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NEPA and Permit Tracking Database

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Hi,
Yesterday we got a copy of the first NEPA and Permit tracking database reports and I thought you'd be interested in seeing them. Your project gets highlighted in red if you aren't compliant with the page length or time requirements and don't have an approved waiver. We've prepared a waiver for the M&T/Llano Seco Fish Screen Facility Long-Term Protection Project, but until it is approved that column will remain red. Gina also provided the bulleted information below. Since we are preparing a waiver request for the M&T Project, I don't think we'll get a call from the Deputy Secretary's Office.

- **NEPA Permit and Tracking Database**

- EIS Project Teams need to ensure to the maximum extent practicable that red/non-compliant items are resolved in the Database. Teams should utilize comment sections for red/non-compliant items to communicate a legitimate reason for such to the Department. Please see attached reports.

- EIS Project Team members will be contacted by the Deputy Secretary's Office (e.g., Assistant Deputy Secretary) when a EISs is non-compliant (i.e., red) with the milestone/due date and there is not comment providing a legitimate reason for non-compliance.

- Principle Deputy Director will be sending a Memo to the Directorate delegating responsibility for entering and updating NEPA document information into the Database to the ADs and RDs.

- **EIS Cost Guidance Memo**

- Provide a good-faith rough estimate of the cost. Round to the nearest thousand or five thousand dollar to avoid impression that the estimate is more robust that it actually is.

- Use of estimated biodays and bioday rates for FWS time and contact costs for contractors is sufficient.

- **Clearance Briefing for draft and final EISs**

- SESer and SOL are expected to have read and approved the EIS prior to the briefing and will be asked at the briefing by the Deputy Secretary whether they did.

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2 attachments

 Database - Page and Time Req.pdf

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Database - Time Compliance.pdf

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