From: Amy Defreese
To: Doug Young
Subject: RE: Reminder: Transmission line team call Wednesday, April 1st at 1 PM Pacific Time
Date: Tuesday, March 31, 2015 1:18:46 PM

Yes, he was apparently there.

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From: Young, Doug [mailto:doug_young@fws.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, March 31, 2015 12:51 PM
To: Amy Defreese
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Thanks.

I wonder if Tyler knew that there was a twe meeting for NV yesterday?

On Mar 31, 2015 11:25 AM, "Amy Defreese" <amy_defreese@fws.gov> wrote:
Hi Stefanie,
Doug reminded me of a few items that I neglected to include. I've revised my updates as follows:

Energy Gateway South (EGS)

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- BLM-Cheyenne, Wyoming (lead BLM office for the TWE project) has requested final determinations for tower structure types (where, and under what circumstances, certain structure types will be used). BLM is leading several conference calls on this topic. BLM held a call with Nevada FWS and BLM biologists on March 30. A call for Utah, Colorado and Wyoming will be held April 8.

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Thank you Stephanie. Here are my updates:

Energy Gateway South

- No updates

Transwest Express

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Hi All,

No joke about it, we have our monthly Transmission call this Wednesday, April 1st. Please send around updates for projects as pertinent. Please note, while Julie is on maternity leave, there is a different call-in number.

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Thanks,
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