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Subject: Re: Notes from March transmission line team meeting
Date: Thursday, March 06, 2014 10:39:50 AM

Hi All,

Here's what I found out. We are not developing separate transmission line guidance from the APLIC standard. I think I was confusing two things: (1) the efforts of Doug Young/Mike Green (in concert with HQ) to develop bat and bird strategy that is not transmission related; and (2) the current offshore wind guidance being developed. Eric Kernsher (as mentioned by Rachel) is the person leading the offshore guidance efforts and I believe he is also the person that was working with Doug and Mike.

I think it would be good to have Eric present the current status and efforts of HQ Mig birds on our next call if he is available.

Thanks,
Stef

On Thu, Mar 6, 2014 at 8:02 AM, Reeves, Julie <julie_reeves@fws.gov> wrote:

> Hi, all,
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> I just pushed out a change to the April meeting to the second Wednesday of the month at 2 pm MST instead of the first because I will be away at the international conference on overhead lines in Fort Collins the first week of April. I hope the second week still works for most people.
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> Rachel - I think you jumped off the line before we decided who would contact HQ or RO migratory bird folks to present at our call next month about their point of view on all of this and any updates on national policy development. Would you do that or should I?
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> Please find the notes from yesterday's meeting attached, and uploaded to our website: https://sites.google.com/a/fws.gov/fo-transmission-team/.
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> Action items to handle/homework before the April call:
> 1) Stef will look into the rumors about national policy development for transmission lines and wind projects.
> 2) Julie will send comments on the DEIS for TWE to Rachel to show that we have been consistent in our requests for a MBCP for a while, and that this is nothing new.
> 3) Everyone will come up with examples from old/ongoing projects as to how effects are quantified (e.g. footprint of structures, area of ROW under the lines, to the edge of the wires, including 500' on either side of the line, etc.) We will have a discussion on this in

April, with hopes of us coming up with a consistent approach for future projects. Be prepared to discuss.

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A thing is right when it tends toward the integrity, stability, and beauty of the biotic community; it is wrong when it tends otherwise. ~Aldo Leopold

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