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01/05/2011 09:14 AM

To Spencer Simon/R4/FWS/DOI@FWS, Victoria

Foster/R4/FWS/DOI@FWS

cc Craig Aubrey/R4/FWS/DOI@FWS

bcc

Subject Conservancy and the FTP site

Hi Spencer and Tori,

When things settle down a little and you have a minute, I'd like to talk to you guys about perhaps having a teleconference with the Conservancy to explain the advice we received from Mike Stevens regarding the FTP site and the FOIA process. If you recall, Mike said that there is no such thing as an "open ended" FOIA request. But, recognizing the Conservancy's desire to see the documents developed for the E Collier HCP and to meet President Obama's directive on transparency, we developed the FTP site to meet these objectives. However, it is unrelated to FOIA because there are no open ended FOIAs. Future FOIA requests should be for those documents we did not post to the FTP site. With that said, we will be applying the current FOIA guidelines and directives when we decide what documents to post or withhold from the FTP site. So the FTP may not reduce the number of FOIAs we receive, but when do, we won't be overly burdened and will be able to respond quickly and efficiently.

Last year, when I first explained to the Conservancy (Amber) some of the ideas that we were tossing around how to be more transparent, I suggested that we would treat the FTP site as if we were responding to their open ended FOIA request and we would likely provide a list of withholds. But now we have clear guidance from our solicitor that the FTP site is not related to an open ended FOIA request (because we can't) and we are not under any obligation to post a list of withheld documents, in fact, he recommended against it. If they would like to see the documents we did not post, then they would need to make a FOIA request for those particular set of documents.

I think it would be a good idea to reach out to the Conservancy to inform them of how we will be using the FTP site based on the advice from our solicitor. Also, we could ask, if they do make a FOIA request for those documents withheld from the FTP site, that they send a request only for those documents and not commingle it with other projects since that will help us to provide a timely response. The FTP site memo will likely need to be changed. I'd rather talk to the Conservancy before we make that change. We are due to update the FTP site by February 1, 2011.

What do you guys think?

Thanks, Trish

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Aubrey, Craig <craig_aubrey@fws.gov>

Re: status of Eastern Collier HCP and more - comments received on Florida bonneted bat proposed rule

1 message

Foster, Victoria <victoria_foster@fws.gov>

Tue, May 28, 2013 at 2:00 PM

To: "Halupa, Paula" <paula_halupa@fws.gov>

Cc: Elizabeth Landrum <elizabeth_landrum@fws.gov>, Brian Powell <brian_powell@fws.gov>, Dana Hartley <dana_hartley@fws.gov>, Robert Frakes <robert_frakes@fws.gov>, Craig Aubrey <craig_aubrey@fws.gov>

Hey Paula,

The Eastern Collier HCP isn't even in draft yet (The Conservancy knows this). We're almost ready to move into starting NEPA on this and we're still waiting for a draft plan from the applicants. The bat is included in the statement of work and will be considered in the HCP/NEPA analysis for this project.

Babcock Ranch Community and it's associated infrastructure are already permitted. There are no open applications or consultations on that project.

I've never heard of the "Burnt Store Area Plan" - sounds like a local comp plan. Liz can chime in if this was considered during the Charlotte County HCP.

The same goes for the two sector plans (King's Ranch and Rodina) in Lee County. We aren't involved in the local planning processes at a County level.

The Hendry County Clean Energy came in for a TA over a year ago and has not had any movement recently. From what I know of that project, it is not moving very quickly if at all.

Regarding the mines they list - Section 20 and Immokalee Sand are completed. Allen is processing open Section 7 consultations with the Corps for Keri Road, East Naples, SR846/Jones, and Troyer Brothers. Lost Grove doesn't have a Section 7 nexus and has been asked to come in for an HCP. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] I believe the other ones withdrew application from the Corps and aren't moving forward at this time.

I think this covers all of the projects that they mentioned in the letter. I'm back on Monday if you have further questions. Allen is also back on Monday if you need specifics on any of the mines. All of them have folders in the Project Planning drive.

Hope this helps,

Tori

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On Tue, May 28, 2013 at 12:26 PM, Halupa, Paula <paula_halupa@fws.gov> wrote:

Hi all,

What is the status of the Eastern Collier HCP? Is it still a draft? Did the applicants consider impacts to the Florida bonneted bat? or will they be?

I am trying to address comments received on the Florida bonneted bat proposed rule. Please see the comment letter attached.

If anyone has any other input regarding any of the other projects cited in their letter (i.e., regarding status), that would be useful, too.

Our revised draft final rule for the Florida bonneted bat is due back to the RO on 6/3, so I would really appreciate knowing the status of this HCP (and any other project cited in the comment letter) in the next couple of days.

