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December 16, 2014

Ms. Martha Y. DoByns  
Michael Baker Jr., Inc.  
5088 West Washington Street  
Charleston, WV 25313

Dear Ms. DoByns:

We have reviewed our files for information on rare, threatened and endangered (RTE) species and sensitive habitats for the area of the proposed Jefferson Road Improvements project in South Charleston, Kanawha County, WV.

We have no known records of any RTE species or sensitive habitats within the project area. The Wildlife Resources Section knows of no surveys that have been conducted in the area for rare species or rare species habitat. Consequently, this response is based on information currently available and should not be considered a comprehensive survey of the area under review.

The information provided above is the product of a database search and retrieval. This information does not satisfy other consultation or permitting requirements for disturbances to the natural resources of the state, and further consultation may be required. Additionally, any concurrence requirements for federally listed species must come from the US Fish and Wildlife Service.

Thank you for your inquiry, and should you have any questions please feel free to contact me at the above number, or [barbara.d.sargent@wv.gov](mailto:barbara.d.sargent@wv.gov). Enclosed please find an invoice.

Sincerely,

  
Barbara Sargent  
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### Concurrence Form for Myotid Bat Survey Reports

Contact Name: Traci Cummings

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Project: JEFFERSON ROAD, KANAWHA CO

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service has reviewed the report on the bat **mist net** survey conducted in the proposed project area and submitted on 8/10/15. The survey followed the protocol outlined in the current Range-wide Indiana Bat Summer Survey Guidelines. These Guidelines are also acceptable to address the endangered Indiana bat (*Myotis sodalis*) and the threatened northern long-eared bat (*M. septentrionalis*). The survey covered 3.3 acres/kilometers of potential bat habitat and was conducted at 4 net sites from JUN 24 to JULY 23. No federally listed bats were captured.

Surveys are considered current for 5 years (the summer they are completed and the following four summer seasons). In this case, the survey will expire on May 15, 2020. If a significant amendment is proposed to change or expand this project, or if timber will be removed after that date, a new survey may be necessary and the Service should be contacted.

The area was surveyed for caves and abandoned mine portals and none were found in the action area.

Based on the information provided to us, the Service has concluded that no federally listed endangered and threatened bats are expected to be impacted by the project. Therefore, no biological assessment or further section 7 consultation under the Endangered Species Act (ESA) (87 Stat. 884, as amended; 16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*) is required with the Service. Should project plans change or amendments be proposed that we have not considered in your proposed action, or if additional information on listed and proposed species becomes available, or if new species become listed or critical habitat is designated, this determination may be reconsidered. If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact LIZ STOUT of my staff at (304) 636-6586, ext. 15, or at the letterhead address.

[Signature]  
Biologist

Date: 8/25/15

[Signature]  
John E. Schmidt, Field Supervisor

Date: 8/26/15