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GARY C. RIKARD, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
February 14, 2017

Certified Mail No. 7011 0110 0001 3219 0809

Mr. Robert Smith
City of Biloxi
Post Office Box 429
Biloxi, Mississippi 39533

Dear Mr. Smith:

Re: Biloxi, City of, Popp's Ferry Causeway Park
Harrison County
COE No. SAM201400275TMZ
WQC No. WQC2014018

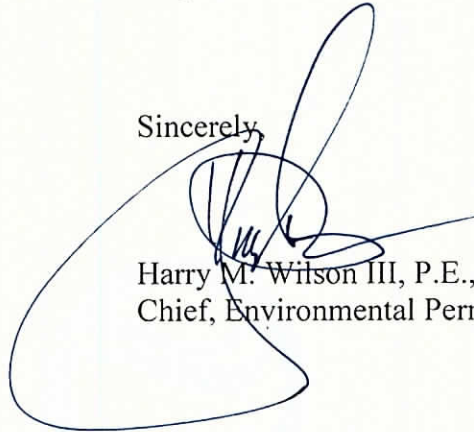
The Department of Environmental Quality understands the need for a Section 401 Water Quality Certification - Modification to the above referenced project. These modifications include the shortening of the marsh overlook pier by 193' and the addition of a handicap kayak launch and of a 550-square foot finger pier to dock boats. The Department received your update to the final post-construction stormwater management plan updated by Seymour Engineering and submitted by Mr. Robert Smith, dated February 2, 2017. The Department approves this updated plan and accepts it as compliance with Water Quality Certification (WQC2014018). Please be advised that the general description and Condition 7 of the Section 401 Water Quality Certification (WQC2014018) dated December 15, 2014 have been modified to read as follows:

Biloxi, City of, Popp's Ferry Causeway Park: Upgrade of the Popp's Ferry Causeway Park and amenities including opportunities to fish, crab, and walk through a system of boardwalks and nature trails to allow viewing of waterfront and marshes. The project will include roadway repair and lighting, construction of a concession and bait stand, continuation of an 8-foot-wide concrete walkway/wooden boardwalk on the west side of the site, additional riprap shoreline stabilization, construction of new fishing piers, picnic areas, nature trails, visitor parking, and construction of a new Interpretive Center. Impacts to this project include shading from pile supporting structures over marsh and open water, a handicap kayak launch and finger pier to dock boats. Some minor impacts to discontinuous marsh wetland vegetation will occur with the placement of new riprap along existing eroded areas of the shoreline. All other wetland areas will be avoided. [SAM201400275TMZ, WQC2014018].

7. The final post-construction Storm Water Management Plan, which was updated by Seymour Engineering and submitted by Mr. Robert Smith, dated February 2, 2017, shall be implemented concurrent with project construction and properly maintained to function as proposed.

Please be advised the remaining conditions of the Section 401 Water Quality Certification are unchanged. If we can be of further assistance, please contact Joseph Paige of my staff at (601) 961-5624.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'H. Wilson III', is written over the word 'Sincerely,' and the typed name below. The signature is stylized with a large loop at the end.

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

HMW: JP

cc: Allison Monroe, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Mobile District
James Davis, Department of Marine Resources
Bill Ainslie, Environmental Protection Agency