

PITT-06-21-001

June 1, 2021

Mr. Christopher Smith
Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection
Waterways and Wetlands Program
Southeast Regional Office
2 East Main Street
Norristown, Pennsylvania 19401

Re: Sunoco Pipeline LP – Pennsylvania Pipeline Project (Mariner East II)
Chapter 102 Permit No. ESG0100015001– Major Amendment
HDD S3-0290 Installation Method Change and Additional Temporary Workspace
Upper Uwchlan Township, Chester County, PA

Response to Technical Deficiency Letter

Dear Mr. Smith:

On behalf of Sunoco Pipeline LP (SPLP), Tetra Tech, Inc. provides the following responses to the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection (Department) Technical Deficiency letter dated May 25, 2021, regarding the above-referenced Chapter 102 ESCGP-3 Major Amendment. The supporting attachments represent additional information to be added to the original amendment request. For ease of your review, the Department's comment is set forth verbatim below, followed by a narrative response with supporting attachment.

### Comments and Responses to May 25, 2021 Technical Deficiencies:

 Comment: Please utilize a minimum of 24" Filter Sock adjacent to streams and wetlands. See adjacent to wetland H60, WL H17, etc. Check entire Major Mod plan and revise as needed. 102.4(C)

**Response:** Drawing ES-6.29 has been update accordingly. ES-6.29 is the only sheet in the amendment area containing resources. Updated E&S Drawings are provided as Attachment A.

2. Comment: Perimeter Filter sock BMPs should be designed for the maximum slope tributary to them, not just the LOD, please revise plans accordingly. 102.11(a)(1)

**Response:** The E&S sheets were checked and compost filter sock size increased where applicable. Access from south will be matted or slope pipe diversion will be installed to address the drainage area in that location. Updated E&S Drawings are provided as Attachment A.

3. **Comment:** Please clearly illustrate the stream crossing including the method of stream diversion on the plan mapping and provide a blow up of the stream crossing bypass system. 102.11(a)(1)

**Response:** Drawing ES-6.29 has been updated to include a blow up insert of the proposed dam and pump bypass to be implemented for the open trench installation across stream S-H10. Updated E&S Drawings are provided as Attachment A.

4. Comment: Please provide E&S Controls along the LOD adjacent to the existing house and driveway at station 14806+00. 102.11(a)(1)

**Response:** Drawing ES-6.28 has been updated to provide 12-inch compost filter sock (CFS) along driveway and along LOD near the house. Updated E&S Drawings are provided as Attachment A.

5. **Comment:** There is off road LOD shown on the North East corner of the intersection of Milford and Little Conestoga Road, please provide E&S controls at this location. 102.11(a)(1)

**Response:** Drawing ES-6.28 has been updated to show CFS in this area. Updated E&S Drawings are provided as Attachment A.

6. Comment: Please provide clearance letters from each of the PNDI agencies and the PHMC for the above referenced ESCGP-3 permit application. If your team receives recommendations from any of the PNDI agencies and/or the PHMC in the form of conservation measures, avoidance measures, etc., please provide a demonstration for how your team will be addressing the recommendations with any cross references to the plan drawings.

Response: SPLP provided the PHMC clearance to the Department in an e-mail on May 6, 2021. SPLP also provided an initial clearance letter from the PFBC to the Department in an e-mail on April 19, 2021. However, due to the sighting of the Northern Red-bellied Cooter turtle north of the project area, new information was provided to the PFBC on May 5, 2021. The PFBC provided a conditioned clearance letter dated May 21, 2021 outlining special protections for the turtle. That letter is provided as Attachment B. Those protections and special conditions are provided as Note 6 and the location of the required exclusion fencing shown on the redline E&S Sheet ES-6.29. The legend on ES-0.01 has been updated to include the symbol for exclusion fence (---EF---EF---). Updated E&S Drawings are provided as Attachment A. The USFWS was first coordinated with on March 19, 2021. On May 27, 2021, SPLP sent additional information to the USFWS regarding the bog turtle. The USFWS clearance is pending.

This response letter is being provided electronically via email and a 2<sup>nd</sup> review fee of \$750.00 provided to the Chester County Conservation District. SPLP appreciates your review and comments and should you have questions regarding this correspondence, please do not hesitate to contact me at 412-921-8163 or via e-mail at Robert.Simcik@tetratech.com.

Sincerely,

Robert F. Simcik, P.E. Project Manager Tetra Tech, Inc.

