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Kirsten Brown
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RE: Starved Rock Yacht Club
Project Number(s): 1505535 [P-2014-1442]
County: LaSalle

Dear Ms. Brown:

This letter is in reference to the above mentioned project involving maintenance dredging using hydraulic and mechanical methods at the Starved Rock Yacht Club. The previous permit expires on December 31, 2014 and dredging occurred approximately every two years. The natural resource review provided by EcoCAT identified recent records of the state-threatened banded killifish (*Fundulus diaphanus*) in the vicinity of the proposed action. The Department recommends no dredging operations occur between April 15 and July 31 to avoid impacts during the primary spawning season of the banded killifish and other fishes.

Given this recommendation is adopted; the Department has no objection to issuance of a USACE permit. The Department requests notification if the Starved Rock Yacht Club plans to modify the proposed action to accommodate these recommendations or proceed as originally planned.

Please note that this review by the IDNR, Impact Assessment Section does not preclude permit decisions made by the IDNR Office of Water Resources under the Illinois Rivers, Lakes, and Streams Act.

Please contact me if you have questions regarding this review.

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