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Subject: Jurisdictional Waters of the US Delineation and Nationwide Permit 14 Pre-Construction Notification  
White Sulphur Road Realignment (SAS-2023-00493)  
Hall County, Georgia

Dear Mr. Ed Johnson,

Hall County is proposing the White Sulphur Road Realignment project, which would realign approximately 3,900 feet of White Sulphur Road in Hall County Georgia. The project is located within the Mossy Creek-Chattahoochee River watershed (HUC 0313000103) and the Upper North Oconee River watershed (HUC 0307010104), and the coordinates of the approximate project midpoint are 34.3527146, -83.7687225.

A total of three (3) aquatic resources are found within the project area: Intermittent Stream (IS) 1, Perennial Stream (PS) 2, and Wetland (WL) 3. This project would result in 0.0046 acre (105 linear feet) of permanent impacts to IS 1 and 0.0406 acre (374 linear feet) of permanent impacts to PS 2. Mitigation would be required for the above listed stream impacts. Mitigation would also be required for 0.1093 acre of permanent impacts to WL 3. Mitigation credits have not yet been purchased.

Enclosed is the Section 404 Nationwide Permit 14 Pre-Construction Notification with accompanying Jurisdictional Waters of the U.S. Delineation information for your review and processing. If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact consultant environmental lead Marie Njie at [marie.njie@volkert.com](mailto:marie.njie@volkert.com) or 678-650-6108.

Sincerely,

Abbas Eshagieh-Meybodi, P.E.  
Consultant Design Manager

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Enclosures

cc: Zach Propes, County Administrator (Hall County Government)  
Bill Nash, Asst. Director of Public Works and Utilities (Hall County Government)  
Sam Phillips, Consultant Project Manager (Rochester and Associates)  
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## **Nationwide Permit 14 Pre-construction Notification**

<b>U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE)</b> <b>NATIONWIDE PERMIT PRE-CONSTRUCTION NOTIFICATION (PCN)</b> For use of this form, see 33 CFR 330; the proponent agency is CECW-CO-R.		Form Approved - OMB No. 0710-0003 Expires: 08-31-2023	
<b>DATA REQUIRED BY THE PRIVACY ACT OF 1974</b>			
<b>Authority</b>	Rivers and Harbors Act, Section 10, 33 USC 403; Clean Water Act, Section 404, 33 USC 1344; Regulatory Program of the Corps of Engineers (Corps); Final Rule 33 CFR 320-332.		
<b>Principal Purpose</b>	Information provided on this form will be used in evaluating the nationwide permit pre-construction notification.		
<b>Routine Uses</b>	This information may be shared with the Department of Justice and other federal, state, and local government agencies, and the public and may be made available as part of the agency coordination process.		
<b>Disclosure</b>	Submission of requested information is voluntary, however, if information is not provided the permit application cannot be evaluated nor can a permit be issued.		
<p>The public reporting burden for this collection of information, 0710-0003, is estimated to average 11 hours per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information. Send comments regarding the burden estimate or burden reduction suggestions to the Department of Defense, Washington Headquarters Services, at <a href="mailto:whs.mc-alex.esd.mbx.dd-dod-information-collections@mail.mil">whs.mc-alex.esd.mbx.dd-dod-information-collections@mail.mil</a>. Respondents should be aware that notwithstanding any other provision of law, no person shall be subject to any penalty for failing to comply with a collection of information if it does not display a currently valid OMB control number.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>PLEASE DO NOT RETURN YOUR RESPONSE TO THE ABOVE EMAIL.</b></p> <p>One set of original drawings or good reproducible copies which show the location and character of the proposed activity must be attached to this application (see <i>sample drawings and/or instructions</i>) and be submitted to the district engineer having jurisdiction over the location of the proposed activity. An application that is not completed in full will be returned.</p>			
<b>(ITEMS 1 THRU 4 TO BE FILLED BY THE CORPS)</b>			
1. APPLICATION NO.	2. FIELD OFFICE CODE	3. DATE RECEIVED	4. DATE APPLICATION COMPLETE
<b>(ITEMS BELOW TO BE FILLED BY APPLICANT)</b>			
5. APPLICANT'S NAME		8. AUTHORIZED AGENT'S NAME AND TITLE ( <i>agent is not required</i> )	
First - Zach                      Middle -                      Last - Propes Company - Hall County Government Company Title - County Administrator E-mail Address - zpropes@hallcounty.org	First - Marie                      Middle -                      Last - Njie Company - Volkert Inc. E-mail Address - marie.njie@volkert.com		
6. APPLICANT'S ADDRESS		9. AGENT'S ADDRESS	
Address- 2875 Browns Bridge Rd City - Gainesville              State - GA              Zip - 30503      Country - USA		Address- 1720 Peachtree St NE, Suite 405 City - Atlanta                      State - GA              Zip - 30309      Country - USA	
7. APPLICANT'S PHONE NOs. with AREA CODE		10. AGENT'S PHONE NOs. with AREA CODE	
a. Residence	b. Business	c. Fax	d. Mobile
	770-531-6800		678-650-6108
<b>STATEMENT OF AUTHORIZATION</b>			
11. I hereby authorize, <u>Marie Njie</u> to act in my behalf as my agent in the processing of this nationwide permit pre-construction notification and to furnish, upon request, supplemental information in support of this nationwide permit pre-construction notification.			
_____ SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT		_____ DATE	
<b>NAME, LOCATION, AND DESCRIPTION OF PROJECT OR ACTIVITY</b>			
12. PROJECT NAME or TITLE ( <i>see instructions</i> )			
White Sulphur Road Realignment			

