



United States Department of the Interior

FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE

San Francisco Bay National Wildlife Refuge Complex
1 Marshlands Road
Fremont, California 94555



Dear Dr. Howald,

You have been requested to review a draft report titled "An assessment of the potential hazards of anticoagulant rodenticides to Plethodontid salamanders." This report was commissioned by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife, San Francisco Bay National Wildlife Refuge Complex to be used as a Decision Support Tool for an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS). Unpublished documents associated with the peer review process are considered to be confidential until the Final EIS is published. Thus, reviewers must agree to the confidentiality provisions in the attached agreement. Upon publication of the Final EIS, the report and peer reviews (including reviewer names and affiliations) will be available to the public.

Please review the attached Confidentiality Agreement. If you agree to the terms of the agreement, please complete and return the signed agreement to me at the above address or email a scanned copy to gerry_mcchesney@fws.gov. If you have any questions, you can contact me at this email address or call (510) 792-0222, ext. 222.

Sincerely,

Gerry McChesney

Manager, Farallon Islands National Wildlife Refuge