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APPROVED JURISDICTIONAL DETERMINATION

Western Virginia Regulatory Section
NAO-2015-01170 (Pigg River)

Friends of The Rivers of Virginia
Attn: Mr. William Tanger, Chairman
Post Office Box 1750
Roanoke, Virginia 24008

Ms. Cindy Schulz
Field Supervisor
Virginia Field Office
U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
6669 Short Lane
Gloucester, Virginia 23061

Dear Mr. Tanger and Ms. Schulz:

This letter is in regard to your request for verification of an approved jurisdictional determination for the waters of the U.S. (including wetlands) at the Pigg River Restoration at Power Dam project area, located at 1446 Power Dam Road, in the Town of Rocky Mount, Franklin County, Virginia.

An on-site jurisdictional determination found waters and wetlands regulated under Section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act (33 U.S.C. 403) and Section 404 of the Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. 1344) on the property listed above. This letter shall serve to confirm the wetlands delineation by the USFWS, as shown on the map titled, "Pigg River Restoration at Power Dam Project. Site 1". (*copy attached*).

Our basis for this determination is the application of the Corps' 1987 Wetland Delineation Manual and Regional Supplements to the Corps of Engineers Wetland Delineation Manual and the positive indicators of wetland hydrology, hydric soils, and hydrophytic vegetation. The wetland is a water of the United States and is part of a tributary system to interstate waters (33 CFR 328.3(a)). The Pigg River meets the Corps' definition of waters of the United States as it is part of a tributary system to interstate waters (33 CFR 328.3 (a)) and has an ordinary high water mark.

Discharges of dredged or fill material, including those associated with mechanized landclearing, into jurisdictional waters and/or wetlands on this site will require a Department of the Army permit and may require authorization by state and local authorities, including a Virginia Water Protection Permit from the Virginia Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ), a permit from the Virginia Marine Resources Commission

(VMRC) and/or a permit from your local wetlands board. This letter is a confirmation of the Corps jurisdiction for the waters and/or wetlands on the subject property and does not authorize any work in these jurisdictional areas. Please obtain all required permits before starting work in the delineated waters/wetland areas.

This letter contains an approved jurisdictional determination for your subject site. If you object to this determination, you may request an administrative appeal under Corps regulations at 33 CFR Part 331. Enclosed you will find a Notification of Appeal Process (NAP) fact sheet and Request for Appeal (RFA) form. If you request to appeal this determination you must submit a completed RFA form to the North Atlantic Division Office at the following address:

ATTN: Mr. James Haggerty, Regulatory Program Manager
United States Army Corps of Engineers
CENAD-PD-OR
Fort Hamilton Military Community
301 General Lee Avenue
Brooklyn, NY 11252-6700
Email: james.w.haggerty@usace.army.mil

In order for an RFA to be accepted by the Corps, the Corps must determine that it is complete, that it meets the criteria for appeal under 33 C.F.R. part 331.5, and that it has been received by the Division Office within 60 days of the date of the NAP. Should you decide to submit an RFA form, it must be received at the above address by July 6, 2016 (60 days). It is not necessary to submit an RFA form to the Division office if you do not object to the determination in this letter.

This jurisdictional determination is valid for a period of five (5) years from the date of this letter unless new information warrants revision prior to the expiration date. If you have any questions, please contact me at (540) 344-1498 or at jennifer.s.frye@usace.army.mil .

