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Sent: Monday, July 25, 2016 12:18 PM
To: Paul Thorpe
Cc: Robert Lide; Humphreys, John
Subject: RE: FWMD Mitigation Plan Update (2016)

Paul,

The Department approves the below proposal. No further information is necessary.

Thanks.

Tim

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From: Paul Thorpe [<mailto:Paul.Thorpe@nfwwater.com>]
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Subject: RE: FWMD Mitigation Plan Update (2016)

Tim,

On 4/26/2016, the Department approved the annual NFWFMD Regional Mitigation Plan update ("Approval of Regional Mitigation Plan Modifications, February 29, 2016") for FDOT projects added since March, 2015 (available online at http://www.nfwmdwetlands.com/content/download/8094/67200/RMP16_021216b.pdf).

At the time of approval, specific mitigation for CR 99 Pine Barren Creek Bridge (FDOT FPID 430466-1) had not been determined, although conceptual approval to mitigate this impact through the section 373.4137, FS, process was obtained. Specific mitigation for this impact has now been identified, and per section 373.4137, FS, and the approved Regional Mitigation Plan, the NFWFMD is seeking FDEP approval prior to proceeding with implementation.

The CR 99 project consists of replacement of a bridge in northern Escambia County within the Blackwater River watershed. As described in the initial submittal, impact to wetlands is estimated at 1.23 acres, with a functional loss of 0.82 UMAM. This impact is not within the service area of any private mitigation bank or NFWFMD In-lieu Fee project. Mitigation to comply with FDEP Permit No. 17-0339616-001-EI and USACE Permit SAJ-2015-03537 SP-MAO will consist of restoration of 5.52 acres of

palustrine forested wetlands on NFWMD lands in the Escambia River floodplain. A mixture of hydrophytic tree species will be planted on 5.52 acres in a former sand pit.

The detailed mitigation plan is attached to the USACE permit, and may be viewed online at: (http://www.nfwmdwetlands.com/content/download/9972/79545/CR_99_Pine_Barren_Creek_SA_J_2015_03537_SP_MAO_063016b.pdf).

Please let me know if any additional information is required for the FDEP review, and do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

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