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February 17, 2026

Sent via email

Northwest Florida Water Management District
c/o Robert F. Lide, Environmental Scientist III
81 Water Management Drive
Havana, FL 32333-4712

Subject: NWFMD FDOT Mitigation Plan pursuant to 373.4137(4), Florida Statutes

Dear Mr. Lide,

The Department of Environmental Protection, Submerged Lands and Environmental Resources Coordination program is in receipt of your February 12, 2026, email and accompanying 2026 FDEP Mitigation Plan dated February 12, 2026. The Department has reviewed and approved the Northwest Florida Water Management District's 2026 FDOT Mitigation Plan.

The correspondence of February 12, 2026, and accompanying FDOT Mitigation Plan satisfy the requirements of 373.4137(4), Florida Statutes and the Department does not request further action at this time.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Timothy Rach".

Timothy Rach
Program Administrator
Submerged Lands and Environmental Resources Coordination

cc: Edward Smith, Office of Water Management & Ecosystem Projects