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Via email: jimmytobias@protonmail.com

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RE: FWS-2020-00668

Dear Mr. Tobias:

The United States Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS) FOIA office received your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request, dated May 12, 2020 and assigned it control number FWS-2020-00668. Please cite this number in any future communications with our office regarding your request. You requested *any and all written or electronic communications, including email attachments, sent or received by Aurelia Skipwith that contain one or more of the following words or phrases: "ECPO", "ECMSHCP", "Collier", "Colliers", "Spilker", "Hunton", and/or "panther"*.

Fee Category

We have classified you as a representative of the news media. As such, we may charge you for some of our duplication costs, but we will not charge you for our search or review costs; you also are entitled to up to 100 pages of photocopies (or an equivalent volume) for free. *See* [43 C.F.R. § 2.39](#). You have agreed to pay up to \$25.00 for the processing of your request. We do not bill requesters for FOIA processing fees when their fees are less than \$50.00, because the cost of collection would be greater than the fee collected. *See* [43 C.F.R. § 2.37\(g\)](#). Since we do not anticipate any duplication fees, there is no billable fee for the processing of this request.

Response

We are writing to partially respond to your request. We have enclosed one (1) file consisting of 273 pages, which is being released to you in its entirety. We are continuing to review additional records that are responsive to your request. Please note that Director Skipwith started with FWS January 6, 2020 so any records prior to this date will need to be requested through the Office of the Secretary.

Because this is an interim response to your request, we will provide notice of your appeal rights in our final response letter.

If you have any questions about our response to your request, you may contact me by phone at 303-236-4473, or by email at stacey_cummins@fws.gov.

Sincerely,

Stacey Cummins
FWS FOIA Coordinator

Enclosure