



Frazer, Gary <gary_frazer@fws.gov>

Re: [EXTERNAL] Yolo Habitat Conservation Plan/Natural Community Conservation Plan

1 message

Skipwith, Aurelia <aurelia_skipwith@ios.doi.gov>

Mon, Sep 10, 2018 at 3:34 PM

To: Petrea Marchand <petrea@conserosolutions.com>

Cc: Gary Frazer <gary_frazer@fws.gov>, Phil Pogledich <philip.pogledich@yolocounty.org>, James Voyles <james_voyles@ios.doi.gov>, Alan Mikkelsen <alan_mikkelsen@ios.doi.gov>, Alan Mikkelsen <amikkelsen@usbr.gov>

Petrea,

I've included Alan Mikkelsen, who handles BOR issues and can provide more insight on aspects of projects and James Voyles, who handles NEPA for the Department and can probably advise on timing of EIS. Let me know if you need anything else.

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On Mon, Sep 10, 2018 at 10:02 AM, Petrea Marchand <petrea@conserosolutions.com> wrote:

Ms. Skipwith,

First of all, I wanted to thank you for your help securing the release of the Yolo Habitat Conservation Plan/Natural Community Conservation Plan (HCP/NCCP) in the Federal Register in May 2018. I am pleased to report that all four cities and Yolo County adopted the Yolo HCP/NCCP in May and June 2018. We are expecting the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and California Department of Fish and Wildlife to issue permits at the latest by October 2018, which will mark the end of a 16-year planning process. We very much appreciate your assistance, as well as Mr. Frazer's assistance, with the final stages of this process.

Now that we are approaching implementation, the Yolo Habitat Conservancy (the joint powers agency responsible for implementing the Yolo HCP/NCCP) is taking a harder look at projects that may affect implementation of the Yolo HCP/NCCP. One such project is the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation's Yolo Bypass Salmonid Project, for which the U.S. Department of the Interior is expected to release the notice of availability of the Final EIS/EIR before Thanksgiving this year.

I was wondering if you (or Mr. Frazer) could let me know the appropriate contact within the U.S. Department of the Interior in Washington, DC responsible for approval of release of the Yolo Bypass Salmonid Project EIS/EIR in the Federal Register. The Conservancy is currently engaging cooperatively with the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation to ensure consistency between the Yolo Bypass Salmonid Project and the Yolo HCP/NCCP, but I'm interested in learning more about the process for release of the Final EIS/EIR. I understand some changes have taken place recently to this process, plus I want to ensure the Department of the Interior is

aware of the need to ensure consistency between the Yolo HCP/NCCP and the project as a critical component of successful early Yolo HCP/NCCP implementation.

Any help you can provide would be much appreciated. I'm happy to discuss this topic more by phone if that is more convenient for you or Mr. Frazer.

Sincerely,

Petrea Marchand

Executive Director

Yolo Habitat Conservancy

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Frazer, Gary <gary_frazer@fws.gov>

Re: Meeting Cancellation

1 message

Skipwith, Aurelia <aurelia_skipwith@ios.doi.gov>
To: "Patnaik, Bivan" <bivan_patnaik@ios.doi.gov>
Cc: Gary Frazer <gary_frazer@fws.gov>, Lois Wellman <lois_wellman@fws.gov>

Wed, Sep 19, 2018 at 7:52 AM

I can still meet then. Let's do 3144.

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On Wed, Sep 19, 2018 at 10:38 AM, Patnaik, Bivan <bivan_patnaik@ios.doi.gov> wrote:
Thank you; I actually did want to meet at 11 to discuss OMB's changes to the new Section 10 ESA rule abstract that will be published in the Fall Agenda. Gary-can we still meet?

Thanks,

B

On Wed, Sep 19, 2018 at 10:35 AM Skipwith, Aurelia <aurelia_skipwith@ios.doi.gov> wrote:
Good morning Gary and Bivan,
I reviewed the briefing papers for today's meeting and I don't have any questions on the two packages. For that reason, there not a reason to meet, unless you had something to discuss. Thank you.

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Re: Update on Bears, Wolves, and Mitigation Policy

1 message

Aurelia Skipwith <aurelia_skipwith@ios.doi.gov>
To: "Frazer, Gary" <gary_frazer@fws.gov>
Cc: Jim Kurth <Jim_Kurth@fws.gov>

Thu, Sep 27, 2018 at 7:33 AM

Thank you, Gary.

