PERMITTEE: Maumee Watershed Conservancy District

PERMIT NUMBER: LRB-2017-01414

EFFECTIVE DATE: September 27, 2018

NOTE: The term you and its derivatives, as used in this permit, means the permittee or any future transferee. The term "this office" refers to the appropriate district or division office of the Corps of Engineers having jurisdiction over the permitted activity under the authority of the commanding officer.

You are authorized to perform work in accordance with the terms and conditions specified below.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: MAUMEE WATERSHED CONSERVANCY DISTRICT, IN CITY OF FINDLAY, HANCOCK COUNTY, OHIO, ARE HEREBY AUTHORIZED BY THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY TO: PLACE FILLS IN WATERS OF THE US AND CONSTRUCT A FLOOD REDUCTION PROJECT WITHIN AND ALONG THE BLANCHARD RIVER INCLUDING THE CONSTRUCTION OF A FLOODPLAIN BENCH NEAR SWALE PARK WHICH WILL REQUIRE THE PLACEMENT OF FILL INTO 0.532 ACRE OF FEDERALLY JURISDICTIONAL WETLANDS 1 AND 2, AND 35 LINEAR FEET (LF) OF THE UNNAMED TRIBUTARY 4. IN THE BLANCHARD RIVER, FOUR DAM STRUCTURES WILL BE LOWERED AND THE DOWNSTREAM RIFFLE STRUCTURES WILL BE RECONSTRUCTED OVER APPROXIMATELY 1,287 LF INCLUDING THE PLACEMENT OF APPROXIMATELY 1,254 CUBIC YARDS (CY) OF PREVIOUSLY RIFFLE MATERIAL, 8,735 CY OF NATIVE RIVERBED MATERIALS, 11,018 CY OF ODOT C & D STONE AND 150 CY OF LIVE BRANCH LAYERING (LBL) MATERIALS BELOW THE ORDINARY HIGH WATER MARK (OHWM) OF THE BLANCHARD RIVER. APPROXIMATELY 100 LF OF THE RIVER WILL BE FILLED AS APPROXIMATELY 702 CY OF ODOT STONE WILL BE PLACED BELOW THE OHWM TO PROVIDE SCOUR PROTECTION TO THE EXISTING NORFOLK SOUTHERN RAILROAD BRIDGE PIERS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE GENERAL AND SPECIAL CONDITIONS, AND THE PLANS AND DRAWINGS AND ANY ADDITIONAL SPECIAL CONDITIONS ATTACHED HERETO WHICH ARE INCORPORATED IN AND MADE A PART OF THIS PERMIT.

PROJECT LOCATION: The Blanchard River starting approximately 260 LF upstream of North Blanchard Street to approximately 1,600 feet upstream of Broad Avenue including the areas north of the River near Swale Park in the City of Findlay, Hancock County, Ohio.

PERMIT CONDITIONS

GENERAL CONDITIONS:

1. The time limit for completing the work authorized ends on September 27, 2023. If you find that you need more time to complete the authorized activity, submit your request for a time extension to this office for consideration at least one month before the above date is reached.

2. You must maintain the activity authorized by this permit in good condition and in conformance with the terms and conditions of this permit. You are not relieved of this requirement if you abandon the permitted activity, although you must make a good faith transfer to a third party in compliance with General Condition 4 below. Should you wish to cease to maintain the authorized activity, or should you desire to abandon it without a good faith transfer, you may obtain a modification of this permit from this office, which may require restoration of the area.

3. If you discover any previously unknown historic or archaeological remains while accomplishing the activity authorized by this permit, you must immediately notify this office of what you have found. We will initiate the Federal and state coordination required to determine if the remains warrant a recovery effort or if the site is eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places.

4. If you sell the property associated with this permit, you must obtain the signature of the new owner in the space provided and forward a copy of the permit to this office to validate the transfer of this authorization.

5. If a conditioned water quality certification has been issued for your project, you must comply with the conditions specified in the certification as special conditions to this permit.

