

APPENDIX C

Coles Creek Parcels

Consent Decree in the matter of
*United States of America, State of New York and St. Regis Mohawk Tribe v. Alcoa Inc. and
Reynolds Metals, Co.*

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Coles Creek: located in Louisville in the Coles Creek area (Warren Farm) and is developed crop land adjacent to turtle habitat.

Property Info

Parcel 1

Property Address: 13472 SH 37

Property Owner: Curran Logging Inc.
15121 State Highway 37
Massena, NY 13662

Tax Map #: Lot # 14.002-1-22

Acreage: 253.35 Acres

Parcel 2

Property Address: 13566 SH 37

Property Owner: Seaway Timber Harvesting Inc
15121 State Highway 37
Massena, NY 13662

Tax Map #: Lot # 14.002-1-19

Acreage: 75.62 Acres

General Description: Known as Blandings turtle site. Mixture of upland young forest, forested, shrub/scrub and emergent wetland, corn, tributary to Coles Creek. ~100 acre corn field is tilled and has wetland restoration potential. Proximity to Coles Creek a benefit — NYPA work there included 1) a fish passage gate in the sluice for Rt. 37; 2) wetland creation (plantings); and 3) invasive species control (ongoing). Soils are largely well drained (Hogansburg, Grenville, Adams, Croghan) with some Naumberg loamy fine sand (poorly drained) an interesting soil type — DU — dune land (wind deposited sand).

The northern side of this property has been drain tiled and is actively farmed, with 70 acres of corn, an addition 30 acres is also in the process of being converted into farmland. The southern portion of the site extends into a densely vegetated wetland/tributary of Coles Creek. Large portions of the site are composed of sandy soils and as such support an active population of Blanding's Turtles. A second parcel (not walked but separated from the first by a NYPA right of way) is to the east along Rt.37 and has a similar mix of wetlands to the south combined with ~20 acres of open land along the road. At the least, this parcel has the potential for large scale wetlands restoration in the farm fields and could offer preservation of sensitive turtle habitat. It communicates directly with Coles Creek and the St. Lawrence River and may offer some possibilities for combined efforts to restore esocid spawning habitat in the area.

Total Acreage= 328.97 Acres