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On Sep 27, 2018, at 5:51 AM, Frazer, Gary <gary_frazer@fws.gov> wrote:

Wolves --b5-DPP
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Yellowstone ecosystem grizzly bears --b5-DPP
[Redacted]

Mitigation -- While the withdrawal of our 2016 revised mitigation policies rendered that policy direction inoperative, the Service continues to work with other federal agencies and affected developers and landowners to provide recommendations on appropriate mitigation for impacts to fish and wildlife and their habitats. We have reverted back to operating under our 1981 FWS mitigation policy. Our role in most cases is as an advisory agency, although in a few circumstances (e.g., sec 10(a)(1)(B) of the ESA) we require mitigation as a condition of our permit decisions.

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From: Jim Kurth <jim_kurth@fws.gov>
Date: Thu, Sep 27, 2018 at 5:24 AM
Subject: Fwd: Update on Bears, Wolves, and Mitigation Policy
To: Gary Frazer <Gary_Frazer@fws.gov>
Cc: <Gina_Shultz@fws.gov>, <martha_balislarsen@fws.gov>

Can you respond to Aurelia's request, copy me? Thanks.

Sent from my iPad

Begin forwarded message:

From: Aurelia Skipwith <aurelia_skipwith@ios.doi.gov>
Date: September 27, 2018 at 12:13:14 AM EDT
To: "James W. Kurth" <jim_kurth@fws.gov>

Subject: Update on Bears, Wolves, and Mitigation Policy

Jim,

I'm speaking at the Public Lands Council and know they'll be interested in DOI's position and next steps on 1) wolves and 2) bears, especially in light of court's ruling. Also, any update on now that FWS is following the 1981 mitigation policy?

I just need about 3 sentences on each. Thank you.

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Frazer, Gary <gary_frazer@fws.gov>

Re: Lewis River: thank you, and wrapping up this week's briefings

1 message

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Mon, Oct 1, 2018 at 11:02 AM

To: Robyn Thorson <robyn_thorson@fws.gov>

Cc: Andrea Travnicek <andrea_travnicek@ios.doi.gov>, "Stephen D. Guertin" <Stephen_Guertin@fws.gov>, Peg Romanik <peg.romanik@sol.doi.gov>, Theresa Rabot <theresa_rabot@fws.gov>, Gary Frazer <Gary_Frazer@fws.gov>

Good afternoon Robyn,

I know you and your team are probably still analyzing the new information and also, last week NOAA and FWS consulted with the tribes. Let's talk this week about your proposed path forward. Also, could you provide the following? Thank you.

- 1) Citations from the studies performed by USGS
- 2) Data, the new information and any models that your team is analyzing

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On Fri, Sep 14, 2018 at 8:03 PM Thorson, Robyn <robyn_thorson@fws.gov> wrote:

Thank you again for the opportunity to brief DOI and FWS leadership yesterday on the Lewis River issues.

This morning I forwarded information you had requested during the briefing (letters from two tribes, and each made reference to particular science papers so I forwarded those as well to accompany the letters). I'll repeat the offer to provide any information or documents that would aid in explaining or illustrating this issue of many parts, many parties and many years.

I apologize that I had to step out of the Thursday briefing before its conclusion. I had planned to make sure the briefing covered an important aspect of the matter, identified at the end of the informational memo forwarded from the region September 11 (and attached below). For awareness:

Changes to an existing FERC license, including Section 18 fish passage prescriptions, are procedurally complex. The Service's Biological Opinion anticipated implementation of all fish passage outlined in the Settlement Agreement, including adult and juvenile passage at Merwin and Yale Dams; the in-lieu fee option was not analyzed. If existing fish passage prescriptions change during the license period, reinitiation of consultation with FERC under section 7 of the Endangered Species Act would likely be required.

A change in fish passage prescriptions could also trigger license amendments and further NEPA compliance by FERC prior to any license amendment. And adoption of any fish passage approach not contained in the Settlement Agreement may necessitate attempting to revisit that Agreement with the original signatory parties.

If pursued as a course of action, a major FERC license amendment could result in a new FERC proceeding and any party could intervene and, at the end of that proceeding, challenge FERC's adoption of the Services' new fish passage prescriptions.

These are issues of consequence in the Lewis River discussions and my interest is to include them in the "big picture", to fully inform. The work of FWS in the field and the region continues to be identification and reliance on the best available science to bear on decisions. We are in full discussions with all parties, among them the applicant, the Yakama Nation and the Cowlitz Indian Tribes with whom we also have a government-to-government duty, and NOAA Fisheries. We approach that with good work and good will.

I look forward to continuing to work with you. Thank you again.

