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**Regulatory Division** 

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# PROGRAMMATIC GENERAL PERMIT SAJ-42

## A) SHORELINE STABILIZATION; B) MAINTENANCE DREDGING IN UPLAND-CUT ARTIFICIAL RESIDENTIAL CANALS; C) SUBAQUEOUS UTILITY AND TRANSMISSION LINES; D) STORMWATER OUTFALLS; E) MINOR STRUCTURES; F) PIERS/DOCKS AND APPURTENANCES; AND G) PRIVATE SINGLE-FAMILY FLOATING VESSEL PLATFORMS LOCATED IN WATERS OF THE UNITED STATES, EXCLUDING FEDERALLY MAINTAINED NAVIGATION CHANNELS AND FLOOD CONTROL PROJECTS IN MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA

Upon recommendation of the Chief of Engineers, pursuant to Section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act of 1899 (33 U.S.C. 403) and Section 404 of the Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. 1344), general authority is given to Miami-Dade County Department of Regulatory and Economic Resources (RER) to administer this permit for shoreline stabilization, maintenance dredging in upland-cut artificial residential canals, subaqueous utility and transmission lines, stormwater outfalls, minor structures, piers/docks and appurtenances, and private single-family floating vessel platforms located in waters of the United States, excluding Federally maintained navigation channels and flood control projects in Miami-Dade County, Florida, subject to the following conditions:

# A. SPECIAL CONDITIONS FOR SHORELINE STABILIZATION:

1. The work herein includes the installation of seawalls/bulkheads with necessary backfill in principally residential canals in Miami-Dade County.

2. The work herein includes the repair of seawalls/bulkheads with necessary backfill within one-foot of the existing bulkhead; the installation or repair of seawall caps and/or batter piles; the installation or repair of riprap in front of existing seawalls; and the installation or repair of unconsolidated riprap revetments.

3. The repair and replacement and installation of seawalls/bulkheads or riprap placement shall not exceed 500 feet in length.

4. If backfill is utilized, then a suitable filter material shall be installed to maintain the stability of the fill material. Any backfill below the plane of the mean or ordinary high water line shall not exceed one cubic yard per running foot.

5. Bulkhead installation with necessary backfill shall not extend any farther waterward than existing bulkheads in the immediate area or more than 5 feet waterward of the Mean High

Water Line or Ordinary High Water line, whichever is less. The fill will not exceed 1 cubic yard per running foot below the plane of the mean or ordinary high water line.

6. The backfill must be from upland sources and consist of suitable material, free from toxic pollutants in other than trace quantities.

7. This permit does not authorize any filling, except for backfill behind the bulkheads.

8. At no time should this permit be construed to allow filling of or construction in mangroves or other wetlands, seagrass, hard bottom/live bottom communities, or any other special aquatic sites for any purpose including additional development.

9. In addition to the eight Special Conditions listed above, the permittee must abide by all of the Special Conditions which are listed in paragraph 'H' below. These Special Conditions are applicable to all structures and/or work authorized under this general permit.

# **B. SPECIAL CONDITIONS FOR MAINTENANCE DREDGING:**

1. The work authorized herein is limited to existing artificial residential canals in Miami-Dade County, Florida.

2. This general permit only authorizes <u>maintenance</u> dredging of the above areas. No additional dredging/excavation is allowed under this permit other than that necessary to restore the canal to its original excavated depth. Where no previous permit has been issued by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Corps) or by RER on behalf of the Corps for construction or maintenance dredging of the existing manmade canal, such maintenance dredging shall be limited to a depth of no more than 5 feet below mean low water.

3. The material dredged/excavated under this permit shall not exceed 4,000 cubic yards per project per year.

4. Turbidity control measures will be used to control water quality and the work must be in accordance with State Water Quality Standards in Chapter 62.302, and sections 62-4.242 and 62-4.244 in the Florida Administrative Code. Turbidity control measures may include but are not limited to, turbidity control curtains, the exclusive use of suction dredging, the exclusive use of closed "clam shell" dredging, or any other technique necessary to reduce turbidity to no more than background turbidity. The Florida Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) may require the applicant to submit a daily turbidity report which may be verified by state or local government inspectors.