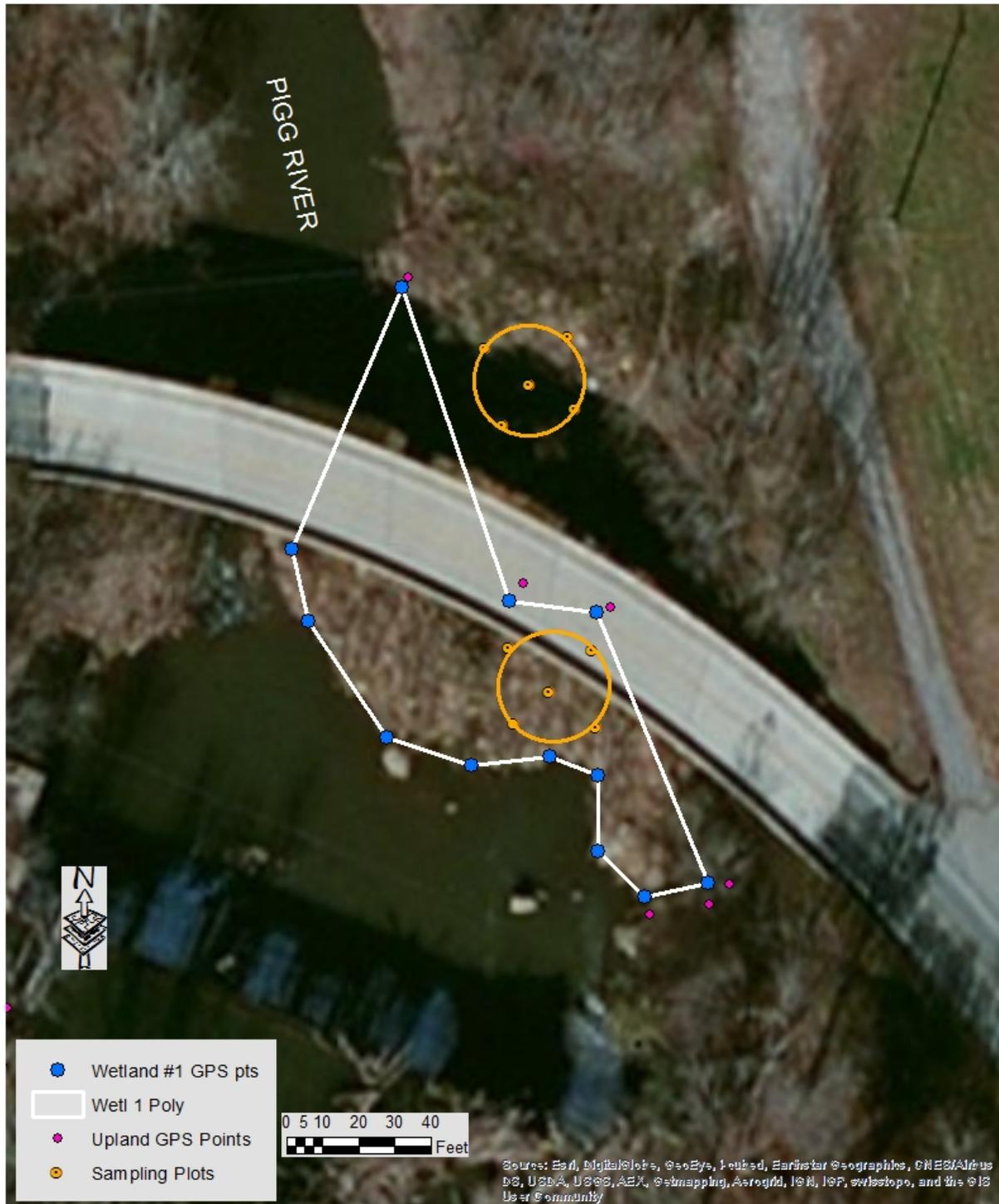
Sincerely,

Jennifer S. Frye
Chief, Western Virginia
Regulatory Section

Enclosure(s)

cc: Mike Johnson, Virginia Marine Resources Commission
Jesse (Jay) Roberts, Virginia Department of Environmental Quality

Pigg River Restoration at Power Dam Project. Site 1.
Total size=0.16 acres. Pigg River Q=100 cfs.



NOTIFICATION OF ADMINISTRATIVE APPEAL OPTIONS AND PROCESS AND REQUEST FOR APPEAL

Applicant: USFWS/FORVA		File Number: NAO-2015-01170	Date: 6 May 2016
Attached is:			See Section below
	INITIAL PROFFERED PERMIT (Standard Permit or Letter of permission)	A	
	PROFFERED PERMIT (Standard Permit or Letter of permission)	B	
	PERMIT DENIAL	C	
x	APPROVED JURISDICTIONAL DETERMINATION	D	
	PRELIMINARY JURISDICTIONAL DETERMINATION	E	

SECTION I - The following identifies your rights and options regarding an administrative appeal of the above decision. Additional information may be found at <http://www.usace.army.mil/Missions/CivilWorks/RegulatoryProgramandPermits/appeals.aspx> or Corps regulations at 33 CFR Part 331.

A: INITIAL PROFFERED PERMIT: You may accept or object to the permit.

