

Re: ACTION REQUIRED SO3355 Paused Projects - status check

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Update on South Farallon Islands (I did attempt to update the NEPA database last week but was unsuccessful). In the NEPA database we currently anticipate presenting the project to the California Coastal Commission at their June meeting.

On 4/3/2020 Gerry McChesney sent the Revised Farallon Consistency Determination to the California Coastal Commission.

Our project update is as follows:

The Service continues to move forward in completing federal consistency with the Coastal Zone Management Act. The Service plans to submit our consistency determination to the California Coastal Commission in early April, on target for a hearing at the scheduled June Coastal Commission meeting. However, due to the coronavirus pandemic, the April Commission meeting has been cancelled. While a virtual meeting may be held in May, public hearings for complex projects such as the Farallones Mouse eradication are likely to be pushed back to the summer or early fall.

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HI All -

In our monthly meeting with DOI, Mr. Cason again noted the importance of making progress on paused projects. The following projects are currently listed as Paused:

Butte Regional HCP
Deschutes HCP
East Collier HCP
Final Buckeye HCP
Sierra Pacific HCP
Ft Ord HCP
Hanford HCP
Solano HCP
South Farallon Islands

I know some of these projects are still working through coordination, but to ensure we have updated information, please confirm:

the status of your project(s),
are they making headway?
are you waiting on the applicant and additional information?
is the applicant still interested in moving forward?

is COVID affecting coordination with partners?
is it time to consider cancelling the application/action?
Other relevant information.

Just a heads ups- Mr. Cason said he will start calling the field POCs to determine if Leadership intervention is needed to move forward, or if they should be cancelled (i.e, killed). Please pass along to your field staff who fro their awareness, and they can respond to you or (to me if that easier) with the requested information. Whatever you prefer.

Thanks very much for your help. Take care and stay safe -

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