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RE: Follow up to your resolution on TIP B-2418: Turkey Farm Road
Bridge Replacement Project

Dear Commissioners,

Thanks again to you for acting on a resolution of support at your meeting on April first. On behalf of the New Hope Creek Corridor Advisory Committee I wanted to let you know how matters have progressed since we last spoke. The Committee, the North Carolina Division of Water Quality and the NC DOT have settled the cases per the terms of a consent order. As conditions of the settlement, NCDOT has provided the Committee with a memorandum outlining consideration of alternative designs and has participated fully in a meeting at the bridge site with members of the Committee to discuss protective measures during construction. The meeting was very productive and we have thanked NCDOT for their participation and cooperation. Other than a few of us picking up some chiggers, everything went very well.

Based upon our observations at the meeting, we prepared recommendations for measures to be taken during construction to protect the Creek and its resources. We have forwarded these in a letter to NCDOT per the terms of the Consent Order. We have attached a copy of this letter for your information. We will be discussing these recommendations at a public meeting with NCDOT and the Division of Water Quality on July 30th.

We thank you for your support of this process and for all the things you have done to protect this Creek. John Kent, Bob Healy and other members of the Committee will continue to update you on progress, I am certain. We look forward to seeing the bridge replaced without damaging the habitat it inhabits.

Very Truly Yours,

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