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Subject: [EXTERNAL] Re: Request Updated Concurrence RE: NAO-2012-00080 / 13-V0408; Dominion Surry-Skiffes Creek-Whealton
Date: Thursday, May 12, 2016 10:37:26 AM

Randy,

We have reviewed the revised project package received on April 12, 2016 for the referenced project. The following comments are provided under provisions of the Endangered Species Act of 1973 (16 U.S.C. 1531-1544, 87 Stat. 884), as amended, and Bald and Golden Eagle Protection Act (16 U.S.C. 668-668c, 54 Stat. 250), as amended.

We concur with the determinations provided in the revised Species Conclusion Table dated April 12, 2016 and have no further comments. Should project plans change or if additional information on the distribution of listed species or critical habitat becomes available, this determination may be reconsidered. If you have any questions, please contact me.

Kim

On Tue, Apr 12, 2016 at 9:27 AM, Steffey, Randy L NAO <Randy.L.Steffey@usace.army.mil> <<mailto:Randy.L.Steffey@usace.army.mil>> wrote:

Kim:

USFWS has provided concurrence on December 13, 2013 (attached) and April 28, 2015 (attached) for the proposed Dominion Surry-Skiffes Creek-Whealton Transmission Line Project. We are providing this package for your consideration in order to re-update concurrence. We have re-run new IPAC & CorpsMap Species searches (attached). No new species were identified as a result that were not previously considered and coordinated with you previously. We have updated our Species Conclusion Table (attached) to reflect the most current survey results for NLEB, SWP, and SJV. Due to time sensitivity surrounding this project, the applicant has now requested removal of the TOYR for tree clearing concerning NLEB which is the reason for our "may effect" call on the Species Conclusion Table. All other effect determinations remain unchanged!

With this email we are requesting FWS updated concurrence for all species, including whether FWS supports the removal of all TOYR's for required tree clearing. If you have any questions please let me know as soon as possible. If we do not receive follow-up within 30-days of receipt we will assume FWS concurs with our determination(s).

PLEASE NOTE: In addition to these attachments, you will be able to download NLEB, SWP, & SJV surveys and current project impact drawings through our AMRDEC SAFE File Exchange. You will receive an automated email from <No-Reply@amrdec.army.mil> <<mailto:No-Reply@amrdec.army.mil>> shortly that contains a link and password to access the files for download.

Additional project information can be viewed at the following webpage if desired:
Blocked<http://www.nao.usace.army.mil/Missions/Regulatory/SkiffesCreekPowerLine.aspx>

Thank you!

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Date:

Online Project Review Certification Letter

Project Name:

Dear Applicant:

Thank you for using the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service) Virginia Ecological Services online project review process. By printing this letter in conjunction with your project review package, you are certifying that you have completed the online project review process for the project named above in accordance with all instructions provided, using the best available information to reach your conclusions. This letter, and the enclosed project review package, completes the review of your project in accordance with the Endangered Species Act of 1973 (16 U.S.C. 1531-1544, 87 Stat. 884), as amended (ESA), and the Bald and Golden Eagle Protection Act (16 U.S.C. 668-668c, 54 Stat. 250), as amended (Eagle Act). This letter also provides information for your project review under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (P.L. 91-190, 42 U.S.C. 4321-4347, 83 Stat. 852), as amended. A copy of this letter and the project review package must be submitted to this office for this certification to be valid. This letter and the project review package will be maintained in our records.

The species conclusions table in the enclosed project review package summarizes your ESA and Eagle Act conclusions. These conclusions resulted in:

- “no effect” determinations for proposed/listed species and/or proposed/designated critical habitat; and/or
- “may affect, not likely to adversely affect” determinations for proposed/listed species and/or proposed/designated critical habitat; and/or
- “may affect, likely to adversely affect” determination for the Northern long-eared bat (*Myotis septentrionalis*) and relying on the findings of the January 5, 2016 Programmatic Biological Opinion for the Final 4(d) Rule on the Northern long-eared bat; and/or
- “no Eagle Act permit required” determinations for eagles.

We certify that use of the online project review process in strict accordance with the instructions provided as documented in the enclosed project review package results in reaching the appropriate determinations. Therefore, we concur with the “no effect” or “not likely to adversely affect” determinations for proposed and listed species and proposed and designated critical habitat; the “may affect” determination for Northern long-eared bat; and/or the “no Eagle Act permit required” determinations for eagles. Additional coordination with this office is not needed.

