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Dear Mr. Pankau,

The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) has received the amended by-laws for the administration of the Habitat Mitigation Fund and operation of the Habitat Improvement Team (HIT), that were approved by the HIT on September 17, 2004. The proposed amendments generally pertain to updating the by-laws from the previous donor, Agrium Conda Phosphate Operations/Rasmussen Valley Mine, to the current donor, Itafos Conda, LLC/Husky 1 North Dry Ridge Mine, as well as addressing several other minor issues.

I have reviewed the amended by-laws and according to Section 1 of the by-laws, I approve of the amendments.

Previous project selection and fund distributions by the HIT have been extremely successful, and BLM and other stakeholders look forward to continued success of the Habitat Mitigation Fund. Please feel free to call me or Bill Stout, Phosphate Program Manager, at 208-478-6367, or me if you have any questions concerning this approval.

Sincerely,

Mary D'Aversa
District Manager