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Subject: [Non-DoD Source] Re: USACE.Notice..Location: Clay County (UNCLASSIFIED)
Date: Wednesday, January 29, 2020 5:02:29 PM

Hi John,

Thank you for your email message regarding these activities. NOAA's National Marine Fisheries Service, Southeast Region, Habitat Conservation Division, has reviewed the Department of the Army permit application listed below. Due to our current staffing level, we are unable to adequately investigate the activity and, therefore, we can take no action on the permit application at this time. It should be noted that our position is neither supportive of, nor in opposition to, the subject activities.

Mark
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On Wed, Jan 29, 2020 at 4:37 PM Fellows, John P CIV USARMY CESAJ (USA)
<John.P.Fellows@usace.army.mil <<mailto:John.P.Fellows@usace.army.mil>> > wrote:

A public notice for the permit application described below has been posted at
Blocked<http://www.saj.usace.army.mil/Missions/Regulatory/PublicNotices.aspx>

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Project Name: Chemours Trail Ridge South Mineral Sands Mine
County: Bradford and Clay
Comment Due Date: FEB 18, 2020
File Name: SAJ-2019-00480 (SP-JPF)

Waterway and Location: The project would affect waters of the United States associated with headwater wetlands of the Santa Fe River (HUC 03110206), a tributary of the Suwannee River (HUC 031102). The project site is located south of State Road 230 and east of State Road 100, approximately four miles southeast of downtown Starke, in Sections 12, 13, and 24, Township 7 South, Range 22 East, Bradford County, and Sections 6, 7, 18, and 19, Township 7 South, Range 23 East, Clay County, Florida.

Proposed Work: The applicant seeks authorization to impact 740.45 acres of aquatic resources, including 710.59 acres of wetland impacts and 29.86 acres of impacts to ditches and other surface waters. The wetland impacts include 227.53 acres of impacts to wetland pine plantation areas. The applicant states that the proposed impacts will result in a loss of 347.58 wetland functional units (using UMAM). To offset this loss the applicant proposes permittee-responsible onsite and offsite mitigation, specifically, the re-establishment of 710.59 acres of wetlands onsite in conjunction with reclamation as required by the state of Florida, the enhancement of 136.49 acres of onsite, avoided wetlands, and 65.54 acres of re-establishment of offsite wetlands at the applicant's Florida Mine/Trail Ridge Mine, in conjunction with reclamation as required by the state of Florida. The offsite wetlands are not part of the mitigation for any Corps permits. The applicant states that the proposed mitigation provides 348.14 units of functional gain.

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Your response should be provided to the project manager as described in the text of the notice.