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CC: Pankratz, Shannon L SPL [Shannon.L.Pankratz@usace.army.mil]
Subject: RE: Elizabeth Lakes call (UNCLASSIFIED)

Absolutely. At your convenience.

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From: Mcguffie, Brianne E SPL [mailto:Brianne.E.Mcguffie@usace.army.mil]
Sent: Thursday, August 29, 2013 2:19 PM
To: Amato, Paul
Cc: Pankratz, Shannon L SPL
Subject: RE: Elizabeth Lakes call (UNCLASSIFIED)

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Hi Paul,

Is it ok I postpone our talk until the week after next? I'm playing catch up with Elizabeth so I want to go through the new prospectus before discussing it with you.

Thanks!
Bri
-----Original Message-----
From: Amato, Paul [mailto:Amato.Paul@epa.gov]
Sent: Thursday, August 29, 2013 1:50 PM
To: Mcguffie, Brianne E SPL
Cc: Pankratz, Shannon L SPL
Subject: [EXTERNAL] RE: Elizabeth Lakes call (UNCLASSIFIED)

So I just met with Julie, Shawn, Tim and Nate to discuss my comments on Elizabeth Lake. They basically wanted to go over my comments and indicated that they were doing so outside of the IRT forum, since the last couple meetings had been cancelled and they wanted to stay on schedule. There were a few interesting points that came out of the discussion. You may be aware of some of this already:

1. There is an existing State of CA trail easement through the property and the hope is to combine that and the S. Portal Road USFS easement into one alignment and move it so it does not obstruct the alluvial fan restoration work d/s from Munz Canyon. That is still in the works.

2. The utility easements, or maybe just some (not certain), are controlled by the sponsor and would not pose a conflict with restoration/enhancement work.

3. The diamond shaped parcel to the west on the north side of Elizabeth Lake Road will not be part of the bank. They are looking to sell it.

4. Alluvial fan restoration will not be done in Lucky Canyon after all due to the Painted Turtle concrete channel. Grassland restoration will be done instead for CDFW credits.

5. Emergent marsh expansion work in the lake will not be done due to complications from fluctuating water levels.

6. Seasonal wetland creation, if it happens at all, will be a very small element of the bank.

7. They are looking at additional opportunities to do riparian woodland restoration on the site.

8. Essentially, the credits generated would largely be from alluvial fan restoration at Munz Canyon. They would like the entire fan area to be counted due to the inherently dynamic nature of these systems. I questioned whether this was likely and they mentioned that they have raised the issue with Dave Castanon and Aaron Allen.

9. I was very clear that I'm concerned with the impact to functioning ephemeral drainage and riparian habitat, particularly towards the lower reaches of the existing drainage in Munz Canyon. Their intent is apparently to maintain this habitat through periodic flows, though it sounds like they are sure how this would work. We discussed this for quite some time and concluded that it would be good to discuss on site. I'm looking into a possible site visit on 9/23 or 10/7, possibly with CDFW. Would you be interested?

10. We went around on the service area for a while but that didn't really go anywhere. They are obviously not okay with the Corps' reduced primary SA or the proposed secondary SA. That's obviously an ongoing discussion.

Let me know if you want to talk. I'm at home today (510) 333-2887, and back in the office Tuesday.

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From: Mcguffie, Brianne E SPL [mailto:Brianne.E.Mcguffie@usace.army.mil]
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Ok thanks!

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From: Amato, Paul [mailto:Amato.Paul@epa.gov]
Sent: Monday, August 26, 2013 9:11 AM
To: Mcguffie, Brianne E SPL
Cc: Pankratz, Shannon L SPL
Subject: [EXTERNAL] RE: Elizabeth Lakes call (UNCLASSIFIED)

Hi Bri,

I'll go ahead and have the discussion with them this week, since they requested it, but keep in mind that this is a combined bank moving forward. I'll let you know what we discuss and why they wanted a separate call with EPA.

Paul

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From: Mcguffie, Brianne E SPL [mailto:Brianne.E.Mcguffie@usace.army.mil]
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To: Pankratz, Shannon L SPL; Amato, Paul
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I'm about to send out combined prospectus info in a few minutes. From what I gather though, nothing has changed, it's just one document now. it's up to you whether you want to wait and review Petersen since we are treating this as one bank now or if you want to discuss Elizabeth with them now and then Petersen later.

-----Original Message-----
From: Pankratz, Shannon L SPL
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To: Amato, Paul; Mcguffie, Brianne E SPL
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Hi Paul,

Thanks for letting me know. It'd be great if you could let us know the outcome of that meeting.

FYI, the Elizabeth lake mitigation bank has been withdrawn by the bank sponsor (Land Veritas). They just submitted a new prospectus for a single bank, which covers both the areas of Elizabeth Lake and Petersen Ranch). I'm guessing they'll continue calling the new combined bank proposal as Petersen Ranch. Bri will be our lead for this.

Thanks,
Shannon

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-----Original Message-----
From: Amato, Paul [mailto:Amato.Paul@epa.gov]
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To: Pankratz, Shannon L SPL
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Elizabeth Lakes call

Hey Shannon,

Julie Vandermost asked if I would discuss my Elizabeth Lakes comments with them (VCS and WRA) next Thursday at 10 AM. I'm okay with it and said yes but wanted to let you know.

Paul

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