

Department of State

I reviewed the single application submitted for the 20<sup>th</sup> round of projects proposed under the Niagara River Greenway – with respect to Niagara River Greenway Principles; Initial Greenway Goals; and, Niagara River Greenway Plan Criteria. My comments on the project appear below.

*Wild Ones Niagara – Pollinator Pathways Niagara Falls - Consistent*

This innovative project will provide clear ecological, environmental, restoration, and educational benefits. Improved access and connectivity, and physical/emotional wellness will also result. The project implements the City of Niagara Falls Comprehensive Plan (2009) and the 2009 Open Space Conservation Plan, and is in line with the State's Coastal Policies.

## Niagara River Greenway

### New York State Department of Environmental Conservation

#### Niagara River Greenway Commission

**Project submissions: Round 20 March 15, 2011**

#### **Wild Ones Niagara – Pollinator Pathways**

Wild Ones Niagara proposes to develop and implement a plan to create native plant gardens on vacant lots within the City Of Niagara Falls. The proposal will benefit the ecology of the Niagara corridor while at the same time benefit the human landscape of the local community. The NY Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) concurs with the project sponsor in that the proposal will advance many of the goals, principles, and criteria of the Niagara River Greenway Plan. Therefore, the DEC finds the project to be consistent with the plan.

*All comments provided are based on the material presented in the individual project submissions. We reserve the right to change our opinion based on discussions of individual information that may be provided by the applicant.*