of the project site, it is possible that it may still be found there. We recommend that any field surveys to the site include a search for this species, particularly at sites that are currently undeveloped and may still contain suitable habitat. If any rare plants or animals are documented during site visits, we request that information on the observations be provided to the New York Natural Heritage Program so that we may update our database.

Information about northern bog aster in New York, including habitat, biology, identification, conservation, and management, is available online in Natural Heritage's Conservation Guide at <http://www.acris.nynhp.org/guide.php?id=8840>.

For most sites, comprehensive field surveys have not been conducted; the above information only includes records from our databases. We cannot provide a definitive statement as to the presence or absence of all rare or state-listed species or significant natural communities.

Sincerely,

Nicholas Conrad
Information Resource Coordinator

