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Subject: Re: [EXTERNAL] RE: Follow-up/Recap: Special Conditions of USACE Initial Proffered Permit
Date: Friday, April 2, 2021 9:28:25 AM

The Monday meeting will give us all a chance to "meet" one another and discuss roles and responsibilities in the planning process. I would not expect us to share recommendations on Monday. We should create a recommendation that we all agree to, so they can hear one voice from USFWS. We wouldn't want them to feel like they are hearing conflicting messages from our different programs.

Our role in their process would seem to involve providing recommendations to help them create the most scientifically robust and least impactful monitoring plan (Corps requirement) and scientific approach to disturbance monitoring (County requirement) possible.

They could choose to use our recommendations, or not. We do not have a signature on the plan for the Corps, and the County allow the MOU to be signed by USFWS or Audubon. The County and the Corps have the responsibility to decide if the Tribe's final approach meets their requirements.

Hope this helps.

-jennifer

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Hi Jennifer,

I was out yesterday and am off today but maybe we can meet post meeting:)

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Do you think it would be good for us three to jump on a quick call this afternoon or tomorrow (prior to the discussion with Jamestown S'Klallam Tribe)?

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Hi Kevin and Jennifer,

I just want to make sure I have this on my calendar. We are meeting on April 5th and not before, correct? I am just making sure I am not missing anything.

I know I am getting ahead on myself but was looking up disturbance monitoring for birds (shorebirds) which can be challenging. Like Kevin suggested it would be great to partner with USGS on survey design and protocol if at all possible.

Thanks.

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Here's a copy of the proffered permit.

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Hi Jennifer,
Attached is the initial Proffered Permit for your use that was provide to us by USACE. At this time, I do not know Audubon's availability, but I'll reach out to Ken Wiersema, who is the interim President of the Olympic Peninsula Audubon Society to identify the best member to be involved in drawing up a monitoring plan and MOU. The following is a very rough outline of the process to complete the monitoring plan and MOU, but please know that I'm totally opened to change it as the team members see fit:

1. Identify team
 - a. Audubon member
 - b. Migratory Bird Program member

- c. Jennifer
- d. Sissi
2. Set regular schedule to work through both monitoring plan and MOU – ideally once a week until we get done.
3. Begin with a review of the permit and the requirements.
4. Identify what needs to be monitored at this specific site.
5. Review submitted monitoring and mitigation plan as a starting point. Create monitoring plan based on identified monitoring needs.
 - a. Who will monitor
 - b. How frequently
 - c. How to collect and report data
6. Begin writing MOU to ensure monitoring plan is carried out.
7. Finalize monitoring plan and MOU – all parties agree to these documents.
8. All required documents are sent to USACE = monitoring plan, MOU, compatibility determination
9. Work at site begins in June.

Thank you for your assistance with this process. If you have any input in the process above, feel free to modify it.

Sissi

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Nice to meet you Sissi.

I will reach out to our Migratory Bird Program to determine availability. Do you have a copy of the Proffered Permit that I could share with them? Do you know if Audubon is also available? During the call it would be great if we could get a better understanding of the process you will take to complete the monitoring plan and MOU, and how we can assistance with that process. Hope you are having a wonderful week.

-jennifer

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Hi Jennifer,

This is Sissi, the new Jamestown Environmental Planning Biologist. My availability for a conference call this week is Thursday and Friday, and I'm available all days next week. Let me know how I can best assist you in setting up this conference call.

I look forward to working with you,
Sissi

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Hi Jennifer,

Thanks again for taking the time to discuss further USFWS coordination on the special conditions as part of the USACE initial proffered permit. I would like to start by summarizing our conversation for the benefit of Hansi and the Tribe's new Environmental Planning Biologist, Sissi Bruch, who will be taking the lead on tracking/overseeing the terms and conditions of the Tribe's oyster farm permits.

- Regarding the compatibility determination (CD), USFWS has been waiting for the signed permit so that the entirety of the project, including monitoring activities, can be considered. Hence, while the Operational Plan, Monitoring and Mitigation Plan and the Gear Retrieval Plan (attached) have not changed, any additional monitoring activities need to be finalized before you can initiate that process. *Could you provide clarification on the timeline for completing the CD once the additional monitoring plan(s) are final?*
- Regarding the Monitoring Plan as a special condition of the USACE proffered permit, you are happy to begin working with us immediately on development of a monitoring plan (acknowledging that you are going into your busy field season) but would like to involve a representative from USFWS Migratory Bird Program who has more experience/expertise with monitoring behavior. Given the requisite MOU for the Shoreline Permit, Olympic Peninsula Audubon should also be involved in coordination of the monitoring plan.

As a next step, I will have you coordinate with Sissi (cc'd) to set up a conference call with USFWS

staff, Audubon and Tribal staff to initiate the conversation on co-development of a monitoring plan. As we discussed, there is a need to initiate these conversations quickly - over the next couple of weeks – as the special conditions state that project activities cannot commence until the agreed to monitoring plan and CD have been submitted to USACE. As you know, the Tribe has been working towards re-establishing it's oyster farm in Dungeness Bay for well over a decade, and is eager and ready to begin activities on the DNR lease area as early as June.

Please feel free to add or clarify anything that I may have unintentionally omitted.

Best,

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