Candidate species are not legally protected pursuant to the ESA. However, the Service encourages consideration of these species by avoiding adverse impacts to them. Please contact this office for additional coordination if your project action area contains candidate species.

Should project plans change or if additional information on the distribution of proposed or listed species, proposed or designated critical habitat, or bald eagles becomes available, this determination may be reconsidered. This certification letter is valid for 1 year.

Information about the online project review process including instructions and use, species information, and other information regarding project reviews within Virginia is available at our website http://www.fws.gov/northeast/virginiafield/endspecies/project_reviews.html. If you have any questions, please contact Troy Andersen of this office at (804) 824-2428.

Sincerely,

Cindy Schulz
Field Supervisor
Virginia Ecological Services

Enclosures - project review package

Species Conclusions Table

Project Manager: Randy Steffey	Project Name: Dominion Surry-Skiffes-Wheaton Powerline Project
Date: Nov 13, 2013, Apr 9, 2015, & {Updated Apr 12, 2016}	Project Number: NAO-2012-00080 / 13-V0408
Project Description: Construct new and upgrade existing electrical transmission powerline and associated infrastructure, known as Surry - Skiffes Creek - Wheaton project. The proposed project will begin in Surry Co at the Nuclear Power Plant, cross the James River near Skiffes Creek in James City Co, and continue through existing ROW in Newport News, York, and Hampton.	

Species Under the Jurisdiction of FWS:

Species/Resource Name	Conclusion	ESA Section 7 / Eagle Act Determination	Species Info / Habitat Description	Notes / Determination
Northern long-eared bat (Myotis septentrionalis)	Potential habitat present and no current survey conducted	May affect	<p>"Northern long-eared bats spend winter hibernating in caves and mines, called hibernacula. They typically use large caves or mines with large passages and entrances; constant temperatures; and high humidity with no air currents. Specific areas where they hibernate have very high humidity, so much so that droplets of water are often seen on their fur. Within hibernacula, surveyors find them in small crevices or cracks, often with only the nose and ears visible.</p> <p>During summer, northern long-eared bats roost singly or in colonies underneath bark, in cavities, or in crevices of both live and dead trees. Males and non-reproductive females may also roost in cooler places, like caves and mines. This bat seems opportunistic in selecting roosts, using tree species based on suitability to retain bark or provide cavities or crevices. It has also been found, rarely, roosting in structures like barns and sheds."</p>	<p>FWS Conditional (i.e. TOYR for Tree Clearing) Concurrence Rec'd April 28, 2015: 42.33 acres of total tree clearing are proposed (<i>tree clearing exhibit attached</i>). <u>At the recommendation of USFWS in Apr 2015, the applicant agreed to adhere to no tree clearing during April 15th and September 15th of any given year in order to ensure receipt of a "not likely to adversely affect" concurrence.</u> In January 2016, the applicant submitted a NLEB Habitat Assessment (<i>attached</i>) for 21.91 acres of the 42.33 acres proposed for clearing. The assessment, only includes the proposed Switching Station Site (20.29 acres) and two neighboring areas (0.32 ac & 1.3 ac) along an existing utility ROW. The assessment concludes 93% of the 21.91 acres surveyed are considered to have <u>low quality</u> roost habitat and the remaining 7% has <u>no roosting</u> potential. The report does not indicate why remaining areas of proposed tree clearing were not assessed. As a result of this assessment survey and implementation of the 4(d) Rule, the applicant is now requesting that all time of year restrictions for tree clearing no longer be required for this Project. USACE is relying upon the findings of the 1/5/2016 Programmatic Biological Opinion for Final 4(d) Rule on the NLEB and Activities Excepted from Take Prohibitions to fulfill our project specific section 7 responsibilities.</p>