**NAME, LOCATION, AND DESCRIPTION OF PROJECT OR ACTIVITY**

13. NAME OF WATERBODY, IF KNOWN <i>(if applicable)</i>		14. PROPOSED ACTIVITY STREET ADDRESS <i>(if applicable)</i>	
15. LOCATION OF PROPOSED ACTIVITY <i>(see instructions)</i>		City:	State: Zip:
Latitude	°N	Longitude	°W
	34.3527146		-83.7687227
		<b>Gainesville</b>	<b>GA 30501</b>

16. OTHER LOCATION DESCRIPTIONS, IF KNOWN *(see instructions)*

State Tax Parcel ID	Municipality	
Section	Township	Range

17. DIRECTIONS TO THE SITE  
Travel north on I-985 out of Gainesville for 3.5 miles. Turn left onto Howard Road, then turn right onto White Sulphur Road.

18. IDENTIFY THE SPECIFIC NATIONWIDE PERMIT(S) YOU PROPOSE TO USE  
Nationwide Permit 14

19. DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED NATIONWIDE PERMIT ACTIVITY *(see instructions)*  
This project proposes the realignment of approximately 3,900 feet (ft) of White Sulphur Rd in Hall County, Georgia. The proposed project begins approximately 1,050 ft to the southwest of Sargent Rd and ends approximately 900 ft to the southeast of Cagle Rd. The total length of the project is approximately 0.85 mile. The project would also involve modifications to the existing roadways converging at the north end of the project to account for elimination of the railroad crossing near Cagle Rd. Cut-and-fill and easement for drainage would result in permanent discharge of fill impacts to 0.0976 acre (ac) of wetland area within Wetland (WL) 3 and 0.0117 ac of permanent clearing and grubbing impacts. Perennial Stream (PS) 2 would be diverted into a pipe and subject to discharge of fill impacts, resulting in 0.0406 ac [374 linear feet (LF)] of permanent impacts in a single crossing. PS 2 would also be subject to 0.0045 ac (31 LF) of temporary dewatering impacts. Intermittent Stream (IS) 1 would be subject to discharge of fill due to cut-and-fill, resulting in 0.0046 ac (105 LF) of permanent impacts in a single crossing.

20. DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED MITIGATION MEASURES *(see instructions)*  
The proposed permanent discharge of fill impacts to IS 1 and PS 2 would require mitigation through the purchase of an anticipated 363.20 2018 stream credits (3,980.43 legacy stream credits). The proposed permanent discharge of fill and clearing impacts to WL 3 would require mitigation through the purchase of an anticipated 0.08 2018 wetland credits (0.64 legacy wetland credits).  
  
Vertical geometry was restrained by maximum graded requirements for this project. Slopes in these areas were reduced to meet minimum requirements (2:1 slopes). Shoulder requirements were reduced to meet minimum Hall County and guardrail requirements. Impacts to WL 3 were minimized through the placement of orange barrier fencing to reduce impact limits. Fill limits were reduced to the maximum extent practicable to minimize impacts to resources.