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Enclosures: Application

cc: File 212IC-BF-00037

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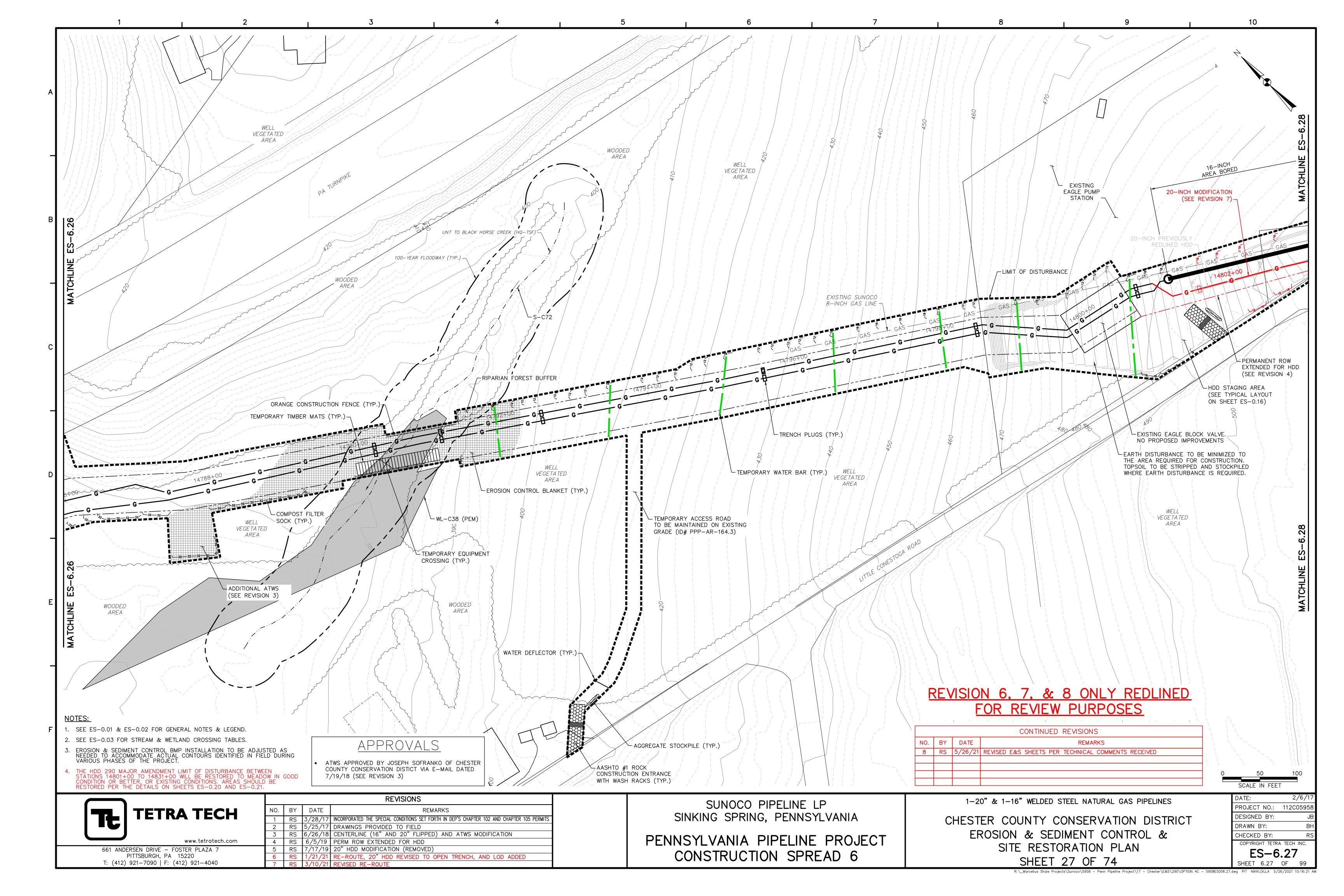
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