5. Excavated spoil material shall be deposited at self-contained upland areas that will prevent spoil material and/or return water from reentering any water of the United States or interfering with natural drainage.

6. No discharge of dredged or fill material into waters of the United States is authorized by this permit, under this section.

7. Excavation of wetlands or areas containing submerged aquatic vegetation <u>is not</u> authorized by this general permit.

8. This permit <u>does not</u> authorize the removal of plugs or the connection of any canal to waters of the United States.

9. In addition to the eight Special Conditions listed above which are only applicable to maintenance dredging of existing upland-cut residential canals, the permittee must abide by all of the Special Conditions which are listed in paragraph 'H' below. These Special Conditions are applicable to all structures and/or work authorized under this general permit.

### C. SPECIAL CONDITIONS FOR SUBAQUEOUS UTILITY AND TRANSMISSION LINES:

1. The work herein authorized includes the installation and maintenance of subaqueous utility and transmission lines laid on, embedded in, or horizontally direction drilled beneath the bottom of navigable waters of the United States in Miami-Dade County, excluding the deep-draft, federally maintained channels.

2. All utility and/or transmission lines, cables, conduits, pipes, etc., authorized by this general permit must be installed a minimum of 14 feet below the authorized depth of any shallow-draft Federal Channel it crosses. The 14-foot criterion applies to the entire authorized width of the channel, plus a minimum of 25 feet outside the channel edges to allow for maintenance of the side slopes. Crossings of Federally maintained deep-draft channels are not authorized under this permit.

3. No utility and/or transmission lines will be embedded in the bottom of State Class I or Class II waters, aquatic preserves, or in areas of seagrass beds and/or hard bottom/live bottom communities.

4. Dredged or fill material placed as backfill or bedding for subaqueous utility and transmission lines must not change the preconstruction bottom contours. Excess material must be removed to a self-contained upland area that will prevent spoil material and/or return water from reentering any water of the United States or interfering with natural drainage.

5. The permittee will install signs at the shoreline to notify navigational interests of the location of subaqueous utility and transmission lines.

6. Where the proposed transmission line is to be installed in navigable waters of the United States, at least two weeks prior to the start of the authorized work, the permittee must notify the National Oceanic Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) and the Corps' office in writing that the work is commencing, and again upon completion of the work. The permittee

shall notify the District Engineer at the letterhead address, attention Regulatory Division, and NOAA, at Nautical Data Branch N/CS26, Station 7317, 1315 East-West Highway, Silver Spring, MD 20910-3282. This notification will include "as-built plans," signed and sealed by a registered surveyor/engineer licensed in the State of Florida, that certify the project is constructed as authorized, and must include an accurate (within plus or minus 1 foot) depiction of the location and configuration of the completed activity in relation to the mean high water of the navigable water.

7. The permittee shall defend and hold the U.S. Government harmless from any and all claims by reason of the placement and installation of the transmission lines authorized by this permit.

8. In addition to the seven Special Conditions listed above which are only applicable to the installation and maintenance of subaqueous utility and transmission lines, the permittee must abide by all of the Special Conditions which are listed in paragraph 'H' below. These Special Conditions are applicable to all structures and/or work authorized under this general permit.

## **D. SPECIAL CONDITIONS FOR STORM WATER OUTFALLS:**

1. Structures authorized under this general permit are storm water outfalls and appurtenances.

2. Authorization is contingent upon issuance of lawfully required National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System permits (Section 402 of the Clean Water Act) from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Florida Department of Environmental Protection, State Water Management District, or their legally authorized delegate.

3. This general permit authorizes dredging at storm water outfalls. No additional dredging is authorized under this general permit other than that which would be necessary to restore the discharge structure to its original permitted excavated depth. Where no previous permit has been issued by the Corps or by RER on behalf of the Corps for construction or maintenance dredging of the existing storm water outfall, such maintenance dredging shall be limited to a depth of no more than 5 feet below mean low water.