- **ACCEPT:** If you received a Standard Permit, you may sign the permit document and return it to the district engineer for final authorization. If you received a Letter of Permission (LOP), you may accept the LOP and your work is authorized. Your signature on the Standard Permit or acceptance of the LOP means that you accept the permit in its entirety, and waive all rights to appeal the permit, including its terms and conditions, and approved jurisdictional determinations associated with the permit.
- **OBJECT:** If you object to the permit (Standard or LOP) because of certain terms and conditions therein, you may request that the permit be modified accordingly. You must complete Section II of this form and return the form to the district engineer. Your objections must be received by the district engineer within 60 days of the date of this notice, or you will forfeit your right to appeal the permit in the future. Upon receipt of your letter, the district engineer will evaluate your objections and may: (a) modify the permit to address all of your concerns, (b) modify the permit to address some of your objections, or (c) not modify the permit having determined that the permit should be issued as previously written. After evaluating your objections, the district engineer will send you a proffered permit for your reconsideration, as indicated in Section B below.

B: PROFFERED PERMIT: You may accept or appeal the permit

- **ACCEPT:** If you received a Standard Permit, you may sign the permit document and return it to the district engineer for final authorization. If you received a Letter of Permission (LOP), you may accept the LOP and your work is authorized. Your signature on the Standard Permit or acceptance of the LOP means that you accept the permit in its entirety, and waive all rights to appeal the permit, including its terms and conditions, and approved jurisdictional determinations associated with the permit.
- **APPEAL:** If you choose to decline the proffered permit (Standard or LOP) because of certain terms and conditions therein, you may appeal the declined permit under the Corps of Engineers Administrative Appeal Process by completing Section II of this form and sending the form to the division engineer. This form must be received by the division engineer within 60 days of the date of this notice.

C: PERMIT DENIAL: You may appeal the denial of a permit under the Corps of Engineers Administrative Appeal Process by completing Section II of this form and sending the form to the division engineer. This form must be received by the division engineer within 60 days of the date of this notice.

D: APPROVED JURISDICTIONAL DETERMINATION: You may accept or appeal the approved JD or provide new information.

- **ACCEPT:** You do not need to notify the Corps to accept an approved JD. Failure to notify the Corps within 60 days of the date of this notice, means that you accept the approved JD in its entirety, and waive all rights to appeal the approved JD.
- **APPEAL:** If you disagree with the approved JD, you may appeal the approved JD under the Corps of Engineers Administrative Appeal Process by completing Section II of this form and sending the form to the division engineer. This form must be received by the division engineer within 60 days of the date of this notice.

E: PRELIMINARY JURISDICTIONAL DETERMINATION: You do not need to respond to the Corps regarding the preliminary JD. The Preliminary JD is not appealable. If you wish, you may request an approved JD (which may be appealed), by contacting the Corps district for further instruction. Also you may provide new information for further consideration by the Corps to reevaluate the JD.

SECTION II - REQUEST FOR APPEAL or OBJECTIONS TO AN INITIAL PROFFERED PERMIT

REASONS FOR APPEAL OR OBJECTIONS: (Describe your reasons for appealing the decision or your objections to an initial proffered permit in clear concise statements. You may attach additional information to this form to clarify where your reasons or objections are addressed in the administrative record.)

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: The appeal is limited to a review of the administrative record, the Corps memorandum for the record of the appeal conference or meeting, and any supplemental information that the review officer has determined is needed to clarify the administrative record. Neither the appellant nor the Corps may add new information or analyses to the record. However, you may provide additional information to clarify the location of information that is already in the administrative record.

POINT OF CONTACT FOR QUESTIONS OR INFORMATION:

If you have questions regarding this decision and/or the appeal process you may contact:
Jennifer S. Frye, Chief
Western Virginia Regulatory Section
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Norfolk District
Richard H. Poff Federal Building
Room 749
210 Franklin Road SW
Roanoke, Virginia 24011

If you only have questions regarding the appeal process you may also contact:
Mr. James W. Haggerty
Regulatory Program Manager (CENAD-PD-OR)
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
Fort Hamilton Military Community
301 General Lee Avenue
Brooklyn, New York 11252-6700
Telephone number: 347-370-4650

RIGHT OF ENTRY: Your signature below grants the right of entry to Corps of Engineers personnel, and any government consultants, to conduct investigations of the project site during the course of the appeal process. You will be provided a 15 day notice of any site investigation, and will have the opportunity to participate in all site investigations.

Signature of appellant or agent.

Date:

Telephone number: