



REPLY TO
ATTENTION OF

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
U.S. ARMY ENGINEER DISTRICT, SACRAMENTO
CORPS OF ENGINEERS
1325 J STREET
SACRAMENTO CA 95814-2922

October 23, 2013

Regulatory Division (SPK-2013-00628)

Mr. Michael Vanderhoof
Colorado Department of Transportation
222 South Sixth Street, Room 317
Grand Junction, Colorado 81501-2769

Dear Mr. Vanderhoof:

We are responding to your September 30, 2013, request for a Department of the Army permit for the State Highway 92 Stengel's Hill Reconstruction project. This approximately 1.08-acre project involves activities, including discharges of dredged or fill material, in waters of the United States for reconstruction and minor widening of SH 92. The project is located approximately 13 miles northeast of the City of Delta, within the N½ of Section 31 and the NW ¼ NW ¼ Section 32 Township 14 South, Range 93 West, 6th Principal Meridian, Latitude 38.7985°, Longitude -107.82133°, Gunnison County, Colorado.

Based on the information you provided, the proposed activity, resulting in the permanent loss of approximately 1.08 acres of wetlands, is authorized by Nationwide General Permit (NWP) number 23 – Approved Categorical Exclusions. Your work must comply with the general terms and conditions listed on the enclosed NWP information sheets and regional conditions, and the following special conditions:

- 1. To mitigate for the loss of 1.08 acres of wetlands, you shall purchase 1.08 wetland mitigation credits at Wetbank Gunnison. Evidence of this purchase shall be provided to the Corps prior to initiation of construction activities within waters of the U.S.**
- 2. You must sign the enclosed Compliance Certification and return it to this office within 30 days after completion of the authorized work.**

This verification is valid until March 18, 2017, when the existing NWPs are scheduled to be modified, reissued, or revoked. Furthermore, if you commence or are under contract to commence this activity before the date that the relevant NWP is modified, reissued or revoked, you will have twelve (12) months from the date of the modification, reissuance or revocation of the NWP to complete the activity under the present terms and conditions. Failure to comply with the General and Regional Conditions of this NWP, or the project-specific special conditions of this authorization, may result in the suspension or revocation of your authorization.

Please refer to identification number SPK-2013-00628 in any correspondence concerning this project. If you have any questions, please contact Nathan Green at the Colorado West Regulatory Branch, 400 Rood Avenue, Room 224, Grand Junction, Colorado 81501-2563, by email at Nathan.J.Green@usace.army.mil, or telephone at 970-243-1199 x12. For more information regarding our program, please visit our website at www.spk.usace.army.mil/Missions/Regulatory.aspx. We would appreciate your feedback. At your earliest convenience, please tell us how we are doing by completing the customer survey on our website under *Customer Service Survey*.

Sincerely,



Susan Bachini Nall
Chief, Colorado West Regulatory Branch

Enclosures:

1. NWP 23 Information Sheets
2. Colorado Regional Conditions for the NWPs
3. Compliance Certification

cc: (w/o encls)

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