

From: [Cathy Tortorici - NOAA Federal](#)
To: [Wood, Robert](#)
Cc: [Patrice Ashfield](#); [Drew Crane](#)
Subject: Re: (b)(5) Deliberative Process
Date: Wednesday, May 07, 2014 5:22:31 AM

Rob - It is my understanding that you have contacted Paul Sousa and Drew about this issue.

As I said, we are working through comments on the document. We have not gotten all the comments in yet so I will call you today (b)(5) Deliberative Process

Cathy

Sent from my iPhone

On May 6, 2014, at 12:54 PM, "Wood, Robert" <Wood.Robert@epa.gov> wrote:

Hi Cathy,

Thanks for getting back to me. I know you all are crashing. (b)(5) Deliberative Process

Rob

[Robert K. Wood, Director](#)
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From: Cathy Tortorici - NOAA Federal [<mailto:cathy.tortorici@noaa.gov>]
Sent: Monday, May 05, 2014 1:57 PM
To: Wood, Robert
Subject: Re: (b)(5) Deliberative Process

Rob - I did get your message and your VM message. We are going through the review of the biop as we speak. As soon as I get all the review comments and can talk to FWS I will know more about what to do about this and will let you know.

I am in a week long meeting but will step out and give you a call or send you a message as soon as I have more information.

Cathy

Sent from my iPhone

On May 5, 2014, at 1:43 PM, "Wood, Robert" <Wood.Robert@epa.gov> wrote:

Hi Cathy,

Just checking in to make sure you saw the below message from me Friday. Can you confirm you received it? Does that approach sound good to you? Thanks

Rob

From: Wood, Robert

Sent: Friday, May 02, 2014 4:32 PM

To: 'Cathy Tortorici - NOAA Federal'

Cc: Patrice Ashfield; Drew Crane; Neugeboren.steven@epa.gov; MaryEllen Levine; Wade, Alexis; Richard Witt; Julie Hewitt; Born, Tom; Elizabeth Southerland

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Hi Cathy,

I'm including Patrice and Drew as well. (b)(5) Deliberative Process

[REDACTED] We are very conscious of the time constraints and the need to prioritize work on our end and yours. (b)(5) Deliberative Process

[REDACTED] Hopefully this is helpful to you too as I know you've been grappling with this issue. Happy to discuss.

Rob

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From: Cathy Tortorici - NOAA Federal [<mailto:cathy.tortorici@noaa.gov>]

Sent: Thursday, May 01, 2014 1:46 PM

To: Wood, Robert

Cc: Patrice Ashfield

Subject: Re: (b)(5) Deliberative Process

Rob -

Here is the the table of contents for the BiOp. (b)(5) Deliberative Process

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**Endangered Species Act Section 7 Consultation
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on the
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's
Issuance and Implementation of the Final Regulations
Section 316(b) of the Clean Water Act**



U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
Endangered Species Program
Division of Environmental Review
Arlington, Virginia



National Marine Fisheries Service

Office of Protected Resources
Interagency Cooperation Division
Silver Spring, Maryland

May 14, 2014

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On Thu, May 1, 2014 at 1:06 PM, Wood, Robert
<Wood.Robert@epa.gov> wrote:

Hi Cathy,

I'm checking in to see if NMFS made any progress in determining whether the BiOP would (b)(5) Deliberative Process. I missed the last call, but my understanding is there was discussion of that question and NMFS needed to check with your attorneys (b)(5) Attorney-Client Communication. (b)(5) Deliberative Process

Thanks much. Also left you a voice message.

Rob

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