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Sent: March-16-16 12:04 PM
To: Ouimet, Darrell (CWS)
Subject: RE: TEMPL Two Creeks - Information Request

Darrell,

Please find below the responses to your questions, but if you require additional clarification or would like to discuss further, please don't hesitate to call.

1. Due to delays, the project has been postponed. The current plan will be to complete construction next fall and through the winter in an effort to mitigate potential wildlife and wetland issues. We will be conducting a follow up inspection prior to construction in all wetland crossing to determine if the original wetland mitigation is sufficient, or if conditions require different mitigation. If construction is to be scheduled prior to September 1, a new species at risk/wildlife assessment will be completed prior to construction.
2. There is still a couple landowners that have not signed. If the route needs to be changed, an assessment will be completed, and the findings and mitigation for that section will be sent for your review prior to construction.
3. As far as I know, there are no habitat agreements in place along the route (at least there was none that were registered on title at the time of assessment, and none identified by Chris Friesen). If there is a listing or database I could cross reference, I certainly can do that to double check.

If you need anything else, let me know.

Dwayne Donald

From: Ouimet, Darrell (CWS) [mailto:Darrell.Ouimet@gov.mb.ca]
Sent: Friday, February 26, 2016 9:53 AM
To: Dwayne Donald
Subject: TEMPL Two Creeks - Information Request

Hi Dwayne,

Environmental Approvals Branch has received the attached comments on the above project. Please review all the comments for information and also provide a response to the following questions:

1. **Please provide an update on construction schedule. If construction is planned to extend beyond March 15th, as originally proposed, Wildlife Branch may have additional concerns regarding disturbance to wetlands, native grasslands, and the sharp-tailed grouse lek observed in SW-13-012-27W1.**
2. **Has the proponent received all landowner agreements for the project? If not, will a change in proposed alignment be required?**
3. **Some of the private landowners may have entered into a Conservation Agreement with Manitoba Habitat Heritage Canada (MHHC) or another conservation agency (ie Nature Conservancy of Canada or Ducks Unlimited Canada) for lands required for the project. Please confirm existence of conservation agreements and that, where they exist, the appropriate conservation agency staff be contacted for information on siting, special access, and other restrictions that may be required to comply with the purpose of the Conservation Agreement.**

Please let me know if you require any clarification regarding these questions. Note that we did not receive any public comments on the proposal, only from the Technical Advisory Committee. Once we receive a response to these questions we may have additional comments or questions.

Thank you,

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