21. PURPOSE OF NATIONWIDE PERMIT ACTIVITY *(Describe the reason or purpose of the project, see instructions)*  
This project would realign White Sulphur Rd such that two railway crossings would be eliminated, and a left turn lane would be added to provide a separate lane for traffic continuing northwest across the railroad tracks. The proposed changes would reduce traffic delays and improve safety as the current railway crossings cause backups with or without trains present due to drivers stopping. The roadway has had three fatalities since 2017. The Gateway Industrial Centre, a 518-acre industrial park, utilizes the roadway. The Port Authority estimated that 150,000 containers per year will be going from the facility along with 100-150 trucks per day. Mobility on this roadway is imperative to the economic success of the area.

22. QUANTITY OF WETLANDS, STREAMS, OR OTHER TYPES OF WATERS DIRECTLY AFFECTED BY PROPOSED NATIONWIDE PERMIT ACTIVITY *(see instructions)*

Acres	Linear Feet	Cubic Yards Dredged or Discharged
IS 1 - 0.0046, PS 2 - 0.0406 ac, WL 3 - 0.1093 ac	<b>IS 1 - 105 LF, PS 2 - 374 LF</b>	<b>N/A</b>

**Each PCN must include a delineation of wetlands, other special aquatic sites, and other waters, such as lakes and ponds, and perennial, intermittent, and ephemeral streams, on the project site.**

23. List any other NWP(s), regional general permit(s), or individual permit(s) used or intended to be used to authorize any part of the proposed project or any related activity. *(see instructions)*  
N/A

24. If the proposed activity will result in the loss of greater than 1/10-acre of wetlands and requires pre-construction notification, explain how the compensatory mitigation requirement in paragraph (c) of general condition 23 will be satisfied, or explain why the adverse environmental effects are no more than minimal and why compensatory mitigation should not be required for the proposed activity.  
The proposed 0.1093 acre of permanent impacts to WL 3 would require mitigation through the purchase of an anticipated 0.08 2018 wetland credits (0.64 legacy wetland credits).

25. Is any portion of the nationwide permit activity already complete?  Yes  No If Yes, describe the completed work:


26. List the name(s) of any species listed as endangered or threatened under the Endangered Species Act that might be affected by the proposed NWP activity or utilize the designated critical habitat that might be affected by the proposed NWP activity. (see instructions)  
N/A

27. List any historic properties that have the potential to be affected by the proposed NWP activity or include a vicinity map indicating the location of the historic property or properties. (see instructions)  
One historic property exists near the project but is outside of the construction limits. A history resource survey memo is included in Appendix 5. Per earlier communication with USACE, Hall County will be submitting a cultural resources radius survey under a separate cover.

28. For a proposed NWP activity that will occur in a component of the National Wild and Scenic River System, or in a river officially designated by Congress as a "study river" for possible inclusion in the system while the river is in an official study status, identify the Wild and Scenic River or the "study river":  
N/A

29. If the proposed NWP activity also requires permission from the Corps pursuant to 33 U.S.C. 408 because it will alter or temporarily or permanently occupy or use a U.S. Army Corps of Engineers federally authorized civil works project, have you submitted a written request for section 408 permission from the Corps district having jurisdiction over that project?  Yes  No  
If "yes", please provide the date your request was submitted to the Corps district: N/A

30. If the terms of the NWP(s) you want to use require additional information to be included in the PCN, please include that information in this space or provide it on an additional sheet of paper marked Block 30. (see instructions)  
Alternatives to this project were considered. In the "No Action" alternative, the County would not improve the roadway by eliminating two rail crossings and providing more efficient and quicker transportation to businesses along the roadway. The County would not meet a transportation need identified in the County's Comprehensive Plan and the Community Economic Development Plan of the Georgia Mountains Region. In the "Postponing the Action Pending Further Study" alternative, postponing would delay the desired improvements, delay addressing the community and business needs, and possibly increase costs. In the "Increase or Decrease Project Scope" alternative, a decrease would not meet the requests of the businesses or the community for the transportation route. An increase in scope would not be feasible at the time due to cost constraints to the County.

31. Pre-construction notification is hereby made for one or more nationwide permit(s) to authorize the work described in this notification. I certify that the information in this pre-construction notification is complete and accurate. I further certify that I possess the authority to undertake the work described herein or am acting as the duly authorized agent of the applicant.  
 11/14/2023

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT	DATE	SIGNATURE OF AGENT	DATE

The pre-construction notification must be signed by the person who desires to undertake the proposed activity (applicant) and, if the statement in Block 11 has been filled out and signed, the authorized agent.

