



# United States Department of the Interior



FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE  
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Date:

## Online Self Certification for Communication Tower Projects in Virginia

Project Name:

Dear Applicant:

Thank you for using the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service) Virginia Field Office online communication tower projects review procedures. By printing this letter, you are certifying that you have completed the online review procedures for the referenced project in accordance with all instructions provided, using the best available information to reach your conclusions. This letter completes the review of your project in accordance with the Migratory Bird Treaty Act of 1918 (16 U.S.C. 703-712, 40 Stat. 755), as amended (MBTA); Endangered Species Act of 1973 (16 U.S.C. 1531-1544, 87 Stat. 884), as amended (ESA); and Bald and Golden Eagle Protection Act (16 U.S.C. 668-668c, 54 Stat. 250) as amended (Eagle Act). This letter also provides information for your project review under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (P.L. 91-190, 42 U.S.C. 4321-4347, 83 Stat. 852), as amended. A copy of this letter must be mailed to the address on the letterhead for this certification to be valid. This letter will be maintained in our records.

\_\_\_\_\_ is proposing a communication  
tower project in \_\_\_\_\_ County(ies), Virginia, located at  
latitude \_\_\_\_\_ by longitude \_\_\_\_\_.

The referenced communications tower project has incorporated the Service’s recommendations to avoid and minimize impacts to migratory birds to the extent practicable and meets the criteria for the “no effect” determination to federally listed threatened and endangered species and is “unlikely to disturb” bald eagles as outlined in the Service’s online review procedures (copy enclosed).

To minimize potential impacts to aquatic resources, the Service recommends strict sediment and erosion control measures as defined in the Virginia Erosion and Sedimentation Control Handbook and/or other applicable guidance or regulations specific to your location.

If you have any questions, contact Troy Andersen of this office at (804) 824-2428, or via email at [troy\\_andersen@fws.gov](mailto:troy_andersen@fws.gov).

Sincerely,

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Enclosure: Online communication tower projects review procedures