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Attention: Mr. Eric Alsmeyer
NCDOT Coordinator

SUBJECT: Request for Permit Renewal for the Wake Forest Bypass, Federal Aid No. HPSTP-55(12), State Project No. 8.1402501, TIP R-2809, WBS Element 34503.1.1Wake County, USACE Action ID 199601836, and DWQ Project No. 010550:

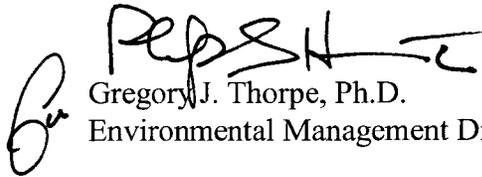
Dear Mr. Alsmeyer:

On April 4, 2002 and February 4, 2002, respectively, the United States Army Corp of Engineers (USACE) 404 Individual Permit and the Division of Water Quality (DWQ) 401 Water Quality Certification and Neuse River Buffer Rules were issued for above mentioned project. The most recent permit modification of the USACE 404 permit was received on October 18, 2005 and expires on December 31, 2006. Currently, construction of Section A of the Wake Forest Bypass is not projected to begin until February 2008. Therefore, an extension of the USACE permit will be needed. The most recent permit modification of the DWQ 401 Water Quality Certification was issued on September 30, 2005. The 401 Water Quality Certification language states that Certification will expire upon the expiration of the USACE 404. Therefore, an extension of the USACE 404 will also extend the DWQ 401 Water Quality Certification. This is a request to extend the USACE 404 permit and thus the DWQ 401 Water Quality Certification to December 31, 2010.

Application is hereby made for an extension of the USACE 404 permit and the 401 Water Quality Certification from DWQ.

If you have any questions or need additional information please contact Brett Feulner at (919) 715-1488.

Sincerely,



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