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Subject: RE: Potential Northern Long-eared Bat Record
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Thanks, Rene;

Rick Reynolds and Will have been discussing this record, and we concur it should be considered reliable and added to our records; certainly should be considered in context of the Mountain Valley Pipeline.

On a somewhat-related note; I continue to work on the "TOYR" table and guidance for T&E bats. After an initial attempt to put it all the discussion into the "table", we decided it would be better to put just the dates and major conditions into the "table", and put all of the details and narrative into a "guidance" document that could be posted with the table, and updated on-the-fly. This could be particularly important as USFWS enters into new agreements or programmatic consultations with various federal agencies re bats, including other species such as tricolored and little browns that are or may be proposed for listing and need addressing in the "table" and "guidance". I put a draft table and guidance document out for internal review a couple of weeks ago, and am just beginning to get feedback. I hope to get them ready for at least an initial distribution to our little "working group" before New Years.

Even though that may then begin to merge with USFWS' schedule re: finalizing the 4(d) rule etc for MYSE, we should at least have something to review and talk about; perhaps we will be ready to meet again in mid-Jan or so.

Thanks.

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Hi Ray,

I am sending you a heads up email in regards to a potential record for the northern long eared-bat documented in Canoe Cave. It is a February 7, 1982 winter hibernacula record (Radford University, Gary Nussbaum – and presumably Jenny Tipton-Dalton) of a Northern bat (*M. septentrionalis*, formerly grouped with *M. keenii*). In the near future, we would like to send VDGIF and USFWS our draft comments for review and input in regards to this record and recommendations prior to sending the information to FERC.

Thanks,

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