



REPLY TO
ATTENTION OF

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
JACKSONVILLE DISTRICT CORPS OF ENGINEERS
10117 PRINCESS PALM AVENUE, SUITE 120
TAMPA, FLORIDA 33610

September 20, 2013

Tampa Permits Section
SAJ-2011-00551 (IP-TEH)

Ms. Michele Baker
Pasco County Board of County Commissioners
7530 Little Road, Suite 320
New Port Richey, Florida 34654

Dear Ms. Baker:

Thank you for your letter dated September 16, 2013, regarding the Ridge Road Extension project (SAJ-2011-00551 (IP-TEH)), in which you are seeking authorization from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to impact waters of the United States. Your letter requests additional time to provide a full response to the Corps' July 23, 2012, Request for Additional Information (RAI) letter and subsequent RAIs. Per your request, the Corps is extending the time to complete a full response to December 18, 2013.

The Corps has also considered the additional information contained in your correspondence and maintains that the alternatives that must be fully evaluated include: 1) the no-action alternative; 2) the Ridge Road Extension alignments (6D-6G); 3) improvements to (or construction of) SR-52, SR-54, Tower Road, and Ridge Road Extension that combine to provide 4 additional/new lanes; and 4) additional elevation and full elevation of Ridge Road Extension through the Serenova Tract.

A full response to the Corps' July 23, 2012, Request for Additional Information letter must be provided to the Corps no later than December 18, 2013. If you do not respond with the requested information then your application will be considered withdrawn or a final decision will be made, whichever is appropriate.

If you have any questions concerning this letter, please contact the project manager, Tracy Hurst by telephone at 813-769-7063, or by electronic mail at Tracy.E.Hurst@usace.army.mil.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "D. W. Kinard", is positioned above the printed name.

Donald W. Kinard
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