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To: Daniel Irick
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
Regulatory Division, Jacksonville District
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RE: Sale of 0.07 Federal Mitigation Credits (Palustrine Forested) from NWFWMD ILF Program, Shuler Mitigation Area (SAJ-2011-00287), as Mitigation for Hanna Mill Pond Road Bridge No. 504043 in Gadsden County (USACE Permit SAJ-2025-01464, NWP-VCB)

Dear Mr. Irick:

This letter shall serve to fulfill the Sponsor's (NWFWMD) obligations, described in sections 5.0 and 7.2 of the NWFWMD In-Lieu Fee Program Final Instrument, and in accordance with 33 CFR 332.3(l)(3) and 332.8(p)(1), to notify the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) of the sale of 0.07 federal mitigation credits (palustrine forested) from the NWFWMD In-Lieu Fee Program, Shuler Mitigation Area (SAJ-2011-00287) to the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT). In support of this notification, the USACE Permit SAJ-2025-01464, NWP-VCB requiring the mitigation, a credit sales letter signed and dated by the Sponsor and permittee, and the following information is provided:

- Impact Project Name: Hanna Mill Pond Road Bridge No. 504043 in Gadsden County
- USACE Permit: SAJ-2025-01464, NWP-VCB (see Specific Condition #13)
- Impact HUC-8: 03120003 – Lower Ochlockonee
- Impact Lat/Long: 30.60° North / -84.70° West
- Impact Acreage: 0.489 Acres (Wetland/Surface Waters; Permanent/Temporary)
- Impact Wetlands: Palustrine Forested
- Functional Loss: 0.07 UMAM
- Mitigation Site: Shuler ILF Mitigation Area
- Number of Credits: 0.07 UMAM
- Type of Credits: Palustrine Forested

The mitigation credits noted above have been paid in full by the Florida Department of Transportation and have been deducted from the NWFWMD-maintained In-Lieu Fee, Shuler Mitigation Area credit ledger. By action of this sale, the Sponsor accepts responsibility for providing the compensatory mitigation required by the permit noted above.

If you have any questions regarding this request, please contact me at robert.lide@nwfwater.com.

Sincerely,

Robert Lide

Robert F. Lide
Sr. Environmental Scientist

Enclosures

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FDOT FPID 441188-1
Hanna Mill Pond Road over Hanna Pond Bridge No. 504043
Gadsden County

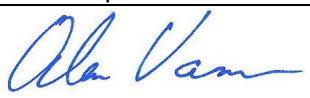
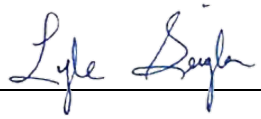
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In-Lieu Fee Mitigation Program

CREDIT RESERVATION, PURCHASE AGREEMENT AND CERTIFICATE

The Northwest Florida Water Management District (NWFWMD), a Florida governmental agency and sponsor of the NWFWMD In-Lieu Fee Mitigation Program, (hereinafter referred to as "Seller"), does hereby reserve and set aside for future assignment for the sole benefit of the Florida Department of Transportation (hereinafter referred to as "Buyer"), a total of 0.04 state and 0.07 federal Palustrine Forested Wetland Mitigation UMAM Credits from the Shuler In-Lieu Fee Mitigation Area credit ledgers, issued to Seller's In-Lieu Fee Mitigation Program pursuant to United States Army Corps of Engineers Permit Number SAJ-2011-00287-TMF and provisions contained in 33 CFR, Parts 325 and 332, as revised effective June 9, 2008 (Federal Mitigation Rule).

This reservation is for use of credit in connection with mitigating adverse wetland impacts which may arise as a result of construction or other projects undertaken or to be undertaken by the Buyer for FDOT Financial Project ID (FPID) 441188-1 for Hanna Mill Pond Road over Hanna Pond Bridge No. 504043 in Gadsden County (NWFWMD ERP Permit IND-039-324301-2; USACE Permit SAJ-2025-01464). Seller warrants that it will take no action inconsistent with the reservation and future assignment described herein. However, this agreement does not constitute a permit or permission to proceed with any proposed action. The Buyer is responsible for obtaining all necessary permits for a proposed action.

Upon receipt of the full purchase price, Seller is committed to transfer to Buyer 0.04 state and 0.07 federal palustrine forested UMAM mitigation credits from the Shuler In-Lieu Fee Mitigation Area credit ledgers for use in offsetting wetland impacts. The Purchase Price for 0.04 state and 0.07 federal mitigation credits associated with FDOT Project 441188-1, in accordance with the NWFWMD In-Lieu Fee Program Final Instrument and section 373.4137, Florida Statutes, is seventeen thousand five hundred ninety-eight dollars and fifty-seven cents ($17,598.57). Seller will assume full legal responsibility for success of purchased mitigation credits as required by permits and will, upon receipt of payment, proceed with withdrawal of the specified credits noted above.

