



**DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS, DETROIT DISTRICT
477 MICHIGAN AVENUE
DETROIT MI 48226-2550**

March 1, 2021

Mr. Jim Filby Williams
Director of Parks, Properties, and Libraries
City of Duluth
411 West First Street
Duluth, MN 55802-1101

Dear Mr. Filby Williams:

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Corps), Detroit District is committed to cleaning up the aluminium cans and can fragment debris that was inadvertently placed with the dredged material during the 2020 beach nourishment project on Park Point. The Corps takes the matter seriously and has developed a plan to clean up the debris in the 2020 beach nourishment area. This unfortunate incident has provided us with the opportunity to improve our processes and procedures for beach nourishment operations. We are confident that we've taken the necessary steps to mitigate the risk of encountering and placing debris during future dredging and beach nourishment operations.

The Corps values our partnership with the City of Duluth and we look forward to working together in the future. We appreciate the outstanding support that we've received from the community as well. Please feel free to contact Project Manager, Melissa Bosman at (313) 226-7855 or by email at Melissa.D.Bosman@usace.army.mil or me at 313-226-6127 or by email at Cynthia.A.Jarema@usace.army.mil.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Cynthia A. Jarema".

Cynthia A. Jarema
Chief, Operations Office

Enclosure