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Brian Charnick  
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**Re: RAB Technical Assistance for Public Participation (TAPP) Application (Oct 2011)**

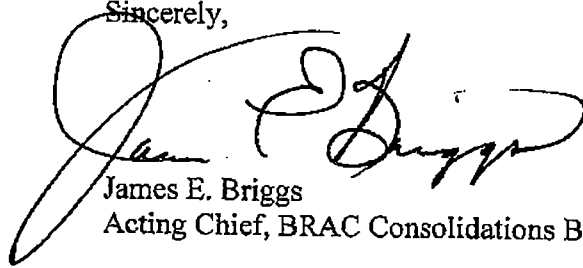
Dear Mr. Charnick,

This letter is in response to your Technical Assistance for Public Participation (TAPP) application submitted to the Office of Assistant Chief of Staff for Installation Management. We received your TAPP request (Nov 2011) from the Fort Monmouth BRAC Environmental Coordinator, Ms. Wanda Green, to address potential sources of contamination at Wampum Lake. As stated by Ms Green during your July 2012 RAB meeting, after careful review, the Army cannot approve the request for technical assistance for the following reasons:

- The purpose of the TAPP grant is to provide technical expertise to understand the remediation efforts and issues regarding the actual Installation Restoration Program (IRP) documents. TAPP funding is still available for that purpose. But the Wampum Lake issues are outside the IRP.
- The Restoration Advisory Board (RAB) requested a TAPP Grant to assist in understanding the sources of contamination at Wampum Lake. Wampum Lake is off the installation. Addressing contamination at Wampum Lake is not part of the Installation Restoration Program (IRP) to address contamination within the Fort Monmouth installation boundaries.
- The previous studies of Wampum Lake by the State and County have shown that the contaminants in question have been identified in 20 other lakes throughout the area. The contaminants are linked primarily to heavy metals from highway and rail run-off, as well as manufacturing processes that have been around the lakes for years.

If you have any further questions, please contact Ms. Wanda Green at (732) 380-7064 or email at [wanda.s.green2.civ@mail.mil](mailto:wanda.s.green2.civ@mail.mil).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "James E. Briggs". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "J" and "B".

James E. Briggs  
Acting Chief, BRAC Consolidations Branch

cc: Fort Monmouth Restoration Advisory Board