4. Turbidity control measures will be used to control water quality and the work must be in accordance with State Water Quality Standards in Chapter 62.302, and sections 62-4.242 and 62-4.244 in the Florida Administrative Code. Turbidity control measures may include but are not limited to, turbidity control curtains, the exclusive use of suction dredging, the exclusive use of closed "clam shell" dredging, or any other technique necessary to reduce turbidity to no more than background turbidity. The Florida Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) may require the applicant to submit a daily turbidity report which may be verified by state or local government inspectors.

5. Excavated spoil material shall be deposited at self-contained upland areas that will prevent spoil material and/or return water from reentering any water of the United States or interfering with natural drainage.

6. In addition to the five Special Conditions listed above which are only applicable to the construction and maintenance of stormwater outfalls, the permittee must abide by all of the Special Conditions which are listed in paragraph 'H' below. These Special Conditions are applicable to all structures and/or work authorized under this general permit.

#### **E. SPECIAL CONDITIONS FOR MINOR STRUCTURES:**

1. The work herein authorized will be for minor structures to include:

- a. Single mooring pilings.
- b. Small mooring dolphins (limited to one cluster of four or fewer pilings).
- c. Non-commercial information signage.
- d. Boat lifts and their appurtenant catwalks, hoists, davits.
- e. Other minor structures that would have less environmental impact than a small dock.

2. No work shall be authorized by this permit within the boundaries of any national or state park.

3. No activity shall be authorized under this general permit which by its size or location may adversely affect water quality, fish and wildlife habitat, wetlands, or emergent or submerged aquatic vegetation. Adverse impacts to aquatic vegetation from dock construction may be ameliorated by strict adherence to the attached joint U.S. Army Corps of Engineers'/National Marine Fisheries Service's, "Construction Guidelines in Florida for Minor Piling-Supported Structures Constructed in or over Submerged Aquatic Vegetation (SAV), Marsh or Mangrove Habitat, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers/National Marine Fisheries Service, August 2001." (See http://www.saj.usace.army.mil/Missions/Regulatory/SourceBook.aspx ) Unless otherwise specifically approved by the National Marine Fisheries Service, dock construction authorized under the SAJ-42 must comply with the above, and additionally, because of concerns about adverse impacts to Johnson's seagrass (Halophila johnsonii), dock construction in the lagoon (as well as canal) systems on Florida's east coast from the Miami-Dade County boundary south to and including central Biscayne Bay (Miami-Dade County) must also comply with the construction guidelines titled "Key for Construction Conditions for Docks or Other Minor Structures Constructed in or Over Johnson's seagrass (Halophila johnsonii) National Marine Fisheries Service/U.S. Army Corps of Engineers - February 2002." (See http://www.saj.usace.army.mil/Missions/Regulatory/SourceBook.aspx ) Note: Both of the Construction Guidelines may be subject to revision at any time. It is our intention that the

most recent version of this technical tool will be utilized during the evaluation of the permit application.

4. In addition to the three Special Conditions listed above which are only applicable to the construction of minor structures, the permittee must abide by all of the Special Conditions which are listed in paragraph 'H' below. These Special Conditions are applicable to all structures and/or work authorized under this general permit.

### F. SPECIAL CONDITIONS FOR PIERS/DOCKS AND APPURTENANCES:

1. Structures authorized under this general permit include the repair and replacement or installation of private single-family piers (including docks, marginal docks, viewing platforms, fishing piers, and other similar structures with similar purpose) not to exceed 2 slips unless a Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission approved Manatee Protection Plan is more restrictive. This would include normal appurtenances such as boat hoists, boat shelters with open sides, stairways, walkways, mooring pilings, dolphins, and maintenance of same.

2. Repair or rehabilitation of currently serviceable multi-slip watercraft access structures may be authorized under this permit provided all of the following are met: 1) the project is not located in an Important Manatee Area, 2) the number of slips is not increased; 3) the number of existing slips is not in question; 4) the improvements to the existing watercraft access structures do not result in increased watercraft usage. (see Manatee Key See <a href="http://www.saj.usace.army.mil/Missions/Regulatory/SourceBook.aspx">http://www.saj.usace.army.mil/Missions/Regulatory/SourceBook.aspx</a> for more details).