18 U.S.C. Section 1001 provides that: Whoever, in any manner within the jurisdiction of any department or agency of the United States knowingly and willfully falsifies, conceals, or covers up any trick, scheme, or disguises a material fact or makes any false, fictitious or fraudulent statements or representations or makes or uses any false writing or document knowing same to contain any false, fictitious or fraudulent statements or entry, shall be fined not more than \$10,000 or imprisoned not more than five years or both.

**Instructions for Preparing a  
Department of the Army  
Nationwide Permit (NWP) Pre-Construction Notification (PCN)**

**Blocks 1 through 4.** To be completed by the Corps of Engineers.

**Block 5. Applicant's Name.** Enter the name and the e-mail address of the responsible party or parties. If the responsible party is an agency, company, corporation, or other organization, indicate the name of the organization and responsible officer and title. If more than one party is associated with the preconstruction notification, please attach a sheet of paper with the necessary information marked Block 5.

**Block 6. Address of Applicant.** Please provide the full address of the party or parties responsible for the PCN. If more space is needed, attach an extra sheet of paper marked Block 6.

**Block 7. Applicant's Telephone Number(s).** Please provide the telephone number where you can usually be reached during normal business hours.

**Blocks 8 through 11.** To be completed, if you choose to have an agent.

**Block 8. Authorized Agent's Name and Title.** Indicate name of individual or agency, designated by you, to represent you in this process. An agent can be an attorney, builder, contractor, engineer, consultant, or any other person or organization. **Note:** An agent is not required.

**Blocks 9 and 10. Agent's Address and Telephone Number.** Please provide the complete mailing address of the agent, along with the telephone number where he / she can be reached during normal business hours.

**Block 11. Statement of Authorization.** To be completed by the applicant, if an agent is to be employed.

**Block 12. Proposed Nationwide Permit Activity Name or Title.** Please provide a name identifying the proposed NWP activity, e.g., Windward Marina, Rolling Hills Subdivision, or Smith Commercial Center.

**Block 13. Name of Waterbody.** Please provide the name (if it has a name) of any stream, lake, marsh, or other waterway to be directly impacted by the NWP activity. If it is a minor (no name) stream, identify the waterbody the minor stream enters.

**Block 14. Proposed Activity Street Address.** If the proposed NWP activity is located at a site having a street address (not a box number), please enter it in Block 14.

**Block 15. Location of Proposed Activity.** Enter the latitude and longitude of where the proposed NWP activity is located. Indicate whether the project location provided is the center of the project or whether the project location is provided as the latitude and longitude for each of the "corners" of the project area requiring evaluation. If there are multiple sites, please list the latitude and longitude of each site (center or corners) on a separate sheet of paper and mark as Block 15.

**Block 16. Other Location Descriptions.** If available, provide the Tax Parcel Identification number of the site, Section, Township, and Range of the site (if known), and / or local Municipality where the site is located.

**Block 17. Directions to the Site.** Provide directions to the site from a known location or landmark. Include highway and street numbers as well as names. Also provide distances from known locations and any other information that would assist in locating the site. You may also provide a description of the location of the proposed NWP activity, such as lot numbers, tract numbers, or you may choose to locate the proposed NWP activity site from a known point (such as the right descending bank of Smith Creek, one mile downstream from the Highway 14 bridge). If a large river or stream, include the river mile of the proposed NWP activity site if known. If there are multiple locations, please indicate directions to each location on a separate sheet of paper and mark as Block 17.

**Block 18. Identify the Specific Nationwide Permit(s) You Propose to Use.** List the number(s) of the Nationwide Permit(s) you want to use to authorize the proposed activity (e.g., NWP 29).

**Block 19. Description of the Proposed Nationwide Permit Activity.** Describe the proposed NWP activity, including the direct and indirect adverse environmental effects the activity would cause. The description of the proposed activity should be sufficiently detailed to allow the district engineer to determine that the adverse environmental effects of the activity will be no more than minimal. Identify the materials to be used in construction, as well as the methods by which the work is to be done.

Provide sketches when necessary to show that the proposed NWP activity complies with the terms of the applicable NWP(s). Sketches usually clarify the activity and result in a quicker decision. Sketches should contain sufficient detail to provide an illustrative description of the proposed NWP activity (e.g., a conceptual plan), but do not need to be detailed engineering plans.

The written descriptions and illustrations are an important part of the application. Please describe, in detail, what you wish to do. If more space is needed, attach an extra sheet of paper marked Block 19.



**Block 20. Description of Proposed Mitigation Measures.** Describe any proposed mitigation measures intended to reduce the adverse environmental effects caused by the proposed NWP activity. The description of any proposed mitigation measures should be sufficiently detailed to allow the district engineer to determine that the adverse environmental effects of the activity will be no more than minimal and to determine the need for compensatory mitigation or additional mitigation measures.

