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NA  
 It appears there have been no changes in the project or on-site biological information; therefore, the agency's comments, as detailed in our letter of April 2, 2019 & remain unchanged. Jan 19, 2018  
*[Signature]*, Supervisor 5/31/2019

Re: Threatened and Endangered Species Coordination Letter; Specialty Granules LLC, Charmian Quarry Northern Tract Development Project, Hamiltonban Township, Adams County, Pennsylvania  
 PNDI Renewal #635546  
 (Previously Reviewed Under PNDI #20151208541654)  
 USFWS Project #2010-1050

Dear Ms. Jahrsdoerfer:

On behalf of Specialty Granules LLC (SGI), Skelly and Loy, Inc. has been requested to coordinate with your agency in updating and confirming the results of our previous communications regarding potential effects on federal listed species resulting from the proposed development of a non-coal mining operation on an approximately 112-acre area within SGI property located in Hamiltonban Township, Adams County, Pennsylvania, known as the "Northern Tract."

SGI currently extracts non-coal natural materials at the Charmian Site located northeast of the Town of Blue Ridge Summit pursuant to existing Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection (PA DEP) Surface Mine Permits and related NPDES Permits. The Charmian Site currently consists of an active quarry (Pitts Quarry - Noncoal Surface Mining Permit No. 01930302), an inactive quarry (West Ridge Quarry PA DEP Permit No. 6477SM5, which is in the reclamation phase), stockpile storage areas, a crushing plant, and a granule plant. SGI extracts a metabasalt rock at the Pitts Quarry Site for the purpose of manufacturing roofing granules that are used to coat the wearing surface of asphalt roofing shingles. The proposed Northern Tract project area is adjacent to the existing non-coal mining operations currently operated by SGI.

Planning for the Northern Tract project has extended over a substantial period of time. The previous Pennsylvania Natural Diversity Inventory (PNDI) screening for the project was completed on July 26, 2017. The Non-Coal Mining Permit Application for the Northern Tract is currently under review by the PA DEP. PA DEP has requested that SGI update its PNDI and resource agency coordination efforts for several reasons, including for the reason that the previous PNDI clearance will expire potentially before completion of the review of the permit application.