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July 19, 2006

Joanna S. Booth
Salter Tree and Herb Farm
P. O. Box 20066
Tallahassee, Florida 32316

Dear Ms. Booth:

Madison County's Public Works Department is in full support of your wildflower projects and we commend you for your dedication and devotion to the preservation, propagation and restoration of wildflower varieties native to our area. We are particularly excited about having the wildflower variety of Phlox Pilosa planted and maintained right here at our Public Works facility for our employees and the visiting public to enjoy. Having this variety also placed at the Madison County Recreation Complex and our Courthouse Annex office building is an additional way in which to share this beauty with the citizens of Madison County. It appears that your last project funded has been quite successful. Not only were you able to collect plants of the Phlox Pilosa variety from a certain area of our right-of-way in which this species was growing, but through your efforts and the funding provided, you have been able to produce additional healthy plants from seed to ensure the future of this very special and rare part of North Florida's natural environment.

A few years ago, this Department received funding through the Florida Department of Transportation for a wildflower planting project on selected sections of road right-of-way throughout Madison County. We had a wonderful showing of blooms with quite an array of color and variety during the first two years following our initial seed planting, however, as the years have passed, species not native to our area have gradually disappeared and only native species have remained healthy and strong. The research and propagation efforts of the Salter Tree and Herb Farm through the special grants you have obtained, are exactly what Madison County needs to ensure that native species which grow naturally will continue to flourish in our fields, woods, swamps and along our roadways and public lands for future generations.

I wish you every blessing and the best of luck with this current project grant. If this office can be of any further help to you and your efforts, please do not hesitate to contact us at 850-973-2156.

Sincerely,

Jo Williams
Administrative Office Manager