Peer Review of Scientific Information Checklist

1. Title: Monitoring in the Context of Structured Decision Making and Adaptive Management

2. Description: This manuscript describes three specific roles for wildlife monitoring: state-dependent decisions, evaluation of management performance, and learning about the managed system while achieving management objectives. It also describes a large-scale management experiment that is a USGS-USFWS collaborative effort designed to improve wetland management on National Wildlife Refuges and how monitoring functions in this project.

3. Estimated dissemination date of the final version of the document: December 2007

4. Kind of peer review that will be conducted: Individual letters from reviewers selected by editor of scientific journal

5. Anticipated number of reviewers: 3


7. Primary disciplines or expertise needed in the review: Reviewers will have expertise in wildlife monitoring, adaptive management, and modeling and estimation for wildlife management.

8. Estimated start date of peer review: June 18, 2007

9. Opportunities for the public to comment on the work product to be peer reviewed: Public comment will not be sought, but the public may comment via letters to the editor of the journal after publication.

10. Indicate whether the public, including scientific or professional organizations, will be asked to nominate potential peer reviewers: The public, including scientific and professional organizations will not be asked to nominate potential peer reviewers. Peer reviewers will be selected by the associate editors of the scientific journal.

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