SECTION VII

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A. During preparation of the LWRP, the following agencies were consulted for agency or department specific information necessary to accurately prepare the document.

Federal Consultations

No direct Federal consultation has taken place at this time.

State Agency Consultations

New York State Department of State
New York State Department of Environmental Conservation
New York State Department of Parks, Recreation, Historic Preservation

Local/Regional Consultations

Village of Croton-on-Hudson Planning Board
Village of Croton-on-Hudson Moratorium Committee
Village of Croton-on-Hudson Board of Trustees
Village of Croton-on-Hudson Village Manager
Village of Croton-on-Hudson Engineering Department
Village of Croton-on-Hudson Department of Public Works
Village of Croton-on-Hudson Department of Parks and Recreation
Westchester County Department of Planning
Westchester County Department of Health

B. Review of Draft LWRP by State, Federal and Local Agencies

The Draft LWRP (with DEIS) was reviewed and accepted by the Village Board of Trustees and forwarded to the NYS Department of State (DOS). The DOS then initiated a 60-day review of the Draft LWRP/DEIS pursuant to the NYS Waterfront Revitalization of Coastal and Inland Waterways Act. Copies of the Draft LWRP and DEIS were distributed by DOS to all potentially affected State and federal agencies, Westchester County, adjacent waterfront municipalities, and other interested organizations. Comments were reviewed by the Village and DOS and resultant changes were made to the LWRP, which are detailed in the Final Environmental Impact Statement.

SECTION VIII

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An important aspect of developing a Local Waterfront Revitalization Program is ensuring the support and cooperation of all agencies that will be affected by the Program. The Department of State requires that these agencies be consulted during preparation of the plan and that such consideration be included in the program document.

During development of the Waterfront Program, the Waterfront Revitalization Committee has sought the advice, comments and cooperation of a number of local, regional, State and federal agencies.

Local Commitment

The Waterfront Revitalization Committee, a Committee composed of concerned citizens interested in the waterfront area, has insured that those agencies that may be affected by the implementation of the program were actively involved in its development.

The Village of Croton-on-Hudson, on January 11, 1988 declared a moratorium on residential and commercial development in order to complete revisions to the Zoning Ordinance and prepare new local laws aimed at protecting the natural environment of the Village. During the moratorium, the Moratorium Committee drafted the following local laws:

- Historic Preservation Local Law
- Parks, Recreation, Education District Local Law (PRE)
- Erosion and Sediment Control Local Law
- Steep Slope Local Law
- Water Supply Protection Rules and Regulations Local Law
- Protection of Wetlands, Waterbodies and Watercourses Local Law

Of these proposed local laws, three were enacted into law during the moratorium. These include the PRE Local Law, Erosion and Sediment Control Local Law, and the Protection of Wetlands, Waterbodies and Watercourses Local Law. Recently, the Village adopted Laws regarding development on Steep Slopes and Water Supply Rules and Regulations. The Draft LWRP reinforces the need for such legislation and emphasizes the commitment of the Village to addressing local coastal area concerns to ensure protection of the Croton environment.

In 1988, the Village retained Matthew D. Rudikoff Associates, Inc. as consultants to work with the Waterfront Revitalization Committee to help complete the Local Waterfront Revitalization Program. In order to assure local commitment the public was involved in the following ways:

1. A committee of concerned citizens was appointed in 1987 to prepare the LWRP. This committee, named the Waterfront Revitalization Committee (WRC), met regularly and drafted the initial version of Section II, Inventory and Analysis.

2. The WRC met with the Mayor, Village Manager, and other Village representatives at appropriate intervals during development of the draft LWRP.

3. The WRC kept elected officials and interested groups informed on an on-going basis through correspondence and personal communication.

4. Local news media has been and will be provided with background information on the LWRP to form the basis for news articles and editorials.

5. An informational public hearing was held on August 7, 1989, for public review of the draft LWRP-DEIS.

6. The SEQR process including adequate time for public comment on the DEIS was carefully followed.

Revisions to the Draft LWRP were prepared and reviewed by the WRC based on comments by NYSDOS and the public. The final LWRP was reviewed by the Village Board of Trustees for adoption.

The Final LWRP and EIS were adopted by the Village Board of Trustees.