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Here is information from Stacy as a followup on our discussions last week.

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See below and attached for follow-up on three points that I promised to discuss with Leighlan:

- NLEB detections from our Bowen Brook IRP, which is not too far from the NP proposed route.
- Documentation we use for the lynx detections near Kinsman ridge. If you wanted something more concrete, you could call Will and get a pers. comm. direct from him to you.
- Forest-wide Lynx S-3, you asked whether the LCAS applied to powerline corridors. See below for Leighlan's response. We consider this standard to be applicable if lynx habitat within LAU 12 is in an area not authorized under an existing PSNH easement.

I spoke with Leighlan about a 4th point: her comment about how habitat was defined for osprey vs. loons. Based on what Sean told me (the analysis assumed osprey could forage in Bog Pond area), Leighlan is fine with what is in the DEIS and technical report. As an FYI, the only known osprey nest on the Forest is on a large pond several miles (and a fair bit of elevation) from Bog Pond. Of course, that's not to say they may not occur elsewhere.

With regard to the citation of FSM 2734.2 in the easements subsection of 4.5.6.2, we're fine with only using that citation and not having the court case or any other document. The easements themselves would be the other documentation as they are what clearly states what rights they have.

I hope to connect with Dan this week on documentation on plant occurrences. Marianne's review of the trail and rec. site list will not be this week or next as she has been on leave since last Friday and isn't back until July 6. I'm working on Appendix F and will get it to you as soon as possible.

I think that addresses everything I promised to follow-up on. I'll get back with you on the last few bits as I get them.



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From: Prout, Leighlan -FS
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Hi Stacy – attached are a shapefile with the detector locations where we found northern long-eared bats at Bowen Brook last summer and the email we use as documentation of the Kinsman lynx tracks that Will Staats found.

Also, I looked up in the Lynx Conservation Strategy to see if there was some kind of exemption for rights of way and couldn't find anything (but not like I read every word either). The language in our S-3 is from a section called "Conservation Measures Applicable to All Programs and Activities" so I'm not sure why something would have been exempted.

Let me know if you need anything else.

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