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Regional Administrators,

Please see the attached transmittal letter and memorandum on consultation requirements under the Endangered Species Act for state and tribal Clean Water Act Section 404 program approvals. I have also attached my transmittal letter to Region 4 Regional Administrator, Mary Walker. EPA is initiating ESA Section 7 formal consultation during the Agency's review of the State of Florida's request received on August 20, 2020, to assume administration of a CWA Section 404 program because we have determined that EPA's potential approval of Florida's application may affect listed species or designated critical habitat. If you have any questions, please reach out to me or have your staff contact Kathy Hurld at (202) 566-1269 or at hurld.kathy@epa.gov.

Regards,
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