From: Bardolf, Jane
To: Jeff Everett
Subject: Re: DRAFT multi-county CCAA FONSI and response to comments for your review
Date: Wednesday, March 11, 2015 1:20:59 PM

Jeff, The last item on this e-mail chain was what I was referring to when I said I didn't know if Lake and Deschutes CCAAs were final yet. Jane

On Thu, Feb 5, 2015 at 2:39 PM, Sitz, Angela <angela_sitz@fws.gov> wrote:

> I am not going to make the CM 50 change on my end, the change is fine, but I think all changes to the working drafts of the CCAA's should be made on your end at this point to keep just one set of working drafts going...Thanks, Angela
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> On Thu, Feb 5, 2015 at 10:19 AM, Jeff Everett <jeff_everett@fws.gov> wrote:
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>> Jane –
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>> Attached is the draft FONSI and response to comments. I used our response to comments from the Harney CCAA as the template, since the overwhelming majority of comments were cut-and-paste from the comments submitted for that CCAA, though there are many other changes.
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>> There is one number missing from the FONSI on page 2 - that being the total permitted incidental take from all 5 CCAAs – I do not have that number handy and I believe there is a rounding error in at least two of the take tables in the CCAAs themselves – this is obviously something we need to address before next Friday. Also – there are some format issues on this, in particular the indentation which I cannot seem to fix.
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>> As a result of addressing the comments, I have one minor change that needs to be made to the CCAAs. In Appendix A, CM50, we need to add "…annual native herbs and grasses". The CM should read:
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>> "Adjust livestock use (season of use, timing, intensity, and/or duration) to reduce the impact on perennial native cover, plant diversity, annual native herbs and grasses, and plant vigor to enable enrolled lands to meet the seasonal habitat needs for sage-grouse identified for the site."
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>> I also have an addition to the cumulative effects section of the EA that I will send you separately – some drop-in language regarding the CCA on BLM ground, which we inadvertently omitted from the draft EA and which was pointed out to us in the comments.
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>> I will be hosting a conference call with the counties on Tuesday morning to discuss these few minor changes, and walk them through the response to comments, per their request. I will cc you on the invitation for this; you are more than welcome to join us but do not feel obligated considering the very tight timeline between now and then.

I will get you the draft findings document asap.

Cheers

J-

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