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MINUTES FROM MARCH 19, 1993 U. S. FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE MEETING - GHS-140-93

Attached is a copy of the meeting minutes from the informal consultation with the US Fish and Wildlife Service, the cities of Broomfield and Westminster, CDH, EPA, and the DOE regarding endangered species in association with the final disposition of Great Western Reservoir and the construction of Option B near Standley Lake.

It is our understanding from this meeting that:

- EG&G wait for two weeks before proceeding with any OU3 field activities in the vicinity of the bald eagle nest site to allow the bald eagles time to get through the nest/no-nest window as defined by eagle expert Dr. Jerry Craig. Dr. Craig believes that if the eagles have not laid eggs by the first of April, the likelihood that the nest will be used will be past.
- Planned OU3 activities will be allowed to proceed provided that the USFWS and CDOW observe and approve wind tunnel and air sampler test operations.
- OU3 activities can proceed after a "biological assessment" letter has been submitted and approved by the USFWS. Minor activities that DOE/EG&G judge to have "no effect" can be approved without submittal of a full blown biological assessment or a formal consultation
- Broomfield and Westminster are to produce biological assessments independent of RFP activities, and the DOE will, as lead agency, coordinate development of the cities' reports, and may choose, at their discretion, to combine them, and will ensure compliance with the regulations.
- A meeting to coordinate efforts by Westminster, Broomfield, and RFP will be held as soon as practicable.
- Ecological risk assessments must address contaminants of concern (COCs) that bioaccumulate and biomagnify.

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BENEDETTI, R.L.	X	X
BENJAMIN, A.		
BERMAN, H.S.		
BRANCH, D.B.		
CARNIVAL, G.J.		
DAVIS, J.G.		
FERRERA, D.W.		
HANNI, B.J.		
HARMAN, L.K.		
HEALY, T.J.		
HEDAHL, T.G.	X	X
HILBIG, J.G.		
IDEKER, E.H.		
KIRBY, W.A.		
KJESTER, A.W.		
LEE, E.M.		
MANN, H.P.		
MARX, G.E.		
MCDONALD, M.M.		
MCKENNA, F.G.		
MONTROSE, J.K.		
MORGAN, R.V.		
POTTER, G.L.	X	X
PIZZUTO, V.M.		
RILEY, J.H.		
SANDLIN, N.B.		
SHEPLER, B.I.		
STEWART, D.L.		
SULLIVAN, M.T.		
SWANSON, F.B.		
WILKINSON, R.B.		
WILLIAMS, S. (ORC)		
WILSON, J.M.		
ZANE, J.O.		
SETLOCK, G.H.	X	X
Nesta, SM	X	X
FLORY, R.C.	X	X
GUILLAUME, M.	X	X
NCC		
F&W M		
CORRES CONTROL	X	X
TRAFFIC		

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CONFIDENTIAL			
SECRET			

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ACTION ITEM STATUS

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PARTIAL

LTR APPROVALS:

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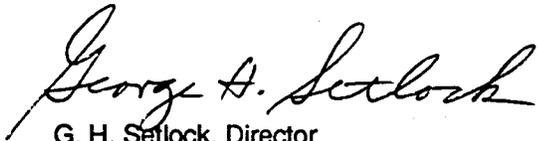
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- The USFWS understands that the ecological risk assessments of the OUs will not be complete for several years.
- The RFP biological assessment will include accumulated results and findings from all OU ecological risk assessments, as well as the findings of the Westminster and Broomfield biological assessments.
- The USFWS will be available to answer questions and provide guidance, but would prefer not to deal with issues piecemeal at an infinite number of meetings.
- The USFWS preference is apparently avoidance of a formal Section 7 Consultation unless one should become necessary due to a finding of unavoidable impacts that cannot be corrected through project revisions. Mr. Carlson alluded to the successful avoidance of formal consultation for the Broomfield pipeline project, when *Spiranthes diluvialis* was discovered along the planned route, simply by rerouting the pipeline.

Should you have any comments or questions, please contact Steve Nesta at X8605 , or Dick Flory at X8680.



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Environmental Protection Management

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