



United States Department of the Interior

FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE
Washington D.C. 20240



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Ms. Dana Hull
Bloomberg News
Pier 3
San Francisco, CA 94111

REF: DOI-FWS-2024-000006

Dear Ms. Hull:

The United States Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS) Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) office received your request dated October 2, 2023 and assigned it tracking number DOI-FWS-2024-000006. Please cite this number in any future communications with our office regarding your request. You have requested the following:

Any and all written correspondence, including photographs, calendar invitations and meetings, to or from the Fish and Wildlife Service and representatives of SpaceX and/or the FAA that mentions the words "deluge system" and/or "pygmy owl." To narrow this request so that it is not a burden on your staff, I am only seeking records from the month of September, 2023.

Response

We writing to respond to your request. We have identified six documents (138 pages) responsive to your request which are being released to you in their entirety. We will send you a File Share link to access these documents in a separate email.

In addition, we have located and referred five records that primarily concern the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), a Federal Government Agency that is also subject to FOIA. For this record, the FAA will issue a response directly to you. You do not have to contact the FAA at this time, but should you need to do so in the future, you may do so at:

FOIA Coordinator
FAA Southwest Region, AFN-400
10101 Hillwood Parkway
Ft. Worth, TX 76177
Phone: (817) 222-5059
Fax: (817) 222-5042

Mediation/Dispute Resolution

If after contacting us as described below, you need further information or assistance with your request, you may wish to seek dispute resolution services from the Department's FOIA Public Liaison, Natasha Jones by email at doifoiapublicliaison@sol.doi.gov.

If you need further information or assistance after contacting the Department's FOIA Public Liaison, you may wish to seek dispute resolution services from the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS). The 2007 FOIA amendments created the 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:

Office of Government Information Services
National Archives and Records Administration
8601 Adelphi Road - OGIS
College Park, MD 20740-6001
E-mail: ogis@nara.gov
Web: <https://www.archives.gov/ogis>
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.

Conclusion

For your information, Congress excluded three discrete categories of law enforcement and national security records from the requirements of FOIA. *See* [5 U.S.C. 552\(c\)](#). This response is limited to those records that are subject to the requirements of 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.

This is our final response and closes your request DOI-FWS-2024-00006. If you have any questions about our response to your request, you may contact me by email at monika_malnowicz@fws.gov, or by mail at U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service; ATTN: FOIA Office; 5275 Leesburg Pike; MS: IRTM; Falls Church, VA 22041.

Sincerely,

Monika Malnowicz
FOIA Coordinator