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***Short Environmental Assessment Form  
Part 2 - Impact Assessment***

**Part 2 is to be completed by the Lead Agency.**

Answer all of the following questions in Part 2 using the information contained in Part 1 and other materials submitted by the project sponsor or otherwise available to the reviewer. When answering the questions the reviewer should be guided by the concept "Have my responses been reasonable considering the scale and context of the proposed action?"

	No, or small impact may occur	Moderate to large impact may occur
1. Will the proposed action create a material conflict with an adopted land use plan or zoning regulations?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. Will the proposed action result in a change in the use or intensity of use of land?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. Will the proposed action impair the character or quality of the existing community?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4. Will the proposed action have an impact on the environmental characteristics that caused the establishment of a Critical Environmental Area (CEA)?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5. Will the proposed action result in an adverse change in the existing level of traffic or affect existing infrastructure for mass transit, biking or walkway?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6. Will the proposed action cause an increase in the use of energy and it fails to incorporate reasonably available energy conservation or renewable energy opportunities?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
7. Will the proposed action impact existing:		
a. public / private water supplies?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b. public / private wastewater treatment utilities?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
8. Will the proposed action impair the character or quality of important historic, archaeological, architectural or aesthetic resources?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
9. Will the proposed action result in an adverse change to natural resources (e.g., wetlands, waterbodies, groundwater, air quality, flora and fauna)?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
10. Will the proposed action result in an increase in the potential for erosion, flooding or drainage problems?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
11. Will the proposed action create a hazard to environmental resources or human health?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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### Short Environmental Assessment Form Part 3 Determination of Significance

For every question in Part 2 that was answered “moderate to large impact may occur”, or if there is a need to explain why a particular element of the proposed action may or will not result in a significant adverse environmental impact, please complete Part 3. Part 3 should, in sufficient detail, identify the impact, including any measures or design elements that have been included by the project sponsor to avoid or reduce impacts. Part 3 should also explain how the lead agency determined that the impact may or will not be significant. Each potential impact should be assessed considering its setting, probability of occurring, duration, irreversibility, geographic scope and magnitude. Also consider the potential for short-term, long-term and cumulative impacts.

Check this box if you have determined, based on the information and analysis above, and any supporting documentation, that the proposed action may result in one or more potentially large or significant adverse impacts and an environmental impact statement is required.

Check this box if you have determined, based on the information and analysis above, and any supporting documentation, that the proposed action will not result in any significant adverse environmental impacts.

Port of Oswego Authority \_\_\_\_\_ 3/20/2023 \_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Lead Agency Date

William W Scriber, Executive Director \_\_\_\_\_  
Print or Type Name of Responsible Officer in Lead Agency Title of Responsible Officer

[Signature] \_\_\_\_\_ [Signature] \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Responsible Officer in Lead Agency Signature of Preparer (if different from Responsible Officer)

Port of Oswego Authority  
Vinegar Hill RV Facility

## SEQR Part 3 Explanations

**Part 2, Question 1:** The Port's Vinegar Hill RV Facility site is currently zoned by the City of Oswego as "Transitional Business" (TB) district. The use type proposed is considered, "Non-Residential Uses: Recreational Uses, Outdoor Recreation" which is considered a "Prohibited Use".

The Port of Oswego is a New York State Authority established by the NYS Legislature in 1955 (Title 2, Port of Oswego Authority; Public Authorities (PBA) Chapter 43-A, Article 6) is not subjected to or required to follow or comply with local zoning requirements. The proposed use of the site for the purpose of providing short term occupancy accommodations for approximately 12 Recreational Vehicles (RVs) is consistent with the Port's Vision 2030 Comprehensive Plan and its jurisdiction as authorized by the NYS Legislature.

*Per Section 1352, Oswego port district. There is hereby created and established a district to be known as the "Oswego port district" which shall embrace the city of Oswego, the town of Scriba and all lands and water under and in the Oswego river and Lake Ontario lying or situated within the boundaries of the city of Oswego and/or the town of Scriba subject to the right, title, interest and control of the state under the constitution or any law of the state of New York and subject to the right, title, interest and control of the United States under any law of the United States of America.*

*Per Section 1354, The authority shall have power over the survey, development and operation of port facilities and industrial projects in such port district as hereinafter more specifically set forth, and the coordination of the same with existing or future agencies of transportation with a view to the increase and efficiency of all such facilities and projects and the furtherance of commerce and industry, environmental protection, aesthetics, health, welfare, safety, recreational opportunities, and historical appreciation in the district.*

**Part 2, Question 5:** The RV facility will have approximately 12 sites available and operate on a seasonal basis between May and October and be closed between November and April. Traffic generated by the sites proposed use will consist of RV's arriving and departing from the site and trips by guests which will result in a slight increase of traffic volume however, it will not have an adverse impact the overall flow of traffic or traffic conditions in the area.

**Part 2, Question 7b:** Individual RV sites will have connections via a gravity fed system that will be collected into a 1,200 gallon above ground holding tank. The holding tank will be cleaned out on a regular basis by a contracted provider registered to perform the clean out service.

**Part 2, Question 8:** The Vinegar Hill RV Facility is located substantially contiguous to the Fort Ontario historic site. The proposed use of the site for the purpose of providing short term occupancy accommodations for approximately 12 Recreational Vehicles (RVs). The proposed action will have no physical impacts to the adjacent Fort Ontario site. This proposed action will require no disturbance on the site extending beyond what has previously been disturbed, will not construct any permanent buildings or structures and will not physically alter or change the existing characteristics of the site.

**Part 2, Question 9:** The Vinegar Hill RV Facility is located near the Oswego River approximately 600 feet west of the site, the Port's East Marina channel approximately 150 feet west of the site, and Lake Ontario approximately 1,400 feet north of the site. The proposed use of the site will not impact or result in any alterations to these water bodies.