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Memorandum

To: Service Directorate

From: Associate Chief Information Officer,
Information Resources and Technology Management (IRTM) *for Shelley Hartmann*

Subject: Adoption of U.S. Fish and Wildlife (USFWS) Habitat Conservation Plan Spatial Data Specifications Standard

We are adopting a new data standard, Habitat Conservation Plan (HCP) Spatial Data Specifications. This standard has successfully completed the formal national review process for proposed data standards at http://www.fws.gov/stand/standards/process_WWW.html.

Review comments received from Service personnel were incorporated into the final standard. We have attached the adopted standard, which you can also find on the Data Standards Web site: https://www.fws.gov/stand/standards/dl_HCP_WWW.html.

The purpose of this standard is to provide specifications and procedures to standardize the creation, maintenance, and dissemination of Habitat Conservation Plan spatial data by the Service. You can direct questions on the use or application of this standard to John Swords, ECOS System Manager, USFWS HQ Ecological Services via electronic mail, or by phone at 970-266-2991.

Please distribute this memorandum and attachment to all Regional and Field Offices to ensure that staff members are aware of this adopted standard and the requirement to apply it where appropriate.

Send questions and comments about Service data standards process to Chris Lett, Acting Data Architect, Information Resources and Technology Management, via electronic mail to chris_lett@fws.gov or by phone at 303-275-2348.