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ENDANGERED SPECIES CONSULTATION REQUEST

Project
Furbearer Trapping Plan
Trempealeau NWR

Date Initiated
6-17-81
Project Leader
Robert L. Drieslein

Species Involved
Bald eagle (Haliaeetus leucocephalus); peregrine falcon
(Falco peregrinus)

ACTION TO BE TAKEN:
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NO EFFECT - - harvesting of certain furbearers on Trempealeau NWR.

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BACKGROUND WITH RELATIONSHIP OF SPECIES TO PROJECT ACTIVITY: (Submit maps and supporting data with this form.)

See attached environmental assessment and interim furbearer trapping plan.

POTENTIAL IMPACTS (positive and negative) ON SPECIES AND/OR HABITATS:

Potential for bald eagles to be caught in leg hold traps. No impact anticipated for peregrine falcons.

(continue on reverse if necessary)

OFFICE	DATE RECEIVED	DATE FORWARDED
Project leader Area manager		
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Director AFA		
Project leader		······

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Conclusion:

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Will not effect

Recommendations (including action modification)

The proposed trapping plan has a number of built in safeguards to protect listed species from any adverse impact. Such safeguards include the restrictions on use of exposed bait and disposal of animals or their parts on Trempealeau NWR. These restrictions are intended to eliminate the likelihood of catching eagles and other raptors in traps set for furbearers.

With these biological restrictions incorporated into the proposed trapping plan, no impact is anticipated for either the bald eagle or peregrine falcon.

UNITED STATES FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE

ENVIRONMENTAL ACTION MEMORANDUM (REGION 3)

Within the spirit and intent of the Council on Environmental Quality's regulations for implementing the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and other statutes, orders, and policies that protect fish and wildlife resources, I have established the following administrative record and have determined that the action of (describe): amending Trempealeau National Wildlife Refuge's Grassland Management Plan.

- \times is a categorical exclusion as provided by 516 DM 6 Appendix 1. No further documentation will be made (See instructions on back).
- is found not to have significant environmental effects as determined by the attached Environmental Assessment and Finding of No Significant Impact.
- is found to have special environmental conditions as described in the attached Environmental Assessment. The attached Finding of No Significant Impact will not be final nor any actions taken pending a 30-day period for public review (40 CFR 1501.4(e)(2)).
- is found to have significant effects; and, therefore, a "Notice of Intent" will be published in the Federal Register to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement before the project is considered further.
 - is denied because of environmental damage, Service policy, or mandate.
 - is an emergency situation. Only those actions necessary to control the immediate impacts of the emergency will be taken. Other related actions remain subject to NEPA review.

Other supporting documents (list):

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(3)	**	Date	(6)ARD (AFWE)	Date

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