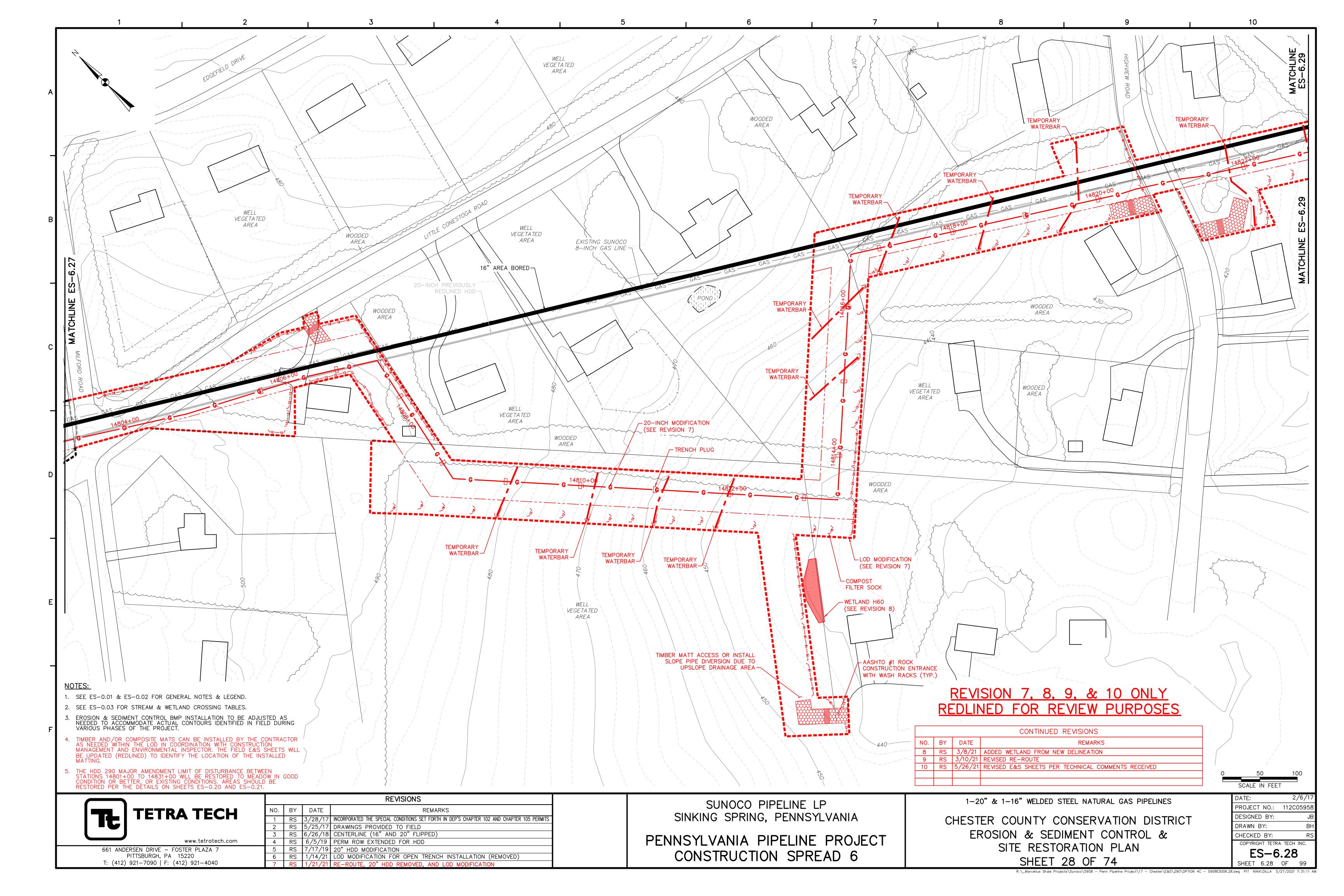
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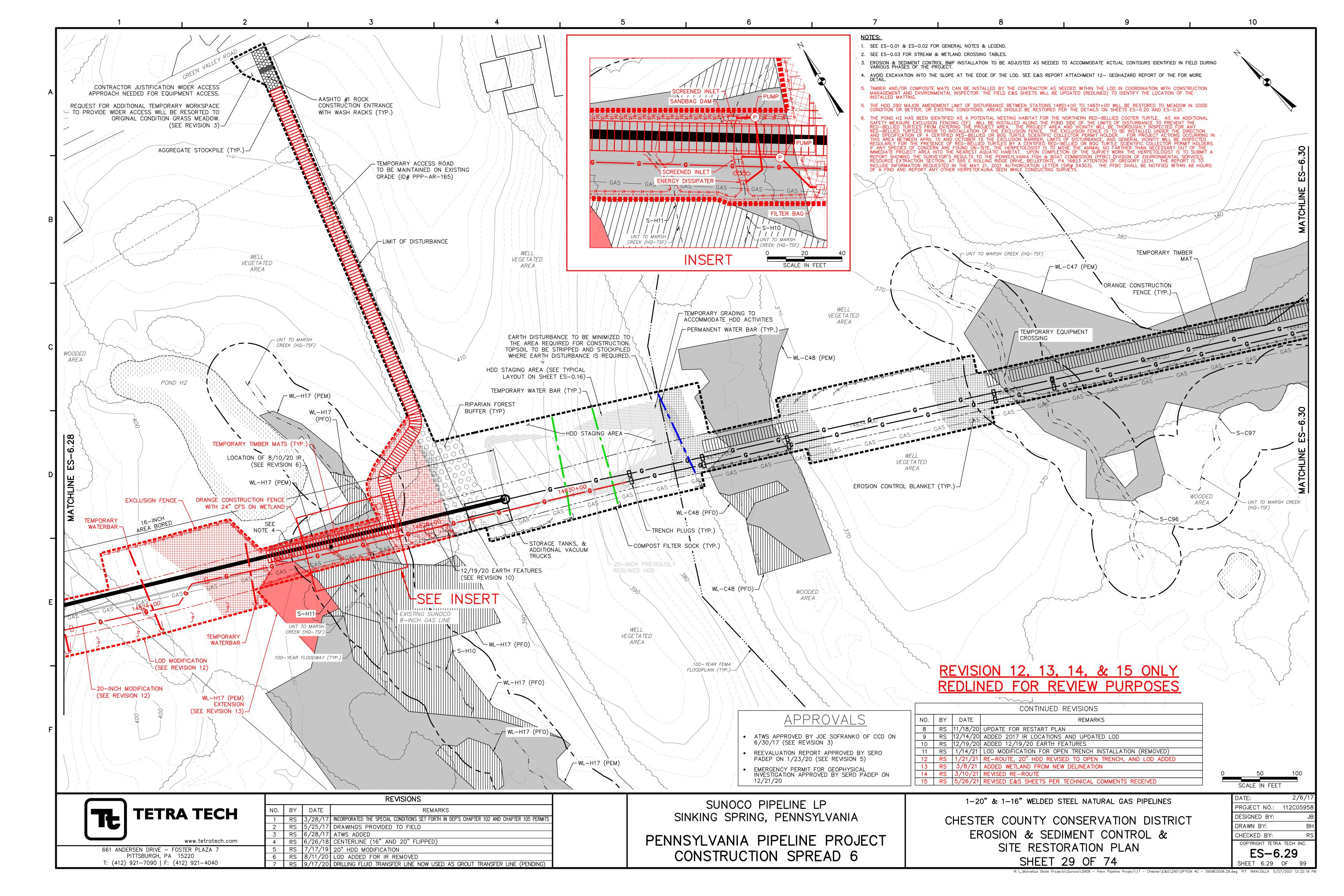
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## **Attachment A**







