

LEEDCo Project Icebreaker Environmental Assessment (DOE/EA-2045)

DOE received 95 public comment letters and/or emails during public scoping period, including three from federal agencies. The public scoping issues identified in letters and emails from the public are presented below. The scoping comments from the federal agencies are summarized in a separate table. DOE will conduct analysis of the scoping issues raised by the public and by the federal agencies and include this analysis in the draft Environmental Assessment (EA). DOE will consult with other agencies, including but not limited to the United States Fish and Wildlife Service and the State Historic Preservation Office, in support of the analysis presented in the draft EA as appropriate. DOE will notify the public when the draft EA is complete and available for public review and comment.

Scoping Issue Identified	Number of comment letters that addressed this Issue
Geology, Sediments, Soils, Shore Erosion and Accretion	14
Water Resources and Hydrology- Quality and Supply, Wetland Protection, Spills, Flood and Floodplain Hazards	30
Biological Resources, Lake and Terrestrial Flora and Fauna-including Bat, Fisheries, and Protected Species	52
Public Health and Safety, including Waste Management and Hazardous Waste	12
Air Quality and Climate Change	21
Siting	21
Lake Use (Commercial and Recreational Fisheries, Commercial Shipping and Recreational Boating)	18
Traffic and Transportation (including Navigation Risk and Ice Floes), Land Use and Infrastructure, Cultural Resources	16
Economics, Socioeconomics and Environmental Justice	38
Aesthetics and Visual Resources, Design and Noise	33

DOE also received comments that included statements in favor of and against the proposed project, comments that identified or included specific research or articles, and comments which were not related to the proposed project. DOE has reviewed all of the comments received, reviewed all included attachments, and reviewed all research and articles submitted or cited in the comment. DOE will include this information in the draft EA as appropriate.