

## Department of Environmental Protection

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David B. Struhs Secretary

## CERTIFIED MAIL - RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Mr. Jonathan Weiss Foster Wheeler Environmental Corporation 759 S. Federal Highway, Suite 100 Stuart, Florida 34994

Dear Mr. Weiss:

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FOSTER WHEELER
ENVIRONMENTAL CORPORATION

Permit Number: 0140969-001, Palm Beach County Loxahatchee Mitigation Bank

Your request to modify this permit has been received and approved by Department staff. The request is to make the following minor changes during construction:

- a. eliminate 8 of the 9 proposed site access ramps (leaving one in the North Parcel);
- b. to add a total of 8 permanent pullout areas along the constructed berm;
- c. to add up to 8 temporary pullout areas along the North Parcel berm; and
- d. to eliminate a small diversion in the levee and bypass ditch.

The construction team determined that the existing roads and the proposed berm will provide adequate access to the most of the site, such that only one access ramp in the North Parcel is required. However, strategically placed pullouts along the proposed berm for vehicle passing, parking and turn-about will facilitate construction and future maintenance and monitoring activities. The proposed pullouts are approximately 20 foot long areas that are about 6 feet wider than the adjacent berm. The temporary pullouts will be underlain by geofabric to minimize impact to the native soils. All pullouts will be field located to minimize impact to desirable vegetation. Finally, a diversion of the berm and bypass ditch on the eastern boundary of the South Parcel is not necessary, and has been eliminated by the plan.

None of the requested modifications require changes to the permit conditions, but do require revisions of permit Figures 5 and 6-Sheets A-G. The corrections are highlighted as "revision clouds" that indicate where changes or omissions from the original drawings have occurred. The final location and dimensions will be detailed in as-built drawings. Any required adjustments to credits will be based on the as-built figures and modified according to Specific Condition 16.

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A person whose substantial interests are affected by the Department's action may petition for an administrative proceeding (hearing) in accordance with Section 120.57, Florida Statutes. The petition must contain the information set forth below and must be filed (received) in the Office of General Counsel of the Department at 3900 Commonwealth Boulevard, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-3000. Petitions filed by the permittee and the parties listed below must be filed within 21 days of receipt of this letter. Petitioner shall mail a copy of the petition to the permittee at the address indicated above at the time of filing. Failure to file a petition within this time period shall constitute a waiver of any right such person may have to request an administrative determination (hearing) under Section 120.57, F.S.

The Petition shall contain the following information:

- (a) The name, address, and telephone number of each petitioner, the permittee's name and address, the Department Permit File Number and the county in which the project is proposed;
- (b) A statement of how and when each petitioner received notice of the Department's action or proposed action;
- (c) A statement of how each petitioner's substantial interests are affected by the Department's action; or proposed action;
- (d) A statement of the material facts disputed by petitioner, if any;
- (e) A statement of facts which petitioner contends warrant reversal or modification of the Department's action or proposed action;
- (f) A statement of which rules or statutes petitioner contends require reversal or modification of the Department's action or proposed action; and
- (g) A statement of the relief sought by petitioner, stating precisely the action petitioner wants the Department to take with respect to the Department's action or proposed action.

If a petition is filed, the administrative hearing process is designed to formulate agency action. Accordingly, the Department's final action may be different from the position taken by it in this letter. Persons whose substantial interests will be affected by any decision of the Department with regard to the permit have the right to petition to become a party to the proceeding. The petition must conform to the requirements specified above and be filed (received) within 21 days of receipt of this notice in the Office of General Counsel at the above address of the Department. Failure to petition within the allowed time frame constitutes a waiver of any right such person has to request a hearing under Section 120.57, F.S., and to participate as a party to this

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proceeding. Any subsequent intervention will only be at the approval of the presiding officer upon motion filed pursuant to Rule 28-5.207, F.A.C.

This Notice constitutes final agency action unless a petition is filed in accordance with the above paragraphs or unless a request for extension of time in which to file a petition is filed within the time specified for filing a petition. Upon timely filing of a petition or a request for an extension of time this Notice will not be effective until further Order of the Department.

Any party to this letter has the right to seek judicial review of the Order pursuant to Section 120.68, Florida Statutes, by the filing of a Notice of Appeal pursuant to Rule 9.110, Florida Rules of Appellate Procedure, with the Clerk of the Department in the Office of General Counsel, 3900 Commonwealth Boulevard, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-3000; and by filing a copy with the appropriate District Court of Appeal. The Notice of Appeal must be filed within 30 days from the date the Notice of Permit Modification is filed with the Clerk of the Department.

Sincerely,

Constance Bersok, Administrator Bureau of Beaches and Wetland Resources

## Attachments

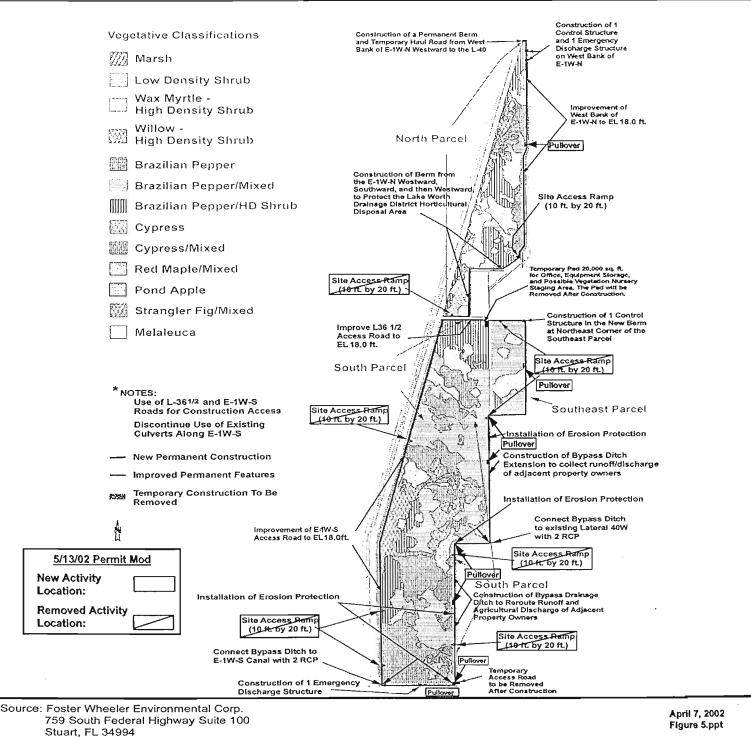
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Marjorie Moore, SFWMD, West Palm Beach Tori Agramonte, US Army Corps of Engineers, Vero Beach File

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## FILING AND ACKNOWLEDGMENT

FILED, on this date, pursuant to 120.52(9), Florida Statutes, with the designated Department Clerk, receipt of which is hereby acknowledged.



Christopher S. Smith Florida P.E. No. 57255

Loxahatchee Mitigation Bank TEMPORARY AND PERMANENT CONSTRUCTION

**ACTIVITIES AT THE BANK** 



Engineering Certificate of Authorization No. 7130

