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Mrs. Dorothy Rainey, Principal Planner
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Via Email: Dorothy.Rainey@mymanatee.org

Subject: **Palmetto Plaza
Special Approval Request – Perennial Stream
PDC-17-10(G)
DTS #20170393**

Dear Mrs. Rainey,

Per Comprehensive Plan Policy 3.2.2.1 and Table 3-4 of the Land Development Code, E Co Consultants, Inc. is requesting Special Approval for the above referenced project:

Request

On behalf of the applicant, E Co Consultants, Inc. is requesting Special Approval for a project adjacent to a perennial stream as required by Comprehensive Plan Policy: 3.2.2.1.

Analysis:

The onsite excavated ditch/stream is shown as a perennial stream on the Manatee County Soil Survey and therefore is required to obtain Special Approval per Comprehensive Plan Policy: 3.2.2.1 and in accordance with Table 3-4 of the Manatee County Land Development Code. Development of the proposed project is not anticipated to adversely affect either the downstream water quantity or quality.

Water Quality

The project is anticipated to result in an improvement of water quality discharge from the site. In it's current condition, stormwater discharges directly into the ditch with the little to no treatment. As proposed, the project's stormwater discharge will be routed through a stormwater management system designed to meet the requirement of both Manatee County and the Southwest Florida Water Management District.

Water Quantity

The proposed project is not expected to affect the current downstream flow of the existing ditch as the project will be required to meet both Manatee County and the Southwest Florida Water Management District requirements for pre- and post-development off site discharge. Although the portion of the ditch within the project limits is likely to be impacted, it is

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anticipated that the stormwater treatment and drainage of the project will be designed in a manner to maintain the current water levels in this ditch system.

We trust that the analysis of the Special Approval request adequately addresses the requirements of Comprehensive Plan Policy: 3.2.2.1 and Table 3-4 of the Manatee County Land Development Code. Please don't hesitate to contact me should you have any questions or comments regarding the response provided above.

Sincerely,



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Senior Scientist

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