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CONTRACT NO.: C201732
STATE PROJECT: 33387.3.1 BRZ-1043(4)
T.I.P.: B-4020
COUNTY: Beaufort, Pitt
DESCRIPTION: **Bridge over Tranter's Creek and Approaches on SR-1403 & SR1567 in Washington**

SUBJECT: Action ID No. SAW-2007-04084

Department of the Army
Wilmington District, Corps of Engineers
Washington Regulatory Field Office
Attn: Mr. William Wescott
P. O. Box 1000
Washington, NC 27889-1000

Dear Mr. Wescott

The North Carolina Department of Transportation would like to inform you that the above referenced project with the subject action id number will not impact the estimated .37 acres as previously anticipated during construction. According to the wetland restoration plan submitted for this project, onsite mitigation would provide 0.14 acres of riverine swamp forest restoration. The remaining 0.23 acre of unavoidable impacts will be mitigated by debiting 0.46 credits of riverine wetland restoration from Mildred Wood Mitigation Site.

During the construction of the above referenced project, the Department did not excavate a proposed ditch within the wetlands. The previous letter dated April 21, 2009, stated that the shoulders of the road were to be constructed at 3:1 slopes, instead they were placed at 2:1 slopes of non-erodible lightweight aggregate. However, we were unable to maintain the slopes at a 2:1 so they were constructed as the plans depicted which did not reduce the amount of fill. Please see the table below of the actual revised impacts we currently have due to these changes in relation to the original proposed impacts.

Site Number	Original Wetlands (Acres)				As- Built Wetland (Acres)			
	Fill	Temporary Fill	Excavation	Hand Clearing	Fill	Temporary Fill	Excavation	Hand Clearing
TIP B-4020	0.22	0.08	0.15	0.31	0.22	.08	.003	0.15
Net Total Impacts	0.76				0.45			

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At this time, the Department has removed the causeway fill and has stabilized the area by seeding with the appropriate wetland seed mix. The Department is requesting that we not be required to do the additional wetland reforestation adjacent to the new structure due to the decrease in net impacts. Per our on-site visit, the Department feels that the mitigation completed to date should satisfy the new amount of impacts calculated. Please provide the Department with a response as to if the USACOE also agrees with our conclusion.

Should you have any questions concerning this matter, please advise.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Maria Rogerson".

Maria Rogerson, PE
Assistant Resident Engineer

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