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Re: REX-East GIS data

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Jeff,

Thank you for the layers. I combined them with our data and found the following locations where our species data and the proposed route intersect;

- 1) There is a new 2007 bald eagle nest in Walnut Township of Pickaway County. We do not have the specific location for that nest yet. When we get that data, we can determine the proximity of the nest to the proposed route. There are other nests in Pickaway, Muskingum, Noble, and Guernsey Counties but it appears that they are not in close proximity to the proposed route.
- 2) I have narrowed done the potential locations of the eastern massasauga to the following 4 township/county locations:
 - Wayne Township, Warren County
 - Chester Township, Clinton County
 - Jefferson Township, Fayette County
 - Jasper Township, Fayette County
- 3) The fanshell mussel, a federally-listed endangered species, is known to occur in the Muskingum River. Is HDD to be used to cross the Muskingum River? If so, what is the potential for frac out? Has a contingency plan been developed?
- 4) The federally-listed endangered clubshell mussel and northern riffleshell mussel, and the rayed bean mussel, a federal candidate species, are known to occur in Big Darby Creek.
- 5) The rayed bean mussel is known to occur in the Little Miami River. Has

there been a contingency plan developed for the Little Miami HDD?

6) As you are aware, there is an Indiana bat maternity colony that occurs along Big Darby Creek in Pickaway County where the proposed route crosses the creek.

Concerning the plant surveys, has any information on the surveyors been transmitted to this office for review? Sarena Selbo is the contact in this office regarding listed plants. (contact info. sarena_selbo@fws.gov (614) 469-6923, ext.17).

I have almost completed my review of the Indiana bat habitat assessment. I anticipate sending you my comments by COB today.

Sincerely,
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REX-East GIS data

Mary/Angela/Troy-

Good morning! The attached zip file includes several different GIS data layers for the REX-East project. Specifically, I'm providing the current proposed centerline, field and desktop delineated wetland and waterbody data along that centerline, and the bat habitat units as shown in the binder we provided during our meeting. Please use this information as necessary to help with your review of the project. We would appreciate, however, if you could keep the data for internal use only for now.

Please let me know if you have any questions regarding what the data represents or how it can be used. If there are questions about the data specifically though, please direct those to Kyle Solberg at 612-215-6081 or krsolberg@nrginc.com. He's one of our GIS specialists on the project.

Thanks-

Jeff

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