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Re: **Docket No. 448 – Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless Application For A Certificate Of Environmental Compatibility And Public Need For The Construction, Maintenance And Operation Of A Wireless Telecommunications Facility At 831 Derby Milford Road, Orange, Connecticut**

Dear Ms. Bachman:

To supplement information provided in the above-referenced Connecticut Siting Council Application, filed on May 13, 2014, enclosed are the original and twenty (20) copies of the following information.

1. A May 14, 2014 letter from the Connecticut Department of Energy & Environmental Protection – Natural Diversity Data Base (NDDB), Determination No. 201404634, confirming that the proposed facility will have no negative impacts on “State-listed species”.
2. A May 13, 2014 letter from the United States Department of the Interior Fish and Wildlife Service for the proposed tower site at 831 Derby Milford Road in Orange, Connecticut confirming that there are no threatened, endangered or candidate species and no critical habitats located in the proposed project area.



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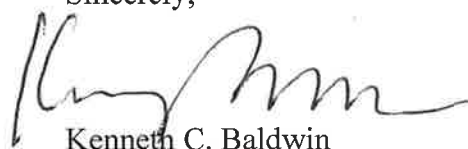
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The applicant will seek to have each of these items included as exhibits in the Docket No. 448 record. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions. Thank you in advance for your assistance and cooperation.

Sincerely,



Kenneth C. Baldwin

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May 14, 2014

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Project: New Telecommunications Facility (Orange North) at 831 Derby Milford Road in Orange
NDDDB Determination No.: 201404634

Dear Dean Gustafson,

I have reviewed Natural Diversity Data Base maps and files regarding the area delineated on the map provided for the proposed New Telecommunications Facility (Orange North) at 831 Derby Milford Road in Orange, Connecticut. I do not anticipate negative impacts to State-listed species (RCSA Sec. 26-306) resulting from your proposed activity at the site. This determination is good for one year. Please re-submit an NDDDB Request for Review if the scope of work changes or if work has not begun on this project by May 14, 2015.

Natural Diversity Data Base information includes all information regarding critical biological resources available to us at the time of the request. This information is a compilation of data collected over the years by the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection's Natural History Survey and cooperating units of DEEP, private conservation groups and the scientific community. This information is not necessarily the result of comprehensive or site-specific field investigations. Consultations with the Data Base should not be substitutes for on-site surveys required for environmental assessments. Current research projects and new contributors continue to identify additional populations of species and locations of habitats of concern, as well as, enhance existing data. Such new information is incorporated into the Data Base as it becomes available. The result of this review does not preclude the possibility that listed species may be encountered on site and that additional action may be necessary to remain in compliance with certain state permits.

Please contact me if you have further questions at (860) 424-3592, or dawn.mckay@ct.gov. Thank you for consulting the Natural Diversity Data Base.

Sincerely,

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United States Department of the Interior



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Consultation Tracking Number: 05E1NE00-2014-SLI-0245

May 13, 2014

Project Name: Verizon Wireless Orange North

Subject: List of threatened and endangered species that may occur in your proposed project location, and/or may be affected by your proposed project.

To Whom It May Concern:

The enclosed species list identifies threatened, endangered, proposed and candidate species, as well as proposed and final designated critical habitat, that may occur within the boundary of your proposed project and/or may be affected by your proposed project. The species list fulfills the requirements of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service) under section 7(c) of the Endangered Species Act (Act) of 1973, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*).

New information based on updated surveys, changes in the abundance and distribution of species, changed habitat conditions, or other factors could change this list. Please feel free to contact us if you need more current information or assistance regarding the potential impacts to federally proposed, listed, and candidate species and federally designated and proposed critical habitat. Please note that under 50 CFR 402.12(e) of the regulations implementing section 7 of the Act, the accuracy of this species list should be verified after 90 days. This verification can be completed formally or informally as desired. The Service recommends that verification be completed by visiting the ECOS-IPaC website at regular intervals during project planning and implementation for updates to species lists and information. An updated list may be requested through the ECOS-IPaC system by completing the same process used to receive the enclosed list.

The purpose of the Act is to provide a means whereby threatened and endangered species and the ecosystems upon which they depend may be conserved. Under sections 7(a)(1) and 7(a)(2) of the Act and its implementing regulations (50 CFR 402 *et seq.*), Federal agencies are required to utilize their authorities to carry out programs for the conservation of threatened and endangered species and to determine whether projects may affect threatened and endangered species and/or designated critical habitat.

