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Alvin A. Taylor, Director SC Department of Natural Resources Post Office Box 167 Columbia, SC 29202-0167 SC Dept. of Natural Resources

Re: PIP Approval for Roads and Dikes

Dear Director Taylor:

At its meeting on December 5, 2017, the Joint Bond Review Committee reviewed and recommended approval of the Department of Natural Resources' request for exemption of the maintenance or repair / replacement of existing roads and dikes on any DNR-owned land or DNR-controlled state lands from the usual permanent improvement project approval process. The Committee recommended that, instead of the usual process, DNR would submit the paperwork necessary to establish the permanent improvement project for review by the Committee's staff, with projects to be reported to the Committee at its next meeting.

At its meeting on December 12, 2017, and consistent with the Committee's recommendation, the State Fiscal Accountability Authority delegated approval authority to its Executive Director for permanent improvement projects meeting the above criteria. Like the Committee, the Authority's approval provided that DNR would submit the paperwork necessary to establish the project, with projects to be reported at the next Authority meeting.

Since enactment of the South Carolina Restructuring Act of 2014, the Department of Administration has managed the process of establishing permanent improvement projects. Accordingly, when the Department of Natural Resources seeks approval for projects meeting the above criteria, please submit the ordinary

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paperwork necessary to establish the project directly to the Department of Administration for processing. Once I have received the proper paperwork from Administration and a favorable recommendation from the Joint Bond Review Committee or its staff, you can expect my prompt review and response.

Sincerely,

Grant Gillespie

cc: Dianne Carraway, Director of Research, Joint Bond Review Committee Beverly Smith, Chief of Staff, Ways and Means Committee Rick Harmon, Capital Budgeting Unit, Executive Budget Office, Department of Administration Delbert H. Singleton, Jr., Authority Secretary