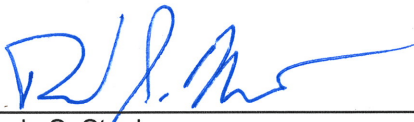


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The FHWA has determined that the alternative of a vertical lift bridge with a 250-foot navigable channel width will have no significant impact on the environment. This Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) is based on the Environmental Assessment prepared for this project, which was subject to public and agency review on December 13, 2010. The document has been independently evaluated by the FHWA and has been determined to adequately and accurately discuss the need, environmental issues, and impacts of the proposed project and include appropriate mitigation measures. It provides sufficient evidence and analysis for determining that an Environmental Impact Statement is not required. The FHWA takes full responsibility for the accuracy, scope and content of the Environmental Assessment prepared for this project.

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