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Regulatory Division

Action ID: SAW-2007-1871-345, SAW-2004-30595 and SAW-2003-30312

Mr. Phillip S. Harris, III, P.E., Section Head Project Development and Environmental Analysis-Natural Environment Section North Carolina Department of Transportation 1598 Mail Service Center Raleigh, North Carolina 27699-1598

Dear Mr. Harris:

I refer to your letters dated May 14, 2012, and May 23, 2012, concerning the following mitigation sites:

- 1. UT's to Mud Creek Sites #1 and #3, TIP No. B-3856, Action ID SAW-2007-1871-345, Henderson County
- 2. UT to West Fork of French Broad River Sites #8 and #17, TIP No. R-0619EI, Action ID SAW-2004-30595, Transylvania County
- 3. Mud Creek Tributary Site #3, TIP No. R-2214A, Action ID SAW-2003-30312, Henderson County

These sites are being utilized by the North Carolina Department of Transportation as compensatory mitigation for impacts to jurisdictional waters of the United States, as authorized by Department of Army permits SAW-2007-1871-345, SAW-2004-30595 and SAW-2003-30312.

We concur that you have completed the requirements to monitor these stream mitigation sites for channel stability by visual observation on a biannual basis for five years or until success criteria were met; therefore, no further monitoring of these sites will be required.

Please contact me at (828) 271-7980, ext. 223 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Lori Beckwith Project Manager

Asheville Regulatory Field Office