Species Conclusions Table

Date: Nov 13, 2013, Apr 9, 2015, & {Updated Apr 12, 2016}			Project Number: NAO-2012-00080 / 13-V0408	
Small whorled pogonia (Isotria medeoloides)	Suitable habitat present, species not present	Not likely to adversely affect	<p>"The small whorled pogonia is a herbaceous perennial orchid. It has a widely scattered distribution in the eastern United States along the Atlantic coast from Maine to Georgia with outlying occurrences in the midwest and Canada." "In Virginia, the small whorled pogonia is found in ordinary looking third-growth upland forests with an open understory and a closed canopy where the topography is typically moderately sloping or almost level. The plants are usually associated with decaying vegetative matter such as fallen trunks and limbs, leaf litter, bark, and tree roots. The pogonia is found in soils that are acidic sandy loams with low nutrient content."</p>	<p>FWS Concurrence Rec'd Dec 2013 & Apr 2015: <u>Surry-Skiffes Segment</u> {absent BASF Survey Boundaries} & <u>Additional Areas Only at both Switching Station and Skiffes-Wheaton Segment</u>: 2015 Habitat Survey, including newly surveyed areas (<i>attached</i>) found one area of suitable habitat and four areas of marginal habitat along the Surry-Skiffes Segment {absent BASF Survey Boundaries}; no potential habitat in the additional areas around the Switching Station and along the Skiffes-Wheaton Segment; no individual species were observed in any areas of the survey. <u>Surry-Skiffes Segment</u> {BASF Alternative Modification}: 2014 Habitat Survey (<i>attached</i>) found three areas of suitable habitat; and no individual species observed. <u>Switching Station and Skiffes-Wheaton Segment</u>: 2014 Habitat Re-Survey (<i>attached</i>) concluded no individuals found within areas of suitable habitat identified in the previous 2013 survey reports previously provided to FWS. (<i>Note: 2014 Surveys Described Above Expire July 2016</i>)</p>
Sensitive joint-vetch (Aeschynomene virginica)	Suitable habitat present, species not present	Not likely to adversely affect	<p>"The sensitive joint vetch is an annual legume native to the eastern United States. Populations currently exist in Maryland, New Jersey, North Carolina, and Virginia. The historical range for the species extended to Delaware and Pennsylvania. In Virginia, populations are found along the Potomac, Mattaponi, Pamunkey, Rappahannock, Chickahominy, and James Rivers and their tributaries." "The joint-vetch occurs in fresh to slightly brackish tidal river systems, within the intertidal zone where populations are flooded twice daily. It typically occurs at the outer fringe of marshes or shores; its presence in marsh interiors may be a result of nutrient deficiencies, ice scouring, or muskrat herbivory. The sensitive joint-vetch is found in localities where plant diversity is high and annual species are prevalent. Bare to sparsely vegetated substrates appear to be a habitat feature of critical importance for establishment and growth of this species."</p>	<p>FWS Concurrence Rec'd Dec 2013 & Apr 2015: <u>Surry-Skiffes Segment</u>: 2015 Habitat Re-Survey (<i>attached</i>) found only marginal habitat; and no individuals observed. <u>Skiffes-Wheaton Segment</u>: 2015 Habitat Re-Survey (<i>attached</i>) concluded no habitat or individuals found. 2015 survey results for both segments are consistent with findings from previous 2012 and 2014 surveys.</p>

Species Conclusions Table

Date: Nov 13, 2013, Apr 9, 2015, & {Updated Apr 12, 2016}		Project Number: NAO-2012-00080 / 13-V0408		
Eagles (Haliaeetus leucocephalus)				
Eagle Nests	May disturb nesting bald eagles	Eagle Act permit may be required		Eagle Nest Take Application Filed (<i>attached</i>)
Eagle Concentration Areas	Does intersect with bald eagle concentration area	Eagle Act permit may be required		FWS Concurrence Rec'd Dec 2013 & Apr 2015: If a Department of Army Permit is issued a Special Condition will be added to advise the applicant how to address the Species.
Critical Habitat				
N/A				
Other (species not listed above)				
Species Under the Jurisdiction of NOAA/NMFS				

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April 06, 2016

Event Code: 05E2VA00-2016-E-02627

Project Name: NAO-20012-00080 / 13-V0408 -- created on April 09, 2015 05:08

Subject: Updated list of threatened and endangered species that may occur in your proposed project location, and/or may be affected by your proposed project

To Whom It May Concern:

The enclosed species list identifies threatened, endangered, proposed and candidate species, as well as proposed and final designated critical habitat, that may occur within the boundary of your proposed project and/or may be affected by your proposed project. The species list fulfills the requirements of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service) under section 7(c) of the Endangered Species Act (Act) of 1973, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*). Any activity proposed on National Wildlife Refuge lands must undergo a 'Compatibility Determination' conducted by the Refuge. Please contact the individual Refuges to discuss any questions or concerns.

