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**Subject:** FW: South Terminal Issue - Successional Marsh mitigation - Apex's Response (UNCLASSIFIED)

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Ann and Cindy:

Attached for your records is Chet Myers' response to the Corps outstanding concerns with the propose Successional Marsh mitigation work associated with the South Terminal Project. Thanks.

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-----Original Message-----

From: Chet Myers [mailto:cmyers@apexcos.com]  
Sent: Monday, July 30, 2012 11:27 AM  
To: Keegan, Michael F NAE; ElaineT Stanley  
Cc: Sneeringer, Paul J NAE; Jay Borkland; Bachand, Michael L NAE; Michalak, Scott C NAE; Craffey, Paul (DEP); Davis, Gary (DCR)  
Subject: RE: South Terminal Issue (UNCLASSIFIED)

Hi Mike,

The Commonwealth has anticipated USACE's concerns regarding the design of the Mitigation Measure in the Stormwater Drainage Swale, and has re-designed the measure to eliminate net fill in the Stormwater Drainage Swale.

We were hoping to present the redesign to you at the State Enhanced Remedy Meeting, but you were not in attendance.

Could we please arrange a meeting to discuss the altered design?

As Mike is going to be out of the office, could either Mr. Paul Sneeringer or another USACE member arrange a meeting?

Thanks,

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From: Keegan, Michael F NAE [mailto:Michael.F.Keegan@usace.army.mil]  
Sent: Sunday, July 29, 2012 8:33 AM  
To: ElaineT Stanley  
Cc: Sneeringer, Paul J NAE; Jay Borkland; Chet Myers; Bachand, Michael L NAE;  
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Elaine,

The proposed drainage swale mitigation area capping/stabilization plan proposed by Apex will consist of filling within the existing drainage swale between Cove St and Gifford St. The existing drainage swale was designed and constructed by USACE as part of the New Bedford Hurricane Barrier Project to provide interior drainage from a design storm and water overtopping during a design hurricane.

The proposed plan calls for added fill and narrowing of the existing drainage swale for at least 800 linear feet. The proposed actions are anticipated to have the following impacts:

- . Modifying a federally constructed project.
- . Raise the water surface elevation in the swale during the design events by approximately 0.7 feet.
- . Potentially decrease flow from 4' x 4' upland storm water drain that flows into the swale at the corner of Cove St.
- . Plantings placed within the swale will likely conflict with USACE's Vegetation/Planting Policy as described in ETL 1110-2-571.
- . Restrict/reduce access for operations and maintenance actions due to the proposed fence along the perimeter.

The EPA draft determination has several conditions. Condition 6 is:

6. The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers' concurrence, in accordance with 33 U.S.C. § 408, that the channel design proposed in the successional marsh mitigation will have no adverse effect on the operation of the Hurricane Barrier.

Based on the impacts identified above, we cannot make a determination that the proposed mitigation has no adverse impact and would reject the mitigation proposal.

Paul Craffey requested that I identify the issue to you by email prior to sending our objections in a letter to be included in the public record so that an alternative mitigation plan might be identified or modification of the current plan to make it acceptable to the Corps. I am out of the office until the 6th of August, but I suggest that a conference call be arranged upon my return to discuss our concerns and identify a plan that would be acceptable to us. I have included Scott Michalak and Mike Bachand in this email, who are Corps folks that need to be included in any emails or discussions related to the hurricane barrier infrastructure. Thanks.

Mike

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