



February 27, 2014

DEP-Office of Natural Lands Management
New Jersey Natural Heritage Program
Attention: Patricia Sziber
P.O. Box 420
501 E. State Street
Station Plaza #5, 4th Floor
Trenton, New Jersey 08625-0420

Ms. Sziber,

RE: Natural Heritage Data Request - Eleven Sites

URS is conducting environmental reviews on behalf of the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection for proposed projects under the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs' Hurricane Sandy Disaster Recovery Programs. The projects are funded by HUD Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds. Attached please find request forms for eleven (11) proposed project sites. The proposed projects include reconstruction of homes that were damaged by Hurricane Sandy. Ten of the eleven proposed projects also include elevation of the replacement structure. We do not anticipate that construction activities will impact plant and animal species as construction activities will occur within the previously disturbed area of the parcel. We are requesting a database review to include a list of plant and animal species in the vicinity of each site that may be affected by the project. If email is acceptable, please email the results to lauren.leblanc@urs.com.

As indicated on your website, please provide a quote prior to beginning the database review. We would like to review the estimated cost of retaining this information in advance. I would be glad to receive the quote via email or by phone by calling me directly at (225) 213-6334.

Thank you so much for your prompt assistance with this request. I look forward to hearing from you.

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Natural Heritage Data Request Form
 The New Jersey Natural Heritage Program
 DEP-Office of Natural Lands Management
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 Fax No.: (609) 984-1427



PLEASE PRINT AND SUBMIT COMPLETED FORM WITH ATTACHMENTS TO THE ADDRESS ABOVE
 (Fields shown in bold font must be completed in order for data request to be processed.)

1. **Name:** Lauren LeBlanc Agency/Company: URS Corporation
Address: 7389 Florida Blvd., Suite 300 City: Baton Rouge
State: LA **Zip:** 70806 **Daytime Phone:** (225) 231-6334 Ext.: N/A
 Cell Phone: (225) 776-4283 Email: lauren.leblanc@urs.com

2. **Project Name:** Reconstruction and elevation of the home located at 307 Atlantic Avenue.
Municipality(ies): Atlantic City (0102) **County(ies):** Atlantic
Block(s): 124 **Lot(s):** 51

N.A.D. 1983 State Plane Coordinates (feet) 6 digits only: E (x): -74.4148 N (y): 39.3677

3. **Project Description:** The proposed project is the reconstruction and elevation of the structure located at the address above.
Reconstruction and elevation activities will occur in the previously disturbed area of the parcel.

4. **USGS Quad:** X A copy of a USGS quad map(s) that clearly indicates the site boundary is included with this form. Specify name of USGS quad(s): Atlantic City, NJ and Oceanville, NJ
 (USGS quad maps are required, unless prior arrangements have been made to submit site boundaries in an alternate format. Responses will be delayed if site locations are not delineated in a suitable format.)

5. **Flood Hazard Control Act Use:** **Is this request submitted as part of a Flood Hazard Area Control Act rule (N.J.A.C. 7:13) application?** Yes ___ No X

6. **Acknowledgement & Signature:** Any material supplied by the Office of Natural Lands Management will not be published without crediting the Natural Heritage Database as the source of the material. It is understood that there will be a charge of \$70.00 per hour for the services requested. An invoice will be sent with the request response and payment should be made by check or money order payable to "Office of Natural Lands Management."

Signed Lauren LeBlanc Date 2/27/2014

Time Frame for Response:

Data requests are processed in the order in which they are received; the response time depends on the backlog at the time your request is logged in. Due to the number of attachments, we cannot fax results. If you would like to have your response package returned by Federal Express, please include an account number with your request.

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DATE RECEIVED _____

Item Code: REG ___ ST ___ RTC ___ NC ___ REGEO ___ STEO ___ RTCEO ___ NCEO ___

Hrs: _____

Project Code: _____ Inv. #: _____

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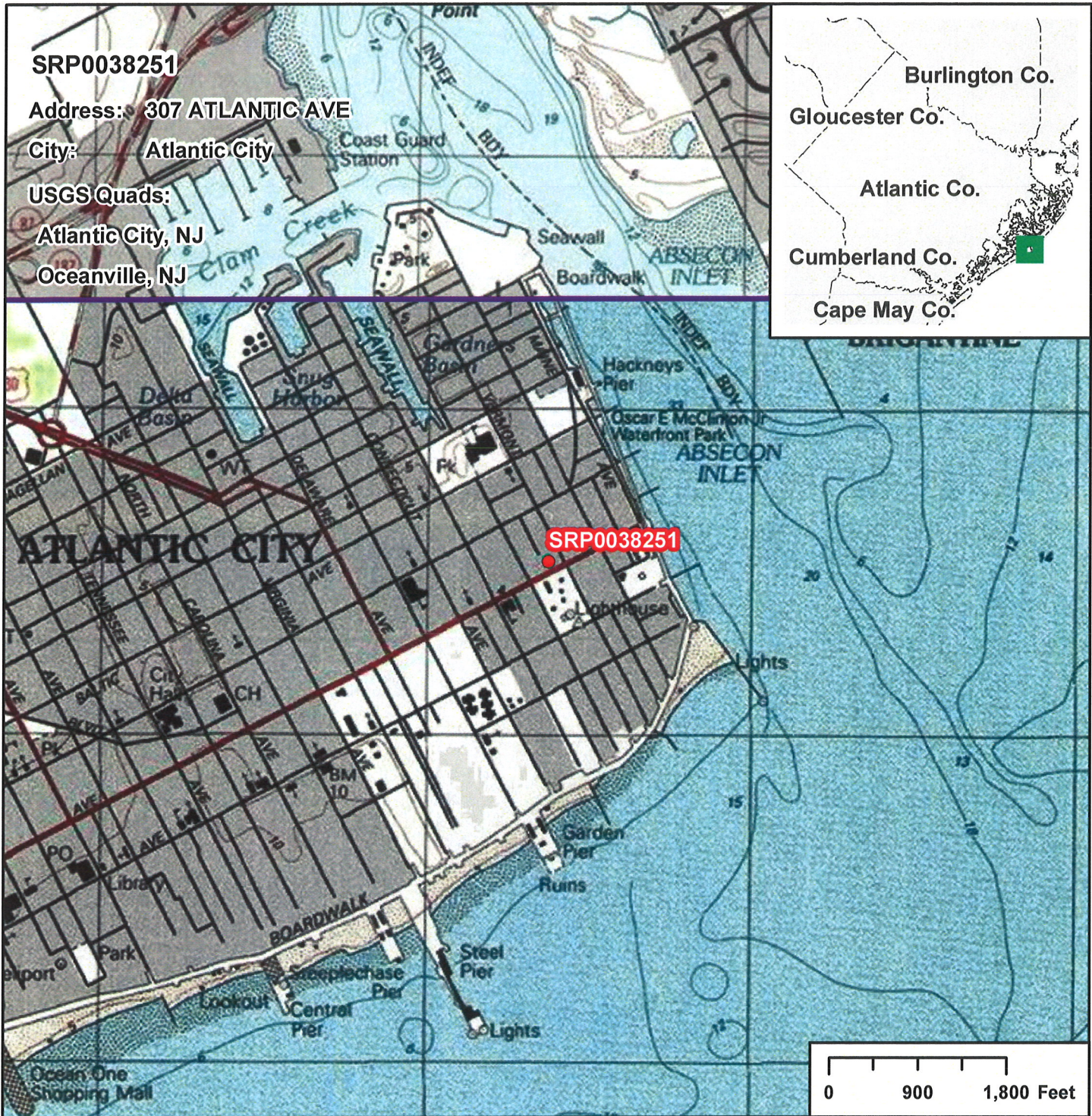
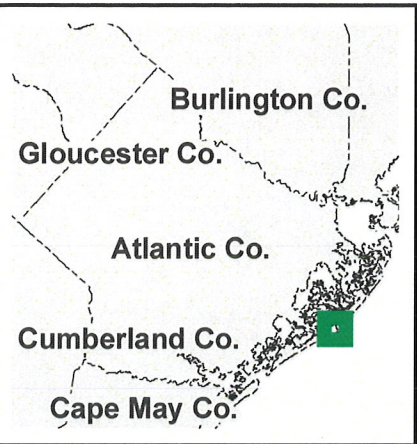
Address: 307 ATLANTIC AVE

City: Atlantic City

USGS Quads:

Atlantic City, NJ

Oceanville, NJ



- Site Location
- ▭ Proposed Action Site
- ▭ USGS Quad Boundary



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March 19, 2014

Lauren LeBlanc
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Re: Reconstruction and Elevation of the Home Located at 307 Atlantic Avenue

Dear Ms. LeBlanc:

Thank you for your data request regarding rare species information for the above referenced project site in Atlantic City, Atlantic County.

Searches of the Natural Heritage Database and the Landscape Project (Version 3.1) are based on a representation of the boundaries of your project site in our Geographic Information System (GIS). We make every effort to accurately transfer your project bounds from the topographic map(s) submitted with the Request for Data into our Geographic Information System. We do not typically verify that your project bounds are accurate, or check them against other sources.

We have checked the Landscape Project habitat mapping and the Biotics Database for occurrences of any rare wildlife species or wildlife habitat on the referenced site. The Natural Heritage Database was searched for occurrences of rare plant species or ecological communities that may be on the project site. Please refer to Table 1 (attached) to determine if any rare plant species, ecological communities, or rare wildlife species or wildlife habitat are documented on site. A detailed report is provided for each category coded as 'Yes' in Table 1.

