

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY

CORPS OF ENGINEERS, JACKSONVILLE DISTRICT 701 SAN MARCO BOULEVARD JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA 32207-8175

September 22, 2023

Regulatory Division Enforcement Section SAJ-2005-05553 (SEG)

Carla Burrmann Aquatic Services Manager Hernando County Parks 16161 Flight Path Drive Brooksville, FL 34601

Dear Ms. Burrmann:

This is in reference to the Notice of Noncompliance dated July 17, 2012 (Notice), regarding the additional unauthorized dredging of the Hernando Channel from Stations 5+00 to 20+00 and Stations 30+00 to 100+00. The dredging project resulted in an additional three acres of unauthorized impacts to seagrass habitat. The project is located at the Hernando Channel, in Section 1, Township 23 south, Range 16 east, City of Hernando Beach, Hernando County, Florida.

A review of information submitted by Environmental Science Associates, dated August 24, 2022, indicates mitigation has been successful reflecting the existence of 9.3 acres of seagrass habitat. We take this opportunity to express our appreciation for your cooperation in resolving the problem, the Notice is hereby withdrawn.

This letter also serves to notify you that the monitoring and reporting requirements per Special Condition 9 of the permit have been fulfilled and therefore no longer necessary. Please be aware the compliance of the terms and conditions of the permit remain in effect and the mitigation areas and are still required to be maintained in perpetuity.

If you have any questions concerning this matter or Department of the Army permit requirements, please contact Shaun Gallagher by electronic mail at Shaun.E.Gallagher@usace.army.mil or by telephone at 352-562-3876.

Sincerely,

Robert J. Halbert

Chief. Enforcement Section

Robert Halbert

Enclosure

CC:

DEP, Hannah Westervelt, Florida Department of Environmental Protection Southwest District, 13051 North Temple Terrace Parkway, Suite 101, Temple Terrace, FL 33637

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