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SAS-2024-00928

Mr. Brent Widener
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Department of the Army
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Fort Moore, Georgia 31905-5122

Dear Mr. Widener:

I refer to your request received on October 21, 2024, concerning the construction of the proposed Dexter Elementary School. The 14-acre project site is located south of the intersection of Zuckerman Avenue and 1st Division Road in Fort Moore, Chattahoochee County, Georgia (centered at approximately latitude: 32.35715, longitude: -84.949778). This project has been assigned number SAS-2024-00928, and it is important that you reference this number in all communication concerning this matter.

We understand that implementation of the project will involve the construction of a new elementary school campus to include buildings, parking, stormwater ponds and access roads. All activities will take place in uplands and there will be no impacts to aquatic resources. Based on the information provided, the proposed activities would not involve a discharge of dredged or fill material subject to the regulatory jurisdiction of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE), as depicted on the attached drawing, prepared by Schenkel Shultz, entitled “Sheet A1 Overall Landscape Plan”.

Consequently, I have determined that no Department of the Army Permit would be required under Section 404 of the Clean Water Act for the proposed project. In the event changes to this project are contemplated, I recommend that you coordinate with us prior to proceeding with the work. Revisions to your proposal may invalidate this determination. The enclosed exhibit entitled, “SAS-2024-00928 Aquatic Resources Map”, dated November 13, 2024, as prepared by CESAS-RD-P identifies the delineation limits of all aquatic resources within the proposed project area. The wetlands were delineated in accordance with criteria contained in the 1987 "Corps of Engineers Wetland Delineation Manual,” as amended by the most recent regional supplements to the manual. Please note, should this delineation require reverification, it is subject to change based on site conditions at the time of reevaluation. Should you encounter any additional potentially jurisdictional waters within the construction area,

please contact this office so that we may determine if Department of the Army Authorization is required.

The delineation included herein has been conducted to identify the location and extent of the aquatic resource boundaries and/or the jurisdictional status of aquatic resources for purposes of the Clean Water Act for the particular site identified in this request. This delineation and/or jurisdictional determination may not be valid for the Wetland Conservation Provisions of the Food Security Act of 1985, as amended. If you or your tenant are USDA program participants, or anticipate participation in USDA programs, you should discuss the applicability of a certified wetland determination with the local USDA service center, prior to starting work.

This communication does not convey any property rights, either in real estate or material, or any exclusive privileges. It does not authorize any injury to property or invasion of rights, or any infringement of federal, state, local laws, or regulations. It does not obviate the requirement to obtain state or local assent required by law for the activity described herein. It does not affect your liability for damages that may be caused by the work, nor does it authorize any interference with any existing or proposed federal project. If this information you have submitted, and on which the USACE has based its determination is later found to be in error, this decision may be revoked.

Thank you in advance for completing our on-line Customer Survey Form located at https://regulatory.ops.usace.army.mil/customer-service-survey/. We value your comments and appreciate you taking the time to complete a survey each time you interact with our office.

An electronic copy of this letter has been provided to the following party: Ms. Suzanne Hill at suzanne.hill@usace.army.mil.

If you have any questions regarding this determination, please do not hesitate to contact me at (678) 422-6571, or amy.k.egoroff@usace.army.mil.

Sincerely,

Amy K. Egoroff
Lead Biologist, Piedmont Branch

Enclosures

A1 OVERALL LANDSCAPE PLAN

1"=60'-0"

SCHENKEL SHULTZ

SAS-2024-00928

0 375 750 1,500
ft

Map Center: 84.948278°W 32.356907°N

Map Created by: Amy Egoroff

Date: 11/13/2024

Coordinate System: WGS 1984 Web Mercator Auxiliary Sphere
Projection: Mercator Auxiliary Sphere