We have also checked the Landscape Project habitat mapping and Biotics Database for occurrences of rare wildlife species or wildlife habitat in the immediate vicinity (within ¼ mile) of the referenced site. Additionally, the Natural Heritage Database was checked for occurrences of rare plant species or ecological communities within ¼ mile of the site. Please refer to Table 2 (attached) to determine if any rare plant species, ecological communities, or rare wildlife species or wildlife habitat are documented within the immediate vicinity of the site. Detailed reports are provided for all categories coded as 'Yes' in Table 2. These reports may include species that have also been documented on the project site.

The Natural Heritage Program reviews its data periodically to identify priority sites for natural diversity in the State. Included as priority sites are some of the State's best habitats for rare and endangered species and ecological communities. Please refer to Tables 1 and 2 (attached) to determine if any priority sites are located on or in the vicinity of the site.

A list of rare plant species and ecological communities that have been documented from the project site, referenced above, can be downloaded from <http://www.state.nj.us/dep/parksandforests/natural/heritage/countylist.html>. If suitable habitat is present at the project site, the species in that list have potential to be present.

Status and rank codes used in the tables and lists are defined in EXPLANATION OF CODES USED IN NATURAL HERITAGE REPORTS, which can be downloaded from http://www.state.nj.us/dep/parksandforests/natural/heritage/nhpcodes_2010.pdf.

If you have questions concerning the wildlife records or wildlife species mentioned in this response, we recommend that you visit the interactive NJ-GeoWeb website at the following URL, <http://www.state.nj.us/dep/gis/geoweb splash.htm> or contact the Division of Fish and Wildlife, Endangered and Nongame Species Program at (609) 292-9400.

PLEASE SEE 'CAUTIONS AND RESTRICTIONS ON NHP DATA', which can be downloaded from <http://www.state.nj.us/dep/parksandforests/natural/heritage/newcaution2008.pdf>.

Thank you for consulting the Natural Heritage Program. The attached invoice details the payment due for processing this data request. Feel free to contact us again regarding any future data requests.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'R. Cartica', with a horizontal line extending to the right.

Robert J. Cartica
Administrator

c: NHP File No. 14-3907434-5101

Table 1: On Site Data Request Search Results (7 Possible Reports)

Rare Plants/Ecological Communities Possibly On Site:	No
Rare Plants/Ecological Communities On Site/Immediate Vicinity:	No
Natural Heritage Priority Sites On Site:	No
Landscape 3.1 Species Based Patches On Site:	No
Landscape 3.1 Vernal Pool Habitat On Site:	No
Landscape 3.1 Stream/Mussel Habitat On Site:	No
Other Animals Tracked by ENSP On Site:	No

Table 2: Vicinity Data Request Search Results (6 possible reports)

Rare Plants/Ecological Communities within the Vicinity:	No
Natural Heritage Priority Sites within the Vicinity:	No
Landscape 3.1 Species Based Patches within the Vicinity:	Yes
Landscape 3.1 Vernal Pool Habitat within the Vicinity:	No
Landscape 3.1 Stream/Mussel Habitat within the Vicinity:	No
Other Animals Tracked by ENSP within the Vicinity:	No

**Rare Wildlife Species or Wildlife Habitat Within the
Immediate Vicinity of the Project Site Based on Search of
Landscape Project 3.1 Species Based Patches**

Class	Common Name	Scientific Name	Feature Type	Rank	Federal Protection	State Protection	Grank	Srank
<i>Aves</i>								
	Black-crowned Night-heron	Nycticorax nycticorax	Foraging	3	NA	State Threatened	G5	S2B,S3N
	Caspian Tern	Hydroprogne caspia	Foraging	2	NA	Special Concern	G5	S3B,S4N
	Common Tern	Sterna hirundo	Foraging	2	NA	Special Concern	G5	S3B,S4N
	Glossy Ibis	Plegadis falcinellus	Foraging	2	NA	Special Concern	G5	S3B,S4N
	Least Tern	Sternula antillarum	Foraging	4	NA	State Endangered	G4	S1B,S1N
	Little Blue Heron	Egretta caerulea	Foraging	2	NA	Special Concern	G5	S3B,S3N
	Snowy Egret	Egretta thula	Foraging	2	NA	Special Concern	G5	S3B,S4N
	Tricolored Heron	Egretta tricolor	Foraging	2	NA	Special Concern	G5	S3B,S3N
	Yellow-crowned Night-heron	Nyctanassa violacea	Foraging	3	NA	State Threatened	G5	S2B,S2N