	BUYER	SELLER
Name:	Florida Department of Transportation	Northwest Florida Water Management District
By:		
Name and Title:	Alan Vann Environmental Permits	Lyle Seigler Executive Director
Executed:	9/2/2026	9/8/2026

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
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October 7, 2025

Regulatory Division
North Permits Branch
Panama City Permits Section
SAJ-2025-01464 (NWP-VCB)

Attention: Mr. Joseph Mixon
Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT), District 3
1074 Highway 90
Chipley, FL 32428
Via Email: Joseph.Mixon@dot.state.fl.us

Dear Mr. Mixon:

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Corps) has completed the review of your application for a Department of the Army permit. Your application was assigned file number SAJ-2025-01464 (NWP-VCB). A review of the information and drawings (Attachment 1) provided indicates that the proposed work will result in permanent impact to 0.115 acre of wetland and 0.138 acre of surface waters associated with Hanna Mill Pond and Telogia Creek, to replace the existing bridges and relief structure on Hanna Mill Road. In addition, the applicant will temporarily impact 0.067 acre of wetlands and 0.169 acre of surface waters. As part of the work, the existing weir structures currently connected to the bridges will also be replaced. The total area of permanent and temporary impacts to wetlands and surface waters would be of approximately 0.489 acre. The activities subject to this permit are authorized pursuant to authorities under Section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act of 1899 (33 U.S.C. § 403) and Section 404 of the Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. § 1344). The project is located in Hanna Mill Pond and Telogia Creek at the crossing of Hanna Mill Road over Hanna Mill Pond and Telogia Creek, in Section 2, Township 2 North, Range 5 West, near Quincy, Gadsden County, Florida (Centroid location 30.604100 North, -84.701940 West).

Your project, as depicted on the enclosed drawings, is authorized by Nationwide Permit (NWP) 14 (Linear Transportation Projects). **This verification is valid until March 14, 2026.** In order for this NWP authorization to be valid, you must ensure that the work is performed in accordance with the Nationwide Permit General Conditions, the Jacksonville District Regional Conditions, and the General and Project-Specific Special Conditions listed below. Furthermore, if you commence or are under contract to commence this activity before the date that the relevant NWP is modified or revoked, you will have 12 months from the date of the modification or revocation of the NWP to complete the activity under the present terms and conditions of this NWP. You can

access the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers' (Corps) Jacksonville District's Regulatory Source Book webpage for links to view NWP information at: https://www.saj.usace.army.mil/Missions/Regulatory/Source-Book/. Please be aware this Internet address is case sensitive and should be entered as it appears above. Once there, you will need to select "Nationwide Permits." Among other things, this part of the Source Book contains links to the federal register containing the text of the pertinent NWP authorization and the associated NWP general conditions, as well as separate links to the regional conditions applicable to the pertinent NWP verification.

You must comply with all of the special and general conditions for NWP-14, including any project-specific conditions included in this letter and all conditions incorporated by reference as described above.

General Conditions:

1. The time limit for completing the work authorized ends on **March 14, 2026**.

2. You must maintain the activity authorized by this permit in good condition and in conformance with the terms and conditions of this permit. You are not relieved of this requirement if you abandon the permitted activity, although you may make a good faith transfer to a third party in compliance with General Condition 4 below. Should you wish to cease to maintain the authorized activity, or should you desire to abandon it without a good faith transfer, you must obtain a modification of this permit from this office, which may require restoration of the area.

3. If you discover any previously unknown historic or archeological remains while accomplishing the activity authorized by this permit, you must immediately notify this office of what you have found. We will initiate the Federal and state coordination required to determine if the remains warrant a recovery effort of if the site is eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places.

4. If you sell the property associated with this permit you must obtain the signature of the new owner on the attached transfer form (Attachment 2) and forward a copy to this office to validate the transfer of this authorization.

5. If a conditioned water quality certification has been issued for your project, you must comply with the conditions specified in the certification as special conditions to this permit.

6. You must allow a representative from this office to inspect the authorized activity at any time deemed necessary to ensure that it is being or has been accomplished in accordance with the terms and conditions of your permit.

Project Specific Special Conditions:

The following project specific special conditions are included with this verification:

1. Reporting Address: The Permittee shall submit all reports, notifications, documentation, and correspondence required by the general and special conditions of this permit to either (not both) of the following addresses:

a. For electronic mail (preferred): SAJ-RD-Enforcement@usace.army.mil (not to exceed 15 MB).

b. For standard mail: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Regulatory Division, Enforcement Section, P.O. Box 4970, Jacksonville, FL 32232-0019.