Thanks very much,
-Paula

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Cassler, Constance <constance_cassler@fws.gov>

Re: reasonable accommodations question

1 message

Annis, Janice <janice_annis@fws.gov>
To: "Calder, Don" <don_calder@fws.gov>
Cc: "Cassler, Constance" <constance_cassler@fws.gov>

Tue, Oct 29, 2013 at 4:23 PM

Thanks, Don! Appreciate your expertise and prompt reply!

Until then,
take care...Janice

"Every [person] must decide whether [to] walk in the light
of creative altruism or the darkness of destructive selfishness.
Life's most persistent and urgent question is,
"What are you doing for others?" --Dr. MLK, Jr.

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On Tue, Oct 29, 2013 at 4:19 PM, Calder, Don <don_calder@fws.gov> wrote:

Janice,

Since the consultant is setting up the public meeting I would think he/she would be identified as the best source to contact.

Don

On Tue, Oct 29, 2013 at 3:34 PM, Annis, Janice <janice_annis@fws.gov> wrote:

Hi, Connie. I did frequently finalize contracts for interpretation services for [REDACTED] about 13 years ago but don't recall the details on who can be the POC for a public event. An August Fed Register Publication seems to reference an agency employee, per this link: <http://www.fws.gov/policy/library/2013/2013-20190.pdf>.

By copy of this email to Don Calder in CGS, I am asking him if he has an answer.

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On Tue, Oct 29, 2013 at 1:23 PM, Cassler, Constance <constance_cassler@fws.gov> wrote:
Hi Janice,

I am working on the Notice of Intent for an Environmental Impact Statement for the E. Collier Multispecies HCP. The applicants for the HCP are hiring a consultant to handle ,among other tasks, setting up the public scoping meeting and public hearing associated with the EIS. The template NOI I am working from identifies a person and number that the public can call if they need reasonable accommodations for the public meeting. My question is should the contact person listed in the notice be a Service employee, an employee of the consultant, or it doesn't matter. Patty Canfield said you may know because you helped contract for accommodations for [REDACTED]. If there is someone else I should ask please let me know.

Connie

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caracara survey info

4 messages

Powell, Brian <brian_powell@fws.gov>

Tue, Jul 29, 2014 at 9:28 AM

To: Constance Cassler <constance_cassler@fws.gov>

Cc: Barry Wood <barry_wood@fws.gov>

Connie,

Barry was going to prepare the suggested caracara survey maps based on the information I provided him yesterday. I think we should tell the applicant that these are a rough cut of what we would likely ask to be surveyed. I included most of the areas that were identified as row crop, however some of this may not be suitable. It is hard to determine suitable areas strictly through aerial interpretation but I figured it would be best to error on the side of the species and if through ground truthing it can be determined that surveys are not necessary then at least we didnt miss anything.

[REDACTED]

Also, due to the presence of gathering areas (juvenile and non-breeding adults), we might want to ask them to do some surveys in the citrus groves around where the gathering areas have been identified.

I apologize for having to wrap this up remotely, but I hope we were able to get you something useful. Feel free to call my cell phone if you have any questions.

Brian Powell

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Wood, Barry <barry_wood@fws.gov>

Tue, Jul 29, 2014 at 11:55 AM

To: "Powell, Brian" <brian_powell@fws.gov>

Cc: Constance Cassler <constance_cassler@fws.gov>

Connie,

I have attached the shapefile that represents the areas that should be surveyed for caracara within the RLSA.

Please contact me if you have any problems, questions, or further requests.

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On Tue, Jul 29, 2014 at 10:54 AM, Wood, Barry <barry_wood@fws.gov> wrote:

Connie,

I should have the data ready by lunch time. I'll send it to you when I'm done.

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Wed, Jul 30, 2014 at 8:15 AM

To: "Wood, Barry" <barry_wood@fws.gov>

Thank you so much Barry.

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Wood, Barry <barry_wood@fws.gov>

Wed, Jul 30, 2014 at 8:24 AM

To: "Cassler, Constance" <constance_cassler@fws.gov>

Connie,

You're welcome, but I really should have gotten this to you last week. There was some misunderstanding on my part of what you really needed, and I delayed working on it for a few days. Next time, it will be done even quicker.

