Module 11: Advancing Use, Cooperation and Effective Implementation
Additional Considerations

Objectives:

- Outline the policies and procedures that affect how the Service and developers work together
- Describe tools to facilitate Service and State coordination

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Conflict Resolution

- Begin at the Field Office level
- If it cannot be resolved, staff from the Service and the Developer should coordinate to bring the matter up the chain of command
- Chain of Command includes: Field Office Project leaders, Regional Office Director, and Director of the Service
Bird and Bat Conservation Strategies

0 Purpose of BBCS:

0 Preconstruction it provides the documentation of analyses, studies to support the tier process

0 Post construction it provides written record of their actions to avoid, minimize and compensate for potential impacts

0 Completion can be in stages

0 All BBCS are voluntary all Service review is advisory only
Project Interconnection Lines

0 Guidelines address all element of wind energy facility

0 Suggest incorporating Practices for Avian Protection on Power Lines (APLIC 2006)

0 Not designed to address transmission beyond the point of interconnection
Collaborative Research

- Need for additional research in face of uncertainty
  - Research on siting, evaluating impacts, testing the efficacy of mitigation and seek out possible solutions to wildlife and wind energy impacts

- Examples of Research needs:
  - Operational factors that contribute to fatalities (wind speed and weather)
  - Cumulative impacts
  - Post Construction research may include Tier 4 and 5 Studies
Collaborative Research

- Research may be a collaborative effort and not the responsibility of one group
- Study sites and access are needed for this research
- Service promotes collaboration and information sharing
Conclusion

0 Outline the policies and procedures that affect how the Service and developers work together

0 Describe tools to facilitate Service and State coordination

0 Describe how the Service and Tribes will coordinate

0 Describe the role of NGOs