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January 13, 2015

Mr. Paul Wieczorek, AICP  
Hernando County Planning Department  
20 North Main Street, Room 262  
Brooksville, FL 34601

Subject: **Hernando 15-1ESR**

Dear Mr. Wieczorek:

Southwest Florida Water Management District (District) staff has reviewed the proposed amendment package which includes one map amendment identified by the County as CPAM-11-02. The District offers the following technical assistance comments for your consideration.

### Regional Water Supply

1. The application does not indicate if any dewatering activities are proposed in connection with the proposed mining activities. Certain dewatering activities, if proposed, may require a District Water Use Permit. For assistance or additional information concerning the District's WUP program, please contact Claire Muirhead, WUP Evaluation Manager in the District's Tampa Service Office, at (813) 985-7481, extension 6533, or [clair.muirhead@watermatters.org](mailto:clair.muirhead@watermatters.org).

2. According to District records, there are existing wells on the site. If these wells are not proposed for use, they would need to be properly abandoned in accordance with the requirements of Rule 40D-3.531, F.A.C. For assistance or additional information, please contact Dave Arnold, Well Construction Manager in the District's Tampa Service Office, at (813) 985-7481, extension 4439, or [dave.arnold@watermatters.org](mailto:dave.arnold@watermatters.org).

### Wetlands and Other Surface Waters

3. Based on information provided in the amendment package, there are five isolated wetlands and four other surface waters on the project site which have been reviewed and delineated by the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP). Pursuant to Section II.A.1.(5)e of the current Operating Agreement between the FDEP and the District concerning the division of responsibility for management and storage of surface waters regulation and wetland resource regulation under Chapter 373, Part IV, Florida Statutes, the FDEP is responsible for conducting the Environmental Resource Permit (ERP) related review and for taking final agency action on the ERP application for the proposed mining activities.

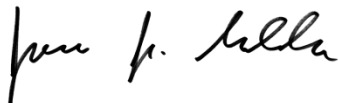
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Floodplains and Floodprone Areas

4. No comments.

We appreciate this opportunity to participate in the review process. Please provide the District with a copy of the adopted amendment, including any supporting data and analysis. If you have any questions or require further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me at (352) 796-7211, extension 4790, or [james.golden@watermatters.org](mailto:james.golden@watermatters.org).

Sincerely,



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