

**EXHIBIT 7**

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**Subject:** RE: FOIA FWS-2017-00970 Status/FOIA Public Liaison Contact Information  
**From:** heidi@hartsell-law.com  
**Date:** Fri, Nov 03, 2017 11:40 am  
**To:** "FOIA R4, FW4" <foiar4@fws.gov>  
**Cc:** "Robert Hartsell" <robert@hartsell-law.com>, "Sarah Hayter" <sarah@hartsell-law.com>

Good Morning Ms. McClurkin,

Thank you for your estimated time of turnover, however it is imperative that we be able to reivew the documnts as soon as possible. This FOIA request has been pending for approximately 66 days, and within this timeframe FDOT has already solicited and accepted a bid to begin construction on the subject project, Suncoast Parkway II, to which FWS issued a permit for takings. We have repeatedly asked for our request to be expedited as it is necessary for us, as interested parties in the preservation of the Etna Turnpentine Camp listed on the National Register of Historic Places, to review the documentation that was the basis of the grant of the permit to FDOT and FTE.

Again, please expedite our request for the documents as soon as you are able. We greatly appreciate your cooperation in this matter.

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**From:** "FOIA R4, FW4" <foiar4@fws.gov>  
**Date:** Wed, November 01, 2017 2:23 pm  
**To:** <heidi@hartsell-law.com>  
**Cc:** Robert Hartsell <robert@hartsell-law.com>, Sarah Hayter <sarah@hartsell-law.com>

Good Afternoon Ms. Mehaffey,

I am in possession and currently reviewing some of the documents responsive to your request . This response will serve as out first partial response. After my review is complete, the responsive documents are routed internally and then to the Solicitor for review. Upon completion of the Solicitor's review, it is routed for signature before sending to you. Please allow our office until November 17, 2017 to get the first partial response sent to you. We may be able to get the response to you sooner. We will continue working on the remaining responsive documents and release them to you as they are reviewed/approved for release. I

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**From:** heidi@hartsell-law.com

**Date:** Tue, Nov 14, 2017 10:40 am

**To:** "FOIA R4, FW4" <foiar4@fws.gov>, larry\_lee@fws.gov

**Cc:** "Robert Hartsell" <robert@hartsell-law.com>, "Sarah Hayter" <sarah@hartsell-law.com>

Good Morning Mr. Lee,

Please provide a status of our outstanding FOIA request. This FOIA request has been pending since August, and within this timeframe FDOT has already solicited and accepted a bid to begin construction on the subject project, Suncoast Parkway II, to which FWS issued a permit for takings.

We have repeatedly asked for our request to be expedited as it is necessary for us, as interested parties in the preservation of the Etna Turnpentine Camp listed on the National Register of Historic Places, to review the documentation that was the basis of the grant of the permit to FDOT and FTE.

Ms. McClurkin has advised that the documents are being routed internally and should be turned over to us by Nov. 17. As she is currently out of the office until the 21, I trust that she had delegated this responsibility to you. As stated above, and throughout our correspondence with FWS, it is of the utmost importance that we have access to these documents in an expediated manner.

Thank you for your cooperation,

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**From:** <heidi@hartsell-law.com>

**Date:** Tue, November 14, 2017 10:12 am

**To:** "FOIA R4, FW4" <foiar4@fws.gov>

**Cc:** "Robert Hartsell" <robert@hartsell-law.com>, "Sarah Hayter" <sarah@hartsell-law.com>

Good Morning Ms. McClurkin,

Please provide a status of our FOIA request pending since August and requested to be expediated.