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Date:

Online Self Certification for Communication Tower Projects in Oklahoma

Project Name:

Dear Applicant:

Thank you for using the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service) Oklahoma Ecological Services Field Office online communication tower projects review procedures. By printing this letter, you are certifying that you have completed the online review procedures for the referenced project in accordance with all instructions provided, using the best available information to reach your conclusions. This letter completes the review of your project in accordance with the Migratory Bird Treaty Act of 1918 (16 U.S.C. 703-712, 40 Stat. 755), as amended (MBTA); Endangered Species Act of 1973 (16 U.S.C. 1531-1544, 87 Stat. 884), as amended (ESA); and Bald and Golden Eagle Protection Act (16 U.S.C. 668-668c, 54 Stat. 250) as amended (Eagle Act). This letter also provides useful information for your project review under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (P.L. 91-190, 42 U.S.C. 4321-4347, 83 Stat. 852), as amended. A copy of this letter must be mailed to the address on the letterhead for this certification to be valid. This letter will be maintained in our records.

is proposing a communication tower

project that would be located in

County(ies), Oklahoma, located at latitude

by longitude (decimal degrees NAD 83).

The referenced communications tower project meets the criteria for the “no effect” determination to federally-listed threatened and endangered species and is “unlikely to disturb” bald eagles as outlined in the Service’s online review procedures (copy enclosed). The Service’s recommendations to avoid and minimize impacts to migratory birds (available on our website at

www....) also have been incorporated to the extent practicable. Incorporated recommendations include (please briefly identify all that apply):

To minimize potential impacts to aquatic resources from construction activities, the Service recommends implementing a strict sediment and erosion control plan during construction. A storm water discharge permit from the Oklahoma Department of Environmental Quality (ODEQ) is required for construction projects that disturb more than one acre. More information regarding permit requirements for storm water discharges from construction activities can be obtained from ODEQ's website at www.deq.state.ok.us/ECLSNEW/sitestrm.htm.

We thank you for your concern for endangered and threatened species, migratory birds, and other wildlife resources. If you have any questions, contact Luke Bell of this office at (918) 581-7458, ext. 252 or Luke_Bell@fws.gov.

Sincerely,
/s/ Dixie Bounds
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Enclosure: Online communication tower projects review procedures