A Biological Assessment is required for construction projects (or other undertakings having

similar physical impacts) that are major Federal actions significantly affecting the quality of the human environment as defined in the National Environmental Policy Act (42 U.S.C. 4332(2)(c)). For projects other than major construction activities, the Service suggests that a biological evaluation similar to a Biological Assessment be prepared to determine whether the project may affect listed or proposed species and/or designated or proposed critical habitat. Recommended contents of a Biological Assessment are described at 50 CFR 402.12.

If a Federal agency determines, based on the Biological Assessment or biological evaluation, that listed species and/or designated critical habitat may be affected by the proposed project, the agency is required to consult with the Service pursuant to 50 CFR 402. In addition, the Service recommends that candidate species, proposed species and proposed critical habitat be addressed within the consultation. More information on the regulations and procedures for section 7 consultation, including the role of permit or license applicants, can be found in the "Endangered Species Consultation Handbook" at:

<http://www.fws.gov/endangered/esa-library/pdf/TOC-GLOS.PDF>

Please be aware that bald and golden eagles are protected under the Bald and Golden Eagle Protection Act (16 U.S.C. 668 *et seq.*), and projects affecting these species may require development of an eagle conservation plan (http://www.fws.gov/windenergy/eagle_guidance.html). Additionally, wind energy projects should follow the wind energy guidelines (<http://www.fws.gov/windenergy/>) for minimizing impacts to migratory birds and bats.

Guidance for minimizing impacts to migratory birds for projects including communications towers (e.g., cellular, digital television, radio, and emergency broadcast) can be found at: <http://www.fws.gov/migratorybirds/CurrentBirdIssues/Hazards/towers/towers.htm>; <http://www.towerkill.com>; and <http://www.fws.gov/migratorybirds/CurrentBirdIssues/Hazards/towers/comtow.html>.

We appreciate your concern for threatened and endangered species. The Service encourages Federal agencies to include conservation of threatened and endangered species into their project planning to further the purposes of the Act. Please include the Consultation Tracking Number in the header of this letter with any request for consultation or correspondence about your project that you submit to our office.

Attachment



United States Department of Interior
Fish and Wildlife Service

Project name: Verizon Wireless Orange North

Official Species List

Provided by:

New England Ecological Services Field Office
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Consultation Tracking Number: 05E1NE00-2014-SLI-0245

Project Type: Communications Tower

Project Description: Site Address: 831 Derby Milford Road, Orange, CT. A new 100' tall telecommunications facility with 50 x 50 compound is proposed in an early successional/old field area on an agricultural property. Access will be from Derby Milford Road through a hayfield.



United States Department of Interior
Fish and Wildlife Service

Project name: Verizon Wireless Orange North

Project Location Map:



Project Coordinates: MULTIPOLYGON (((-73.0606704 41.3005185, -73.059596 41.3008597, -73.0594666 41.300204, -73.0569756 41.2993582, -73.0567575 41.2993763, -73.0565251 41.2995546, -73.0563174 41.2996662, -73.0555931 41.2999618, -73.0548354 41.3001333, -73.0531877 41.3006018, -73.0530942 41.3001345, -73.0531075 41.299384, -73.0533057 41.2983766, -73.0540716 41.2983385, -73.054577 41.2959803, -73.0555998 41.2963077, -73.0562545 41.2958519, -73.0563465 41.2958371, -73.056488 41.2958646, -73.0562714 41.2962647, -73.0572733 41.2963308, -73.0572703 41.2959595, -73.0580447 41.2959955, -73.0587299 41.2965819, -73.0596366 41.2975666, -73.0593718 41.2977718, -73.0587961 41.298433, -73.0593102 41.2987732, -73.0617775 41.2988302, -73.0623 41.2994644, -73.0619432 41.2999607, -73.0610106 41.3003472, -73.0606704 41.3005185)))

Project Counties: New Haven, CT



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Endangered Species Act Species List

There are a total of 0 threatened, endangered, or candidate species on your species list. Species on this list should be considered in an effects analysis for your project and could include species that exist in another geographic area. For example, certain fish may appear on the species list because a project could affect downstream species. Critical habitats listed on the **Has Critical Habitat** lines may or may not lie within your project area. See the **Critical habitats within your project area** section further below for critical habitat that lies within your project. Please contact the designated FWS office if you have questions.

There are no listed species identified for the vicinity of your project.



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Fish and Wildlife Service

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Critical habitats that lie within your project area

There are no critical habitats within your project area.