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To: [Stahl, Megan D.](#)
Cc: [Schmidt, John](#); [Paul Friedman](#); [Amanda Mardiney](#); [Lavinia DiSanto](#); [Barbara Douglas](#)
Subject: Re: [EXTERNAL] MVP request to cut two trees for safety
Date: Friday, August 3, 2018 11:26:00 AM

Megan - If the trees are equal to or greater than 5-in DBH, the Service recommends that MVP conduct emergence surveys in accordance with our 2018 Range-Wide Indiana Bat Survey Guidelines. However, if FERC determines that this is an immediate risk to human health and/or safety, FERC can declare it an emergency and give MVP approval to proceed with removal.

On Thu, Aug 2, 2018 at 9:19 AM, Stahl, Megan D. <MStahl@eqt.com> wrote:

Tiernan,

MVP submitted a variance request to FERC for use of an existing access road near MP 6.8 that was not originally part of the project. MVP was not planning to cut any trees for use of the road, but two (2) trees recently uprooted, are leaning, and are now hanging over the road making them a safety concern.

Files showing the location and a photo of these trees are attached. These trees are located within habitat categorized in the BO as Ibat known use summer habitat. MVP has not cleared all of the proposed 228.4 acres of Ibat known use summer habitat that was included within the BO. Therefore, clearing these two (2) trees would not result in an increase of acreage. However, due to safety concerns, MVP is proposing to cut these trees during the TOYR.

FERC asked that we request concurrence from FWS before proceeding. Please let me know if you need additional information.

Thank you,

Megan

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*Please, note the change to our address. We have not moved, but our address has been updated within the emergency response system.