

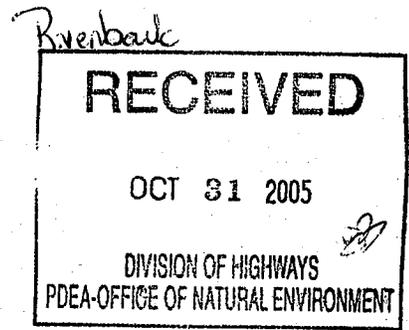


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IN REPLY REFER TO

October 28, 2005



Regulatory Division

Action ID No. 199703132

Mr. Anthony Roper, Division Engineer  
N.C. Department of Transportation  
113 Airport Drive, Suite 100  
Edenton, North Carolina 27932

Dear Mr. Roper:

Reference the Department of the Army (DA) permit issued to you on December 15, 2000, associated with the improvement to US 64 from Plymouth to East of Columbia, in Washington and Tyrrell Counties, North Carolina (TIP No. R-2548, State Project No. 6.149001T). Also reference your subsequent written request dated October 4, 2005, for a permit modification to modify the requirements of special condition aa. (wetland mitigation) in the USACE permit issued to you described above.

The original special condition (aa) required that 4,340 linear feet of the old U.S. Highway 64 be removed and graded down approximately 3.28 feet below the grade of the surrounding wetlands and back-filled with undercut material removed during the construction of the R-2548 segment to restore 6.13 acres of wetlands in an historic ox-bow area. Your modification request proposes to remove the existing roadbed down to the elevation of the surrounding wetlands and then undercut the area another 12 inches. The soil in this area will then be loosened using the excavating equipment and backfilled to the elevation of the surrounding wetland using backfill material consisting of sand and organic material obtained primarily from the shoulder areas along the 4,340 feet section of roadway that is being removed. Additional material if needed may be obtained from undercut materials from the Hwy 64 project and will be blended with the existing clay material resulting in a soil that is similar to the surrounding wetland soil.

This modification request was coordinated with the appropriate State and Federal agencies and the coordination revealed no objections to this modification request. Therefore, the permit is hereby modified in accordance with the specific work activities described above and in the enclosed plans. It is understood that all conditions of the original permit remain applicable and that the expiration date is unchanged. In addition, the permittee will comply with the following special permit conditions:

a. All work authorized by this permit modification must be performed in strict compliance with the attached work plans, which are part of this permit. Any modification to the permit plans must be approved by USACE prior to implementation.

b. The permittee shall require its contractors and/or agents to comply with the terms and conditions of this permit in the construction and maintenance of this project, and shall provide each of its contractors and/or agents associated with the construction or maintenance of this project with a copy of this permit, and any authorized modifications. A copy of this permit, and any authorized modifications, including all conditions, shall be available at the project site during construction and maintenance of this project.

Any questions regarding this correspondence may be directed to Mr. Bill Biddlecome, NCDOT Coordinator/Regulatory Project Manager at the Washington Regulatory Field Office, telephone (252) 975-1616, extension 26.

Sincerely,

John E. Pulliam, Jr.  
Colonel, U.S. Army  
District Engineer

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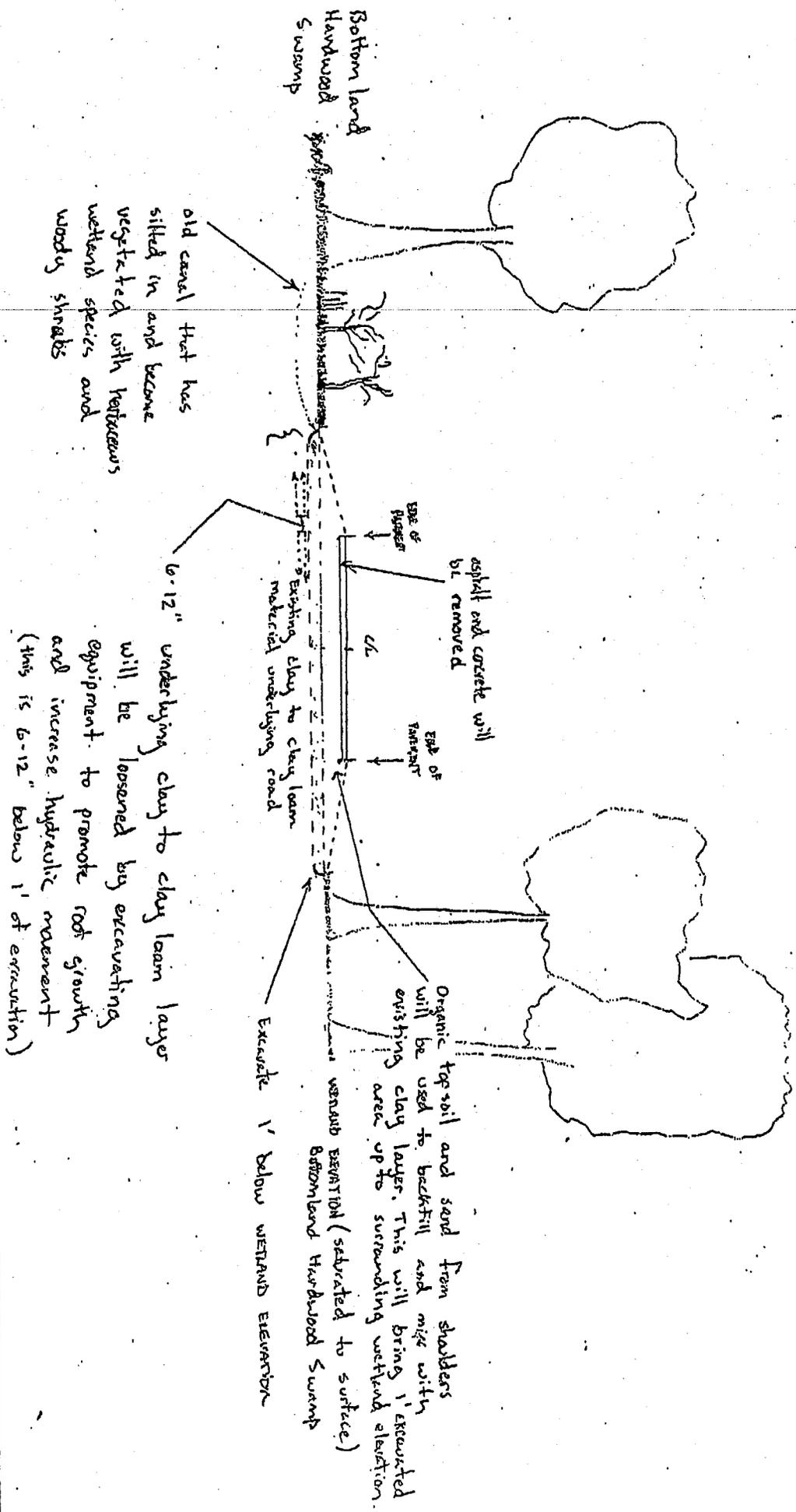
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# R-2548 Modification Request



R-2548 Permit Modification



NCDDT - DIVISION ONE  
 R-2548 US 64  
 Tyrrell County  
 Permit Modification  
 scale 1" = 20'

# R-2548, Tyrrell County



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Columbia West, NC  
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