

**From:** [Jennifer Stanhope](#)  
**To:** [Jordan Richard](#)  
**Subject:** RE: Candy darter and MVP  
**Date:** Thursday, April 20, 2017 10:20:00 AM  
**Attachments:** [candydarter\\_Stony Creek map.pdf](#)

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**From:** Richard, Jordan [mailto:[jordan\\_richard@fws.gov](mailto:jordan_richard@fws.gov)]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, April 12, 2017 8:15 AM  
**To:** Stanhope, Jennifer  
**Subject:** Re: Candy darter and MVP

Sure, I can do that. Shoot me an invite with a time that works for you; I'm free all day.

Jordan

On Tue, Apr 11, 2017 at 6:27 PM, Stanhope, Jennifer <[jennifer\\_stanhope@fws.gov](mailto:jennifer_stanhope@fws.gov)> wrote:  
Hi Jordan,

Thanks for your input on the Candy darter. I'm at NCTC training this week but when I get back next week, could we schedule a time to talk about it to make sure I fully understand the potential effects of the pipeline and when the 12 month determination will be due? It sounds like MVP will not likely jeopardize the species but just want to make sure. Also MVP indicated that they weren't addressing the Candy darter in the BA and weren't going to address it until after it is proposed.

Are you free Thursday morning?

Jen

On Mon, Mar 20, 2017 at 1:28 PM, Richard, Jordan <[jordan\\_richard@fws.gov](mailto:jordan_richard@fws.gov)> wrote:  
Hey Jen,

Everything they have in the report for candy darter looks OK. It's not a great thing for candy darters, but like they said, the crossing is slated for just upstream of the mouth of Stony Creek, so most of the local CD population should be upstream of the effects. As for the rest of them between the project site and the confluence with the New River, I think good ENS and best practices is all we can really look for in this case. If something catastrophic happened here, it would be bad, but I highly doubt it would be a population-extirpating event, given the upstream population. Add on the fact that CDs are so fragmented in VA that any potential damage that could flow into the New probably wouldn't even find its way to a candy darter, and I think this looks alright. Let me know if there's anything I can be more specific on - I can always talk for days about them, but I try not to!

Jordan

On Mon, Mar 20, 2017 at 9:57 AM, Jennifer Stanhope <[jennifer\\_stanhope@fws.gov](mailto:jennifer_stanhope@fws.gov)> wrote:  
Hi Jordan,

Cindy came and talked to me to make sure we don't forget about candy darter for MVP. Attached is a report that MVP submitted to the Forest Service and there is mention of Candy darter. Will you take a look and let me know what you think? I'm also awaiting the revised BA that MVP submitted to FERC and will forward to you when I get it. I don't know yet how they addressed our comments when we provided them on the draft BA.

Thanks!

Jen

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