

Appendix 2A: Alternatives Correspondence



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John Njord, Executive Director
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Re: West Davis Corridor Practicability Analysis

Dear Mr. Njord:

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the October 4, 2012 version of the Clean Water Act (CWA) Section 404(b)(1) Practicability Analysis (Analysis) for the West Davis Corridor Project. We appreciate that the Utah Department of Transportation (UDOT) and the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) have taken the time to put together this document early in the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) process, so the NEPA documentation can serve as a basis for the project's CWA Section 404 permitting process at a later date.

Over the past year, staff and management with UDOT, FHWA, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Corps), the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) have worked closely and collaboratively toward an alternatives screening process and selection of alternatives that meet the requirements of both NEPA and CWA. We have found this collaboration to be very informative, educational and productive. The October 4, 2012 version of the Analysis addresses the concerns that the EPA previously raised on this document, as well as the mutual understanding the agencies have reached in the last year of collaboration. We have no further comments on this analysis.

Thank you for the opportunity to review and comment on this analysis for the West Davis Corridor Project. Please contact me or Julia McCarthy of my staff at mccarthy.julia@epa.gov or 303-312-6153 if you have any questions regarding these comments.

Sincerely,



Karen Hamilton, Chief
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March 18, 2013

Regulatory Division (SPK-2007-01985-UO)

Mr. John Njord, Executive Director
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Dear Mr. Njord:

As a cooperating agency for the West Davis Corridor Environmental Impact Statement, we appreciate the joint-lead agencies, Utah Department of Transportation and the Federal Highway Administration, affording us the opportunity to provide comments regarding the Section 404(b)(1) Practicability Analysis, dated October 4, 2012. We also appreciate the on-going collaborative process between the joint-lead agencies, the Corps, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, and the Utah Division of Wildlife Resources that contributed to this document.

We have reviewed the referenced document and believe that it provides a sufficient rationale for eliminating alternatives based on practicability. Further, we believe that this analysis will serve both the National Environmental Policy Act process as well as the Clean Water Act permitting process. This document addresses our concerns with previous drafts, as outlined in our November 8, 2011 letter and in subsequent meetings.

Please refer to identification number SPK-2007-01985-UO in any correspondence concerning this project. If you have any questions, please contact John Urbanic at the Utah Regulatory Office, 533 West 2600 South, Suite 150, Bountiful, Utah 84010, email John.E.Urbanic@usace.army.mil, or telephone 801-295-8380, extension 11.

Sincerely,

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From: Izzo, Vincent
Sent: Thursday, June 15, 2017 8:39 AM
To: Ulrich, Carrie L.
Subject: SPK-2007-01985 (West Davis Corridor): Southern Connection to I-15 and Legacy Parkway 404(b)(1)

-----Original Message-----

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Subject: SPK-2007-01985 (West Davis Corridor): Southern Connection to I-15 and Legacy Parkway 404(b)(1) Analysis

Randy,

I reviewed the referenced Southern Connections practicability memo for the West Davis Corridor and have the following comments:

1. The practicability memo addresses the issues we discussed during our March 8, 2017 meeting.
2. Please provide an electronic version of the analysis for our files.

Thank you.

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