



Tampa Bay Regional Planning Council

# ARS

## Annual Report Summary

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### **DRI #198 - FOUR CORNERS MINE SUBSTANTIAL DEVIATION MANATEE COUNTY RY 2001-02**

On September 5, 1991, the Manatee County Board of County Commissioners granted a Development Order (Ordinance No. 91-62), a Substantial Deviation to 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) and the remaining 8,727 acres located in southeastern Hillsborough County. The Four Corners Mine Substantial Deviation includes: 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 has been amended three times. The most recent amendment (Ordinance 96-43) was approved on September 26, 1996. The amendments have cumulatively: resolved an appeal by the developer and TBRPC; reduced the aforementioned 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 the approved Spill Notification, Containment and Contingency Plan for F-3 to TBRPC; and approved the two month and 28 days extension of the effective period for Ordinance 95-41 (to December 31, 1996) to effectuate the aforementioned land exchange and obtain the proper rezoning classification. The Development Order expires on December 31, 2018.

#### **PROJECT STATUS**

***Development this Reporting Year:*** a total of 99 acres were mined during the reporting year, 287 acres were graded, 184 acres were mulched/grassed, 184 acres received tree plantings and 196 acres have been released by Manatee County.

***Cumulative Development:*** to date, a total of 2,904 acres have been mined, 1,185 acres have been graded, 753 acres have been mulched/grassed, 344 acres received tree plantings and 196 acres have been released by Manatee County.

***Projected Development:*** the developer anticipates mining 764 acres, placing sand tailings on 330 acres and planting trees on 542 acres.

## **SUMMARY OF DEVELOPMENT ORDER CONDITIONS**

1. The developer has identified that all required monitoring programs continue to be instituted with results provided to the applicable agencies. The following monitoring results have all been included in the annual report: *Industrial Wastewater Surface Water and Groundwater Discharge, Domestic Wastewater Monitoring, Production Well Sampling and Pumping, Rainfall, Ambient Surface Water and Groundwater Sampling and Traffic Monitoring.*
2. Manatee County and the developer may wish to consider whether Condition 6.F.(5) should be retained in the Development Order if the MA-08 rookery site is not being utilized.
3. The developer will continue to operate the well field, supplying 1.96 million gallons per day (mgd) of potable water to Manatee County and maintaining an 18 mgd emergency capacity. (Condition 6.H.(2.))
4. Traffic counts were conducted from June 11-12, 2002. The results were provided within the annual report, as required by Condition 6.I.2. The counts reveal that the actual daily number of “employee/delivery” trips recorded (944) exceeds those trips approved for this classification (630) by nearly 50 percent and the actual number of employee/delivery trips recorded during the a.m. peak hour (180) is 195% greater than the approved a.m. peak hour volume of 61 trips. However, these figures are more than offset by number of truck trips experienced both daily (246) and a.m. peak hour (33) is considerably less than those trips approved (1,500/daily & 178/a.m. peak hour) . Overall, the results indicate that the project is currently experiencing 56.5 percent of the approved daily trips and only 85.0 percent of those trips approved during a.m. peak hour.

The project appears to be in compliance with all other conditions at this time.

## **DEVELOPER OF RECORD**

IMC Phosphates Company, Post Office Box 2000, Mulberry, FL 33860 is the firm responsible for adhering to the conditions of the Development Order.

## **DEVELOPMENT ORDER COMPLIANCE**

The project appears to be proceeding in a manner consistent with the Development Order. Manatee County is responsible for ensuring compliance with the terms and conditions of the Development Order.