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To: [Troy Andersen](#); [Taina Pankiewicz](#)
Cc: [Sumalee Hoskin](#); [Kimberly Smith](#); [Daniel Judy](#); [Shane Hanlon](#)
Subject: RE: MVP - IPaC RTE Species List
Date: Thursday, November 20, 2014 8:32:00 AM

Troy,

Thanks for your response. We have created our species conclusion table and are currently awaiting feedback/input from both VDGIF and VADCR NHP.

I am currently updating our bat study plan based on comments received during the 11/10 Elkins meeting. Do you, Sumalee, or Kim have any additional comments not mentioned during the meeting that you would like to add?

Thanks,

Valerie

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Subject: RE: MVP - IPaC RTE Species List

Taina:

My apologies for my previous email. You are indeed correct. To preserve the privacy of the proposed route, not requesting an official species list was the correct choice.

The purpose of the species list is to provide you with a list of species that are potentially present within your action area. Provided that you believe that uploading the shapefile into IPaC was successful (i.e. the route map looks correct), then the results are accurate. The results of the species list are the foundation of your species conclusion table

([REDACTED]). For each listed species identified, you'll have to make an ESA Section 7 Determination within the table. As we've already seen with the bats, some field work and/or surveys will be necessary to accurately make a determination. Our primary role at this stage of the project is to provide you feedback on any survey plans. As the project progresses and you become more confident in your determinations

and begin considering avoidance/minimization measures, our role shifts to reviewing/concurring with your determinations.

I hope that helps clarify the process some. If you have any questions, feel free to contact me.

V/R
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To: Troy Andersen; Valerie Clarkston
Cc: Sumalee Hoskin; Kimberly Smith; Daniel Judy
Subject: RE: MVP - IPaC RTE Species List

Hey Troy,

I checked out the attachment you sent. We're still learning how to use the IPaC so thank you for your patience with us. When Val ran the project through the system she chose the option that produced a list that she could share because that was what we believed needed to be done. To be frank, we weren't sure what would happen if we pushed the button – i.e., if it shared that info with you or not or what happened? We weren't sure if the planning list was the same as the "official list" or not? We would be very grateful for any insight you can provide us to help us ensure that we navigate this process in the appropriate fashion, doing the correct steps in the correct order. To that end, it was our understanding that the project process was that we should provide the IPaC results to your office for comment and I believe that is the context of her "verify the accuracy" statement. As far as the "relevant to VA" part, I think she asked the question that way, since, at the meeting, it seemed that the VA and WV field offices wish to have us coordinate with each of you individually based on species occurrences within that state.

I know your office is quite busy in general, but especially right now with so many pipelines planning crossings for VA in the next few years and we really appreciate your time and efforts working with us.

Taina



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Valerie:

The species lists you provided are planning level lists. While there is nothing incorrect about them, we prefer that you provide an official species list. Creating an official species list provides a tracking number from the system that we can use to track this review through its completion. The graphic attached illustrates the link in IPaC for requesting an official species list. Also, I'm not clear on what your request actually is at this time ("verify the accuracy of the results relevant to VA?").

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Hello Troy,

Attached are the species lists provided by IPaC for the proposed MVP Project as well as the shapefile of its current route. Can you please verify the accuracy of the results relevant to VA?

With your permission, I would like to include this email and your response within the Project's correspondence record.

Thank you,

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