# **Attachment B**



## Pennsylvania Fish & Boat Commission

### **Division of Environmental Services**

Resource Extraction Section 595 E Rolling Ridge Dr. Bellefonte, PA 16823

May 21, 2021

IN REPLY REFER TO

SIR# 54303

Tetra Tech Kelsey Stoneberg 301 Ellicott Street Buffalo, New York 14203

RE: Species Impact Review (SIR) – Rare, Candidate, Threatened and Endangered Species

PNDI Search No. 728453\_1 0290 Alt 4 Centerline HDD PPP

**CHESTER County: Upper Uwchlan Township** 

Dear Kelsey Stoneberg:

This responds to your updated inquiry about a Pennsylvania Natural Diversity Inventory (PNDI) Internet Database search "potential conflict" or a threatened and endangered species impact review. Y

### Northern Red-bellied Cooter (*Pseudemys rubriventris*, PA threatened)

Based on your updated submission, the species of concern was observed in vicinity of the project. Therefore, the project site may contain accessible potential nesting habitat for the Northern Red-bellied Cooter. As a result, you proposed the following measures:

"As a result of this observation, as an additional safety measure, SPLP will be installing exclusion fencing along the pond side of the limits of disturbance, to prevent red-bellied turtles from entering the Project area. The Project area and vicinity would be thoroughly inspected for any red-bellied turtles prior to exclusion fence installation.

The exclusion fence installation would be installed under the direction and specification of a certified red-bellied or bog turtle scientific collector permit holder. For Project actions occurring in this area between April 15 and October 1 [October 15], the exclusion barrier, limits of disturbance, and general vicinity will be inspected regularly for the presence of red-bellied turtles by certified red-bellied or bog turtle scientific collector permit holders."

Additionally, we recommend if any species of concern are found on-site, the herpetologist is to move the animal no farther than necessary out of the immediate project area into the nearest aquatic habitat. Upon completion of the survey work, the herpetologist is to forward a report showing the surveyor's results to

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this office for our review and comment. Reports should include photographs and maps of appropriate suitable habitat. Threatened and endangered species observed in the survey should be photographed, aged, sexed, measured as to their size, and areas they were observed/captured should be mapped accordingly. Additionally, the PFBC must be contacted within 48 hours of the find. The surveyor should also report other herpetofauna seen while conducting the surveys.

If the potential habitat areas can be fenced as recommended; the window is adjusted to October 15; and provided that best management practices are employed and strict erosion and sedimentation measures are maintained, we do not foresee any adverse impacts to Northern Redbellied Cooter from the proposed project.

This response represents the most up-to-date summary of the PNDI data and our files and is valid for two (2) years from the date of this letter. An absence of recorded species information does not necessarily imply species absence. Our data files and the PNDI system are continuously being updated with species occurrence information. Should project plans change or additional information on listed or proposed species become available, this determination may be reconsidered, and consultation shall be reinitiated.

If you have any questions regarding this review, please contact Gregory Lech at 814-470-6776 and refer to the SIR # 54303. Thank you for your cooperation and attention to this important matter of species conservation and habitat protection.

Sincerely,

Gregory Lech

Resource Extraction Section

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