

November 9, 2010

Chris Whitz, Project Manager
Michigan Economic Development Corporation
300 N. Washington Square
Lansing, MI 48913

Dear Ms. Whitz,

As of November 9, 2010 there have been no submissions or comments from the Public to the Notice of Findings and Public Explanation Proposed Project in Floodplain or Wetland for the 2010 Beechwood/Houghton Creek Culvert Project that was published in the Bay City Times October 24, 2010 issue.

This notice informed the Public that the proposed impacts are no more than what existed long-term. Although the Base Flood Elevation is not published by FEMA, footings will certainly be below the floodplain. The superstructure and roadway will be above the floodplain. The cross-sectional area will allow a 100 year flood to pass thru the culvert. Materials for construction will be restrained onsite with silt curtains during construction.

Construction activity will be limited to normal day time working hours to minimize noise impact during construction; therefore no negative impacts are anticipated.

A reevaluation of the proposed project concludes that the long-term Beechwood Road crossing of Houghton Creek is the only alternative. Permanently closing this crossing would actually be a negative impact for local businesses, residents and tourists. The proposed project has no known negative impacts.

Sincerely,

Signature of Certifying Officer:

Cindy Wiltse, City Clerk, Rose City