



U.S. Department
of Transportation
Federal Highway
Administration

1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE
Washington, D.C. 20590

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In Reply Refer To: HCR-40
DOT #2011-0323

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Dear (b) (6):

This is in reference to your complaint of discrimination, dated February 17, 2011, against the Escambia County Board of Commissioners. In your complaint, you alleged violations of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (Title VI), based on your race. Specifically, you alleged that you were denied road paving and drainage correction services around your properties in Escambia County. You also alleged that you experienced excessive flooding around your properties.

The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) Office of Civil Rights has received information from the Florida Department of Transportation that you filed a lawsuit regarding the allegations raised in your complaint.

Please be advised that Section III, B., of the Department of Justice's Investigation Procedures Manual for the Investigation and Resolution of Complaints Alleging Violations of Title VI and Other Nondiscrimination Statutes states in part that, ". . . an agency generally need not proceed with or continue a complaint investigation and attempts at resolution of an allegation under certain circumstances, which include: 5) Litigation has been filed raising the same allegations."

This concludes processing of this matter and no further action will be taken by the FHWA.

Sincerely yours,

Warren S. Whitlock
Associate Administrator for Civil Rights

cc:

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