

May 13, 2025

Jennifer Alexander U.S. Army Corps of Engineers 10117 Princess Palm Ave Tampa, FL 33610

Re: Request for Additional Information – Application # SAJ-2025-01036

Dear Ms. Alexander:

Thank you for the opportunity to provide additional information regarding the subject permit and for extending the original response deadline an additional fifteen days beyond the original date of May 13, 2025. Below are individual responses to your itemized request:

- 1. Total amount of material to be dredged in square footage/acreage and cubic yards to be removed. The estimated square footage of the cut area is 9,479.69 square feet and volume of material to be removed is 35,906.30 cubic yards. Please see Attachment 1 for additional information.
- 2. Detailed drawings of all the applicable sections to include cross sections for the dredge process. Please see Attachment 2 for applicable sections and cross section information.
- 3. Detailed procedures on the dredging process: what type of dredge, disposal methods, specific disposal sites, storage etc. All dredging activities will be completed from a shallow draft barge, with specific methodology determined by the selected contractor. Turbidity curtains will be installed prior to commencement of dredging activities and will remain in place until all dredging is completed and turbidity levels have returned to background levels. Turbidity will be monitored to not exceed background levels by more than 29 NTU. Material management will occur in lined containers on the barge or at an upland material management site with erosion control devices. There will be no dewatering or discharge into surface waters. Once dry, dredge material will be hauled away and disposed of at an approved upland landfill facility or used as fill for roadway expansion projects.
- 4. Timeframe for work to be accomplished. We anticipate operations will start in July of 2025 with an estimated 800 cubic yards of material removed each day.
- 5. Address of all neighbors along the project on self-adhesive labels. Labels should be delivered to the Tampa regulatory office. There were 652 properties identified along the project area. Please see Attachment 3 for a list of those properties and the associated map. Address labels were shipped overnight and are expected to arrive by 10:30 a.m., May 14th.
- 6. Avoidance, minimization and compensatory mitigation statement and procedures. An updated application has been provided in Attachment 4 which includes the following statement: This project does not anticipate impacts to aquatic resources. Over time, large amounts of sediment

were deposited throughout Phillippi Creek, likely causing poor substrate quality and conditions not conducive to viable aquatic habitats. However, a benthic survey will be conducted in the project area to identify any submerged aquatic vegetation. Best Management Practices will be implemented to minimize impacts to any existing resources or habitats.

Should you have any questions or comments, please contact John Morgan at (941) 914-8806 or via e-mail at: jmorgan@scgov.net.

Sincerely,

Spencer L. Anderson

Director, Public Works Department Sarasota County Government

Attachments:

(1) Volume Calculations

(2) Sections and Cross-Sections

(3) List of Properties

(4) Updated Application with Mitigation Statement