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Subject: RE: EPA comments on NAS Cecil Field Remedial Action Completion Report for OU 5, Site 15
(FL5170022474)

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Please see our response below:

Permit #GTRS-2007-3620 (the original permit) allowed for the trapping and relocating of five or fewer gopher tortoises. Trapping began June 17, 2007 and was suspended on June 28, 2007 following the trapping and relocation of gopher tortoises on the following dates: June 7, 2007 - male trapped and relocated from burrow H1A; June 8, 2007 - female trapped and relocated from burrow S2A; June 17, 2007 - female trapped and relocated from burrow H1A; June 21, 2007 - female discovered on road in the vicinity of S1A (counting toward the permit); June 22, 2007 - Male trapped and relocated from burrow S1A.

Trapping was resumed on September 13, 2007 under Standard Permit WR07376 and was completed on October 15, 2007 with the trapping and relocation of one male on September 15, 2007 from burrow S1A. No other activity was observed, no other gopher tortoises were discovered, and trapping operations were completed on October 15, 2007.

During the installation of the bucket trap at burrow H1A on June 7, 2007, a clutch of eggs was discovered and relocated to the designated area covered under Permit #GTRS-2007-3620. The trap was set following relocation of the eggs. Later that same day, a male was found in the trap and relocated. The trap was reset. On June 17, 2007, a female was trapped at H1A and relocated. Following the relocation of the female, the burrow was collapsed and trapping at that burrow was completed.

Thanks and let me know if you have any additional questions.

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Everyone:

Please find attached EPA's conditional approval letter for the remedial action completion report for site 15 prepared by CH2M HILL dated August 2009. Please contact me if you have any questions.

(See attached file: nascf site 15 racr_epa ltr_06072011.pdf)

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