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Re: Hernando County 15-1ESR

Dear Mr. Pianta:

Thank you for the opportunity to review Hernando County's proposed 15-1ESR amendment package, which the Florida Department of Education received on December 23, 2014. According to the department's responsibilities under Section 163.3184(3)(b), Florida Statutes, I reviewed the amendment package considering the provisions of Chapter 163, Part II, F.S., and to determine whether the proposal, if adopted, would have potential to create adverse effects on public school facilities.

The proposal includes a future land use map amendment on approximately 730 acres and would designate 573 acres for mining and reconfigure the Regional Commercial Overlay (RCO) on 156 acres. The lands are presently designated as Residential and RCO. This morning, Paul Wieczorek confirmed that the RCO was initially approved in 1998 for nonresidential uses only and that the intent of the present amendment is to maintain the effect of the prior approval. Given this, and the proposed change in land use from residential to mining, the amendment would not increase demands for public school facilities during the long-term planning period. Mr. Wieczorek also confirmed that the proposed mining area is not located in the vicinity of public school facilities. Because the amendment does not appear to have the potential to create adverse effects on public school facility capacity or sites, I offer no comment.

Again, thank you for the opportunity to review and comment. If you have questions about this letter, or if I may be of assistance in the future, please contact me at 850-245-9312 or [Tracy.Suber@fldoe.org](mailto:Tracy.Suber@fldoe.org).

Sincerely,

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