**Block 21. Purpose of Nationwide Permit Activity.** Describe the purpose and need for the proposed NWP activity. What will it be used for and why? Also include a brief description of any related activities associated with the proposed project. Provide the approximate dates you plan to begin and complete all work.

**Block 22. Quantity of Wetlands, Streams, or Other Types of Waters Directly Affected by the Proposed Nationwide Permit Activity.** For discharges of dredged or fill material into waters of the United States, provide the amount of wetlands, streams, or other types of waters filled, flooded, excavated, or drained by the proposed NWP activity. For structures or work in navigable waters of the United States subject to Section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act of 1899, provide the amount of navigable waters filled, dredged, or occupied by one or more structures (e.g., aids to navigation, mooring buoys) by the proposed NWP activity.

For multiple NWPs, or for separate and distant crossings of waters of the United States authorized by NWPs 12 or 14, attach an extra sheet of paper marked Block 21 to provide the quantities of wetlands, streams, or other types of waters filled, flooded, excavated, or drained (or dredged or occupied by structures, if in waters subject to Section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act of 1899) for each NWP. For NWPs 12 and 14, include the amount of wetlands, streams, or other types of waters filled, flooded, excavated, or drained for each separate and distant crossing of waters or wetlands. If more space is needed, attach an extra sheet of paper marked Block 22.

**Block 23. Identify Any Other Nationwide Permit(s), Regional General Permit(s), or Individual Permit(s) Used to Authorize Any Part of Proposed Activity or Any Related Activity.** List any other NWP(s), regional general permit(s), or individual permit(s) used or intended to be used to authorize any part of the proposed project or any related activity. For linear projects, list other separate and distant crossings of waters and wetlands authorized by NWPs 12 or 14 that do not require PCNs. If more space is needed, attach an extra sheet of paper marked Block 23.

**Block 24. Compensatory Mitigation Statement for Losses of Greater Than 1/10-Acre of Wetlands When Pre-Construction Notification is Required.** Paragraph (c) of NWP general condition 23 requires compensatory mitigation at a minimum one-for-one replacement ratio will be required for all wetland losses that exceed 1/10-acre and require pre-construction notification, unless the district engineer determines in writing that either some other form of mitigation is more environmentally appropriate or the adverse environmental effects of the proposed NWP activity are no more than minimal without compensatory mitigation, and provides an activity-specific waiver of this requirement. Describe the proposed compensatory mitigation for wetland losses greater than 1/10 acre, or provide an explanation of why the district engineer should not require wetland compensatory mitigation for the proposed NWP activity. If more space is needed, attach an extra sheet of paper marked Block 24.

**Block 25. Is Any Portion of the Nationwide Permit Activity Already Complete?** Describe any work that has already been completed for the NWP activity.

**Block 26. List the Name(s) of Any Species Listed As Endangered or Threatened under the Endangered Species Act that Might be Affected by the Nationwide Permit Activity.** If you are not a federal agency, and if any listed species or designated critical habitat might be affected or is in the vicinity of the proposed NWP activity, or if the proposed NWP activity is located in designated critical habitat, list the name(s) of those endangered or threatened species that might be affected by the proposed NWP activity or utilize the designated critical habitat that might be affected by the proposed NWP activity. If you are a Federal agency, and the proposed NWP activity requires a PCN, you must provide documentation demonstrating compliance with Section 7 of the Endangered Species Act.

**Block 27. List Any Historic Properties that Have the Potential to be Affected by the Nationwide Permit Activity.** If you are not a Federal agency, and if any historic properties have the potential to be affected by the proposed NWP activity, list the name(s) of those historic properties that have the potential to be affected by the proposed NWP activity. If you are a Federal agency, and the proposed NWP activity requires a PCN, you must provide documentation demonstrating compliance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act.

**Block 28. List the Wild and Scenic River or Congressionally Designated Study River if the Nationwide Permit Activity Would Occur in such a River.** If the proposed NWP activity will occur in a river in the National Wild and Scenic River System or in a river officially designated by Congress as a "study river" under the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act, provide the name of the river. For a list of Wild and Scenic Rivers and study rivers, please visit <http://www.rivers.gov/>.

