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All,

As Russ mentioned in a previous email, I will be managing this project until he returns. If you have any questions about the updates below or any aspect of the project please feel free to contact me by email or by any of the phone numbers listed below.

Updates

- LEDPA.** The Army Corps of Engineers is in the process of finalizing and making their LEDPA determination as part of their alternative analysis for their wetland permitting process. LEDPA stands for Least Environmentally Damaging Practicable Alternative. The LEDPA decision is anticipated within the next week or so.
- Section 7.** As part of the requirements under Section 7 of the Endangered Species Act, the Biological Opinion was submitted to the US Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) on July 3rd. That document has been accepted by the USFWS and they have up to 155 days (135 days with a potential to extend an additional 20 days) to issue a decision known as a Biological Opinion. Once that has been completed the NEPA process can then continue to be finalized with that information which will ultimately result in a Record of Decision by the Federal Highway Administration.

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