



REPLY TO  
ATTENTION OF:

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY  
U.S. ARMY ENGINEER DISTRICT, MOBILE DISTRICT  
CORPS OF ENGINEERS  
P.O. BOX 2288  
MOBILE, ALABAMA 36628-0001

July 15, 2011

Inland Environment Team  
Planning and Environmental Division

Dr. Donald Imm  
Field Supervisor  
U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service  
1601 Balboa Avenue  
Panama City, Florida 32405-3721

Dear Dr. Imm:

This is in response to your letter of July 8, 2011, which requested a 45-day extension of the formal consultation period to allow sufficient time to make proper use of new modeling data and information regarding fat threeridge mussels and the Revised Interim Operations Plan (RIOP) operations at Jim Woodruff Dam. The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers agrees that this new information is needed to complete the reinitiated consultation. Therefore, we agree it is appropriate to extend the formal Section 7 consultation period for an additional 45 days. This will extend the date of completion of consultation from the previously agreed to date of August 1, 2011 to the extended date of September 15, 2011.

We look forward to continued progress as we work with you and your staff to complete our respective consultation responsibilities. If you have any questions regarding our consultation or the information provided to date, please contact [REDACTED] of the Inland Environment Team, [REDACTED], or via email at [REDACTED].

Sincerely,

Curtis M. Flakes  
Chief, Planning and Environmental  
Division