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FWS FOIA Coordinator
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Via: [DOI Electronic FOIA Request Form](#)

Re: FOIA Request for Documents Regarding Section 7 Consultation Between the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and the U.S. Air Force Conducted Pursuant to the USAF Proposed Powder River Training Complex Military Operations Areas North & South Dakota, Montana, Wyoming (PRTC Expansion)

Dear FOIA Coordinator:

This is a request under the Freedom of Information Act. I request that a copy of the following documents (or documents containing the following information) be provided to me:

Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act ("FOIA"), 5 U.S.C. § 552, and the Privacy Act 5 U.S.C. § 552(a) on behalf of R-CALF USA, a national non-profit trade association representing U.S. cattle producers, this letter requests that you mail to my office a copy of any document, record, report, summary or description of any and all informal and formal consultations conducted pursuant to Section 7 of the Endangered Species Act (Section 7) by the United States Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS) and the U.S. Air Force and/or the U.S. Department of Transportation, Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), regarding the Proposed Establishment of Powder River Training Complex Military Operations Areas North & South Dakota, Montana, Wyoming (PRTC expansion), referenced as: Airspace Study 14-AGL-06NR.

This request is inclusive of any Section 7 documentation of consultations for any threatened or endangered species or any candidate species known to inhabit the regions encompassed in the PRTC expansion area. In addition, I am requesting copies of any biological opinion or jeopardy or adverse modification opinion that may have been issued pursuant to any Section 7 consultation described above. This information should not be subject to the Freedom of Information Act exemptions and access to the requested documents should be granted within twenty (20) working days. I also request that if you determine that some of the information requested is exempt from FOIA, that this information be identified by document, along with the statutory basis for your claim and your reasons for not exercising your discretion to release this

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information. FOIA also provides that if only portions of the file are exempt from release, the remainder of the file must be released. Therefore, I request that I be provided with all non-exempt portions that can reasonably be segregated.

As a non-profit, membership-based trade association representing members who conduct their cattle ranching operations within the proposed Powder River Training Complex expansion area, and whose ranching businesses are directly impacted by any land-use restrictions imposed pursuant to the Endangered Species Act, I am hereby requesting a waiver of fees for the information requested. If there is any problem in providing this information, please let me know so that further arrangements can be made.

In order to determine my status to assess fees, you should know that my fee category is: all others.

The maximum dollar amount I am willing to pay for this request is \$1. Please notify me if the fees will exceed \$25.00 or the maximum dollar amount I entered.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Bill Bullard". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Bill" and last name "Bullard" clearly distinguishable.

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