The Permittee shall reference this permit number, SAJ-2025-01464 (NW-VCB), on all submittals.

2. Permit Conditions Prevail: If information in the permit attachments conflict with the special conditions of this permit, the requirements of the permit special conditions shall prevail.

3. Commencement Notification: Within 10 days from the date of initiating the work authorized by this permit, the Permittee shall submit a completed “Commencement Notification” form (Attachment 3).

4. Posting of Permit: The Permittee shall have available and maintain for review a copy of this permit and approved plans at the construction site.

5. As-Built Certification: Within 60 days of completion of the work authorized by this permit, the Permittee shall submit as-built drawings of the authorized work and a completed “As-Built Certification by Professional Engineer or Surveyor” form (Attachment 4) to the Corps. The as-built drawings shall be signed and sealed by a registered professional engineer or surveyor and include the following:

a. A plan view drawing of the location of the authorized work footprint, as shown onthe permit drawings, with an overlay of the work as constructed. The plan view drawing should show all existing water management structures and the completed structures, dredge/fill activities, and wetland impacts.

b. A list of any deviations between the work authorized by this permit and the work as constructed. In the event that the completed work deviates, in any manner, from the authorized work, describe on the attached “As-Built Certification by Professional Engineer” form the deviations between the work authorized by this permit and the work as constructed. Clearly indicate on the as-built drawings any deviations that have been listed. Please note that the depiction and/or description of any deviations on the

drawings and/or “As-Built Certification by Professional Engineer” form does not constitute approval of any deviations by the Corps.

c. The Department of the Army permit number on all sheets submitted.

6. Cultural Resources/Historic Properties:

a. No structure or work shall adversely affect, impact, or disturb properties listed in the National Register of Historic Places (NRHP), or those eligible for inclusion in the NRHP.

b. If, during permitted activities, items that may have historic or archaeological origin are observed the Permittee shall immediately cease all activities adjacent to the discovery that may result in the destruction of these resources and shall prevent his/her employees from further removing, or otherwise damaging, such resources. The applicant shall notify both the Florida Department of State, Division of Historical Resources, Compliance Review Section at (850)-245-6333 and the Corps, of the observations within the same business day (8 hours). Examples of submerged historical, archaeological or cultural resources include shipwrecks, shipwreck debris fields (such as steam engine parts, or wood planks and beams), anchors, ballast rock, concreted iron objects, concentrations of coal, prehistoric watercraft (such as log "dugouts"), and other evidence of human activity. The materials may be deeply buried in sediment, resting in shallow sediments or above them, or protruding into water. The Corps shall coordinate with the Florida State Historic Preservation Officer (SHPO) to assess the significance of the discovery and devise appropriate actions. Project activities shall not resume without verbal and/or written authorization from the Corps.

c. Additional cultural resources assessments may be required of the permit area in the case of unanticipated discoveries as referenced in accordance with the above Special Condition and, if deemed necessary by the SHPO or Corps, in accordance with 36 CFR 800 or 33 CFR 325, Appendix C (5). Based on the circumstances of the discovery, equity to all parties, and considerations of the public interest, the Corps may modify, suspend, or revoke the permit in accordance with 33 CFR Part 325.7. Such activity shall not resume on non-federal lands without written authorization from the SHPO for finds under his or her jurisdiction, and from the Corps.

d. In the unlikely event that unmarked human remains are identified on non-federal lands; they will be treated in accordance with Section 872.05 Florida Statutes. All work and ground disturbing activities within a 100-meter diameter of the unmarked human remains shall immediately cease and the Permittee shall immediately notify the medical examiner, Corps, and State Archaeologist within the same business day (8-hours). The Corps shall then notify the appropriate SHPO. Based on the circumstances of the discovery, equity to all parties, and considerations of the public interest, the Corps may modify, suspend, or revoke the permit in accordance with 33 CFR Part 325.7. Such

activity shall not resume without written authorization from the SHPO and from the Corps.

7. Eastern Indigo Snake Protection Measures and Inspection: Permittee shall comply with U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service's "Standard Protection Measures for the Eastern Indigo Snake" dated May 2024, as provided in Attachment 5 of this permit. All gopher tortoise burrows, active or inactive, shall be evacuated prior to site manipulation in the vicinity of the burrow. If excavating potentially occupied burrows, active or inactive, individuals must first obtain state authorization via a Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC) Authorized Gopher Tortoise Agent permit. The excavation method selected shall minimize the potential for injury of an indigo snake. The Permittee shall follow the excavation guidance provided in the most current FWC Gopher Tortoise Permitting Guidelines found at http://myfwc.com/gophertortoise. If an indigo snake is encountered, the snake must be allowed to vacate the area prior to additional site manipulation in the vicinity. Holes, cavities, and snake refugia other than gopher tortoise burrows shall be inspected each morning before planned site manipulation of a particular area, and if occupied by an indigo snake, no work shall commence until the snake has vacated the vicinity of the proposed work.