6. You must allow representatives from this office to inspect the authorized activity at any time deemed necessary to ensure that it is being or has been accomplished in accordance with the terms and conditions of your permit.

7. The permittee understands and agrees that, if future operations by the United States require the removal, relocation, or other alteration, of the structure or work herein authorized, or if, in the opinion of the Secretary of the Army or his authorized representative, said structure or work shall cause unreasonable obstruction to the free navigation of the navigable waters, the permittee will be required, upon due notice from the Corps of Engineers, to remove, relocate, or alter the structural work or obstructions caused thereby, without expense to the United States. No claim shall be made against the United States on account of any such removal or alteration.

FURTHER INFORMATION:

1. Congressional Authorities: You have been authorized to undertake the activity described above pursuant to:

Section 404 of the Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. 1344).

2. Limits of this authorization.

a. This permit does not obviate the need to obtain other Federal, state or local authorizations required by law.

b. This permit does not grant any property rights or exclusive privileges.

c. This permit does not authorize any injury to the property or rights of others.

d. This permit does not authorize interference with any existing or proposed Federal project.

3. Limits of Federal Liability. In issuing this permit, the Federal Government does not assume any liability for the following:

a. Damages to the permitted project or uses thereof as a result of other permitted or unpermitted activities or from natural causes.

b. Damages to the permitted project or uses thereof as a result of current or future activities undertaken by or on behalf of the United States in the public interest.

c. Damages to persons, property, or to other permitted or unpermitted activities or structures caused by the activity authorized by this permit.

d. Design or construction deficiencies associated with the permitted work.

e. Damage claims associated with any future modification, suspension, or revocation of this permit.

4. Reliance on Applicant's Data: The determination of this office that issuance of this permit is not contrary to the public interest was made in reliance on the information you provided.

5. Reevaluation of Permit Decision. This office may reevaluate its decision on this permit at any time the circumstances warrant. Circumstances that could require a reevaluation include, but are not limited to, the following:

a. You fail to comply with the terms and conditions of this permit.

b. The information provided by you in support of your permit application proves to have been false, incomplete, or inaccurate (see 4 above).

c. Significant new information surfaces which this office did not consider in reaching the original public interest decision.

Such a reevaluation may result in a determination that it is appropriate to use the suspension, modification, and revocation procedures contained in 33 CFR 325.7 or enforcement procedures such as those contained in 33 CFR 326.4 and 326.5. The referenced enforcement procedures provide for the issuance of an administrative order requiring you to comply with the terms and conditions of your permit and for the initiation of legal action where appropriate. You will be required to pay for any corrective measures ordered by this office, and if you fail to comply with such directive, this office may in certain situations (such as this specified in 33 CFR 209.170) accomplish the corrective measures by contract or otherwise and bill you for the cost.

6. Extensions. General condition 1 establishes a time limit for the completion of the activity authorized by this permit. Unless there are circumstances requiring either a prompt completion of the authorized activity or a reevaluation of the public interest decision, the Corps will normally give favorable consideration to a request for an extension of this time limit.

Your signature below, as permittee, indicates that you accept and agree to comply with the terms and conditions of this permit.

(PERMITTEE) STEVEN C. WILSON, PE, PS
PROJECT MANAGER

(DATE)

This permit becomes effective when the Federal official, designated to act for the Secretary of the Army, has signed below.

for Jason A. Toth, Lieutenant Colonel, Corps of Engineers
(DISTRICT COMMANDER)

28 September 2018
(DATE)

When the structures or work authorized by this permit are still in existence at the time the property is transferred, the terms and conditions of this permit will continue to be binding on the new owner(s) of the property. To validate the transfer of this permit and the associated liabilities associated with compliance with its terms and conditions, have the transferee sign and date below. A copy of this signed permit and statement shall be forwarded to the Buffalo District at the following address:

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
Buffalo District
Regulatory Branch
1776 Niagara Street
Buffalo, New York 14207

(TRANSFEREE)

(DATE)