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Agencies: Southwest Florida Water Management District (SWFWMD), Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) Desoto Couty, Manatee County

Re: City of North Port Concerns on Mosaic's Proposed DeSoto Phosphate Mine on the Pine Level and Keys Tracts

Dear _____

The purpose of this letter is to request any information currently held by your agency related to the development of the west side of the Mosaic DeSoto Phosphate Mine, also known as the Pine Level and Keys Tracts. The information requested includes any permit applications, monitoring data or other plans that have been submitted by Mosaic towards development of the DeSoto Phosphate Mine, in particular the western portion of the mine to be located in western DeSoto and eastern Manatee Counties and within the Big Slough Watershed.

The City of North Port (City) is interested in the planning, design and development of this mine as the western portion of the area planned for mining is located in the Big Slough watershed. The Big Slough is a source of water for the City's drinking water supply and therefore the City is an interested party to significant land use changes that may be proposed for the watershed. The City would like to work collaboratively with regulatory/permitting agencies to ensure that existing regulations are fully met, and that extra protections be provided for Big Slough as appropriate to protect the City's drinking water supply.

The City would like to remain involved with any permitting and review processes that occur with this mine, and be given an opportunity to comment on proposed designs. Please consider this a request for any materials submitted by Mosaic regarding the DeSoto (west) Mine to date. In addition, City staff would like to remain in contact with Desoto County and Manatee County staff responsible for reviewing mining applications and would like to discuss with you the best method to facilitate communication and to work in a collaborative manner during the review process.

City staff will contact you in the near future to discuss how to best achieve the goal of active collaboration between the City and your agency. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to me or the City's Stormwater Manager Elizabeth Wong, P.E. at office: (941) 240-8321, cell: (941)628-1475 or by email ewong@cityofnorthport.com.

Sincerely,

Juliana B. Bellia
Public Works Director
Cc: Public Works Electronic File



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Agency Contact Information to Request Public Records for Phosphate Mining Applications

FDEP Public Records (For ERP and Reclamation Permit applications):

You can sign up online to receive notifications when ERP applications are received by FDEP, you can select criteria to narrow it down to mining:

<http://pass.dep.state.fl.us/DepPass3Profile/welcome>

The FDEP Mining contact is:

Orlando Rivera, Program Administrator
Florida Department of Environmental Protection
Mining and Mitigation Program
Bob Martinez Center
2600 Blair Stone Road, MS 3577
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-2400

Email: MiningAndMitigation@dep.state.fl.us

Phone: 850-245-8336

SWFWMD Public Records (For Water Use Permit applications):

Make a request at this web page, with the 'Public records requests' link in the upper right corner of the page. Request information for Water Use Permit Number 20011400.

<https://www.swfwmd.state.fl.us/contact/>

The SWFWMD Water Use Permitting Contact is:

Darrin Herbst, Water Use Permit Bureau Chief
7601 US Hwy. 301
Tampa, FL 33637-6759

Email: darrin.herbst@watermatters.org

Phone: 813-985-7481

Manatee County Public Records Requests:

<https://clients.comcate.com/newrequest.php?id=256#>

Manatee County Mining Contact Information:

Alissa Powers, PWS, Environmental Program Manager
Parks and Natural Resources Department
1112 Manatee Avenue West, Suite 203
Bradenton, FL 34205

Email: alissa.powers@mymanatee.org

Phone: 941-742-5980, ext. 1892

DeSoto County Public Records Requests:

General public information requests can be made at
http://desotobocc.com/how/contact_desoto_county

Or by emailing: info@desotobocc.com

DeSoto County Mining Contact Information:

Earl Hahn, Development Director
201 E Oak Street, Suite 204
Arcadia, FL 34266

Email: e.hahn@desotobocc.com

Phone: 863-993-4806