**Block 29. Nationwide Permit Activities that also Require Permission from the Corps Under 33 U.S.C. 408.** If the proposed NWP activity also requires permission from the Corps under 33 U.S.C. 408 because it will temporarily or permanently alter, occupy, or use a Corps federal authorized civil works project, indicate whether you have submitted a written request for section 408 permission from the Corps district having jurisdiction over that project.

**Block 30. Other Information Required For Nationwide Permit Pre-Construction Notifications.** The terms of some of the Nationwide Permits include additional information requirements for preconstruction notifications:

- \* NWP 3, Maintenance –information regarding the original design capacities and configurations of the outfalls, intakes, small impoundments, and canals.
- \* NWP 31, Maintenance of Existing Flood Control Facilities –a description of the maintenance baseline and the dredged material disposal site.
- \* NWP 33, Temporary Construction, Access, and Dewatering –a restoration plan showing how all temporary fills and structures will be removed and the area restored to pre-project conditions.
- \* NWP 44, Mining Activities –if reclamation is required by other statutes, then a copy of the final reclamation plan must be submitted with the pre-construction notification.
- \* NWP 45, Repair of Uplands Damaged by Discrete Events –documentation, such as a recent topographic survey or photographs, to justify the extent of the proposed restoration.
- \* NWP 48, Commercial Shellfish Aquaculture Activities –(1) a map showing the boundaries of the project area, with latitude and longitude coordinates for each corner of the project area; (2) the name(s) of the species that will be cultivated during the period this NWP is in effect; (3) whether canopy predator nets will be used; (4) whether suspended cultivation techniques will be used; and (5) general water depths in the project area (a detailed survey is not required).
- \* NWP 49, Coal Remining Activities –a document describing how the overall mining plan will result in a net increase in aquatic resource functions must be submitted to the district engineer and receive written authorization prior to commencing the activity.
- \* NWP 50, Underground Coal Mining Activities –if reclamation is required by other statutes, then a copy of the reclamation plan must be submitted with the pre-construction notification.

If more space is needed, attach an extra sheet of paper marked Block 30.

**Block 31. Signature of Applicant or Agent.** The PCN must be signed by the person proposing to undertake the NWP activity, and if applicable, the authorized party (agent) that prepared the PCN. The signature of the person proposing to undertake the NWP activity shall be an affirmation that the party submitting the PCN possesses the requisite property rights to undertake the NWP activity (including compliance with special conditions, mitigation, etc.).

#### **DELINEATION OF WETLANDS, OTHER SPECIAL AQUATIC SITES, AND OTHER WATERS**

Each PCN must include a delineation of wetlands, other special aquatic sites, and other waters, such as lakes and ponds, and perennial, intermittent, and ephemeral streams, on the project site. Wetland delineations must be prepared in accordance with the current wetland delineation manual and regional supplement published by the Corps. The permittee may ask the Corps to delineate the special aquatic sites and other waters on the project site, but there may be a delay if the Corps does the delineation, especially if the project site is large or contains many wetlands, other special aquatic sites, and other waters. The 45 day PCN review period will not start until the delineation is submitted or has been completed by the Corps.

#### **DRAWINGS AND ILLUSTRATIONS**

##### **General Information.**

Three types of illustrations are needed to properly depict the work to be undertaken. These illustrations or drawings are identified as a Vicinity Map, a Plan View or a Typical Cross-Section Map. Identify each illustration with a figure or attachment number. For linear projects (e.g. roads, subsurface utility lines, etc.) gradient drawings should also be included. Please submit one original, or good quality copy, of all drawings on 8½x11 inch plain white paper (electronic media may be substituted). Use the fewest number of sheets necessary for your drawings or illustrations. Each illustration should identify the project, the applicant, and the type of illustration (vicinity map, plan view, or cross-section). While illustrations need not be professional (many small, private project illustrations are prepared by hand), they should be clear, accurate, and contain all necessary information.

#### **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION AND REQUIREMENTS**

For proposed NWP activities that involve discharges into waters of the United States, water quality certification from the State, Tribe, or EPA must be obtained or waived (see NWP general condition 25). Some States, Tribes, or EPA have issued water quality certification for one or more NWPs. Please check the appropriate Corps district web site to see if water quality certification has already been issued for the NWP(s) you wish to use. For proposed NWP activities in coastal states, state Coastal Zone Management Act consistency concurrence must be obtained, or a presumption of concurrence must occur (see NWP general condition 26). Some States have issued Coastal Zone Management Act consistency concurrences for one or more NWPs. Please check the appropriate Corps district web site to see if Coastal Zone Management Act consistency concurrence has already been issued for the NWP(s) you wish to use.