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Regulatory Division South/Transportation Branch LRH-2013-00042-MAU – Blanchard River HAN-75-14.39, PID 87005

Mr. Timothy Hill Ohio Department of Transportation 1980 West Broad Street, Mail Stop 4170 Columbus, Ohio 43223

Dear Mr. Hill:

I refer to Department of the Army Individual Permit LRH-2013-00042-MAU, dated 6 August 2014. Under this Individual Permit, the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) was authorized to discharge fill material into waters of the United States associated with the HAN-75-14.39, PID 87005 project. The permit authorized the discharge of approximately 1,514 cubic yards of fill material into approximately 1,516 feet (0.356 acre) of perennial and intermittent stream channel; 1,355 cubic yards into 0.518 acre of jurisdictional ditches, and 7,211 cubic yards into 4.47 acres of wetlands. Additionally, the permit authorized the temporary discharge of 8,452 cubic yards of fill material into approximately 1,116 (0.998 acre) of feet of perennial and intermittent stream channel and 188 cubic yards into 0.098 acre of jurisdictional ditches.

Special Condition 5 of Individual Permit LRH-2013-00042-MAU states: "No in-water work shall occur from April 15 to June 30 to reduce impacts to native aquatic species and their habitat." By email dated September 12, 2014, you requested the requirements of Special Condition 5 be modified to only apply to the Blanchard River.

This office has evaluated your request and information provided by the Ohio Department of Natural Resources. We have determined the proposed modification would not be contrary to public interest. Special Condition 5 is hereby modified to state:

• No in-water work shall occur in the Blanchard River from April 15 to June 30 to reduce impacts to native aquatic species and their habitat.

All other terms and conditions of Individual Permit LRH-2013-00042-MAU remain valid and unchanged.

If you have any questions concerning the above, please contact Tim Long of the Columbus Field Office at 614-692-4660.

Sincerely,

Ginger Mullins, Chief Regulatory Division

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