

NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF  
A FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT

NIAGARA GORGE CORRIDOR  
ROBERT MOSES PARKWAY REMOVAL PROJECT – MAIN STREET TO FINDLAY DRIVE

City of Niagara Falls, Niagara County

New York State Office of Park, Recreation and Historic Preservation

Project Identification Number 5761.90 (formerly 5757.91)

As requested by the New York State Department of Transportation, the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) has made a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) for the above project in accordance with Title 23, Code of Federal Regulations Part 771.

The FONSI is based on the Environmental Assessment that was prepared for the project, which selected (Alternative 6 – Removal of the Robert Moses Parkway) to be advanced to final design and construction, as well as on comments received from the public. The proposed build alternative includes the removal of the Robert Moses Parkway (i.e. all vehicular lanes, lanes used for the Robert Moses Parkway Trail, the Whirlpool Bridge Plaza overpass, and all other Parkway interchange /accessory facilities). Additionally, the project will also include:

- Reconstruction of Whirlpool Street between Main Street & Walnut Avenue and from Cedar Avenue to Findley Drive to accommodate 30 mph two-way traffic, as well as the removal of Whirlpool Street from Cedar Avenue to Walnut Avenue;
- Reconstruction of Third Street from Main Street to Cedar Avenue;
- Restoration of the landscape/habitat with native species on lands reclaimed along the Niagara Gorge rim from the removal of the RMP;
- Construction of a recreational pedestrian/bicycle trail network along the Gorge rim, connecting to other trail systems and adjoining neighborhoods; and
- Incorporation of amenities/betterments associated with the above improvements.

The FONSI is available for review during business hours at the New York State Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation Deveaux Woods Offices, 3160 Deveaux Woods Drive Niagara Falls, NY 14305 or at the Office of the Division Administrator, FHWA New York Division, Leo W. O'Brien Federal Building, 11A Clinton Avenue, Room 719, Albany, NY 12207, and online at <https://parks.ny.gov/inside-our-agency/documents/NiagaraFallsStateParkScopingReport/MosesParkwayNorth/NEPAEAFONSI/tr.pdf>

