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NATIONAL MARINE FISHERIES SERVICE
Silver Spring, MD 20910

MEMORANDUM FOR: FILE

FROM: Christy Fellas, DWH Environmental Compliance Coordinator
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DATE: January 15, 2021

SUBJECT: ESA No Effect Determinations for Restoration Projects in Florida TIG
Restoration Plan and Environmental Assessment #2

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Based on my review of project materials including the Biological Evaluation forms (Fall 2020), and in coordination with representatives from NOAA's Protected Resource Division (PRD) in the Southeast Regional Office, the NOAA Restoration Center (RC) determined that the projects listed below will have no effect on species or habitats listed under the Endangered Species Act (ESA) under the jurisdiction of National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS).

- Johnson Beach Access Management and Habitat Protection
- Pensacola Beach Fort Pickens Road Wildlife Lighting Retrofits
- Engineering and Design for Pensacola Beach Park West Fishing Pier and Access Improvements
- Apollo Beach Recreational Fish Hatchery Facility

This due to the nature of the projects only including planning, engineering and design activities at this time, or taking place in upland locations. These types of activities are not expected to have any effects to protected species or habitats under NMFS' ESA jurisdiction.

Once engineering and design is complete, these projects may be considered for implementation in a future NRDA restoration plan in the FL TIG. At that point, projects selected for implementation would be analyzed for potential effects from construction that may affect ESA-listed habitats or species and any necessary consultations would be completed.