



Wetland Delineation-Goldpark King No. 2 , CDRMS File No. P-2023-004

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Mon, May 15, 2023 at 5:12 PM

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Elliott:

Jennifer Migliorato called earlier this afternoon to state and discuss her concerns about accomplishing the anticipated wetland delineation work along the entire length of "wetland" designated by the USFWS in the drainage trace crossing Goldpark King No. 2 from near its northwest corner to near its southeast corner.

As I've previously noted, both Jennifer and I are concerned as to whether the vegetation in the area will have "greened up" enough by early June to be useful in wetland delineation. She also indicated that the effort required to analyze and report on the entire stretch of designated "wetland." Would require considerably more time and work than initially assumed in the contract we had signed. And she has limited availability in early June to do the work.

After some discussion of the situation and various limiting factors, we arrived at a compromise plan for which I am seeking the Division's approval: to have Jennifer do her wetland delineation work (on June 2nd) on two 100-foot stretches (50 ft northwest and 50 ft southeast) of the point at which an excavator trench would be expected to cross the drainage trace, at site no. 1 and site no. 2. Then, if her work determines either of these stretches are an actual wetland, we will adjust our trenching program to avoid them. If the delineation proves that they are not "wetlands," we will trench across them as originally planned.

As to Site No. 3 (southeast,) I believe the wider "wetland" indicated there would be considerably more difficult to avoid with our trenching program; and we will achieve most of our information goals with the trenching and panning at sites 1 and 2. This, plus a number of other concerns, dictates that we should plan to trench and sample only at sites 1 and 2; I am seeking the Division's approval of this change also..

Please let me know of your approval - and any conditions thereof - of these plan revisions at your earliest convenience.

Thanks,

Charlie Spielman

PS. As you will note, I am sending a copy of this e-mail to Sophia Brooks-Randall, for the information of the USBLMFO; I don't anticipate they will have any reason to not approve this compromise plan revision.

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Hello Charles,

Thank you for keeping the BLM in the loop. My internship is ending this week, so please copy my supervisor Ray Ogle (rogle@blm.gov) in on future communications related to your Notice.

Best,

Sophia Brooks-Randall (she/her)

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Tue, May 16, 2023 at 11:47 AM

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Hi Charlie,

The updated plan (50 feet upstream & downstream at the two trenching sites) for the wetland survey/delineation sounds good, just be sure the entire disturbance footprint associated with the trenching program is covered by the survey. Not sure what the report will look like, but please have a map included which shows the area of survey and the areas of planned disturbance within this area.

Lastly, as you have mentioned, if the area is a wetlands, you'll be revising your plan (maps and narrative) to avoid the wetlands. Please note, and I assume your consultant is quite familiar with this, but in the event the area is determined to not be wetlands, please provide documentation of the Corps' concurrence. For other projects, the Division has been provided a Jurisdictional Determination (JD) letter from the Army Corps of Engineers stating that no 404 permit is needed as the area is not a water of the US.

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