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Re: State Road 289 (N 9th Avenue) over Carpenter Creek, Escambia County

Financial Project Identification Number: 437178-1-52-01

Dear Ms. Murphy:

We wanted to extend our gratitude for you taking the time to attend the meeting on September 19, 2017 regarding the proposed bridge replacement on State Road 289 (N 9th Avenue) over Carpenter Creek. We are in receipt of the comments you submitted:

"Please list all applicable permits for demolition. Please list all areas of impact, including temporary and permanent. Please list all Protected Species and Ecologically Sensitive Areas you are addressing and how they are being managed throughout the processes, demolition and new construction. Proof of Designation in Section 403.067, F.S., to "... be the lead agency in administering this [impaired waters] program. List spill containment kits or supplies located on site, near where potential spills could occur, and Best Management Practices (BMP's). Please list BMP's of all contaminants. Erosion Prevention and Sediment Control measures as identified in NPDES permit, SWPPP and BMP's. All permits. Proof of designation listed in number 4 under demolition. Proof of #2. #3 and #5 listed in demolition above. Any use of temporary stream blocks, Any use of culvert bypasses, bypass channels or stream diversion. The use of Temporary Fill for Workpads, Isolating Worksites, Cofferdams and staging areas. Site Management Plan. Names of all contractors and their qualifications. Any record or procedure of obtaining riparian zone or personal property by Imminent Domain. List of all materials used in the development of the bridge. Access to all environmental studies done and the name of agency that produced the studies. List of all civilian and government agencies involved with this project outside of public comment meetings and ERP permit mandates. Name of engineer that designed the bridge and all designs considered for this project."

As stated at the Public Meeting the main purpose of the SR 289 Project 437178-1 is to replace the existing structurally deficient bridge culvert on 9th Avenue over Carpenter Creek and to resurface the roadway.

The demolition of the box culvert and the new construction will be covered by the current State and Federal Permitting Regulations including a State Environmental Resource Permit (ERP) and a Army Corps of Engineers (ACOE) Nationwide Permit and a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Permit that the Department's prequalified Contractor must obtain prior to construction. The areas of impact are shown on the preliminary plans which were available for review at the public meeting and have been

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sent to the City of Pensacola. Protected species and ecologically sensitive areas are governed by the State and the Federal Agencies and our permits for construction from each jurisdiction cover any anticipated ecological or environmental concern including the use of temporary stream blocks or other diversions, temporary fill for staging and pre-qualified contractors (which can be found here: construction. Only http://www.fdot.gov/contracts/PreQual Info/prequalified.shtm) will be allowed to bid on Additionally, issuance of these permits provides documentation of coordination with these agencies and our designation as the lead agency to construct the We anticipate the permits to contain conditions regarding spill containment, hazardous materials and their handling. The plans for the project include an Erosion Control and Sedimentation Plan that will be updated at permit issuance by the NWFWMD and the ACOE ensuring that Best Management Practices and current regulations are implemented. Finally, the construction of the project is not scheduled until fiscal year 2020 and contractors will be solicited for bids at that time. The permits above will have been acquired by FDOT, the selected contractor will have to apply for the NPDES Permit, and the contractor will have to follow the plans and associated permits. The plans depict all materials to be used on the project and the workzone area(s). Pond & Company is the Department's Engineer of Record for this project and the attached spreadsheet contains a list of all the local government agencies we have coordinated with on the project. Right of Way is being acquired for the construction of this project. Should eminent domain proceedings be necessary the procedure for that would be found here:

http://www.fdot.gov/rightofway/ProceduresManual.shtm

Should you have any additional questions about this project, contact Hays Griffin, at (850) 330-1755 or via email at <a href="mailto:hays.griffin@dot.state.fl.us">hays.griffin@dot.state.fl.us</a>. You may also contact me toll-free at (888) 638-0250, extension 1513 or via email at <a href="mailto:Kerrie.Harrell@dot.state.fl.us">Kerrie.Harrell@dot.state.fl.us</a>. Again, thank you for your participation and for your continued collaboration on this transportation resurfacing project.

Sincerely,

Kerrie Harrell, P.E.

District Consultant Project Management Engineer

**Enclosure**