

Historic Preservation Considerations for Dam Removal

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Dam Removal and Historic Preservation Reconciling Dual Objectives



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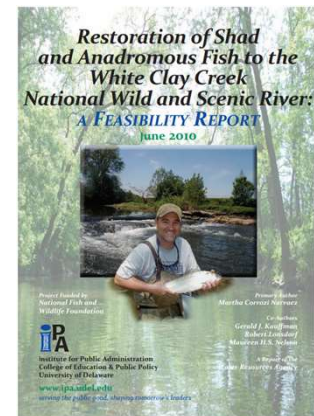
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Management Plan

- “Protect and preserve the existing form and integrity of watershed cultural resources”
- “Encourage watershed-wide thematic nominations to the State and National Registers of Historic Places”
- Names Three Outstandingly Remarkable Historic Resources including:
 - England House and Mill (Dam 2),
 - the Dean Woolen Mill (Dam 4)
- There is nothing about dam removal except “Remove Tree Dams”



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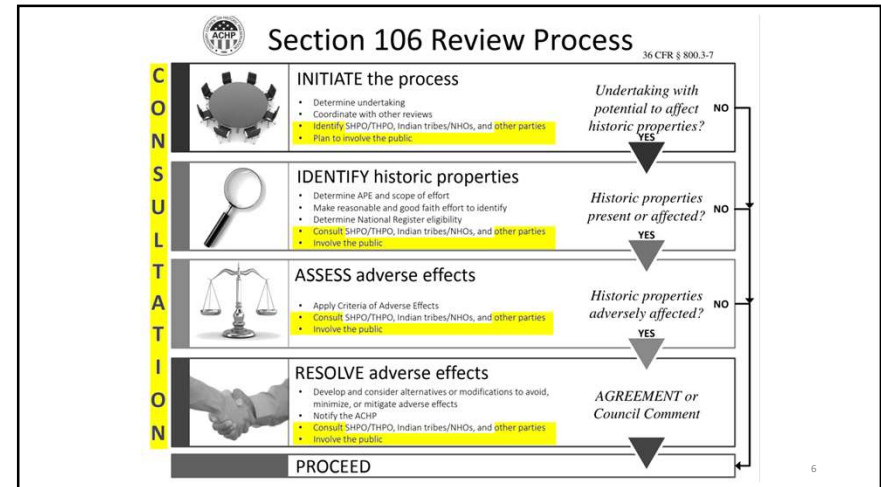
“This group of seven milldams on the White Clay Creek is significant and deserves recognition in light of recent threats to their survival.”

“We recommend the dams of the White Clay Creek be further more thoroughly surveyed and investigated as a group --- in consideration for an eventual multiple resource nomination to the National Register of Historic Places.”

Called special attention to Dams 2, 5, and 7.

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England / Red Mill (Dam #2)



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Dean Woolen Mill Dam (Dam #4)

- A W&S Outstandingly Remarkable Historic Resource



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Curtis Paper Mill Dam (Dam #5)

- One of three especially significant dams identified by CHAD
- Timber crib dam encased in concrete



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Tweed's Mill (Dam #7)



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Evans Fulling Mill Dam (Dam #8)



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Recommendations

- Stick to the Management Plan
- Seek a Balanced Approach
- Fully Initiate Section 106
 - Engage with Consulting Parties
 - Involve the Public
- Put in that stream gauge!

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