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Cassler, Constance <constance_cassler@fws.gov>

RE: FW: ECPO HCP/EIS

1 message

Johnson, Bruce <Bruce.Johnson@stantec.com>

Tue, Jun 23, 2015 at 4:22 PM

To: Tom Jones <TJones@barroncollier.com>, "Hinzman, Roxanna" <roxanna_hinzman@fws.gov>, John Wrublik <John_Wrublik@fws.gov>

Cc: "Williams, Larry" <larry_williams@fws.gov>, "Cassler, Constance" <constance_cassler@fws.gov>, CSpilker <cspilker@collierenterprises.com>, Garrett Wallace <gwallace@alicoinc.com>, "'Mitch Hutchcraft' (mhutchcraft@cclpcitrus.com)" <mhutchcraft@cclpcitrus.com>, "Clements, E. Carter Chandler" <eclements@hunton.com>, Victoria Foster <Victoria_Foster@fws.gov>

I am available at 10am Friday.

Thanks,

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From: Tom Jones [mailto:TJones@barroncollier.com]**Sent:** Tuesday, June 23, 2015 10:14 AM**To:** Hinzman, Roxanna; John Wrublik**Cc:** Williams, Larry; Cassler, Constance; CSpilker; Garrett Wallace; 'Mitch Hutchcraft' (mhutchcraft@cclpcitrus.com); Johnson, Bruce; Clements, E. Carter Chandler; Victoria Foster**Subject:** RE: FW: ECPO HCP/EIS

Christian is available and I'm going to ask Bruce Johnson to join if he is available . Bruce is our tech consultant and was the primary author of the HCP.

From: Hinzman, Roxanna [mailto:roxanna_hinzman@fws.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, June 23, 2015 9:46 AM
To: Tom Jones; John Wrublik
Cc: Williams, Larry; Cassler, Constance; CSpilker; Garrett Wallace; 'Mitch Hutchcraft' (mhutchcraft@cclpcitrus.com); Johnson, Bruce (Bruce.Johnson@stantec.com); Clements, E. Carter Chandler; Victoria Foster
Subject: Re: FW: ECPO HCP/EIS

Thanks Tom. Friday at 10 is fine with me. Connie will still be on leave. John Wrublik, who is acting for Connie on Friday will join us. I do want to confirm with you that it is OK if I'm on "listen only" mode until I can get briefed from folks on this end. If you prefer to schedule something for when Connie is back, I'm happy to do that instead. Just let me know what works best from your end. If you send me a phone number, we'll be happy to give you a call.

Thanks! Looking forward to speaking with you.

Rox

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On Tue, Jun 23, 2015 at 9:32 AM, Tom Jones <TJones@barroncollier.com> wrote:

Good luck getting up to speed on the new position. How does Friday at 10:00 am work? I am also going to try and have Christian Spilker join as he will be the ECPO point of contact going forward. Let me know. Thanks

From: Hinzman, Roxanna [mailto:roxanna_hinzman@fws.gov]

Sent: Monday, June 22, 2015 1:40 PM

To: Williams, Larry

Cc: Tom Jones; Cassler, Constance; CSpilker; Garrett Wallace; 'Mitch Hutchcraft' (mhutchcraft@cclpcitrus.com); Johnson, Bruce (Bruce.Johnson@stantec.com); Clements, E. Carter Chandler; Victoria Foster

Subject: Re: FW: ECPO HCP/EIS

Hi Tom,

I'd be delighted to speak with you on the Collier County NOI and HCP. Just FYI, Connie is on vacation this week, and I'm still getting up to speed on things here. Please send me your phone number, and give me a couple of options for a good time to call you. For this week as of right now Wed. or Thur. mornings or anytime Friday are my best times.

Looking forward to working with you.

Regards,

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On Fri, Jun 19, 2015 at 2:47 PM, Williams, Larry <larry_williams@fws.gov> wrote:

Tom,

Thank you for submitting the draft NOI. Roxanna Hinzman is our new Field Supervisor (replacing Craig Aubrey) who will be working with you on this project. I've copied Roxanna here. She will contact you next week to discuss next steps with both the HCP and EIS. She can also help extend the grant agreement.

Best regards,

Larry

On Fri, Jun 19, 2015 at 12:17 PM, Tom Jones <TJones@barroncollier.com> wrote:

Larry attached is the NOI for the Eastern Collier Property Owners (ECPO) proposed EIS. Although the review process for the previously submitted HCP by ECPO has not yet been formalized we would like to proceed with the scoping for the EIS. We are prepared to execute a contract with the third party contractor selected by your office. A critical path in this process is the initiation of the public scoping which we would like to begin but must be initiated through the federal process. As you are aware ECPO was awarded a grant by USFWS through the Florida Wildlife Commission to support the development of the EIS as well as revisions to the HCP for 2015. This grant will need to be extended through 2016 and we will require support from your office in this effort as well. At your earliest convenience we would like to schedule a call with your staff and the ECPO group to discuss the path forward. Hope all is well and we look forward to kicking this process off. Thanks

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