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June 16, 2023

Via email: PPF@olympus.net

Dr. Darlene Schanfald Protect the Peninsula's Future 160 Kane Lane Sequim, WA 98382

Dear Dr. Darlene Schanfald:

This interim letter is in response to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request dated January 30, 2023 and assigned it control number DOI-FWS-2023-002181. Please cite this number in any future communications with our office regarding your request.

You requested the following:

This is a request for all documents between the USFWS and the Jamestown S'Klallam Tribe (JST) related to the Dungeness National Wildlife Refuge be sent electronically. This should include all communications during 2022 through today, January 29, 2023: emails, land-mailed documents, tweets, texts, phone calls, meeting agendas and minutes, and any other communications. The information will be in USFWS national headquarters, the regional office, and the local Refuge office. Remitting the information electronically will save the agency money not having to print, stamp and mail.

Response

We have continued to search locations for records responsive to your request and continue to review records that have been provided to review and with this letter we are releasing 94 records in their entirety.

Mediation/Dispute Resolution

If after contacting us as described below, you need further information or assistance with your request, you may wish to seek dispute resolution services from the Department's FOIA Public Liaison, Natasha Alcantara by email at doifoiapublicliaison@sol.doi.gov.

If you need further information or assistance after contacting the Department's FOIA Public Liaison, you may wish to seek dispute resolution services from the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS). The 2007 FOIA amendments created the OGIS to offer mediation services to resolve disputes between FOIA requesters and Federal agencies as a non-exclusive alternative to litigation. Using OGIS services does not affect your right to pursue litigation. You may contact OGIS in any of the following ways:

Please note that using OGIS services does not affect the timing of filing an appeal with the Department's FOIA & Privacy Act Appeals Officer.

Conclusion

For your information, Congress excluded three discrete categories of law enforcement and national security records from the requirements of FOIA. *See* 5 U.S.C. 552(c). This response is limited to those records that are subject to the requirements of FOIA. This is a standard notification that is given to all our requesters and should not be taken as an indication that excluded records do, or do not, exist.

If you have any questions about our response to your request, please contact John De Clerck by email at, john_declerck@fws.gov or by mail at U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service; ATTN: FOIA Office; 5275 Leesburg Pike; MS: IRTM; Falls Church, Virginia 22041.

Sincerely,

John De Clerck FWS FOIA Coordinator