**From:** Riley, Clint
**To:** Matt Hogan
**Cc:** Noreen Walsh
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Quick reactions:

- I see no reason we CAN'T do it.
- Most likely reasons for it = budget, small size of program, etc.
- I'm not convinced it would be more effective from biological or partner perspective; but it probably wouldn't be less effective either.
- Biggest practical hurdle = there's no precedent for a whole program doing this. Would a "Flyway ARD" report to multiple to RDs? Or report to one RD, which means that RD would oversee issues in another RD's region? Surely we could work through all that.
- My main concern: If doing this for budget reasons, make sure it actually saves resources!

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On Mon, Sep 14, 2015 at 8:39 AM, Matt Hogan <matt_hogan@fws.gov> wrote:

> Clint,
> At a discussion with MB program leadership and regions this AM on the MB allocation. Conversation has morphed to a discussion about a wholesale new way of doing business - organizing along flyways. No decisions of course but question for you is how would that work for us and if we (service) organized along flyway lines (no details - just general idea) in our work in the prairies and sage steppe? Keep this close but curious to your thoughts on how this would work, again realizing you have no details. Thanks.
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