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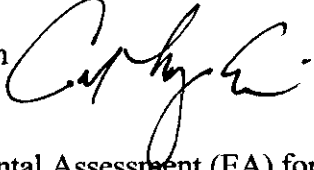
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MEMORANDUM

To: All Interested Persons, Organizations, and Agencies

From: Carol Lynn Erwin
Area Manager 

Subject: Draft Environmental Assessment (EA) for Construction of a Fish Barrier in Hot Springs Canyon (Action by December 7, 2008)

The Bureau of Reclamation and the Bureau of Land Management have issued the attached draft EA to solicit public comments on the potential environmental effects of a proposed fish barrier in Hot Springs Canyon within the Hot Springs Area of Critical Environmental Concern (ACEC). The Hot Springs ACEC is part of the 57,500-acre Muleshoe Ranch Cooperative Management Area located in Cochise County, Arizona. The proposed fish barrier is intended to prevent the upstream invasion of nonnative fishes into portions of Hot Springs Canyon occupied by threatened and endangered fish species.

The draft EA is provided on the attached CD-ROM. A paper copy of the draft EA can be obtained by calling the Environmental Resource Management Division at 623-773-6251, or by e-mailing rkonst@lc.usbr.gov. The EA may also be viewed on the Phoenix Area Office web site at <http://www.usbr.gov/lc/phoenix/>.

Comments should be submitted to Mr. John McGlothlen at the Bureau of Reclamation, Phoenix Area Office, 6150 West Thunderbird Road, Glendale, Arizona 85306-4001, faxed to 623-773-6486, or e-mailed to jwmcglothlen@lc.usbr.gov, no later than December 7, 2008. By law, the names and addresses of those providing comments are available for public review. However, individuals may request that their name and/or address be withheld from the record. These requests will be honored to the extent allowable by law. If you wish your name and/or address withheld, you must state this prominently at the beginning of your comment letter. All comments from organizations or businesses will be available for public inspection in their entirety.

For additional information regarding this matter, please contact Mr. McGlothlen at jwmcglothlen@lc.usbr.gov, or by calling 623-773-6256.

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