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Pete,

There is a new MBTA MOU between NPS and FWS that commits NPS to "...identify actions that will affect migratory birds, and work with FWS to develop conservation measures that are consistent with NPS Management Policies 2006. All conservation measures for migratory birds must consider the effects of climate change...".

No doubt that the ORV plan/EIS will affect migratory birds and the potential impacts are already described in the DEIS. I bring the new agreement to your attention so that you can be thinking about how we should consult with FWS to develop the conservation measures. We'd like the "process" to be as efficient as possible (e.g., can it be combined with the Section 7 consultation? or does it need to be kept separate from it?); and we'd like to complete the "process" over the next few months so that we can incorporate the information/conservation measures into the FEIS which is scheduled for completion this fall.

After you have had a chance to review the agreement and think about how we should consult to develop the conservation measures, let's schedule a conference call involving you, me and key staff to touch bases about it.

Thanks,

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Hello All,

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See link below where this is posted on the FWS website. It has still to go through some kind of processing in the Director's office before it is distributed to the parks by NPS and posted on an NPS website, but it is likely relevant for the ORV mgmt plan/EIS so take a look:

<http://www.fws.gov/migratorybirds/Partnerships/NPSEO13186Signed%204.12.10.pdf>

My apologies for taking until this afternoon to find it.

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