3. No living, fueling, or storage facilities over navigable waters of the United States are authorized under this general permit

4. The structure shall be consistent with other structures in the area.

5. No activity shall be authorized under this general permit which by its size or location may adversely affect water quality, fish and wildlife habitat, wetlands, or emergent or submerged aquatic vegetation. Adverse impacts to aquatic vegetation from dock construction may be ameliorated by strict adherence to the attached joint U.S. Army Corps of Engineers'/National Marine Fisheries Service's, "Construction Guidelines in Florida for Minor Piling-Supported Structures Constructed in or over Submerged Aquatic Vegetation (SAV), Marsh or Mangrove Habitat, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers/National Marine Fisheries Service, August 2001." (See http://www.saj.usace.army.mil/Missions/Regulatory/SourceBook.aspx ) Unless otherwise specifically approved by the National Marine Fisheries Service, dock construction authorized under the SAJ-42 must comply with the above, and additionally, because of concerns about adverse impacts to Johnson's seagrass (Halophila johnsonii), dock construction in the lagoon (as well as canal) systems on Florida's east coast from the Miami-Dade County boundary south to and including central Biscayne Bay (Miami-Dade County) must also comply with the construction guidelines titled "Key for Construction Conditions for Docks or Other Minor Structures Constructed in or Over Johnson's seagrass (Halophila johnsonii) National Marine Fisheries Service/U.S. Army Corps of Engineers - February

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6. Structures (including any mooring areas) constructed on principally residential canals must not extend waterward more than 25 percent of waterway width. Any safety lights and signals prescribed by the U.S. Coast Guard, through regulations or otherwise, must be installed and maintained at the permittee's expense.

7. In addition to the six Special Conditions listed above which are only applicable to the construction of single-family piers, the permittee must abide by all of the Special Conditions which are listed in paragraph 'H' below. These Special Conditions are applicable to all structures and/or work authorized under this general permit.

## G. SPECIAL CONDITIONS FOR PRIVATE SINGLE-FAMILY FLOATING VESSEL PLATFORMS:

1. The work herein authorized will be for private single-family floating vessel platforms (FVPs) to include the construction, installation, operation, or maintenance of floating vessel platforms or floating boat lifts.

2. FVPs must float at all times in the water for the sole purpose of supporting a vessel so that the vessel is out of the water when not in use. FVPs must not be used for mooring vessels that remain in the water when not in use.

3. FVPs must not exceed a combined total of 200 square feet whether associated with a dock or whether attached to a bulkhead on a parcel of land where there is no other docking structure.

4. This permit does not authorize the placement of floating vessel platforms or construction in mangroves or other wetlands, seagrass habitat or other areas capable of supporting submerged aquatic vegetation, hard bottom/live bottom communities, or any other special aquatic sites for any purpose.

5. In addition to the four Special Conditions listed above which are only applicable to FVPs, the permittee must abide by all of the Special Conditions which are listed in paragraph 'H' below. These Special Conditions are applicable to all structures and/or work authorized under this general permit.

## H. SPECIAL CONDITIONS FOR ALL WORKS:

1. No work shall be performed until the applicant submits satisfactory plans for the proposed activity and receives written authorization from Miami-Dade County.

2. A residential canal is defined as a manmade waterway surrounded on both sides by uplands. Federally maintained navigation and/or flood control projects are not considered to be residential canals and SAJ-42 is not authorized for use within them.

3. Wetlands are those areas that are periodically inundated or saturated by surface or ground water at a frequency and duration sufficient to support, and that under normal circumstances do support, a prevalence of vegetation typically adapted for life in saturated soil conditions. Wetlands generally include swamps, marshes, bogs, and similar areas.

4. No structures or work shall be authorized by this general permit in areas designated as American Crocodile critical habitat or in Biscayne Bay National Park Protection Zone, or in Federal Manatee Sanctuaries, refuges, motorboat prohibited zones, or no entry zones.

