

Email from Quible and Associates

A summary of where we are and what to expect moving forward:

1. Submitted SAV Report to Ron Renaldi (local Coastal MGMT Rep) and Shane Staples (Fisheries/SAV specialist for Coastal MGMT). NC Administrative Code states that we must pursue a CAMA Major Permit for dredge work within areas of SAV habitat—confirmed by Ron's email.
2. Soliciting Bids for dredge work from two contractors; Mark Perry (Outer Banks Excavators) and Clay Cartwright (CountryScapes). Both are reputable and all around good guys.
3. We will need to set up an Interagency Scoping Meeting to allow permitting and resource agencies to review the project concept prior to submitting for the CAMA Major. This involves preparing for and traveling to Washington NC and presenting the project.

At this meeting, we should discuss a maintenance provision in the permit for the interior canals. This could help out with any future work and we will gain some insight into what additional work may be required to pursue a broader scope of permit (if any). Once we understand what the agencies will require for any dredge permitting outside of the areas that we have already studied, Walnut Island POA can make a business decision on which way to go.

As of today, July 3, 2018 we have incurred \$2,585.00 in total project costs. Our original work authorization is for \$5,490.00. We are well under budget and I propose that we schedule an Interagency Scoping Meeting soon to keep the momentum going and use the existing budget. Costs for this would be approximately \$1,005.00, which would put the total costs at \$3,590.00 and \$1,900.00 remaining on the existing contract. The estimated and remaining \$1,900.00 would likely cover the costs to prepare and submit the CAMA Major Permit for the small dredge project we are now considering.

Thanks, have a great 4th and let me know how the POA would like to proceed.

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