

Memo To: Philis J. Posey, Acting Secretary

From: David Turner, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (502-6091)

RE: Sharp-tail grouse lek information for Public Utility District No. 1 of Douglas County Wells Project (P-2149) - 131

Shane Bickford, Supervisor of Relicensing, Public Utility District No. 1 of Douglas County sent the attached documents describing sharp-tailed grouse to me via e-mail. Mr. Bickford requested the information be filed in the docket for P-2149.

The figures show historical sharp-tailed grouse leks in relation to the Wells Project. These maps contain sensitive information and should be treated as confidential information and not for public release in order to protect these resources. The 1998 Washington State Report on the status of the sharp-tailed grouse in Washington is not considered sensitive and can be treated as public information.

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From: Shane Bickford [ShaneB@dcpud.org]
Sent: Monday, March 12, 2007 12:51 PM
To: David Turner; Robert Easton
Cc: Bob Clubb; Jim McGee; Scott Kreiter
Subject: PCDOCS1-#97741-v2-Sharp-tailed_grouse_historic_leks.PDF

David,

Please find attached two documents. First, I have attached a map of the sharp-tailed grouse leks found within 30 or so miles of the Wells Project (reservoir and transmission facilities). The crimson colored dots are the historic leks. Some of these leks are no longer active. It is important to note that this map contains information that WDFW considers confidential and not suitable for public inspection. Also note that the closest sharptail lek is over 2 miles from the Wells Reservoir and even further from the transmission line right-of-way.

I have also attached, in this e-mail, the most recent (1998) sharp-tailed grouse status review for Washington State. There is some useful information in this document related to the preferred habitat for this species and the reasons for decline. Please add this material into the record for P-2149.

If you require any addition sharp-tailed grouse material, please let me know. I will be sending you the mule deer literature within the next day or two.

Regards,

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