

Standard Operating Procedures

Determining If Your Proposed Project Will Have:
“No Effect” on Federal Listed Species or “May Affect” Federal Listed Species

- 1) Go to www.fws.gov
- 2) In the “Regional Boundaries” box select “Great Lakes – Big Rivers (Region 3)”
- 3) In left hand menu select “Ecological Species” and in the drop down list select “Endangered Species”.
- 4) Scroll down and select the green shaded box entitled “Section 7 Technical Assistance”
- 5) Here you can access any of the website contents:

Website Contents

- [Step-by-step instructions](#) for the section 7(a)(2) consultation process
 - [Species' County Lists](#) - all endangered, threatened, proposed, & candidate species, and proposed & designated critical habitat occurrences by county
 - [Species life history information](#)
 - [Species-specific S7 guidance and conservation measures](#)
 - [Example letters](#) for documenting "no effect" and requesting concurrence with a finding of "not likely to adversely affect."
- 6) Or at bottom of screen select “Proceed to step by step instructions”
 - 7) S7 Consultation Technical Assistance
Step-by-Step Instructions
Overview
 - 8) At bottom of screen select “Next”
 - 9) At bottom of screen select “Next (Step 1)”
 - 10) Select “Species List” to determine what may be present in your specific county