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Programs/Project Management Division Environmental Project Management Branch

Mr. Terrence Gray, Director Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management 235 Promenade Street, Room 425 Providence, Rhode Island 02908

Subject:

USACE Response to July 10, 2024, RIDEM Letter

Gould Island FUDS Site, Jamestown, RI

Dear Mr. Gray,

Thank you for your letter of July 10, 2024, which requests the inclusion of an unrestricted recreational use scenario in the human health risk assessment (HHRA) currently being prepared by the US Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) for the Gould Island FUDS Site. After discussing this internally, the USACE agrees to update the draft HHRA to include an unrestricted recreational use scenario by assuming that, with unrestricted access, an overnight camper and a park worker could spend a greater number of days on the island, as well as by adding consideration of a day-use recreator. The details of these revisions will be shared with Nick Noons for review.

Sincerely,

Gary Morin, P.E.

FUDS Program Manager

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CC:

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