

## STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

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Attention:

Mr. James Lastinger

NCDOT Coordinator

Subject:

Request for Permit Renewal for Section 404 Nationwide 14 Permit and Section 401 Water Quality Certification for improvements to SR1221 (Old Beatty Ford Road) from SR 1337 (Lentz Road) to SR 2335 (Lower Stone Church Road), Rowan County, North Carolina, Federal Aid Project No. STP-1221(5),

TIP No. W-5313, Debit \$240.00 from WBS Element No. 46136.1.1

Reference:

404 Nationwide Permit 14, Action ID SAW-2012-00693

401 Water Quality Certification No 3886, Project No. 20151074

Dear Sir,

The North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT) was issued A 404 nationwide Permit 14 from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) on November 13, 2015 for the roadway improvements to Old Beatty Ford Road in Rowan County. The USACE 404 permit expired on March 18, 2017. The project is scheduled to LET on June 20, 2017. Therefore, a renewal of the USACE permit will be needed.

NCDOT also was issued Water Quality Certification (WQC) No. 3886 from the North Carolina Division of Water Resources (NCDWR) on November 5, 2015. Therefore, a renewal of the NCDWR 401 WQC will also be needed.

A change has occurred for a commitment concerning the Northern Long-eared Bat (NLEB) for the project. Previously, the project had USFWS concurrence for the Northern Long-eared Bat (NLEB) that committed to a tree cutting moratorium. In an email correspondence on March 31, 2017 with Marella Buncick, of the United States Fish and Wildlife Service, the moratorium has been removed and the project will now fall under the 4d rule.

There will be no construction changes from the original permit application submitted on October 13, 2015 therefore, NCDOT requests to renew the permit for this project. Application is hereby made for renewal of the USACE 404 permit and 401 WQC from NCDWR. We have provided a method of debiting \$240.00 to be submitted to the NCDWR for processing the WQC renewal request for W-5313, as noted in the subject line of this application.

A copy of this permit extension request will be posted at the NCDOT website at <a href="https://connect.ncdot.gov/resources/Environmental/">https://connect.ncdot.gov/resources/Environmental/</a>. Should you have any questions regarding this information, please contact Deanna Riffey at (919) 707-6151 or driffey@ncdot.gov

Sincerely,

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NCDOT Permit Application Standard Distribution List

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