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MEMORANDUM TO: Jim Stanfill, Strategic Planning Supervisor
NC Ecosystems Enhancement Program

FROM: Bruce O. Ellis, CLM, PWS, Assistant Unit Head *BOE*
NCDOT, Natural Environment Unit

SUBJECT: Case by Case Mitigation Request, Bonner Bridge On NC
12 over Oregon Inlet, TIP No. B-2500, WBS 32635.1.2.

NCDOT Natural Environment Unit will be pursuing "case by case" wetland and stream mitigation options for the replacement of the Bonner Bridge. The proposed project is in the Tar Pamlico River basin, CU 03020105. NCDOT proposes to use coastal marsh credits from the Balance Farm Mitigation Site, which is located in the Pasquatank River basin CU 03010205.

Therefore, NCDOT requests a transfer of mitigation credits for 4.8 acres of coastal marsh impacts from the Balance Farm Mitigation Site.

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Please contact me at 919 715-1418 if you have any questions.

*1:1 ratio
also some onsite
also prior to minimization*

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December 20, 2007

Mr. Gregory J. Thorpe, Ph.D.
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Dear Dr. Thorpe:

Subject: Transfer of Coastal Marsh Wetland Mitigation Credits for Case by
Case Mitigation Negotiations

B-2500, Bonner Bridge Replacement, Dare County

The purpose of this letter is to notify you that the Ecosystem Enhancement Program (EEP) has received your letter dated November 19, 2007. In response, EEP has transferred mitigation assets from the Ballance Farm Mitigation site to NCDOT in support of your efforts to negotiate the use of these assets to meet requirements associated with the above referenced project. Based on the information provided in your request the following amount of mitigation assets and credits has been transferred to NCDOT:

Project Name	Identification Number	Mitigation Type	Quantity (Feet or Acres)	Credits
Ballance Farm	21	Coastal Marsh Wetland Creation	14.40 acres	4.80

Concurrently, the coastal marsh wetland impacts associated with this TIP number will be removed from the NCDOT's Impact Projection Database (mitigation order) and EEP is no longer responsible for generating the mitigation credits to offset these stream and non-riparian impacts.

EEP understands that if the NCDOT does not require the full amount of coastal marsh wetland mitigation assets listed above to satisfy the mitigation requirements for this TIP project, then the unused amount will be transferred back to the EEP for

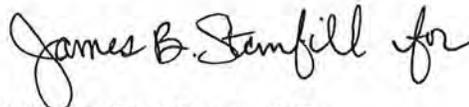
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utilization on future mitigation needs within cataloging unit 03010205 in the Pasquotank River basin per the Memorandum of Agreement between the North Carolina Department of Environment and Natural Resources, the North Carolina Department of Transportation, and the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers. If the NCDOT needs additional coastal marsh wetland mitigation credits from the Ballance Farm Mitigation site in order to complete negotiations, an additional request to transfer mitigation credits will be necessary.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact Ms. Beth Harmon at 919-715-1929.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "James B. Stanfill for". The signature is written in a cursive style.

William D. Gilmore, P.E.
EEP Director

cc: Bruce Ellis, NCDOT – PDEA-NEU
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