Robyn

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Invitation: Internal Video/Audio Briefing @ Tue Oct 9, 2018 11am - 12pm (EDT) (gary_frazer@fws.gov)

1 message

Todd Willens <todd_willens@ios.doi.gov>

Tue, Oct 2, 2018 at 8:25 AM

Reply-To: Catherine Gulac <catherine_gulac@ios.doi.gov>

To: gary_frazer@fws.gov, aurelia_skipwith@ios.doi.gov, [REDACTED]@ios.doi.gov, katie_mills@ios.doi.gov, andrea_travnicek@ios.doi.gov

Cc: ionie_spence@fws.gov, tasha_l_robbins@ios.doi.gov, rosiyn_sellars@fws.gov, maureen_foster@ios.doi.gov, lois_wellman@fws.gov

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ES Tracking #: REG0008741

Type: PR-Proposed Rule

RIN: 1018-BC65

Proposed Rule to Establish a Nonessential Experimental Population of the California Condor in the Pacific Northwest

When Tue Oct 9, 2018 11am – 12pm Eastern Time - New York

Where FWS Conf Rm 3038 ([map](#))

Video call **b5-CIP**

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Attachments

- ES Tracking No. REG0008741 - Part 1.pdf
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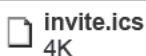
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Re: Map for T & E and At-Risk Species

1 message

Aurelia Skipwith <aurelia_skipwith@ios.doi.gov>

Wed, Oct 3, 2018 at 2:12 PM

To: "BalisLarsen, Martha" <martha_balislarsen@fws.gov>

Cc: Gary D Frazer <Gary_Frazer@fws.gov>, Gina Shultz <Gina_Shultz@fws.gov>, Seth Mott <seth_mott@fws.gov>, Steven Howke <steven_howke@ios.doi.gov>

Including Steve Howke.

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On Oct 3, 2018, at 5:03 PM, BalisLarsen, Martha <martha_balislarsen@fws.gov> wrote:

Aurelia, this is in follow-up to your questions to Gina Shultz regarding the grant (FWS1805532) to fund NatureServe for \$250,000 to improve the blueprint of the Southeast Conservation Adaptation Strategy (SECAS) by incorporating consistent information on the location and distribution of at-risk species (listed, candidate and petitioned) and species listed in State Wildlife Action Plans. I am responding on Gina's behalf.

Over the last few weeks, we have met with the FWS project sponsors to coordinate project objectives and reduce any potential redundancy. Through these discussions, we see this project as complementary to our ongoing efforts to update current range maps for listed species. From a consultation prospective, we foresee that the improved maps and models for the SECAS footprint could inform development of large-scale programmatic consultations (e.g., a multi-state programmatic consultation that streamlined work in areas with low species value). From a species range mapping perspective, this proposed work goes beyond providing current range maps by species to combining distribution for multiple species within a habitat system.

Through this internal coordination, we have been assured that the FWS project sponsors will work closely with ES to make sure that their rangewide mapping effort is consistent with whatever protocols we use so that it produces single species maps that are consistent with our efforts. We have also agreed to collaborate on the terms and conditions for any agreement with NatureServe pending approval of this grant. We (Ecological Services) recommends that DOI support this grant.

Please let me know if we can answer any additional questions that you may have.

Martha

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From: **Shultz, Gina** <gina_shultz@fws.gov>

Date: Wed, Aug 8, 2018 at 2:01 PM

Subject: Fwd: Map for T & E and At-Risk Species

To: Michaëlle Shultz <michaëlle_shultz@fws.gov>, Martha BalisLarsen <martha_balislarsen@fws.gov>, Craig Aubrey <craig_aubrey@fws.gov>, Foster, Victoria <victoria_foster@fws.gov>

Aurelia invited me at the last minute to join a call regarding this grant. Michaëlle joined me.

Bottom line - we need to circle back with Science Apps and R4 ES to make sure the Blueprint 3.0 and species information they are acquiring fits with our range effort, ECOS and IPaC

Gina Shultz

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From: **Skipwith, Aurelia** <aurelia_skipwith@ios.doi.gov>

Date: Mon, Aug 6, 2018 at 7:02 PM

Subject: Map for T & E and At-Risk Species

To: Gina Shultz <gina_shultz@fws.gov>

Gina,

I hope you had a great weekend!

I recently had a conversation about a grant that would expand upon information provided by states wildlife agencies and Ecological Services to the build a map/model to assist the public and various other users in identifying ways to reduce regulatory burdens. I would like to get your thoughts on this proposal and how Ecological Services could use this information as a resource or if Ecological Services already has something like this in place. Much appreciated!

