# 1. PROJECT INFORMATION

Project Name: PPL Tower Fitout

Date of Review: 1/29/2025 10:10:14 AM

Project Category: Development, Additions/maintenance to existing development facilities

Project Area: **2.15 acres** County(s): **Lehigh** 

Township/Municipality(s): Allentown City

ZIP Code:

Quadrangle Name(s): ALLENTOWN EAST

Watersheds HUC 8: Lehigh

Watersheds HUC 12: Lower Jordan Creek Decimal Degrees: 40.601944, -75.476242

Degrees Minutes Seconds: 40° 36' 6.9971" N, 75° 28' 34.4717" W

### 2. SEARCH RESULTS

Agency	Results	Response
PA Game Commission	Potential Impact	FURTHER REVIEW IS REQUIRED, See Agency Response
PA Department of Conservation and Natural Resources	No Known Impact	No Further Review Required
PA Fish and Boat Commission	No Known Impact	No Further Review Required
U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service	No Known Impact	No Further Review Required

As summarized above, Pennsylvania Natural Diversity Inventory (PNDI) records indicate there may be potential impacts to threatened and endangered and/or special concern species and resources within the project area. If the response above indicates "No Further Review Required" no additional communication with the respective agency is required. If the response is "Further Review Required" or "See Agency Response," refer to the appropriate agency comments below. Please see the DEP Information Section of this receipt if a PA Department of Environmental Protection Permit is required.

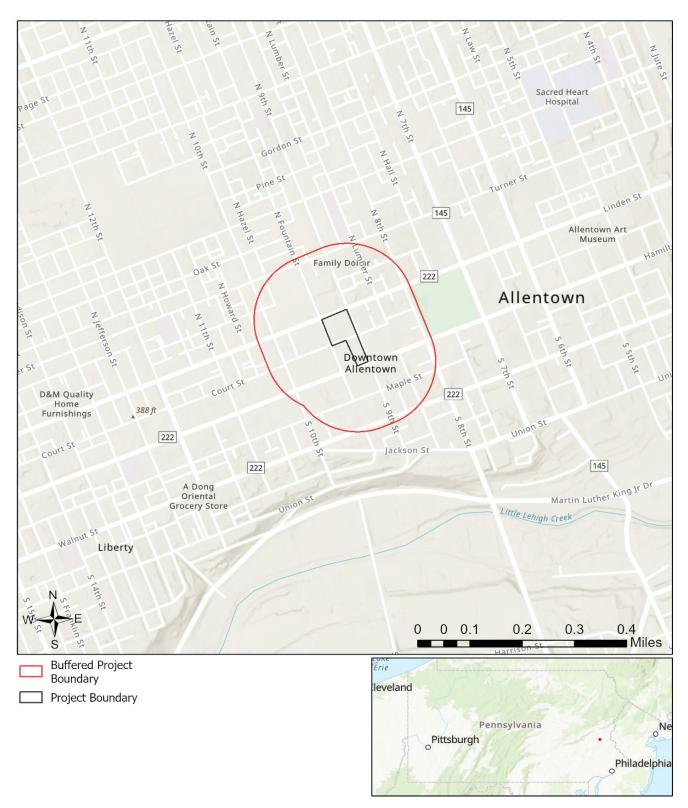
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# **RESPONSE TO QUESTION(S) ASKED**

Q1: Is tree removal, tree cutting or forest clearing necessary to implement all aspects of this project? Your answer is: No

**Q2:** How many acres of woodland, forest, forested fencerows and trees will be cut, cleared, removed, disturbed or flooded (inundated) as a result of carrying out all aspects or phases of this project? [Round acreages UP to the nearest acre (e.g., 0.2 acres = 1 acre).]

Your answer is: zero acres

## 3. AGENCY COMMENTS

Regardless of whether a DEP permit is necessary for this proposed project, any potential impacts to threatened and endangered species and/or special concern species and resources must be resolved with the appropriate jurisdictional agency. In some cases, a permit or authorization from the jurisdictional agency may be needed if adverse impacts to these species and habitats cannot be avoided.

These agency determinations and responses are **valid for two years** (from the date of the review), and are based on the project information that was provided, including the exact project location; the project type, description, and features; and any responses to questions that were generated during this search. If any of the following change: 1) project location, 2) project size or configuration, 3) project type, or 4) responses to the questions that were asked during the online review, the results of this review are not valid, and the review must be searched again via the PNDI Environmental Review Tool and resubmitted to the jurisdictional agencies. The PNDI tool is a primary screening tool, and a desktop review may reveal more or fewer impacts than what is listed on this PNDI receipt. The jurisdictional agencies **strongly advise against** conducting surveys for the species listed on the receipt prior to consultation with the agencies.

# PA Game Commission RESPONSE:

Further review of this project is necessary to resolve the potential impact(s). Please send project information to this agency for review (see WHAT TO SEND).

**PGC Species:** (Note: The Pennsylvania Conservation Explorer tool is a primary screening tool, and a desktop review may reveal more or fewer species than what is listed below.)

Scientific Name	Common Name	Current Status
Falco peregrinus	Peregrine Falcon	Special Concern Species*

# PA Department of Conservation and Natural Resources RESPONSE:

No Impact is anticipated to threatened and endangered species and/or special concern species and resources.

# PA Fish and Boat Commission RESPONSE:

No Impact is anticipated to threatened and endangered species and/or special concern species and resources.