5. No activity shall be authorized under this general permit which by its size or location may adversely affect water quality, fish and wildlife habitat, *Acropora spp.* or other hard bottom/live bottom communities, mangroves or other wetlands, emergent vegetation, or the following species of submerged aquatic vegetation: shoal grass (*Halodule wrightii*), paddle grass (*Halophila decipiens*), star grass (*Halophila engelmanni*), Johnson's seagrass (*Halophila johnsonii*), sago pondweed (*Potamogeton pectinatus*), clasping-leaved pondweed (*Potamogeton perfoliatus*), widgeon grass (*Ruppia maritima*), manatee grass (*Syringodium filiforme*), turtle grass (*Thalassia testudinum*), tapegrass (*Vallisneria americana*), horned pondweed (*Zannichellia palustris*), and eel grass (*Zostera marina*). Indirect effects include secondary and cumulative effects. In addition, the project cannot have adverse effects on any other essential fish habitat.

6. No work shall be performed until after the permittee provides notification to the owner(s) or operator(s) of any marked utilities in the work area.

7. Cultural Resources/Historic Properties:

a. No structure or work shall adversely affect, impact, or disturb properties listed in the National Register of Historic Places (NRHP) or those eligible for inclusion in the NRHP.

b. If during the ground disturbing activities and construction work within the permit area, there are archaeological/cultural materials encountered which were not the subject of a previous cultural resources assessment survey (and which shall include, but not be limited to: pottery, modified shell, flora, fauna, human remains, ceramics, stone tools or metal implements, dugout canoes, evidence of structures or any other physical remains that could be associated with Native American cultures or early colonial or American settlement), the Permittee shall immediately stop all work in the vicinity and notify the Corps. The Corps shall then notify the Florida State Historic Preservation Officer (SHPO) and the appropriate Tribal Historic Preservation Officer(s) (THPO(s)) to assess the significance of the discovery and devise appropriate actions.

c. A cultural resources assessment may be required of the permit area, if deemed necessary by the SHPO, THPO(s), or Corps, in accordance with 36 CFR 800 or 33 CFR 325, Appendix C (5). Based, on the circumstances of the discovery, equity to all parties, and considerations of the public interest, the Corps may modify, suspend or revoke the permit in accordance with 33 CFR

Part 325.7. Such activity shall not resume on non-federal lands without written authorization from the SHPO and the Corps.

d. In the unlikely event that unmarked human remains are identified on non-federal lands, they will be treated in accordance with Section 872.05 Florida Statutes. All work in the vicinity shall immediately cease and the Permittee shall immediately notify the medical examiner, Corps, and State Archeologist. The Corps shall then notify the appropriate SHPO and THPO(s). Based, on the circumstances of the discovery, equity to all parties, and considerations of the public interest, the Corps may modify, suspend or revoke the permit in accordance with 33 CFR Part 325.7. Such activity shall not resume without written authorization from the State Archeologist, SHPO and the Corps.

e. In the unlikely event that human remains are encountered on federal or tribal lands, or in situations where Archaeological Resources Protection Act of 1979, or Native American Graves Protection Repatriation Act of 1990 applies, all work in the vicinity shall immediately cease and the Permittee immediately notify the Corps. The Corps shall then notify the appropriate THPO(s) and SHPO. Based, on the circumstances of the discovery, equity to all parties, and considerations of the public interest, the Corps may modify, suspend or revoke the permit in accordance with 33 CFR Part 325.7. After such notification, project activities on federal lands shall not resume without written authorization from the Corps, and/or appropriate THPO(s), SHPO, and federal manager. After such notification, project activities on tribal lands shall not resume without written authorization from the appropriate THPO(s) and the Corps.

8. Conformance with descriptions and quantities contained herein does not necessarily guarantee authorization under this general permit.

9. The District Engineer reserves the right to require that any request for authorization under this general permit be evaluated as a Standard Permit.

