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Via email: rstrauss@advocateswest.org

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REF: DOI-FWS-2021-002339

Dear Ms. Strauss,

This letter is in regard to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request dated February 8, 2021 and assigned tracking number DOI-FWS-2021-002339. Please reference this number in future communications with us.

Your requested the following:

1. *Any and all records constituting the so-called "Decision File" or "Decision Record," and any and all documents and materials directly or indirectly considered by FWS regarding the Record of Decision and Approved Resource Management Plan Amendments for the Northern Corridor Right-of-way, Red Cliffs National Conservation Area Resource Management Plan, and St. George Field Office Resource Management Plan, dated January 2021, and the Final Environmental Impact Statement considering the Northern Corridor Highway in Red Cliffs National Conservation Area, dated November 2020.*
2. *Any and all records the agency considered and/or relied upon to grant the Incidental Take Permit to Washington County regarding Implementation of the Amended Habitat Conservation Plan for the Threatened Mojave Desert Tortoise in Southwestern Utah, dated January 2021.*

Response

We are writing to partially respond to your request. We have enclosed 1,230 documents and nine (9) zip files consisting of GIS data files, which are being released to you in their entirety. We are continuing to review additional records that are responsive to your request.

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, you may contact me by phone at 303-236-4473; or by email at stacey_cummins@fws.gov.

Sincerely

Stacey Cummins
FWS FOIA Coordinator