

# United States Department of the Interior

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In Reply Refer To: FWS/FOIA

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REF: DOI-FWS-2022-001429 (Partial 1)

Dear Mr. Eubanks:

This partially responds to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request dated January 5, 2022, in which you seek the following: "responsive records that pertain to the Nebraska Public Power District's proposed transmission line known as the "R-Project." Please refer to tracking number in communications regarding this request.

#### Response

In this first partial response to your request, 490 pages are being released to you in their entirety.

## **Mediation Services**

The 2007 FOIA amendments created the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS) to offer mediation services to resolve disputes between FOIA requesters and Federal agencies as a non-exclusive alternative to litigation. Using OGIS services does not affect your right to pursue litigation. You may contact OGIS in any of the following ways:

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E-mail: ogis@nara.gov, Web: https://ogis.archives.gov Telephone: 202-741-5770 / Fax: 202-741-5769 / Toll-free: 1-877-684-6448 Please note that using OGIS services does not affect the timing of filing an appeal with the Department's FOIA & Privacy Act Appeals Officer.

Contact information for the Department's FOIA Public Liaison, whom you may also seek dispute resolution services from, is available at https://www.doi.gov/foia/foiacenters.

#### Conclusion

For your information, Congress excluded three discrete categories of law enforcement and national security records from the requirements of the FOIA. See 5 U.S.C. § 552(c) (2006 & Supp. IV (2010)). This response is limited to those records that are subject to the requirements of the FOIA. This is a standard notification that is given to all our requesters and should not be taken as an indication that excluded records do, or do not, exist.

We will continue processing your request and provide a response as soon as possible. If you have any questions or concerns regarding this request, please contact Government Information Specialist, David Tischer, by email at david tischer@fws.gov.

Sincerely,

FOIA Coordinator