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Frazer, Gary <gary_frazer@fws.gov>

Re: Oct 10 Weekly Clearance briefing

1 message

Skipwith, Aurelia <aurelia_skipwith@ios.doi.gov>
To: Gary Frazer <gary_frazer@fws.gov>
Cc: Bivan Patnaik <bivan_patnaik@ios.doi.gov>

Wed, Oct 10, 2018 at 2:10 AM

I don't have any comments or questions. No need for me to meet, unless Bivan would like to and then I'm available at 10am. Thanks.

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On Tue, Oct 9, 2018 at 11:28 AM Frazer, Gary <gary_frazer@fws.gov> wrote:

Aurelia -- I left these briefing papers in the inbox on your refrigerator. We're double booked tomorrow at 11a, since Andrea re-scheduled a briefing for her in that slot. If you want to be briefed on these after reviewing them, I could do so before 10a or at 1p tomorrow. Pls advise.

Bivan -- Briefing materials attached. -- GDF

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1 message

Aurelia Skipwith <aurelia_skipwith@ios.doi.gov>
To: Gary Frazer <gary_frazer@fws.gov>
Cc: Lois Wellman <lois_wellman@fws.gov>

Wed, Oct 24, 2018 at 7:45 AM

Gary,

I've reviewed the information and don't have questions. Unless you or Bivan would like to discuss, I'm okay with not meeting.

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Frazer, Gary <gary_frazer@fws.gov>

Re: Phone call tomorrow: Lewis River

1 message

Skipwith, Aurelia <aurelia_skipwith@ios.doi.gov>

Thu, Oct 25, 2018 at 3:55 PM

To: Robyn Thorson <robyn_thorson@fws.gov>

Cc: "James W. Kurth" <Jim_Kurth@fws.gov>, Gary Frazer <Gary_Frazer@fws.gov>

Robyn,

It's a follow up to our last discussion and would like to spend time talking through the Service's conclusion on the report /powerpoint generated by USGS. Looking forward to the discussion.

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On Thu, Oct 25, 2018 at 5:43 PM Thorson, Robyn <robyn_thorson@fws.gov> wrote:

We look forward to discussion Friday, following up on your inquiry about the USGS study about fish passage on the Lewis River.

If you have other particular questions or issues you'd like us to prepare in advance, let us know. We welcome your inquiries.

Robyn

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Frazer, Gary <gary_frazer@fws.gov>

Re: checking in

1 message

Willens, Todd <todd_willens@ios.doi.gov>
To: Gary Frazer <gary_frazer@fws.gov>

Fri, Nov 2, 2018 at 8:52 AM

We were not clear on this and have been planning on receiving today. I will share this clarification with David and the members of the team up here. We look forward to seeing the information on Sunday or Monday.

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On Fri, Nov 2, 2018 at 11:44 AM Frazer, Gary <gary_frazer@fws.gov> wrote:

As I relayed last week, the draft final rules will come to me and Sam by COB today. I'm going to review over the weekend and will let you and David know Sunday nite or Monday morning the status. If they're good to go, I'll forward them on to the DOI policy team. If they need some additional work, I'll let you know the circumstances and timeframe for getting that done.

I don't want to send you staff work products until I've had a chance to review and clear. I'm the one you need to hold accountable for these rules, and I haven't seen any of their work products yet. Dedicating my weekend to the review. -- GDF

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On Fri, Nov 2, 2018 at 11:16 AM Willens, Todd <todd_willens@ios.doi.gov> wrote:
Hi Gary,

Do you have a time today you expect to send the updated packages?

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Re: Pesticide Working Group Meeting

1 message

Willens, Todd <todd_willens@ios.doi.gov>

Tue, Dec 4, 2018 at 8:11 AM

To: Gina Shultz <Gina_Shultz@fws.gov>

Cc: David Bernhardt b5-DPP <b5-DPP@ios.doi.gov>, Gary Frazer <gary_frazer@fws.gov>

Gina,

The meeting on this was rescheduled and is now on Thursday. Is there anything new from FWS since this last update?

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On Wed, Nov 21, 2018 at 3:58 PM Shultz, Gina <Gina_Shultz@fws.gov> wrote:

Gary said that you are meeting next week b5-DPP

NMFS reviewed the process. b5-DPP

Happy Thanksgiving and please let me know if I can be of further assistance, Gina

Gina Shultz

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Fwd: [EXTERNAL] ESA/Pesticides WG Meeting

1 message

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To: Gary Frazer <gary_frazer@fws.gov>
Cc: Gina Shultz <Gina_Shultz@fws.gov>

Thu, Dec 6, 2018 at 1:07 PM

Gary,

Per my conversation....Attached is the draft document EPA is seeking comments on. The other document is the summary.

