



**Department of Energy  
Office of Legacy Management**

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Mr. Steve Berendzen  
Refuge Manager – Rocky Flats Site  
5600 North Havana  
Denver, CO 80239

Subject: U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) Rocky Flats Site 2008 Annual Report

Dear Mr. Berendzen:

Enclosed are two annual reports that are due to USFWS by December 1, 2008. The reports contain summaries and photographs of monitoring that the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) was required to conduct for different projects under two different Biological Assessments/Opinions letters that DOE has received from USFWS. Both reports are contained on the enclosed DVD. Two copies of the DVD are being provided at this time.

The reports are completely electronic (as they have been in the past) because of the large number of monitoring photographs that are included. The reports are set up as websites on the DVD. To access the reports, put the DVD into the DVD drive on the computer and open up Windows Explorer. Click on the file called "START HERE 2008 USFWS BO Report.htm." Then just click the various sections of each report, as if you were navigating the Internet, to access them. If desired, different sections can be printed.

The two reports included on the DVD are:

- 1) Preble's Mouse Mitigation Monitoring Report for the Programmatic Biological Opinion at the Rocky Flats Site. 2008 Annual Report. Biological Opinion: ES/LK-6-CO-04-F-012.
- 2) Preble's Mouse Mitigation Monitoring Report for the East Shooting Range Remediation Project at the Rocky Flats Site. 2008 Annual Report. Biological Opinion: ES/LK-6-CO-04-032.

At two locations the vegetation establishment is complete. Therefore DOE requests concurrence from USFWS that vegetation at these locations has matured to the point that it meets the success criteria as listed in the Programmatic Biological Assessment (PBA), and that future monitoring and reporting for these project locations is no longer required. The locations are identified below by their GIS numbers found in the Preble's Mouse Mitigation Debit/Credit Spreadsheet (located on the DVD in the monitoring report for the Programmatic Biological Opinion at the Rocky Flats Site under Appendix C). The locations DOE requests concurrence for are as follows:

2597 B 3/4 Road, Grand Junction, CO 81503	<input type="checkbox"/>	3600 Collins Ferry Road, Morgantown, WV 26505
1000 Independence Ave., S.W., Washington, DC 20585	<input type="checkbox"/>	11025 Dover St., Suite 1000, Westminster, CO 80021
10995 Hamilton-Cleves Highway, Harrison, OH 45030	<input type="checkbox"/>	955 Mound Road, Miamisburg, OH 45342
232 Energy Way, N. Las Vegas, NV 89030	<input type="checkbox"/>	
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<u>Location</u>	<u>GIS#</u>
Roads III Project (2007)	FF (final location)
Pond C-1 Project	P

Once concurrence for these locations is received, the potential credit for these areas will be updated in the Preble's Mouse Mitigation Debit/Credit Spreadsheet and counted as actual credit.

In addition, based on discussions with USFWS personnel in 2008, credit has been taken for roads (two tracks roads) that were abandoned in Preble's mouse habitat during site closure when groundwater monitoring wells and other features were removed. These roads have grown over and are no longer used. The calculation method discussed in the Preble's Mouse Mitigation Monitoring Report for the Programmatic Biological Opinion at the Rocky Flats Site was used. DOE requests concurrence from USFWS for credit at these locations as shown in the Preble's Mouse Mitigation Debit/Credit Spreadsheet

If you require further information, need additional DVDs, or have any questions, please contact me at (720) 377-9682.

Sincerely,



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LM Site Manager

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