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**CEDAR RIVER  
CEDAR RAPIDS, IOWA**

**FLOOD RISK MANAGEMENT PROJECT**

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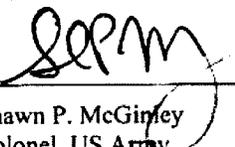
**FEASIBILITY STUDY REPORT  
WITH  
INTEGRATED ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT**

**FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT \***

I have reviewed the information in this Feasibility Study, along with data obtained from Federal and state agencies having jurisdiction by law or special expertise, and from the interested public. Based on the summary of effects/impacts (as discussed in Chapter 5) and the following factors, I have determined that constructing a new levee system (Alternative 4C) for the Cedar River, Cedar Rapids, Iowa, would not significantly affect the quality of the human environment. For this reason, it is my determination that an Environmental Impact Statement is not required and will not be prepared. This determination will be reevaluated if warranted by later developments. This Finding of No Significant Impact is based on the following factors:

- A. The project would have only minor and short-term impacts on fish, freshwater mussels, wildlife resources and water quality.
- B. The project would have no significant impact to McCloud Run, which is the only urban trout stream in Iowa, or to the bald eagle nests adjacent to the stream.
- C. No significant adverse social, economic, environmental impacts are anticipated as a result of the proposed action.
- D. Implementation of the project, as proposed, would not result in increased costs or prices for consumers, individual industries, Federal, state, or local governmental agencies, nor would it impair in any way, the ability of the United States to compete with foreign-based enterprises in domestic or export markets.
- E. Utilization of a properly placed levee system (Alternative 4C) should provide protection to the east side of the Cedar River, Cedar Rapids, Iowa from flooding damage up to the 500-year flood event (0.002 exceedance probability event).
- F. To afford protection to known and unknown significant historic properties the Corps has executed the *Programmatic Agreement Among the United States Army Corps of Engineers Rock Island District, Iowa State Historic Preservation Officer, City of Cedar Rapids, and Advisory Council on Historic Preservation for Alternative 4C Implemented Under the Cedar River, Cedar Rapids, Iowa Flood Risk Management Feasibility Study – Linn County, Cedar Rapids, Iowa*

15 Oct 10  
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