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From: Breaux, Brian W MVN <Brian.W.Breaux@usace.army.mil>
Sent: Tuesday, April 23, 2013 9:51 AM
To: Farabee, Jacqueline R MVN; Pennington, Dana; Abernathy, Lisa ; Archer, Brenda A MVN; Balkum, Kyle; Davis, Chris; Ettinger, John; Gutierrez, Raul; Hartman, Richard; Holcombe, Jim; Holland, Patti; Pfeffer, Stephen D MVN; Seth_Bordelon@fws.gov; Templet, Kelley; Williams, Patrick
Subject: RE: GDE (3) Mitigation Bank Lanes (UNCLASSIFIED)

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Jacqueline,

Is the pine composition strictly volunteers; i.e., no pines were planted as a soft mast component? Are the pines limited to the edges of the site and adjoining seed sources? What percentage of pines are there on the site? What is the practicability of limiting the percent composition of pine to anything less than the surrounding forest? Do you alter the species composition as adaptive management to accommodate an increased pine component? These are factors that should be considered.

That being said, since the site was approved as a BLH and not a mixed pine-hardwood habitat, I would suggest that the composition should be limited to less than 5% pine.

Brian

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From: Farabee, Jacqueline R MVN
Sent: Tuesday, April 23, 2013 8:53 AM
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Does anyone have any ideas?

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From: Farabee, Jacqueline R MVN
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To: Pennington, Dana; 'Abernathy, Lisa '; Archer, Brenda; Balkum, Kyle; 'Breaux, Brian'; Davis, Chris; Ettinger, John; Gutierrez, Raul; Hartman, Richard; Holcombe, Jim; Holland, Patti; 'Pfeffer, Stephen'; Seth_Bordelon@fws.gov; Templet, Kelley; Williams, Patrick
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I had a brief meeting with Greg Elliot the owner of the GDE Bank. We have suspended credits because:
1. No monitoring reports were provided
2. There were too many volunteer pines and Tallow on the site.
3. There were "fire lanes" but this is a bottomland hardwood bank.
4. There were ponds
5. Etc.

The letter that was sent is attached.

Attached are a few photos. Please read his e-mail below and provide some feedback about the percentage of pines that would be acceptable in your point of view. Any other comments/information would be welcome.

CEMVN has not finished looking at the information that was submitted for the JD. I will get that to you as soon as I can.

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-----Original Message-----
From: Elliott, Greg [mailto:Greg.Elliott@workstrings.com]
Sent: Saturday, April 06, 2013 8:00 AM
To: Farabee, Jacqueline R MVN
Subject: GDE (3) Mitigation Bank Lanes

Ms. Jacqueline,

I have contracted Templin Forestry to plant the subject 3 lanes in hardwood seedlings that we discussed last Wednesday. This should be done in the next week.

Also, I have discussed removing some of the volunteer pine that are mixed in the hardwood plant with several forestry contractors. Once the JD is determined I would ask the IRT to provide me an acceptable percent of pine per acre for the GDE Mitigation Bank? At that time I will start work to comply with maximum pine per acre for the mitigation bank. Any hack and spray work would not be done until early fall or when the sap begins to drop in the trees.

I look forward to finalizing the JD determination and all fulfilling all other concerns you had to allow credits sales to be re-instated.

Regards,

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