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Development Order Amendment Report

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Tampa Bay Regional Planning Council

DRI #251 - FOUR CORNERS MINE ADDITION/PHASE 2 MANATEE COUNTY

On October 27, 2005, the Manatee County Board of County Commissioners rendered to the Tampa Bay Regional Planning Council Ordinance No. 05-42. The Ordinance reflects an amendment adopted by the Board on September 27, 2005.

BACKGROUND

On September 5, 1991, the Manatee County Board of County Commissioners granted a Substantial Deviation Development Order (Ordinance No. 91-62/DRI #198) for only the Manatee County portion of DRI #52, to IMC Fertilizer, Inc. (now IMC Phosphates Company). DRI #52 authorized the mining of more than 18,500 acres, of which 9,952 acres are located within two tracts of northeast Manatee County (4,906 in the Jameson Tract and 5,052 acres in the Northeast Manatee Tract) with the remaining 8,727 acres located in southeastern Hillsborough County. The Four Corners Mine Substantial Deviation included: revision of the mining and reclamation plan for the existing Jameson Tract; extension of Jameson Tract mining period to November 30, 2006 and reclamation period to 2010; and the addition of 211 acres for mining in the Jameson Tract which were not previously approved for mining.

The Development Order was amended three times, most recently on September 26, 1996 (Ordinance 96-43). The amendments have cumulatively: resolved an appeal by the developer and TBRPC; reduced the aforementioned Jameson Tract expansion from 211 acres to 170 acres; added water quality monitoring/reporting requirements; required the establishment of a Wildlife and Habitat Management Plan for the land addition; approved a specific truck haul route from Four Corners Mine to Piney Point/Port Manatee; required submittal of an approved Spill Notification, Containment and Contingency Plan for F-3; and approved a two month and 28 days extension of the effective period for Ordinance 95-41 (to December 31, 1996).

On November 21, 2002, the Manatee County Board of County Commissioners approved an additional Substantial Deviation Development Order (Ordinance No. 02-58/DRI #251). The Ordinance supercedes and replaces all former Development Order authorizations for the project. The proposal essentially added provisions to mine an additional 1,111 acres. In total, the project allows for the mining of 10,450 acres of the overall 11,156 project acres.

DEVELOPMENT ORDER AMENDMENT

The current Development Order Amendment authorized:

- Change the name of the developer from “IMC Phosphates Company” to “Mosaic Fertilizer, LLC”;
- modify Development Order Condition U.12. regarding the origin and destination of overburden and sand tailings;

- add 305 acres of land acquired by Mosaic from FFD Land Company; and
- remove 44 acres from the project that was exchanged with FFD Land Company.

RECOMMENDATIONS

In accordance with Section 380.07, Florida Statutes (F.S.), this Development Order has been reviewed and determined to be consistent with the Council's *NOPC Report*, adopted on May 9, 2005, and with the Council's *Final Report* adopted on October 14, 2002.

It is recommended that the Department of Community Affairs concur with the Development Order amendment issued by Manatee County for DRI #251 - Four Corners Mine Addition/Phase 2.

