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August 27, 2012

REPLY TO
ATTENTION OF:

Office of the Chief
Regulatory Division

Francis Appiah
Division of Environmental Planning, Stewardship Unit
California Department of Transportation, District 7
100 South Main Street, MS-16A
Los Angeles, California 90012

Dear Mr. Appiah:

Reference is made to your request of August 23, 2012, to amend Permit No. SPL-2006-01420-MAS which authorized you to discharge fill onto waters of the U.S., in association with the State of California Department of Transportation's (Caltrans) maintenance activities at Hopper Creek Bridge and State Route (SR) 126, near the community of Piru, Ventura County, California.

Under the provisions of 33 Code of Federal Regulations 325.7(b), your permit is modified as follows:

Special Condition No. 1 is hereby modified to reflect the following: "Prior to initiating construction in waters of the U.S., and to mitigate for impacts to 0.79 acre of non-wetland waters of the U.S., the Permittee shall provide documentation verifying purchase of 0.79 credits for the **"Preservation" of 0.79 acre of non-wetland waters of the U.S. from a Corps-approved mitigation bank or in-lieu fee program (ILFP).** The Permittee shall not initiate work in waters of the U.S. prior to receiving written confirmation (by letter or e-mail) from the Corps Regulatory Division as to compliance within this special condition. The Permittee retains responsibility for providing the compensatory mitigation until the number and resource type of credits described above have been secured from a sponsor and the district engineer has received documentation that confirms that the sponsor has accepted the responsibility for providing the required compensatory mitigation. This documentation may consist of a letter or form signed by the sponsor, with the permit number and a statement indicating the number and resource type of credits that have been secured from the sponsor."

The terms and conditions of Permit No.: SPL-2006-01420-MAS, except as changed herein, remain in full force and effect.

Please note that a copy of this letter is being forwarded to: U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Attn: Ms. Diane Noda, 2493 Portola Road, Suite B, Ventura, California 93003; U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Attn: Mr. Jason Brush, Supervisor, Wetlands Regulatory Office (WTR-8), 75 Hawthorne Street, San Francisco, California 94105; California Department of Fish and Game, Attention: Ed Pert, 4949 View Ridge Avenue, San Diego, California 92123.

Thank you for participating in our regulatory program. If you have any questions, please contact Stephanie Hall of my staff at 213-452-3410 or via e-mail at Stephanie.J.Hall@usace.army.mil.

Please be advised that you can now comment on your experience with Regulatory Division by accessing the Corps web-based customer survey form at: <http://per2.nwp.usace.army.mil/survey.html>.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mark D. Cohen". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Mark" being more prominent.

Mark D. Cohen
Deputy Chief, Regulatory Division