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Dear Mr. Franklin:

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service) received your letter of August 12, 2003, regarding the **Buffer Zone Concrete Removal Project** (also referred to as the Incinerator Project) at Rocky Flats In a letter dated April 28, 2003, the Service concurred that the project was "not likely to adversely affect" the federally-listed Preble's meadow jumping mouse (Preble's). Based on project delays and changes, the Service requested re-initiation of consultation for this project in a letter dated August 5, 2003. Your letter responds by updating changes to the project. You requested that we concur with the determination that the project as currently planned is "not likely to adversely affect" the Preble's. These comments have been prepared under the provisions of the Endangered Species Act of 1973 (Act), as amended (16 U.S.C. 1531 et. seq).

After reviewing the information presented in your letter, the Service concurs that the project as currently described may affect, but is not likely to adversely affect the Preble's However, we request that the Service be kept appraised of any additional modification of project plans and completion of proposed activities, including revegetation of the project site.

If the Service can be of further assistance, contact Peter Plage of this office at (303)275-2370

Sincerely,

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Colorado Field Supervisor

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