

October 25, 2019

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East Collier County MSHCP Update Call

Present: FWS: Chuck Kelso, Connie Cassler, David Dell, David Shindle, Jerry Ziewitz, Ken McDonald, Mark Cantrell, Rob Tawes, Tim Binzen

ECPO: Tom Jones

ECPO Consultants and Counsel: Andrew Turner, Carter Clements, Bruce Johnson

Corps of Engineers: Robert Tewis

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Topics:

- New application by Gargiulo, Inc.
 - Public notice at Regional Solicitor
- Section 7/404 MOU
 - Under review at Corps
 - *Andrew has spoken with Josh, Corps intends to arrange a call with the Service to discuss the latest draft, perhaps this coming week. Then it would go to ECPO.*
- *Notice to ECPO*
 - *We have received a section 7 consultation request (BA) from Corps of Engineers concerning a wetland permit application by Hyde Park.*
 - *The Hyde Park project lies within the eligible lands area of the HCP.*
 - *The Service will not act as an intermediary between ECPO and Hyde Park.*
- *Tom asked what this means for them.*
 - *Dell deflectd this as going further than we would want to explain. But, ECPO and Hyde Park are two independent projects that are in proximity and may have some intersection.*
 - *We have sensitivity given that we must review both projects.*
- *Andrew asked if we would address Hyde Park in our documents. Dell replied that only if it affects the HCP. Also, Hyde Park lies within the currently defined envelope of potential development currently analyzed by the EIS and BO as a cumulative effect*

- Tribal consultations
 - Comments received from Seminoles August 12
 - Developing a formal reply -- not much news
 - Miccosukee.
 - No update.
- EIS
 - Backburner while we address BO concerns
- SO 3355 timeline
 - We remain on pause.
 - Information memorandum, transmitted to our headquarters.
 - *HQ staff had some questions, we have received no feedback from Director's office*
- Status of BO
 - Decisions made last Friday, Larry Williams instructed staff to start model runs this week
 - Will include alternate scenarios given continued uncertainties with competing input values
 - *Offer to share AECOM responses. Connie had 8 specific questions to AECOM, and they replied. Bruce asked, and we agreed to forward them to ECPO today (Connie followed through later in the morning).*
 - *Bruce has been coordinating with Chuck on updating and rectifying their numbers.*
 - *Bruce asked if we are considering Alico's second corridor in our PVA input. Chuck is incorporating this new data.*
 - Document status
 - What happened this week, Jerry back on chapter review, updating info for 12th applicant
 - *Jerry reports he is editing species chapters, other than panther, and is making global language revisions to accommodate new regulations.*
 - Causation
 - Any news?
 - *Andrew is still pursuing follow-up discussions with Regional Solicitors Office. Hopes to provide something mid- to late next week. [This is consistent with what Vicki Mott described to Dell on 10/24]*
- FOIA

- Received FOIA for communications with federally-recognized tribes and are gathering responsive documents.
 - Connie working on redactions.
 - *Today she will send releasable tribal consultation documents to FOIA staff, and may also be able to send documents for redacting.*



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The Rural Lands Stewardship Area Restudy White Paper below will be presented to the Board of County Commissioners
October 22, 2019 See page77 for di cu ion on propo ed 45,000 acre development cap If l mi ed omeone that wa
on the call for this discussion, please forward.

<https://www.colliercountyfl.gov/home/showdocument?id=87491>

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leaders, bold innovators and trusted partners, working with and for people.

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Energy and persistence will conquer all things

- Benjamin Franklin

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Ken

Here's the October 22nd agenda item that provides some context for the next steps for adapting the proposed changes to the RLSA Overlay:

This item to be heard no sooner than 1:00 p.m. Recommendation to direct staff to initiate the Growth Management Plan amendment process for proposed changes to the Rural Lands Stewardship Area Overlay, develop a regional water partnership, and draft Land Development Code amendments. (Thaddeus Cohen, Department Head, GMD) (District 5).

Full Agenda Here:
<http://colliercountyfl.iqm2.com/Citizens/FileOpen.aspx?Type=14&ID=1616&Inline=True>

Thaddeu Cohen' contact info

<https://www.colliercountyfl.gov/your-government/departments/growth-management-department/department-head-s-corner>
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- A) proposed in the HCP, the eligible land would become subject to an ITP if
- A) an ECPO permittee purchases eligible lands
- B) an eligible landowner enrolls in the HCP.

If A) nothing need to happen other than the permittee reporting the purchase of eligible land
If B): The enrolled landowner would need to apply using the existing HCP and decision analyses (augmented for the specific situation), and we would need to advertise.

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That was helpful, David. Thanks for investing the time in putting your thoughts in writing. (b)(5) DPP(b)(5) DPP
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Did I mention during the call today my lack of fondness for these complications?

