

Exhibit A

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Meredith Stevenson

From: Smith, Mary A CIV USARMY CEHEC (USA) <Mary.A.Smith@usace.army.mil>
Sent: Monday, July 18, 2022 7:31 AM
To: Meredith Stevenson
Cc: Debelle, Catharine S CIV USARMY CEFC (USA); Avery, Theresa D CIV USARMY CEHEC (USA)
Subject: MAS ACK - Meredith Stevenson FOIA Request - FP-22-018337 - Response to Status Inquiry

Dear Ms. Stevenson,

Thank you for your status inquiries dated June 21, 2022 and July 13, 2022. My apologies for the delayed response. We received documents for your FOIA request that must first be reviewed. We do not have an estimated completion date at this time. We hope to be back in touch with you soon.

Best regards,

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From: Meredith Stevenson <MStevenson@CenterforFoodSafety.org>
Sent: Wednesday, July 13, 2022 2:25 PM
To: Smith, Mary A CIV USARMY CEHEC (USA) <Mary.A.Smith@usace.army.mil>
Cc: Debelle, Catharine S CIV USARMY CEFC (USA) <Catharine.S.Debelle@usace.army.mil>; Avery, Theresa D CIV USARMY CEHEC (USA) <Theresa.D.Avery@usace.army.mil>
Subject: [Non-DoD Source] RE: MAS ACK - RE: Meredith Stevenson FOIA Request - FP-22-018337 - Response to Status Inquiry

Hi Ms. Smith,

I didn't hear back from you in June. Please let me know what your estimated completion date for this request is.

Please don't hesitate to reach out to me with any questions.

Meredith

From: Meredith Stevenson
Sent: Tuesday, June 21, 2022 11:28 AM
To: Smith, Mary A CIV USARMY CEHEC (USA) <Mary.A.Smith@usace.army.mil>
Cc: Debelle, Catharine S CIV USARMY CEFC (USA) <Catharine.S.Debelle@usace.army.mil>; Avery, Theresa D CIV USARMY CEHEC (USA) <Theresa.D.Avery@usace.army.mil>
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Hello Ms. Smith,

Could you please update me on this request? We need to know the estimated completion date as soon as possible.

Thank you,

Meredith

From: Meredith Stevenson
Sent: Wednesday, June 15, 2022 1:48 PM
To: Smith, Mary A CIV USARMY CEHEC (USA) <Mary.A.Smith@usace.army.mil>
Cc: Debelle, Catharine S CIV USARMY CEFC (USA) <Catharine.S.Debelle@usace.army.mil>; Avery, Theresa D CIV USARMY CEHEC (USA) <Theresa.D.Avery@usace.army.mil>
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Hi Ms. Smith,

Thank you so much for looking into this. Yes please let us know the estimated date of completion as soon as you can, and feel free to reach out to me with any questions.

Meredith

From: Smith, Mary A CIV USARMY CEHEC (USA) <Mary.A.Smith@usace.army.mil>
Sent: Wednesday, June 15, 2022 3:22 AM
To: Meredith Stevenson <MStevenson@CenterforFoodSafety.org>
Cc: Debelle, Catharine S CIV USARMY CEFC (USA) <Catharine.S.Debelle@usace.army.mil>; Avery, Theresa D CIV USARMY CEHEC (USA) <Theresa.D.Avery@usace.army.mil>
Subject: MAS ACK - RE: Meredith Stevenson FOIA Request - FP-22-018337 - Response to Status Inquiry

Good morning Ms. Stevenson,

Thank you for your status inquiry dated June 14, 2022. We are in touch with our records custodian, and hope to be back in touch with you soon.

Best regards,

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From: Meredith Stevenson <MStevenson@CenterforFoodSafety.org>
Sent: Tuesday, June 14, 2022 8:08 PM
To: Smith, Mary A CIV USARMY CEHEC (USA) <Mary.A.Smith@usace.army.mil>
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Subject: [Non-DoD Source] RE: Meredith Stevenson FOIA Request - FP-22-018337 - Response to Status Inquiry

Hi Ms. Smith,

When possible, please provide me with an estimated completion date for this request. We need these documents as soon as possible. If you would like to work with me to narrow the request, please let me know.

Thanks,

Meredith

From: Meredith Stevenson
Sent: Friday, June 3, 2022 10:09 AM
To: Smith, Mary A CIV USARMY CEHEC (USA) <Mary.A.Smith@usace.army.mil>
Cc: Debelle, Catharine S CIV USARMY CEFC (USA) <Catharine.S.Debelle@usace.army.mil>; Avery, Theresa D CIV USARMY CEHEC (USA) <Theresa.D.Avery@usace.army.mil>
Subject: RE: Meredith Stevenson FOIA Request - FP-22-018337 - Response to Status Inquiry

Hi Ms. Smith,

Thank you for sending this over. What is the estimated completion date for this request?

Best,

Meredith

From: Smith, Mary A CIV USARMY CEHEC (USA) <Mary.A.Smith@usace.army.mil>
Sent: Friday, June 3, 2022 7:48 AM
To: Meredith Stevenson <MStevenson@CenterforFoodSafety.org>

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Subject: Meredith Stevenson FOIA Request - FP-22-018337 - Response to Status Inquiry

Dear Ms. Stevenson,

My apologies for the delayed response. This is to acknowledge receipt of May 31, 2022 status inquiry, and your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request dated May 5, 2022 for any and all documents from May 7, 2020 to January 13, 2021 regarding the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers' decision to issue Nationwide Permit 56, previously referred to as Nationwide Permit B. Your request has been assigned tracking number FP-22-018337.

Please be advised this office is not a repository for documents. Therefore, we must determine where the information you have requested would be located and request a document search be conducted by the relevant records custodians. We hope to be back in touch with you soon.

Best regards,

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From: Meredith Stevenson <MStevenson@CenterforFoodSafety.org>

Sent: Tuesday, May 31, 2022 5:05 PM

To: Smith, Mary A CIV USARMY CEHEC (USA) <Mary.A.Smith@usace.army.mil>

Cc: Debelle, Catharine S CIV USARMY CEFC (USA) <Catharine.S.Debelle@usace.army.mil>

Subject: [Non-DoD Source] RE: Meredith Stevenson FOIA Request - Receipt Acknowledged

Good afternoon,

I have not yet received a tracking number or formal acknowledgement. Please provide me with an update on this request as soon as possible.

Thank you,

Meredith

From: Smith, Mary A CIV USARMY CEHEC (USA) <Mary.A.Smith@usace.army.mil>
Sent: Monday, May 9, 2022 8:59 AM
To: Meredith Stevenson <MStevenson@CenterforFoodSafety.org>
Cc: Debelle, Catharine S CIV USARMY CEFC (USA) <Catharine.S.Debelle@usace.army.mil>
Subject: Meredith Stevenson FOIA Request - Receipt Acknowledged

Dear Ms. Stevenson,

Thank you for your FOIA request dated May 5, 2022. We will be back in touch soon with a formal acknowledgement, and will provide you with a FOIA tracking number at that time.

Best regards,

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