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01/07/2009 04:24 PM

To Rebecca Fox/R4/USEPA/US@EPA
cc
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Subject 401

History:  This message has been replied to.

Looks like 401 might be issued by end of week. Dorney has handed it over to Coleen Sullins. It looks like DWQ will be issuing a modified 401 that will allow PCS to mine through the SNHA—one or two draglines is unknown at this point. I'll look forward to hearing EPA's response to the 401 when it is issued.

Thanks.

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 01/08/2009 09:04 AM

To Rebecca Fox/R4/USEPA/US@EPA
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 Subject RE: 401

History: This message has been replied to.

Hi Becky,

Thanks for the info. I will be in New Bern Monday-Wednesday for our national Pure Farms, Pure Waters CAFO summit that several of us waterkeepers are hosting. But I could schedule a time to chat while I'm down there. Tuesday morning or lunch time might work. Otherwise late Wednesday afternoon, or anytime Thursday or Friday would work.

Thanks.

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From: Fox.Rebecca@epamail.epa.gov [mailto:Fox.Rebecca@epamail.epa.gov]
 Sent: Wednesday, January 07, 2009 8:53 PM
 To: Heather
 Subject: Re: 401

That's right, Heather. John has been keeping me informed. I guess PCS made the argument it would cost them \$6 million to walk through the area and not mine. Last word from John it will be one dragline and a mining width of about 840 ft, I believe, and then of course utility corridor. They will require them to restore to wetland hardwood forest (not reclaim) the connecting area. I will be out of the office tomorrow and Fri but would like to talk to you early next week. We have not made a decision but are keeping our options open at this point. What does your schedule look like next week? bf

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Subject Re: PCS

History: This message has been replied to.

Becky,
I've been tied up with meetings (one of which addressed PCS) with the COE since your email. I tentatively proposed we talk Tuesday 11/20/09 at 10:30 am. Pace Wilber, my boss in Charleston may want to conference call on this mtg. I'll check time with him and get back to you.
Ron

Fox.Rebecca@epamail.epa.gov wrote:

> Hi Ron,
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> Would like to talk with you a bit re PCS. Modified 401 should go out
> any day now. Last word from John is it will require avoidance of
> Bonnerton SNHA (east and west southern areas as in original 401) -- also
> as in original 401 will allow mining of NW less mature tract. Mod. 401
> will also allow mining through connecting area (not allowed in original)
> and will require restoration of this area (not just reclamation) to a
> wet hardwood forest. There is some additional avoidance in NCPC from
> Alt L (areas that COE floated to us in their 8-08-08 email -- about 23
> additional ac (18 ac wetland)). At least that is last I heard from DWQ.
> Would like to hear your thoughts. When would be a good time to chat?
> Thanks! bf
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01/21/2009 09:48 AM

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Subject Re: Modified 401 Certification for PCS Phosphate

Please be advised that DCM will be reviewing the consistency certification. The consistency certification was tied to the WQ certification of December 5, 2008. Now that the WQ certification has been revised we will need to modify the consistency certification. Due to the weather and other work priorities, I have not had the opportunity to fully review this. Nevertheless, I thought it would be important to inform everyone that the consistency certification will need to be revisited. I hope that this can be completed by the end of January. If you have any questions, please call me at 252-808-2808 or email me.

John Dorney wrote:

> This morning the Director signed a modified 401 Water Quality
> Certification for the PCS Phosphate mine expansion near Aurora, NC.
> Attached should be an electronic copy of the revised Certification. I
> will be out of the office all day doing a public hearing in Albemarle,
> but you can reach our public information officer (Susan Massengale) at
> 919-807-6359 if you have any questions. Hard copies of the
> Certificatoin will be mailed out today as well. Thankx