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We have reviewed the FY 2013 City of Alexandria Manager's Capital Improvement Program (CIP) to determine the program's potential impact on federal properties or other federal interests in the National Capital Region (NCR). After careful review, I am pleased to report that none of the projects appear to have any adverse impact on federal interests.

We're particularly impressed by the degree to which the capital improvements are aligned with Alexandria's "Eco-City Alexandria" initiative. The National Capital Planning Commission is leading a similar effort, the "Southwest Ecodistrict;" information relating to this effort is available at www.ncpc.gov. Our Ecodistrict efforts share similar principles including Transportation, Land Use, Open Space, and Environment and Health.

Transportation investments in the NCR remain a major concern and are particularly important for the effectiveness of the federal workforce. We are pleased to see your continued commitment to transportation projects near the Patent and Trademark Office. Important projects that support the Patent and Trademark Office include the Eisenhower Avenue Widening and King Street Station Improvements. We applaud the multiple High Capacity Transit Corridors projects and Non-Motorized Transportation projects.

We support the inclusion of transformative land use projects. These include the Area Plan and Implementation, King Waterfront Small Street Plan Implementation and Braddock Area Plan Implementation projects.

Commendable Open Space, Environment and Health projects that will help meet the NCR's environmental goals include the Open Space Acquisition and Development, Environmental Restoration, Four Mile Run Channel Maintenance

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and Fort Ward Stormwater projects. We encourage continued close coordination with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and National Park Service to ensure necessary improvements are successfully completed.

We appreciate the opportunity to review and comment on your recommended CIP. We look forward to working with you to advance our shared regional goals in the future. If you have any questions, please have a member of your staff contact Stacy Wood who can be reached at 202-482-7237.

Sincerely,

Marcel C. Acosta Executive Director