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Mr. Clay Armstrong
Development Consulting, Inc.
5235 Koolman Drive, Building 8
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Dear Mr. Armstrong:

Re: Development Consulting, Inc.,
Whitetail Ridge Subdivision
Harrison County
COE No. SAM201400754TMZ
WQC No. WQC2015038

Pursuant to Section 401 of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (33 U. S. C. 1251, 1341), the Office of Pollution Control (OPC) issues this Certification, after public notice and opportunity for public hearing, to Development Consulting, Inc., an applicant for a Federal License or permit to conduct the following activity:

Development Consulting, Inc., Whitetail Ridge Subdivision: Construction of subdivision is the purpose of the project. The applicant indicates that the 88 acres of property consists of 27.81 acres of jurisdictional wetlands. The wetlands consist of 9.26 acres of pine savannah and 18.55 acres of bottomland hardwood. The wetlands impacts associated with the project will consist of 1.97 acres, with 1.871 acres of pine savannah and .098 acre of bottomland hardwood. Phase I will include 28 lots with an additional 38 lots in the future phases north of the wetland drain. Mitigation for the loss of wetlands will be addressed by purchasing credits from an approved mitigation bank. The site is located in Gulfport, Harrison County, Mississippi. [SAM201400754TMZ, WQC2015038].

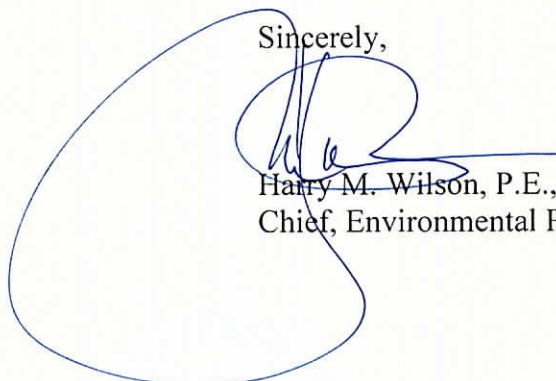
The Office of Pollution Control certifies that the above-described activity will be in compliance with the applicable provisions of Sections 301, 302, 303, 306, and 307 of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act and Section 49-17-29 of the Mississippi Code of 1972, if the applicant complies with the following conditions:

1. The development shall connect to an Office of Pollution Control approved wastewater collection and treatment system. **No construction shall begin until all wastewater approvals are obtained.**
2. All fill material and excavation areas shall have side slopes of at least 3:1 (horizontal: vertical) and shall be immediately seeded, stabilized and maintained.
3. Appropriate best management practices (BMPs) shall be properly installed and maintained to prevent the movement of sediment off-site and into adjacent drainage areas. In the event of any BMP failure, corrective actions shall be taken immediately.
4. Coverage under a Storm Water Construction General NPDES Permit shall be obtained prior to the start of construction activities. **No construction activities shall begin until such approvals are obtained.**
5. The final post-construction Stormwater Management Plan, submitted by Machado Patano, PLLC on March 04, 2016 and subsequent submittals dated May 25, 2016 and June 13, 2016 shall be implemented and maintained as proposed for the initial phase and updates detailing the implementation and design of the controls and maintenance for future phases shall be submitted to this office for review at least 60 days prior the start of any construction activities. **No construction activities shall begin in future phases until such approvals are obtained.**
6. Mitigation for the impacts of 1.97 acres of wetlands shall be provided by the purchase of mitigation credits from an approved mitigation bank. The number of credits must be in accordance with banking prospectus and should be based upon that required for impacting 1.97 acres of wetland. **Written verification of credit purchase must be provided to the Office of Pollution Control prior to the commencement of any work in the wetland areas.**
7. No sewage, oil, refuse, or other pollutants shall be discharged into the watercourse.

The Office of Pollution Control also certifies that there are no limitations under Section 302 nor standards under Sections 306 and 307 of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act which are applicable to the applicant's above-described activity.

This certification is valid for the project as proposed. Any deviations without proper modifications and/or approvals may result in a violation of the 401 Water Quality Certification. If we can be of further assistance, please contact us.

Sincerely,



Harry M. Wilson, P.E., DEE
Chief, Environmental Permits Division

HMW: jp

cc: Arch Middleton, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Mobile District
Chris Pickering, Department of Marine Resources
Calista Mills, Environmental Protection Agency
Gerrod Kilpatrick, Machado Patano, PLLC