**From:** Thabault, Michael
**To:** Larson, Scott
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Thanks.

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On Thu, Nov 29, 2012 at 2:32 PM, Larson, Scott <scott_larson@fws.gov> wrote:

> Mike,
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> SD Game, Fish and Parks is having their CHATs done through SDSU and they just received their first draft CHAT for sage grouse. When SDGFP folks looked at the draft map they received from the University, the SDGFP biologist indicated it was not good in that it projected sage grouse to be in many areas of SD where that bird doesn't exist but sage brush does. Thus it will be back to the modeling drawing board before a sage grouse CHAT is produced that gets through SDGFP own internal screening process.
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> When they have CHATs ready for primetime we'll be more than happy to use them in our project reviews.
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> We do use many of the States other existing tools in our project review efforts such as the Natural Heritage databases, land maps, stream maps, CWA 303d impaired waterbody lists, etc.
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> Thank You
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On Thu, Nov 29, 2012 at 10:50 AM, Thabault, Michael <michael_thabault@fws.gov> wrote:

Hey guys, see my note to my R1, 2, and 8 colleagues. Are any of your offices using the State Crucial Habitat mapping products?

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Hey guys, I get to go into the WGA Wildlife Council meeting next week to discuss our progress on LEAP. Michael Bean is also presenting on our coordination with the State CHAT products. We have a MOU that says something to the effect that we (the Service) will use State data and products as much as we can. Michael was asking if any of our office were using the State CHAT mapping products at all. Do you know or can you find out if we are? Thanks

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