8. Proposed Species/Critical Habitat: The action falls within the range for the Alligator snapping turtle, Monarch butterfly, Tricolored bat which are proposed to be federally listed and/ or proposed ciritical habitat for the species under the Endangered Species Act. If the species becomes federally listed and/or the final critical habitat is designated and the authorized work has not been completed, the Permittee is required to stop work and ask the Corps to re-evaluate the effects of the permitted action on the Alligator snapping turtle, Monarch butterfly, Tricolored bat and/or their critical habitats, and if needed, complete Section 7 consultation with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service to address potential impacts to the Alligator snapping turtle, Monarch butterfly, Tricolored Bat and/or critical habitat.

9. Turbidity Barriers: Prior to the initiation of any of the work authorized by this permit, the Permittee shall install floating turbidity barriers with weighted skirts that extend 1 foot of the bottom around all work areas that are in, or adjacent to, surface waters. The turbidity barriers shall remain in place and be maintained daily until the authorized work has been completed and turbidity within the construction area has returned to ambient levels. Turbidity barriers shall be removed upon stabilization of the work area.

10. Erosion Control: Prior to the initiation of any work authorized by this permit, the Permittee shall install erosion control measures along the perimeter of all work areas to prevent the displacement of fill material outside the work area into waters of the United States. The erosion control measures shall remain in place and be maintained until all authorized work is completed and the work areas are stabilized.

11. Fill Material: The Permittee shall use only clean fill material for this project. The fill material shall be free from items such as trash, debris, automotive parts, asphalt, construction materials, concrete block with exposed reinforcement bars, and soils contaminated with any toxic substance in toxic amounts, in accordance with Section 307 of the Clean Water Act.

12. Temporary Wetland Impacts: Within 30 days from the date of completing the work authorized by this permit, the Permittee shall restore 0.067 acre of wetlands and 0.169 acre of surface waters as detailed in Attachment 1, to pre-existing contours, elevations, vegetation, habitat type, and hydrology.

13. In- lieu Mitigation Credits Purchase: Prior to commencement of work, the Permittee shall provide verification to the Corps that 0.07 UMAM units of Palustrine Forested Wetlands federal mitigation credits have been purchased from the Northwest Florida Water Management District (NWFWMD) Shuler In-Lieu-Fee Mitigation Area (SAJ-2011-00287).The required verification shall reference this project's permit number SAJ-2025-01464 (NW-VCB).

This letter of authorization does not include conditions that would prevent the 'take' of a state-listed fish or wildlife species. These species are protected under sec. 379.411, Florida Statutes, and listed under Rule 68A-27, Florida Administrative Code. With regard to fish and wildlife species designated as species of special concern or threatened by the State of Florida, you are responsible for coordinating directly with the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC). You can visit the FWC license and permitting webpage (http://www.myfwc.com/license/wildlife/) for more information, including a list of those fish and wildlife species designated as species of special concern or threatened. The Florida Natural Areas Inventory (http://www.fnai.org/) also maintains updated lists, by county, of documented occurrences of those species.

This letter of authorization does not give absolute Federal authority to perform the work as specified on your application. The proposed work may be subject to local building restrictions mandated by the National Flood Insurance Program. You should contact your local office that issues building permits to determine if your site is located in a flood-prone area, and if you must comply with the local building requirements mandated by the National Flood Insurance Program.

This letter of authorization does not preclude the necessity to obtain any other Federal, State, or local permits which may be required.

Thank you for your cooperation with our permit program. The Corps' Jacksonville District Regulatory Division is committed to improving service to our customers. We strive to perform our duty in a friendly and timely manner while working to preserve our environment. We invite you to complete our automated Customer Service Survey at

https://regulatory.ops.usace.army.mil/customer-service-survey/. Please be aware this Internet address is case sensitive and you will need to enter it exactly as it appears above. Your input is appreciated – favorable or otherwise.

Should you have any questions related to this NWP verification or have issues accessing the documents referenced in this letter, please contact Veronica C. Beech at the Panama City Permits Section at 415 Richard Jackson Boulevard, Suite 411, Panama City Beach, FL 32407, by telephone at 850-287-2905, or by email at veronica.c.beech@usace.army.mil.

Sincerely,

Lisa S. Lovvorn
Chief, Panama City Permits Section

Enclosures:
Attachment 1: Drawings
Attachment 2: Transfer Forms
Attachment 3: Commencement Notification
Attachment 4: As-Built Certification by Professional Engineer or Surveyor
Attachment 5: Standard Protection Measures for the Eastern Indigo Snake

Cc:
FDOT OEM