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December 7, 1993

Operations Division
Regulatory Branch

Mr. Paul Hairston
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Springdale, AR 72765-2020

Dear Mr. Hairston:

This is in reference to your letter of November 8, 1993, regarding the expansion of the Gerald Smith swine growing operation in Hughes County, Oklahoma. You requested information on wetlands and flood plains.

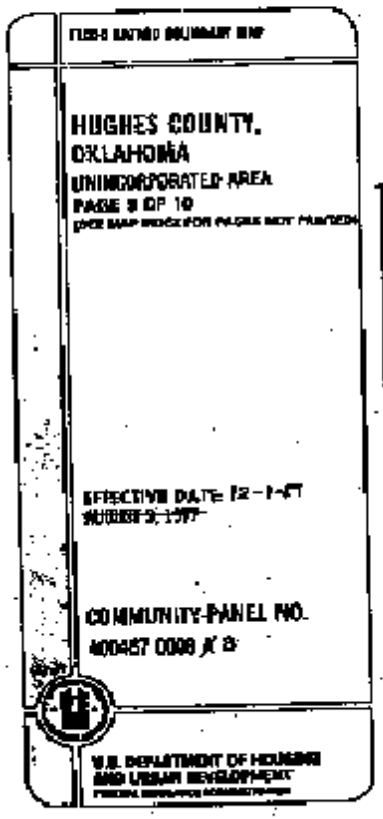
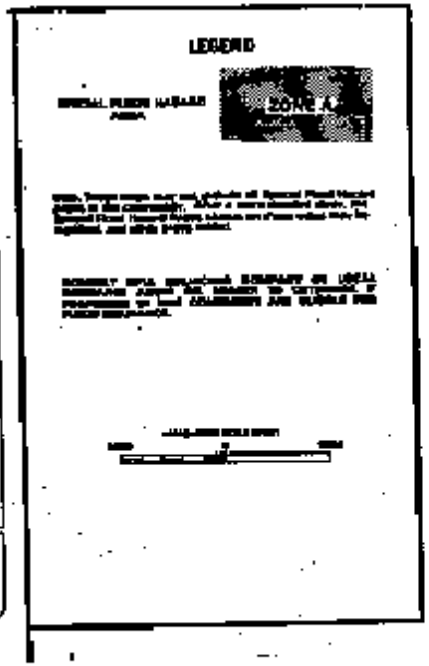
Wetlands: The identified property does not appear to contain wetlands subject to Section 404 of the Clean Water Act. There are areas adjacent to the property which may contain wetlands in shallow depressions that pond water. Section 404 of the Clean Water Act requires prior authorization from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers for the placement of fill material into or the excavation of material from wetlands, creeks, rivers, and lakes.

Flood Plains: A portion of the property is in the 100-year flood plain (Zone A) for Sandy Creek (map enclosed). The proposed construction of facilities for the expansion of the swine growing operation should be completed so that there is no increase in flood hazard and must comply with all local, state, and Federal flood plain ordinances.

So that our response will be most meaningful to you, we ask that you please include in any future requests, any known specific features or construction actions involved in the proposed expansions.

This project has been assigned Identification No. 84455. Please reference this number in any future correspondence. If you have any questions, contact Mr. Andrew Commer at 918-669-7401.

Sincerely,

David A. Manning
Chief, Regulatory Branch

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