# U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service RESPONSE:

No impacts to **federally** listed or proposed species are anticipated. Therefore, no further consultation/coordination under the Endangered Species Act (87 Stat. 884, as amended; 16 U.S.C. 1531 et seq. is required. Because no take of federally listed species is anticipated, none is authorized. This response does not reflect potential Fish and Wildlife Service concerns under the Fish and Wildlife Coordination Act or other authorities.

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- \* Special Concern Species or Resource Plant or animal species classified as rare, tentatively undetermined or candidate as well as other taxa of conservation concern, significant natural communities, special concern populations (plants or animals) and unique geologic features.
- \*\* Sensitive Species Species identified by the jurisdictional agency as collectible, having economic value, or being susceptible to decline as a result of visitation.

## WHAT TO SEND TO JURISDICTIONAL AGENCIES

If project information was requested by one or more of the agencies above, upload\* or email the following information to the agency(s) (see AGENCY CONTACT INFORMATION). Instructions for uploading project materials can be found <a href="https://example.com/here">here</a>. This option provides the applicant with the convenience of sending project materials to a single location accessible to all three state agencies (but not USFWS).

\*If information was requested by USFWS, applicants must email, or mail, project information to <a href="mailto:IR1\_ESPenn@fws.gov">IR1\_ESPenn@fws.gov</a> to initiate a review. USFWS will not accept uploaded project materials.

#### **Check-list of Minimum Materials to be submitted:**

- X\_Project narrative with a description of the overall project, the work to be performed, current physical characteristics of the site and acreage to be impacted.
- X A map with the project boundary and/or a basic site plan(particularly showing the relationship of the project to the physical features such as wetlands, streams, ponds, rock outcrops, etc.)

#### In addition to the materials listed above, USFWS REQUIRES the following

X SIGNED copy of a Final Project Environmental Review Receipt

## The inclusion of the following information may expedite the review process.

- Color photos keyed to the basic site plan (i.e. showing on the site plan where and in what direction each photo was taken and the date of the photos)
- \_\_\_\_Information about the presence and location of wetlands in the project area, and how this was determined (e.g., by a qualified wetlands biologist), if wetlands are present in the project area, provide project plans showing the location of all project features, as well as wetlands and streams.

### 4. DEP INFORMATION

The Pa Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) requires that a signed copy of this receipt, along with any required documentation from jurisdictional agencies concerning resolution of potential impacts, be submitted with applications for permits requiring PNDI review. Two review options are available to permit applicants for handling PNDI coordination in conjunction with DEP's permit review process involving either T&E Species or species of special concern. Under sequential review, the permit applicant performs a PNDI screening and completes all coordination with the appropriate jurisdictional agencies prior to submitting the permit application. The applicant will include with its application, both a PNDI receipt and/or a clearance letter from the jurisdictional agency if the PNDI Receipt shows a Potential Impact to a species or the applicant chooses to obtain letters directly from the jurisdictional agencies. Under concurrent review, DEP, where feasible, will allow technical review of the permit to occur concurrently with the T&E species consultation with the jurisdictional agency. The applicant must still supply a copy of the PNDI Receipt with its permit application. The PNDI Receipt should also be submitted to the appropriate agency according to directions on the PNDI Receipt. The applicant and the jurisdictional agency will work together to resolve the potential impact(s). See the DEP PNDI policy at <a href="https://conservationexplorer.dcnr.pa.gov/content/resources">https://conservationexplorer.dcnr.pa.gov/content/resources</a>.

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# 5. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

The PNDI environmental review website is a preliminary screening tool. There are often delays in updating species status classifications. Because the proposed status represents the best available information regarding the conservation status of the species, state jurisdictional agency staff give the proposed statuses at least the same consideration as the current legal status. If surveys or further information reveal that a threatened and endangered and/or special concern species and resources exist in your project area, contact the appropriate jurisdictional agency/agencies immediately to identify and resolve any impacts.

For a list of species known to occur in the county where your project is located, please see the species lists by county found on the PA Natural Heritage Program (PNHP) home page (<a href="www.naturalheritage.state.pa.us">www.naturalheritage.state.pa.us</a>). Also note that the PNDI Environmental Review Tool only contains information about species occurrences that have actually been reported to the PNHP.

### 6. AGENCY CONTACT INFORMATION

# PA Department of Conservation and Natural Resources

Bureau of Forestry, Ecological Services Section 400 Market Street, PO Box 8552 Harrisburg, PA 17105-8552 Email: RA-HeritageReview@pa.gov

#### PA Fish and Boat Commission

Name: Matthew Chorba

Division of Environmental Services 595 E. Rolling Ridge Dr., Bellefonte, PA 16823

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### U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service

Pennsylvania Field Office Endangered Species Section 110 Radnor Rd; Suite 101 State College, PA 16801 Email: <a href="mailto:IR1\_ESPenn@fws.gov">IR1\_ESPenn@fws.gov</a> NO Faxes Please

#### **PA Game Commission**

Bureau of Wildlife Management Division of Environmental Review 2001 Elmerton Avenue, Harrisburg, PA 17110-9797

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**NO Faxes Please** 

## 7. PROJECT CONTACT INFORMATION

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8. CERTIFICATION	
I certify that ALL of the project information contained in this re size/configuration, project type, answers to questions) is true, location, size or configuration changes, or if the answers to a	, accurate and complete. In addition, if the project type,
change, I agree to re-do the online environmental review.	
Mark the	2/25/2025
applicant/project proponent signature	date