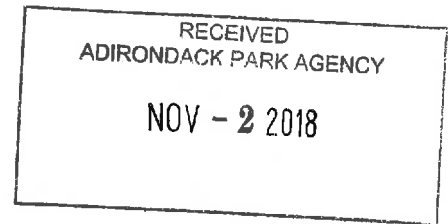




November 1, 2018



Mr. Alan Lord
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Oneonta, New York 13820

**Re: *Revised Outline for the APA Qualitative Biological Assessment
Woodward Lake Project
Town of Northampton, Fulton County, New York***

Dear Mr. Lord:

Pursuant to your request, North Country Ecological Services, Inc. (NCES) is pleased to submit to you this outline to perform a Qualitative Biological Assessment in accordance with Adirondack Park Agency (APA) guidelines.

NCES will conduct a literature search for known endangered, threatened and rare species as well as community from the NYS Dept. of Environmental Conservation Natural Heritage Office (NHO) and US Fish & Wildlife Service (USFWS).

The Qualitative Biological Assessment report will include:

- The results of the state & federal literature search;
- Wetland Delineation Report (USACE format);
- Wetland delineation map;
- Vegetative Cover Type map;
- Estimate of person-hours to complete wildlife surveys is 25 hours;
- List of flora and fauna observed at the site;
- List of species of fauna expected to utilize the site based on the vegetative cover types found;
- Any wildlife travel routes;
- Winter track and wildlife survey results;
- Seasonal (fall, winter, spring) bird survey conducted in October & November, April & May, and July;
- Identification of areas that are significant to waterfowl, breeding amphibians, and furbearer maps; and,
- Photographs of the uplands and wetlands on the property.

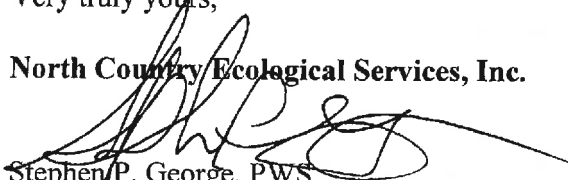
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The 25 hours allocated for the wildlife surveys cannot be itemized to person-hours since the survey methods will be traversing the site while documenting bird species, habitat, travel routes for wildlife, documenting flora & fauna, and significant habitats. The bird surveys will be conducted by accessing the property on foot and surveying various portions of the property while documenting species. The bird surveys will be conducted in early morning and late afternoons, prior to sundown, to optimize bird encounters. Some time will be spent after sundown or before sunrise to document nocturnal species.

If you have any questions or require clarification of this proposal, do not hesitate to call me.

Very truly yours,

North Country Ecological Services, Inc.


Stephen P. George, PWS
President