New information based on updated surveys, changes in the abundance and distribution of species, changed habitat conditions, or other factors could change this list. Please feel free to contact us if you need more current information or assistance regarding the potential impacts to federally proposed, listed, and candidate species and federally designated and proposed critical habitat. Please note that under 50 CFR 402.12(e) of the regulations implementing section 7 of the Act, the accuracy of this species list should be verified after 90 days. This verification can be completed formally or informally as desired. The Service recommends that verification be completed by visiting the ECOS-IPaC website at regular intervals during project planning and implementation for updates to species lists and information. An updated list may be requested through the ECOS-IPaC system by completing the same process used to receive the enclosed list.

The purpose of the Act is to provide a means whereby threatened and endangered species and the ecosystems upon which they depend may be conserved. Under sections 7(a)(1) and 7(a)(2) of the Act and its implementing regulations (50 CFR 402 *et seq.*), Federal agencies are required to utilize their authorities to carry out programs for the conservation of threatened and

endangered species and to determine whether projects may affect threatened and endangered species and/or designated critical habitat.

A Biological Assessment is required for construction projects (or other undertakings having similar physical impacts) that are major Federal actions significantly affecting the quality of the human environment as defined in the National Environmental Policy Act (42 U.S.C. 4332(2) (c)). For projects other than major construction activities, the Service suggests that a biological evaluation similar to a Biological Assessment be prepared to determine whether the project may affect listed or proposed species and/or designated or proposed critical habitat. Recommended contents of a Biological Assessment are described at 50 CFR 402.12.

If a Federal agency determines, based on the Biological Assessment or biological evaluation, that listed species and/or designated critical habitat may be affected by the proposed project, the agency is required to consult with the Service pursuant to 50 CFR 402. In addition, the Service recommends that candidate species, proposed species and proposed critical habitat be addressed within the consultation. More information on the regulations and procedures for section 7 consultation, including the role of permit or license applicants, can be found in the "Endangered Species Consultation Handbook" at:

<http://www.fws.gov/endangered/esa-library/pdf/TOC-GLOS.PDF>

Please be aware that bald and golden eagles are protected under the Bald and Golden Eagle Protection Act (16 U.S.C. 668 *et seq.*), and projects affecting these species may require development of an eagle conservation plan (http://www.fws.gov/windenergy/eagle_guidance.html). Additionally, wind energy projects should follow the wind energy guidelines (<http://www.fws.gov/windenergy/>) for minimizing impacts to migratory birds and bats.

Guidance for minimizing impacts to migratory birds for projects including communications towers (e.g., cellular, digital television, radio, and emergency broadcast) can be found at: <http://www.fws.gov/migratorybirds/CurrentBirdIssues/Hazards/towers/towers.htm>; <http://www.towerkill.com>; and <http://www.fws.gov/migratorybirds/CurrentBirdIssues/Hazards/towers/comtow.html>.

We appreciate your concern for threatened and endangered species. The Service encourages Federal agencies to include conservation of threatened and endangered species into their project planning to further the purposes of the Act. Please include the Consultation Tracking Number in the header of this letter with any request for consultation or correspondence about your project that you submit to our office.

Attachment



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Event Code: 05E2VA00-2016-E-02627

Project Type: TRANSMISSION LINE

Project Name: NAO-20012-00080 / 13-V0408 -- created on April 09, 2015 05:08

Project Description: Update Species Check to Consultation Tracking Number: 05E2VA00-2014-SLI-0279 from Nov. 12, 2013;

Part 1 of 2; Construct new and upgrade existing electrical transmission powerline and associated infrastructure, known as Surry - Skiffes Creek - Whealton project. The proposed project will begin in Surry Co at the Nuclear Power Plant, cross the James River near Skiffes Creek in James City Co, and continue through existing ROW in Newport News, York, and Hampton.

Please Note: The FWS office may have modified the Project Name and/or Project Description, so it may be different from what was submitted in your previous request. If the Consultation Code matches, the FWS considers this to be the same project. Contact the office in the 'Provided by' section of your previous Official Species list if you have any questions or concerns.