10. Prior to issuance of authorization, the dichotomous key entitled "The Corps of Engineers, Jacksonville District, and the State of Florida Effect Determination Key for the Manatee in Florida, 2011" (See

http://www.saj.usace.army.mil/Missions/Regulatory/SourceBook.aspx) will be used to determine potential manatee impacts. Projects evaluated under the manatee key with a "may affect" or a "may affect, not likely to adversely affect," requiring additional correcp with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service to the manatee must be coordinated with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in accordance with the Endangered Species Act and are not authorized under this general permit. *Note: The manatee key may be subject to revision at any time. It is our intention that the most recent version of this technical tool will be utilized during the evaluation of the permit application.* 

11. The permittee shall comply with the Standard Manatee Construction conditions (See <u>http://www.saj.usace.army.mil/Missions/Regulatory/SourceBook.aspx</u>).

12. The permittee shall comply with the Sea Turtle and Smalltooth Sawfish Construction Conditions (See <u>http://www.saj.usace.army.mil/Missions/Regulatory/SourceBook.aspx</u>).

13. No activity shall be authorized under this general permit which is likely to adversely affect a Federally listed threatened or endangered species or a species proposed for such designation, or destroy or adversely modify its designated critical habitat.

14. No structure or work that is in Federal manatee sanctuaries, refuges, motorboat prohibited zones, or "no entry zones" shall be authorized by SAJ-42. Applications for work in these areas will be forwarded to the Corps for processing.

15. Activities qualifying for this programmatic general permit (PGP) must be authorized by the applicable permit or exemption under Part IV of Chapter 373, F.S., and by any authorization required to use or occupy state-owned submerged lands (SSL) under Chapter 253, F.S., and, as applicable, Chapter 258, F.S. Such permit, issued by the Department of Environmental Protection, a water management district under s. 373.069, F.S., or a local government with delegated authority under s. 373.441, F.S., will provide the applicable Water Quality Certification (WQC) or waiver thereto, and Coastal Zone Consistency Concurrence (CZCC). WQC is waived for activities authorized under this RGP that qualify for an exemption under s. 403.813(1) or 373.406, F.S., or the rules of the Florida Administrative Code (F.A.C.) adopted under Part IV of Chapter 373, F.S. The Corps under 33 C.F.R. § 325.2(b)(2) may presume CZCC for the above exempt activities by operation of s. 380.23(7), F.S., provided the activity receives the applicable authorization to use and occupy SSL under Chapter 253, F.S., and, as applicable, Chapter 258, F.S., and the rules of the F.A.C. adopted thereunder. The Corps shall not be precluded from acting on a request to use this RGP before the applicable SSL authorization is granted.

16. For projects proposed adjacent to Federally maintained channels, no structure, including mooring piles, authorized under this general permit shall be within the established setback.

17. Any structure authorized under this general permit must not interfere with general navigation.

18. For projects authorized under the SAJ-42 in navigable waters of the United States, the permittee understands and agrees that, if future operations by the United States require the removal, relocation, or other alteration, of the structures or work herein authorized, or if, in the opinion of the Secretary of the Army or his authorized representative, said structure or work shall cause unreasonable obstruction to the free navigation of the navigable waters, the permittee will be required, upon due notice from the Corps of Engineers, to remove, relocate, or alter the structural work or obstructions caused thereby, without expense to the United States. No claim shall be made against the United States on account of any such removal or alteration. A structure authorized under this regional general permit must not interfere with general navigation.

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19. This regional general permit will be valid for a period of five years from the date specified above unless suspended or revoked by the District Engineer prior to that date. If SAJ-42 expires or is revoked prior to completion of the authorized work, authorization of activities that have commenced or are under contract to commence in reliance on SAJ-42 will remain in effect provided the activity is completed within 12 months of the date SAJ-42 expired or was revoked.

20. The permittee shall perform all work in accordance with the general conditions for permits. The general conditions attached hereto are made a part of this permit.

