

May 21, 2017

Mr. Walter Tanner I Can Child Care & Learning Center, LLC. 3355 Commander Shepard Boulevard Hampton, Virginia 23666

RE: Preliminary Wetland & Resource
Protection Area Assessment
I Can Child Care & Learning Center
+/- 1.9 Acres
City of Hampton, Virginia

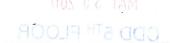
Dear Mr. Tanner,

Timmons Group senior environmental scientist Ethan Virts conducted a site visit at the prospective I Can Child Care & Learning Center site (Site) in Hampton, Virginia, on May 12, 2017. The purpose of the Site visit was to determine the presence or absence of potential jurisdictional waters of the U.S. (WUS), including streams and wetlands, within the proposed project limits. The potential for resource protection areas associated with the Chesapeake Bay Preservation Act to extend onto the property was also evaluated during the site visit.

The presence of approximately 0.04 acre of palustrine forested (PFO) wetlands was found to be present in the northeast corner of the project limits. The approximate size and location of this wetland area is depicted in the attached Preliminary Jurisdictional Waters of the U.S. and Resource Protection Areas Assessment Map. This small wetland area meets the hydric soil, hydrophytic vegetation, and hydrology parameters required to be deemed a jurisdictional wetland by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (COE).

The parcel located to the north of the project limits contains a significant amount of PFO wetlands. These offsite wetlands drain to a culvert under Pioneer Drive which is located northwest of the project limits. The wetlands located down grade of the culvert at Pioneer Drive are functioning as tidal wetlands. However the PFO wetland areas up-grade of the culvert that extend onto the northeast corner of the Site are non-tidal wetlands. The presence of the culvert under Pioneer Drive and the fact that the wetlands located up-grade of the culvert are non-tidal should preclude any resource protection areas from extending onto the project limits.

The attached Preliminary Jurisdictional Waters of the U.S. and Resource Protection Area Assessment Map denotes the approximate location of potential jurisdictional wetland area and the absence of a Resource Protection Area. These findings represent Timmons Group's professional opinion regarding the extent of jurisdictional WUS and wetlands and resource protection areas onsite. A formal resource protection area determination, waters of the U.S delineation, and subsequent confirmations from appropriate regulatory entities, should be performed to confirm these findings. The mapped areas are approximate in location, shape, and size, and are subject to change pending a wetland delineation and jurisdictional



determination by the COE. The COE is the regulatory agency responsible for issuing jurisdictional determinations on wetlands and WUS. The City of Hampton is the responsible government entity for the review and approval of resource protection area determinations. Jurisdictional determinations are generally valid for a period of five years from the date of issuance and are required prior to applying for a COE or a permit for conducting any regulated activity that may directly or secondarily impact jurisdictional wetlands or streams.

If you should have any questions or require any additional information, please call me at (804) 200-6414 or email at ethan.virts@timmons.com.

Respectfully,

Timmons Group

Ethan Virts, PWD, PWS, CPSS Senior Environmental Scientist

Enclosures:

1. Vicinity Map

2. Preliminary Jurisdictional Waters of the U.S. Delineation Map



