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PROJECT MEMO: December 6, 2010

TO: Dr. Ralph Marino, Superintendent
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RE: Proposed 2010-2011 Capital Projects at:

Middle School / Intermediate School
High School North Wing
High School South Wing

FROM: David McDonald, Project Architect

Dr. Marino:

Attached for signatures by Mr. Lynch and your self are new "Scope of Proposed Project" forms and SED SEQRA Clarification forms for the above buildings that must be submitted to SED shortly. These forms cover the work that is coming from the \$ 800,000 appropriation approved as part of the 2010-2011 budget.

The Board of Education must approve a resolution to confirm the determination that the projects listed will have no environmental impact as described below:

Middle School / Intermediate School	SED No: 07-09-01-06-0-013-022
High School North Wing	SED No: 07-09-01-06-0-009-021
High School South Wing	SED No: 07-09-01-06-0-001-017

BACKGROUND:

As of November 15, 2000 the Dept. of Educations has transferred "lead agency status" to the local school districts for the purposes of environmental review. In the past the Dept. of Education's Office of Facilities Planning has taken the lead role in determining if building projects would involve environmental impact. Basically this is done by classifying the "action" (building project) as defined by the SEQR law by type as follows:

- **Type II Action** (those with no significant environmental impact) and thus not requiring further review under the "SEQR" regulations. Maintenance or repair involving no substantial changes in an existing structure or facility and replacement, rehabilitation or reconstruction of a structure or facility, in kind on the same site, including upgrading buildings to meet building or fire codes are specifically cited as "Type II" actions. **(This category applies to the proposed work)**

- **Type I Action** (those that are more likely to have environmental impact). Such projects typically require “draft” and/or “final” environmental impact statements. SED had determined in the past that expansion projects over 50,000 square feet or over 50% increases in existing school size would constitute Type I Actions. Under the new “lead agency” guidelines the standards as listed in the actual Environmental Quality Review Law (6 NYCRR Part 617) apply. In your jurisdiction, the threshold for action would be construction of a facility over 100,000 square feet or additions to such facilities of 50,000 square feet or more.
(This category does not apply to the proposed work)
- **Unlisted Actions:** (those that are larger than Type II Actions and smaller than Type I projects. Depending on the projects a “draft” EIS might be required to determine any environmental impact.
(This category does not apply to the proposed work)

PROPOSED RESOLUTION RATIONAL:

The SEQRA regulations specifically exempt school projects that involve:

- (1) Maintenance or repair involving no substantial changes in an existing structure or facility.
- (2) Replacement, rehabilitation or reconstruction of a structure or facility, in kind on the same site, including upgrading buildings to meet building or fire codes.

(See Paragraph 617.5 (c) (1) & (2) on page 10 of 39 of the State Environmental Quality Review Act.)

By definition therefore, all of the proposed work contemplated by these projects constitute “Type II” actions and are not subject to further environmental review.

PROPOSED RESOLUTION No. 1: Middle School / Intermediate School



BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Horseheads Central School District, as follows:

Section 1. It is hereby determined that the proposed reconstruction project for interior renovations for improvements to the heating and ventilation systems for Kitchen area, including air handling unit replacement, chiller equipment replacement and roofing replacement and drainage improvements to the Kitchen area roof as described in Section 2 hereof is a Type II action under the SEQRA Regulations of the State of New York (6 NYCRR Part 617), as amended, and particularly Section 617.5 (c) (1) and (2) thereof, which will not have significant impact upon the environment, and that, therefore, no further action is required under the aforesaid Regulation with respect to such projects.

Section 2. The project which is the subject of this resolution is as follows:
Middle School/ Intermediate School SED No: 07-09-01-06-0-013-022

Section 3. This Resolution shall take effect immediately

PROPOSED RESOLUTION No. 2: High School North Wing

 BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Horseheads Central School District, as follows:


Section 1. It is hereby determined that the proposed reconstruction project for the demolition of the boilers in Boiler Room No. 2 and the modification of the heating piping systems to transfer the heating loads to the existing boilers in Boiler Room No. 1, installation of back-flow prevention equipment on the domestic water service entrance and reconstruction of the running track surface at the athletic field as described in Section 2 hereof is a Type II action under the SEQRA Regulations of the State of New York (6 NYCRR Part 617), as amended, and particularly Section 617.5 (c) (1) and (2) thereof, which will not have significant impact upon the environment, and that, therefore, no further action is required under the aforesaid Regulation with respect to such projects.

Section 2. The project which is the subject of this resolution is as follows:

High School North Wing SED No: 07-09-01-06-0-009-021

Section 3. This Resolution shall take effect immediately

PROPOSED RESOLUTION No. 3: High School South Wing

 BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Horseheads Central School District, as follows:

Section 1. It is hereby determined that the proposed reconstruction project for interior renovations for the replacement of the existing computer room air conditioning system components and installation of back-flow prevention equipment on the domestic water service entrance as described in Section 2 hereof is a Type II action under the SEQRA Regulations of the State of New York (6 NYCRR Part 617), as amended, and particularly Section 617.5 (c) (1) and (2) thereof, which will not have significant impact upon the environment, and that, therefore, no further action is required under the aforesaid Regulation with respect to such projects.

Section 2. The project which is the subject of this resolution is as follows:

High School South Wing SED No: 07-09-01-06-0-001-017

Section 3. This Resolution shall take effect immediately