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U.S. ARMY ENGINEER DIVISION, GREAT LAKES AND OHIO RIVER CORPS OF ENGINEERS 550 MAIN STREET CINCINNATI, OH 45202

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MEMORANDUM FOR Commander, U.S. Army Engineer, Louisville District, CELRL-PM-P, Ms. Sharon Bond, P.O. Box 59, Louisville, KY 40201-0059

SUBJECT: Approval Memorandum for the Ohio Riverfront - Cincinnati, Ohio, Review Plan

- 1. The attached Review Plan (RP) was distributed for review at the Great Lakes and Ohio River Division (LRD) for approval in accordance with EC 1165-2-214 "Civil Works Review".
- 2. The project is located in Cincinnati, Ohio along Ohio River Mile 470.0 and is approximately five acres in size. The Roebling Bridge forms the western boundary of the project and Main Street the eastern boundary. The northern boundary is Theodore M. Berry Way and the old existing Mehring Way forms the southern boundary. The project objective is to enhance public use of and access to the recreational and environmental amenities of the Ohio River, and other riverfront parks including the Theodore M. Berry International Friendship Park, the Public Landing, and the Bicentennial Commons project. The non-Federal sponsor owns the property for the last phase and all non-Federal funds have been received for the project. The non-Federal sponsor is the City of Cincinnati (Cincinnati Park Board).
- 3. The only remaining work is to update the final design documents and award the final construction contract for the last phase of the project. This will complete the project as authorized. Approximately \$4.5 million of Federal funds are needed to complete the project. All non-Federal funds have been received. The project was not in the FY13 President's budget; however, funds were requested through the FY 13 Work Plan process. Funds were not received in FY13; however, the \$4.5 million to complete the project were received in the FY14 work plans.
- 4. The USACE LRD Review Management Organization (RMO) has reviewed the attached RP and concurs that it describes the scope of review for work phases and addresses all appropriate levels of review consistent with the requirements described in EC 1165-2-214.
- 5. I concur with the recommendations of the RMO and approve the enclosed RP for the Ohio Riverfront Cincinnati, Ohio.

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- 6. The District is requested to post the RP to its website. Prior to posting, the names of all individuals identified in the RP should be removed.
- 7. If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact Mr. Phil Tilly, CELRD-PD-GL, at (513) 684-3025, Philip.r.tilly@usace.army.mil.

Encl

1. Review Plan

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