"Good judgment comes from experience. Experience comes from bad judgment."
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In-Service Update

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Topics --

- Status of Tribal consultation
 - *No updates from Timothy and Kevin*
 - Seminoles
 - Acknowledgement letter sent September 10
 - Issue and response table started ([Seminole issues and responses](#))
 - Working on responses
 - *Connie has been working on this, has been making species-specific responses.*
 - *David Shindle is also involved. (b)(5) DPP*
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 - Miccosukee
 - Concerning recent issues, Larry asked the RD the results of his communications. Apparently, Leo did not hear back from the Tribe.
 - We are taking no further action on this.
- The twelfth applicant
 - NOA at Solicitors Office
 - *Vicki had it by October 10, about to put in front of Regional Solicitor*
- BO analysis status
 - Panthers and Traffic
 - Updates on resolving data/modeling discrepancies?
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○ Follow-up on pesticide labeling/old BO?

- *Dell asked for a copy of the old BO. Ken agreed to forward.*
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○ Hyde Park?

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- Status of EIS and comment responses:
 - *No news.*

- SO 3355 Schedule
 - Sending weekly updates to the Department
 - IM for new NOA on surname -- transmitted?
 - *This got transmitted before noon today.*
 - *Rob alerted us that the IM may precipitate further briefings with Directorate and DOI.*

- FOIA
 - *Connie has been working on marking documents and portions of documents for redacting.*

- Section 7/404 MOU
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- Field Office project web page (<https://www.fws.gov/verobeach/EasternCollierHCP.html>)
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November 1, 2019

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In-Service Update

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Topics --

- Status of Tribal consultation
 - Seminoles
 - Acknowledgement letter sent September 10
 - Issue and response table started ([Seminole issues and responses](#))
 - *Dell will start writing in earnest, Connie will take another pass through the issues table.*
 - Miccosukee
 - No news
- The twelfth applicant
 - NOA at Solicitors Office
 - *Vicki had it by October 10, about to put in front of Regional Solicitor*
- BO analysis status
 - Panthers and Traffic
 - Resolve action area
 - *Connie reports that the FO has received answers to all their questions. Bruce has been quiet since receiving the AECOM information.*
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 - *Connie confirmed for Rob that they are running different scenarios.*
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- *This would not happen right away, we work through Matt. He needs to upload to ServCat, and then we could post on the FO web site.*
- Causation as used in the BO (attorney-level discussion)
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- Status of BO
 - Document status?
 - *Other than the panther chapter; Jerry continues on the snail kite chapter, and will re-visit a couple of others.*
 - *Caracara has some version control issues, Steve Schubert had made revisions unknown to us.*
 - *Jerry will re-work front matter once species chapters are complete.*
 - Hyde Park
 - *Solicitor's advice, how to implement?*
 - *No news here.*
- Status of EIS and comment responses:
 - No news.
- SO 3355 Schedule
 - Sending weekly updates to the Department
 - IM for new NOA on surname -- transmitted by October 18
 - No response other than clarification questions from HQ staff.
- FOIA
 - *Connie transmitted releasable tribe consultation documents to FOIA officer in response to ECPO's FOIA.*
 - *Marking documents for redacting now.*
- Section 7/404 MOU
 - Meeting November 6 with Corps to go over Josh's latest comments
 - *Looks like Josh at the Corps editorialized a bit up front, and clarified operations for project reviews.*
 - *Dell alerted folks that the Corps' mark-up looks good.*
- November 15 in-Service update call
 - Dell on travel, need someone to cover
 - *By acclamation, Rob was selected.*

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- *We will work collaboratively in the document Connie created in the BO teamsite.*
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- **Larry polled the attendees to make a “gut-check”**
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NEXT STEPS

- **Action item:** *Rox to review outline of operations ASAP*
 - *We will try to transmit to ECPO in the next couple of days*
- **Action item:** *By COB, Wednesday, we will have drafted the adaptive measures and checkpoint conceptual list, working in the document started by Connie*
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 - *Transmit to ECPO, possibly by next week’s Update*
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- **Action item:** *Rob will initiate discussion with Bruce Johnson responding to ECPO’s request for independent review.*
 - *Share Ken’s response to ECPO’s request*
 - *If possible, resolve*
 - *If ECPO maintains the need for independent review, we will follow through on that. Effect on timeline to be determined.*

EIS comments

- *Dell has been working on*
- *At the suggestion of HQ staff, we went off-pause a few weeks ago.*
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Sharing outline of operations with ECPO

- *Rox asked for a copy and the chance to look at it before we send*
 - *Dell e-mailed after the meeting*
- *Should be able to transmit to ECPO in the coming days*

Hyde Park approval by Collier County

- *Eligible lands – not ECPO*
- *No immediate effect on review*

FOIA updates?

- *No news*

AECOM contract (place holder/reminder)

- *AECOM needs to have a predicted end date to update the scope of work*
 - *We will have to wait till we come off pause in order to estimate.*
 - *Not discussed at this meeting: We are off pause now, but timeline is still unsettled. We should wait till we are committed to publish final EIS before wrapping this up.*

On Mon, Sep 9, 2019 at 10:22 AM Cassler, Constance <constance_cassler@fws.gov> wrote:
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Please let me know if you agree we should meet before Friday

Thank you,

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Project Review timeline (from July 10 notes)

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- Will need most help in responses to HCP public comments
 - Many changes since NOA, incorporated
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 - *RO needs to figure their end*

FOIA updates?

Connie has 7 to finish up

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