

December 16, 2020

Regulatory Division

Action ID No. SAW-2009-01449

North Carolina Department of Transportation Division of Highways Mr. Philip S. Harris III, P.E., C.P.M. Natural Environment Section Head 1598 Mail Service Center Raleigh, North Carolina 27699-1598

Dear Mr. Harris:

Reference the Department of the Army (DA) permit dated April 12, 2013, in which we authorized the placement of fill material into 4.05 acres of wetlands and 5,190 linear feet of stream associated with the construction of sections A and B of the Shelby Bypass, located north of the town of Shelby, in Cleveland County, North Carolina (TIP Number R-2707). This is a phased permit; work is currently authorized on Sections A, B, and C. Sections D and E are not authorized to commence until final design is completed, impacts to waters and wetlands are minimized to the extent practicable, and all modified plans including, but not limited to, a compensatory mitigation plan are submitted and approved by the US Army Corps of Engineers (Corps). The current expiration date is December 31, 2020.

On December 14, 2020, the Corps received your request to modify the permit (Modification # 2) to extend the permit expiration date to December 31, 2029. The C section of this project is scheduled for completion in 2023, and the remaining two sections, D and E, are currently in project design, and scheduled for construction beginning in 2024.

The Corps has completed the evaluation of your request and has determined that it is appropriate and reasonable, and no public notice is required for this modification. Therefore, the permit is modified as requested to extend the permit expiration date to December 31, 2029.

All other permit conditions, including mitigation requirements, remain in effect as written. Should you have any questions, contact Mr. Eric Alsmeyer, via email at <u>Eric.C.Alsmeyer@usace.army.mil</u> or by telephone at (919) 554-4884, extension 23.

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