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January 14, 2010

REPLY TO
ATTENTION OF:

Office of the Chief
Regulatory Division

Ara Mihranian
City of Ranchos Palos Verdes
30940 Hawthorne Boulevard
Rancho Palos Verdes, CA 90275

Dear Mr. Mihranian:

It has come to our attention that you plan to modify an existing drainage as part of the "Point Vicente Interpretive Center Parking Expansion Project" at Lower Point Vicente, in the City of Rancho Palos Verdes, County of Los Angeles, California. This activity may require a U.S. Army Corps of Engineers permit.

A Corps of Engineers permit is required for:

The discharge of dredged or fill material into, including any redeposit of dredged material within, "waters of the United States" and adjacent wetlands pursuant to Section 404 of the Clean Water Act of 1972. Examples include, but are not limited to,

1. creating fills for residential or commercial development, placing bank protection, temporary or permanent stockpiling of excavated material, building road crossings, backfilling for utility line crossings and constructing outfall structures, dams, levees, groins, weirs, or other structures;
2. mechanized landclearing, grading which involves filling low areas or land leveling, ditching, channelizing and other excavation activities that would have the effect of destroying or degrading waters of the United States;
3. allowing runoff or overflow from a contained land or water disposal area to re-enter a water of the United States;
4. placing pilings when such placement has or would have the effect of a discharge of fill material.

A Permit application can be found at http://www.spl.usace.army.mil/regulatory/SPD-wide_NWP-PCN-checklist_web.doc. If you have any questions, please contact Cherry Oo at 213-452-3419 or via e-mail at Cherry.Oo@usace.army.mil. Please refer to this letter and SPL-2009-00900-CO in your reply.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Daniel P. Swenson', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Daniel P. Swenson
Chief, Los Angeles Section
North Coast Branch
Regulatory Division