The Dep Sec will need to submit comments back to EPA by January 10th, so please build into your work timeline the opportunity for discussion(s) on outline/scope of potential comments that should be worked on.


Thank you.

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call

1 message

Willens, Todd <todd_willens@ios.doi.gov>

Fri, Dec 14, 2018 at 7:27 AM

To: Margaret Everson <margaret_e_everson@fws.gov>, Gary Frazer <gary_frazer@fws.gov>

Margaret or Gary,

Can either of you call me this morning when you get a moment please. We are wrapped up on talks with Commerce and would like to know what it takes to get the two packages to OMB today.

Thank you.

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email

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Willens, Todd <todd_willens@ios.doi.gov>
To: Gary Frazer <gary_frazer@fws.gov>

Fri, Dec 14, 2018 at 12:07 PM

Gary,

Email me when you are ready to review the edits. Ill have my phone, and will be on the other end MIB and will need a few minutes to get back to my office. Thanks.

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Re: ESA regs sent to ExecSec

1 message

Todd Willens <todd_willens@ios.doi.gov>

Mon, Dec 17, 2018 at 12:27 PM

To: "Frazer, Gary" <gary_frazer@fws.gov>

Cc: Andrea Travnicek <andrea_travnicek@ios.doi.gov>, Margaret Everson <margaret_e_everson@fws.gov>

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On Dec 17, 2018, at 3:00 PM, Frazer, Gary <gary_frazer@fws.gov> wrote:

Todd -- Collected the last surname and just sent the rules to ExecSec. Spoke with Bivan earlier today, and he confirmed that they will be transmitted to OMB by COB today. -- GDF

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Frazer, Gary <gary_frazer@fws.gov>

Eastern Massasauga Rattlesnake

1 message

Skipwith, Aurelia <aurelia_skipwith@ios.doi.gov>
To: Gary Frazer <gary_frazer@fws.gov>

Wed, Dec 19, 2018 at 1:33 PM

Gary,

In tomorrow's meeting, discussion topics will be the following: Thanks.

- 1) what are population numbers and/or what is the trend?
- 2) what is an adequate quantity of land for habitat and/or range?
- 3) what does continued persistence mean?
- 4) how was post-listing monitoring for 25 years determined (page 5)?
- 5) how was 50 years determined for assessing probability?

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Frazer, Gary <gary_frazer@fws.gov>

Re: [EXTERNAL] Grants

1 message

Skipwith, Aurelia <aurelia_skipwith@ios.doi.gov>
To: "Frazer, Gary" <gary_frazer@fws.gov>
Cc: "Rauch, Paul" <paul_rauch@fws.gov>, Margaret Everson <margaret_e_everson@fws.gov>

Mon, Feb 4, 2019 at 9:15 AM

Thank you, Gary.

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On Mon, Feb 4, 2019 at 11:48 AM Frazer, Gary <gary_frazer@fws.gov> wrote:
Aurelia -- We've drafted the following for your use in responding:

"The Service is preparing a Notice of Funding Opportunity that will solicit proposals for the traditional CESC (Section 6) grant funds provided by the FY19 appropriation and the non-traditional Section 6 grant funds (HCP Planning Assistance, HCP and Recovery Land Acquisition) provided by FY18 and 19 appropriations. They anticipate posting the Notice to *Grants.gov* later this month.

Both the House and Senate Appropriations Committees marked up FY19 appropriations bills with funding for Section 6 grants at or near the FY18 level, so the Service is proceeding to post the Notice in anticipation of FY19 funding being appropriated. However, if FY19 funding does not ultimately materialize, the Service will adjust accordingly."

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On Wed, Jan 30, 2019 at 12:15 PM Rauch, Paul <paul_rauch@fws.gov> wrote:

Gary - Can you let Aurelia know how best to respond to this inquiry?

thanks

Paul

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From: **Aurelia Skipwith** <aurelia_skipwith@ios.doi.gov>
Date: Wed, Jan 30, 2019 at 11:57 AM
Subject: Fwd: [EXTERNAL] Grants
To: Paul Rauch <paul_rauch@fws.gov>

Welcome back, Paul!

I received the inquiry below. I think these grants fall under your management, if so could you provide me an answer to his question? Thank you.

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Begin forwarded message:

From: David French <dfrench@ensresources.com>
Date: January 30, 2019 at 11:54:29 AM EST
To: Aurelia Skipwith <Aurelia_Skipwith@ios.doi.gov>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Grants

Good morning -

Quick question - will there be a notice upcoming for a funding opportunity for Cooperative Endangered Species Conservation Fund grant programs? I understand the Administration has requested to zero out the program and that Congress has remained supportive of appropriating funds.

Thank you.

--

- David

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