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October 5, 2020

Regulatory Division/1145b

SUBJECT: DA # SAW-1998-21203; TIP I-2304A

North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT) Environmental Analysis Unit Attn: Philip S. Harris, PhD., 1548 Mail Service Center Raleigh, NC 27699-1548

Dear Dr. Harris:

Reference your October 5, 2020 letter, requesting documentation that we require no further monitoring of the I-2304A Yadkin River Wetland Mitigation Site, adjacent to I-85 just west of bridge crossing Yadkin River north of Salisbury, Rowan County, North Carolina, which was used to offset impacts for TIP Project I-2304A. The North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT) monitored the mitigation site for planted tree survival, and submitted annual reports for years, 2015 through 2019. I inspected the site on October 1, 2020.

Based on the monitoring reports and the site inspection, we concur with your recommendation to discontinue monitoring and close this site, and have determined that you have satisfied the mitigation wetland construction and monitoring requirements of the permit authorization for TIP I-2304A.

Should you have any questions, please call me at (919) 554-4884, extension 23.

Sincerely,

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