BY AUTHORITY OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY

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Alan M. Dodd Colonel, Corps of Engineers Commanding

#### **GENERAL CONDITIONS FOR DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY GENERAL PERMITS**

#### **General Conditions**

1. The time limit for completing the work authorized ends on April 29, 2018.

2. You must maintain the activity authorized by this permit in good condition and in conformance with the terms and conditions of this permit. You are not relieved of this requirement if you abandon the permitted activity, although you may make a good faith transfer to a third party in compliance with General Condition 4 below. Should you wish to cease to maintain the authorized activity or should you desire to abandon it without a good faith transfer, you must obtain a modification of this permit from this office, which may require restoration of the area.

3. If you discover any previously unknown historic or archeological remains while accomplishing the activity authorized by this permit, you must immediately notify this office of what you have found. We will initiate the Federal and State coordination required to determine if the remains warrant a recovery effort or if the site is eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places.

4. If you sell the property associated with this permit, you must obtain the signature <u>and mailing address</u> of the new owner in the space provided below and forward a copy of the permit to this office to validate the transfer of this authorization.

5. If a conditioned water quality certification has been issued for your project, you must comply with the conditions specified in the certification as special conditions to this permit.

6. You must allow representatives from this office to inspect the authorized activity at any time deemed necessary to ensure that it is being or has been accomplished in accordance with the terms and conditions of your permit.

#### For Section 10 permits, add the following as a Special Condition:

7. The permittee understands and agrees that, if future operations by the United States require the removal, relocation, or other alteration, of the structures or work herein authorized, or if, in the opinion of the Secretary of the Army or his authorized representative, said structure or work shall cause unreasonable obstruction to the free navigation of the navigable waters, the permittee will be required, upon due notice from the Corps of Engineers, to remove, relocate, or alter the structural work or obstructions caused thereby, without expense to the United States. No claim shall be made against the United States on account of any such removal or alteration.

#### **Further Information:**

1. Limits of this authorization.

- a. This permit does not obviate the need to obtain other Federal, State, or local authorizations required by law.
- b. This permit does not grant any property rights or exclusive privileges.
- c. This permit does not authorize any injury to the property or rights of others.
- d. This permit does not authorize interference with any existing or proposed Federal projects.

2. Limits of Federal Liability. In issuing this permit, the Federal Government does not assume any liability for the following:

a. Damages to the permitted project or uses thereof as a result of other permitted or unpermitted activities or from natural causes.

b. Damages to the permitted project or uses thereof as a result of current or future activities undertaken by or on behalf of the United States in the public interest.

c. Damages to persons, property, or to other permitted or unpermitted activities or structures caused by the activity authorized by this permit.

- d. Design or construction deficiencies associated with the permitted work.
- e. Damage claims associated with any future modification, suspension, or revocation of this permit.

3. Reliance on Applicant's Data: The determination of this office that issuance of this permit is not contrary to the public interest was made in reliance on the information you provided.

4. Reevaluation of Permit Decision: This office may reevaluate its decision on this permit at any time the circumstances warrant. Circumstances that could require a reevaluation include, but are not limited to, the following:

a. You fail to comply with the terms and conditions of this permit.

b. The information provided by you in support of your permit application proves to have been false, incomplete, or inaccurate (see 3 above).

c. Significant new information surfaces which this office did not consider in reaching the original public interest decision.

5. Such a reevaluation may result in a determination that it is appropriate to use the suspension, modification, and revocation procedures contained in 33 CFR 325.7 or enforcement procedures such as those contained in 33 CFR 326.4 and 326.5. The referenced enforcement procedures provide for the issuance of an administrative order requiring you comply with the terms and conditions of your permit and for the initiation of legal action where appropriate. You will be required to pay for any corrective measures ordered by this office, and if you fail to comply with such directive, this office may in certain situations (such as those specified in 33 CFR 209.170) accomplish the corrective measures by contract or otherwise and bill you for the cost.

6. When the structures or work authorized by this permit are still in existence at the time the property is transferred, the terms and conditions of this permit will continue to be binding on the new owner(s) of the property. To validate the transfer of this permit and the associated liabilities associated with compliance with its terms and conditions, have the transferee sign and date below.

(TRANSFEREE-SIGNATURE)

(DATE)

(NAME-PRINTED)

(ADDRESS)

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