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Mr. Ira Charles Levenberg, President
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Dear Mr. Levenberg:

Thank you for your letter of February 19, 2010, to National Park Service Director, Jonathan Jarvis regarding your concerns about the status of the replacement properties and proposed development associated with the conversion at Macombs Dam Park. This park previously received financial assistance from the Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) Program. The Director has asked that this office reply to your letter.

The Northeast Regional Office is currently reviewing this matter with the New York State Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation (NYSOPRHP) to determine what development has occurred to date at the proposed replacement properties. It is anticipated that a future meeting and on-site inspection among the NYSOPRHP, National Park Service and New York City officials will be held this spring to assess what remains to be done by the City relative to the aforementioned conversion. A specific timeline for completion of the proposed development will be requested.

If you have any further comments or questions, please do not hesitate to contact Jack Howard, Manager, State and Local Assistance Programs in this office at (215) 597-1565 or by e-mail at jack_howard@nps.gov.

Thank you for your interest in the National Park Service.

Sincerely,

for
Dennis R. Reidenbach
Regional Director