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Thank you Jennifer. The Corps will proceed as federal lead.
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From: BrownScott, Jennifer [mailto:jennifer_brownScott@fws.gov]
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Good Morning Matt,

Thank you for your letter dated July 15, 2020. The US Fish and Wildlife Service does not hold the authority to issue permits for the proposed action (i.e., Army Corps of Engineers permit # NWS-2007-1213). Therefore, we will not act as the federal lead agency for Endangered Species Act, Section 7 consultation for this permit process.

We greatly appreciated the discussion in June and your recent update (re: gear retrieval planning).

We hope your week is going well.

-jennifer

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