



July 2, 2025

IN REPLY REFER TO

SIR# 59461

Earthres Group, Inc.
Bookyo Sur
6912 Old Easton Rd
Pipersville, Pennsylvania 18947

**RE: Species Impact Review (SIR) – Rare, Candidate, Threatened and Endangered Species
PNDI Search No. 795235_1
Rock Hill Quarry
East Rockhill Township: BUCKS County**

Dear Bookyo Sur:

In prior correspondence with the Commission, due to nearby known occurrences of Northern Red-bellied Cooter (*Pseudemys rubriventris*) within the watershed of the proposed project, to further determine potential adverse impacts from the proposed project to the species of concern, a habitat evaluation (*Letter dated April 2, 2024*) was requested for the subject property.

As a Pennsylvania qualified/recognized and properly permitted surveyor of the Northern Red-bellied Cooter, Mr. Brandon Ruhe was contracted to evaluate the habitats on site to determine their potential to support the species of concern. According to the report (*Northern Red-bellied Cooter Habitat Assessment Report, Rock Hill Quarry, East Rockhill Township, Bucks County, Pennsylvania* conducted by Brandon Ruhe, Skelly and Loy, report dated June 27, 2025), the site does not contain suitable habitat for the Northern Red-bellied Cooter. I concur with the results of Mr. Ruhe's evaluation; therefore, I do not foresee the proposed project resulting in adverse impacts to the Northern Red-bellied Cooter (*Pseudemys rubriventris*).

This response represents the most up-to-date summary of the PNDI data and our files and is valid for two (2) years from the date of this letter. An absence of recorded species information does not necessarily imply species absence. Our data files and the PNDI system are continuously being updated with species occurrence information. Should project plans change or additional information on listed or proposed species become available, this determination may be reconsidered, and consultation shall be re-initiated.

If you have any questions regarding this review, please contact Josh Brown at 814-359-5129 or joshbrown@pa.gov and refer to the SIR # 59461. Thank you for your cooperation and attention to this important matter of species conservation and habitat protection.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Christopher A. Urban". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, prominent "C" at the beginning.

Christopher A. Urban, Chief
Natural Diversity Section

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