

**NATIONAL HISTORIC LIGHTHOUSE PRESERVATION ACT OF 2000  
NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY**

**Southwest Ledge Lighthouse  
New Haven Harbor, Connecticut  
May 15, 2015**

The light station described on the attached sheet has been determined to be excess to the needs of the United States Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security. Pursuant to the National Historic Lighthouse Preservation Act of 2000 (NHLPA) 16 U.S.C. 470, this historic property is being made available at no cost to eligible entities defined as Federal agencies, state and local agencies, non-profit corporations, educational agencies, or community development organizations for educational, park, recreational, cultural or historic preservation purposes.

Pursuant to Section 309 of the NHLPA, the property will be sold if it is not transferred to a public body or non-profit organization.

The Southwest Ledge Lighthouse (1877) is located within New Haven Harbor and is used to mark the hazardous underwater rock formation on the east side of the main channel into New Haven Harbor. Southwest Ledge Lighthouse was listed on the National Register of Historic Places on May 29, 1990.

Any eligible entity with an interest in acquiring the described property for a use consistent with the purposes stated above should submit a letter of interest to the address listed below by **July 15, 2015**.

Letters of interest should include:

- Name of property
- Name of eligible entity
- Point of contact, title, address, phone and email
- Non-profit agencies must provide either a copy of their state-certified articles of incorporation or evidence that an application has been filed.

Eligible entities that submit a written letter of interest will be sent an application from the United States Department of the Interior, National Park Service (NPS) and given an opportunity to inspect the property. Building inspectors and/or contractors may accompany the applicant on the inspection. The completed application must be submitted to the NPS within 90 days from the date of the Federal government's scheduled site inspection. The NPS will review the applications and may recommend a steward to receive the property. The General Services Administration will complete the conveyance to the selected steward with a Quitclaim Deed.

**Letters of interest should be sent to:  
U.S. General Services Administration  
Real Property Utilization and Disposal  
10 Causeway Street  
Boston, MA 02222  
Attention: Eric Giusti**

**Send a copy to:  
Daniel T. Forrest, Director Arts & HP  
DECD State Historic Preservation Officer  
One Constitution Plaza, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor  
Hartford, CT 06103**

**National Historic Lighthouse Preservation Act (NHLPA)  
Notice of Availability Fact Sheet Date: May 15, 2015**

<b>GSA Control No.</b>	1-X-CT-0557
<b>Property Identification</b>	The Southwest Ledge Lighthouse (“the Property”)
<b>Address</b>	Located at the east side of the main channel into New Haven Harbor, off the coast of New Haven, Connecticut Coordinates: 41°13' 53"N / 72°55' 25"W
<b>Description</b>	<p>The Property includes the cast-iron lighthouse structure only.</p>  <p><i>Photo Courtesy of Brian Tague Photography</i></p> <p>The Property (1877) is a 45' tall, three story, cast iron square structure resting upon a cylindrical iron foundation, one of the first lighthouses to do so in an effort to address shifting ice. The Property features a unique two story mansard roof detailed in the Second Empire style. It was designed by the former Engineer-Secretary of the U.S. Lighthouse Board, Major George H. Elliot. The Property replaced the former Mile Point Lighthouse on the mainland in New Haven, Connecticut.</p> <p>The focal height of the light is approximately 57'. The light flashes red every 5 seconds. The fog signal blasts twice every 20 Seconds, with 1/2 NM range and a decibel level of 118dbA at 1 meter, and a minimum safe distance of 50ft. A fog detector activates the horn in times of low visibility.</p> <p>The Property is accessible by boat only.</p>
<b>Condition of Property</b>	The Property is offered “AS IS” and “WHERE IS” without representation, warranty, or guarantee as to quality, quantity, title, character, condition, size or kind.
<b>Range of Possible Uses</b>	May be obtained for educational, park, recreational, cultural, or historic preservation purposes.
<b>Commercial Activities</b>	Commercial activities are prohibited unless approved by the Secretary of the Interior.
<b>Historical Information</b>	The Property is listed in the National Register of Historic Places, (NR # 89001475) and therefore must be maintained according to the Secretary of Interior’s Standards. The deed will include historic preservation covenants.
<b>Utilities</b>	None
<b>Current Tenant</b>	None
<b>Aid to Navigation (ATON)</b>	ATON will remain the personal property of the USCG.

<p><b>Easements to be retained by the United States Coast Guard</b></p>	<p>1) the unrestricted right of the USCG to keep, locate, service, maintain, operate, repair and replace aids to navigation and any and all associated equipment on the Property;</p> <p>2) the unrestricted right of the USCG to relocate or add any aids to navigation and any and all associated equipment or make changes on any portion of the Property as may be necessary for ATON purposes;</p> <p>3) a right of access in favor of the USCG for the purpose of servicing, maintaining, locating, operating, repairing and replacing ATON and any and all associated equipment on the Property. The USCG shall have the right to enter the Property at any time with reasonable notice for the purpose of maintaining the ATON and performing other functions contemplated herein. Access shall be across any portion of the Property as necessary. Upon completion of the servicing of the ATON and any associated equipment, the Property shall at the sole cost of the USCG, subject to the availability of appropriated funds, be left as nearly as reasonably possible in the same condition as before any such work began;</p> <p>4) a reservation to the USCG for the purpose of preserving an Arc of Visibility from the Property to the shoreline within the radial arc of 360 degrees true and the stipulation that nothing will be constructed, maintained or permitted of a height to interfere with or obstruct the Arc of Visibility;</p> <p>5) An easement to the USCG for the purpose of sounding in certain weather conditions a fog signal horn.</p>
<p><b>Environmental Information</b></p> <p><b>Submerged Lands</b></p>	<p>Due to the age of the structure, asbestos containing materials and lead-based paint may be present on the Property.</p> <p>Under the NHLPA, no submerged lands can be conveyed with the historic structure. An agreement from the State of Connecticut will be needed to allow the new steward to occupy the submerged lands on which the Property sits.</p>
<p><b>Notice Response Due Date</b></p>	<p>60 days from date of this Notice which is July 15, 2015.</p>
<p><b>Access/Inspection</b></p>	<p>Not open to the public. An inspection for eligible applicants will be arranged by the U.S. General Services Administration after the 60-day screening period is closed. A Waiver of Liability must be signed with GSA in advance in of the onsite inspection. Contact Eric Giusti @ 617-565-5072 or via email: Eric.giusti@gsa.gov</p>