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Project Location Map:



Project Coordinates: MULTIPOLYGON (((-76.6975838 37.1673824, -76.6684185 37.161076, -76.6607968 37.1822366, -76.6207653 37.1933138, -76.6131436 37.1933685, -76.6076504 37.2124968, -76.6131436 37.2171585, -76.6124569 37.2220523, -76.6035305 37.2165843, -76.6153065 37.1793645, -76.6573121 37.1645781, -76.6687619 37.1523064, -76.7017208 37.1591471, -76.6975838 37.1673824)))

Project Counties: James City, VA | Surry, VA



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Endangered Species Act Species List

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Mammals	Status	Has Critical Habitat	Condition(s)
Northern long-eared Bat (<i>Myotis septentrionalis</i>)	Threatened		



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Critical habitats that lie within your project area

There are no critical habitats within your project area.



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Appendix A: FWS National Wildlife Refuges and Fish Hatcheries

There are no refuges or fish hatcheries within your project area.



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April 06, 2016

Event Code: 05E2VA00-2016-E-02629

Project Name: NAO-2012-00080 / 13-V0408 -- created on April 09, 2015 05:04

Subject: Updated list of threatened and endangered species that may occur in your proposed project location, and/or may be affected by your proposed project

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Event Code: 05E2VA00-2016-E-02629

Project Type: TRANSMISSION LINE

Project Name: NAO-2012-00080 / 13-V0408 -- created on April 09, 2015 05:04

Project Description: Updated Species List for previous Consultation Tracking Number: 05E2VA00-2014-SLI-0283 done Nov 12, 2013.

Part 2 of 2; Construct new and upgrade existing electrical transmission powerline and associated infrastructure, known as Surry - Skiffes Creek - Whealton project. The proposed project will begin in Surry Co at the Nuclear Power Plant, cross the James River near Skiffes Creek in James City Co, and continue through existing ROW in Newport News, York, and Hampton.

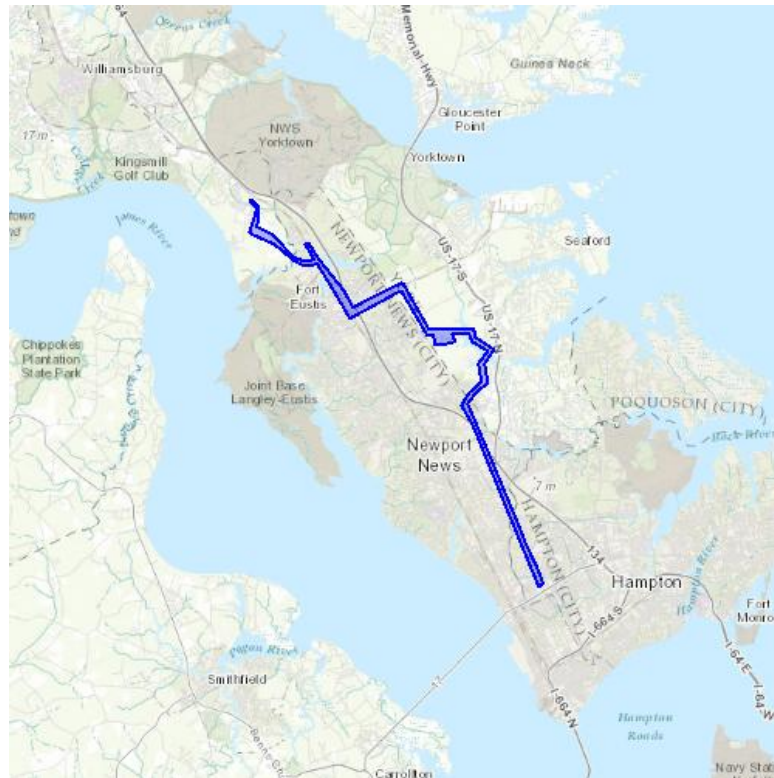
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Project Location Map:



Project Coordinates: The coordinates are too numerous to display here.

Project Counties: Hampton, VA | James City, VA | Newport News, VA | York, VA



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Appendix A: FWS National Wildlife Refuges and Fish Hatcheries

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