Hi Allen,

Assuming these projects are Streambank and Shoreline Protection (NRCS Conservation Practice 580), TDEC Division of Natural Areas – Natural Heritage Program does not need to comment as we have a programmatic agreement signed Jan 2021 that effectively approves this practice with a standard "Not Likely to Adversely Affect" determination for plants. I think the programmatic with TWRA requires consultations on animals, which is why you see their comments in that spreadsheet.

This is the first time this has come up in the last year, but I will add this to our list of things to communicate broadly via memo in the near-future. Please continue to check with us when there is a question and I'll be quicker to compare to the programmatic.

In summary, you may proceed with your permit processing for these NRCS requests without further consultation from our office.

Good hearing from you, Allen. Thanks for working with us on this and for your diligence.

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