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Cc: [Hobson, Chris \(DCR\)](#); [Smith, Thomas \(DCR\)](#)
Subject: RE: Mountain Valley Pipeline - Canoe Cave Northern Bat Record
Date: Thursday, December 17, 2015 1:34:55 PM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)

Jason,

I will send an email to Ray alerting him to the new data and we will be sending him a draft of our response. Sumalee is it possible for your agency to send us a copy of the bat survey for MVP? The report is posted on FERC's website but is marked as privilege information. I would like to include the review of the report with our comments.

Thanks,

Rene'

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From: Bulluck, Jason (DCR)
Sent: Thursday, December 17, 2015 12:07 PM
To: Orndorff, Wil (DCR); Reynolds, Rick (DGIF); Smith, Thomas (DCR); Hoskin, Sumalee
Cc: Hobson, Chris (DCR); Hypes, Rene (DCR)
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Wil,

Can you please start us off by drafting the documentation? It seems that citing therein, FWS stipulations, would communicate the issue best, but if this holds this up longer, then I think it should refer MVP and FERC to FWS staff. I am not sure what this entails, exactly. Sumalee, can you help with this part?

With this, we can share draft with Ray Fernald and get to a final that we can share with Clyde Cristman for review before providing to FERC and MVP.

Rene', would you please give Ray a heads up about this, so he is looking for it when we send it?

Thank you,

Jason

From: Orndorff, Wil (DCR)
Sent: Thursday, December 17, 2015 10:51 AM
To: Reynolds, Rick (DGIF); Smith, Thomas (DCR); Hoskin, Sumalee
Cc: Hobson, Chris (DCR); Bulluck, Jason (DCR)
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So we need to either cite what FWS stipulations are for NLEB hibernacula avoidance, or direct MVP and FERC to the appropriate FWS staff. The documentation part is simple – we cite the record and explain that it was not part of the state database prior to meeting with the property owner, but we believe the record to be valid based on the reporting party (Dr. Gary Nussbaum, Radford University, in conjunction with Dr. Jenny Tipton).

Thoughts?

Wil

From: Reynolds, Rick (DGIF)
Sent: Thursday, December 17, 2015 10:47 AM
To: Smith, Thomas (DCR); Orndorff, Wil (DCR); Hoskin, Sumalee
Cc: Hobson, Chris (DCR); Bulluck, Jason (DCR)
Subject: RE: Mountain Valley Pipeline - Canoe Cave Northern Bat Record

You should include Ray Fernald in this discussion as it will be “his shop” that formulates DGIF comments. Thanks

Rick

From: Smith, Thomas (DCR)
Sent: Thursday, December 17, 2015 10:29 AM
To: Orndorff, Wil (DCR); Hoskin, Sumalee
Cc: Hobson, Chris (DCR); Reynolds, Rick (DGIF); Bulluck, Jason (DCR)
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I think, we should do a coordinated response from DCR and DGIF that will go up the chain for approval and then to MVP and FERC; and the Service using similar/same language do their notification.

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From: Orndorff, Wil (DCR)

Sent: Thursday, December 17, 2015 10:18 AM

To: Hoskin, Sumalee

Cc: Hobson, Chris (DCR); Reynolds, Rick (DGIF); Smith, Thomas (DCR); Bulluck, Jason (DCR)

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We need to alert FERC and MVP to this ASAP in my opinion. How do we do this, and who will do this? The clock is ticking and I don't want this to be any more of a surprise to them than it already will be. This could be a major roadblock to their preferred corridor.

Wil

From: Hoskin, Sumalee [mailto:sumalee_hoskin@fws.gov]

Sent: Tuesday, December 08, 2015 4:53 PM

To: Orndorff, Wil (DCR)

Cc: Hobson, Chris (DCR); Reynolds, Rick (DGIF); Smith, Thomas (DCR); Bulluck, Jason (DCR)

Subject: Re: Mountain Valley Pipeline - Canoe Cave Northern Bat Record

Wil,

Thanks for bringing this to our attention. I think the record should be treated as a documented NLEB hibernacula. I'd like to ensure all agencies are consistent. Rick, Chris please weigh in.

If we all agree it should be considered a NLEB hibernacula can I have the coordinates so we can get it into our database, or would Jason provide a VDGIF update?

Thanks,

Sumalee

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On Tue, Dec 8, 2015 at 4:38 PM, Orndorff, Wil (DCR) <Wil.Orndorff@dcr.virginia.gov> wrote:

Dear colleagues,

I may have related this to you earlier, but just in case.

There is a February 7, 1982 record (Radford University, Gary Nussbaum – and presumably Jenny Tipton-Dalton) of a Northern bat (*M. septentrionalis*, formerly grouped with *M. keenii*) for Canoe Cave. This was a winter hibernacula record. Correspondence is attached.

Canoe Cave lies directly beneath the proposed MVP Gas Transmission Line centerline as submitted by MVP to FERC.

Regulatory agencies (FWS, DGIF) need to decide ASAP how to treat this record for purposes of the pipeline. The owner is aware of the record and its associated legal status.

Thanks,

Wil