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In Reply Refer To: Consultation Code: 04EG1000-2020-SLI-1684 Event Code: 04EG1000-2020-E-03081 Project Name: Suwannee Satilla Regional Water District March 23, 2020

Subject: List of threatened and endangered species that may occur in your proposed project location, and/or may be affected by your proposed project

To Whom It May Concern:

This list identifies threatened, endangered, proposed and candidate species, as well as critical habitat, that may be affected by your proposed project. This list may change before your project is completed. Under 50 CFR 402.12(e) of the regulations implementing section 7 of the Act, the accuracy of this list should be verified after 90 days. The Service recommends that verification be completed by visiting the ECOS-IPaC website at regular intervals during project planning and implementation.

Bald and golden eagles are protected under the Bald and Golden Eagle Protection Act (16 U.S.C. 668 *et seq.*). Projects affecting these species may require development of an eagle conservation plan (http://www.fws.gov/windenergy/eagle_guidance.html).

Wind energy projects should follow the wind energy guidelines http://www.fws.gov/windenergy/ for minimizing impacts to migratory birds and bats.

Guidance for minimizing impacts of communcation towers on migratory birds can be found under the "Bird Hazards" tab at: <u>www.fws.gov/migratorybirds</u>.

Attachment(s):

Official Species List

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This list is provided pursuant to Section 7 of the Endangered Species Act, and fulfills the requirement for Federal agencies to "request of the Secretary of the Interior information whether any species which is listed or proposed to be listed may be present in the area of a proposed action".

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Project Summary

Consultation Code:	04EG1000-2020-SLI-1684
Event Code:	04EG1000-2020-E-03081
Project Name:	Suwannee Satilla Regional Water District
Project Type:	** OTHER **
Project Description:	To add to the knowledge base of our natural and threatened/endangered resources within the Suwannee Satilla Regional Water District (Southern Georgia Regional Commission Area of Responsibility).

Project Location:

Approximate location of the project can be viewed in Google Maps: <u>https://www.google.com/maps/place/31.105065572494574N82.69823514364859W</u>



Counties: Atkinson, GA | Bacon, GA | Ben Hill, GA | Berrien, GA | Brantley, GA | Brooks, GA | Charlton, GA | Clinch, GA | Coffee, GA | Cook, GA | Echols, GA | Irwin, GA | Lanier, GA | Lowndes, GA | Pierce, GA | Tift, GA | Turner, GA | Ware, GA

Endangered Species Act Species

There is a total of 14 threatened, endangered, or candidate species on this species list.

Species on this list should be considered in an effects analysis for your project and could include species that exist in another geographic area. For example, certain fish may appear on the species list because a project could affect downstream species.

IPaC does not display listed species or critical habitats under the sole jurisdiction of NOAA Fisheries¹, as USFWS does not have the authority to speak on behalf of NOAA and the Department of Commerce.

See the "Critical habitats" section below for those critical habitats that lie wholly or partially within your project area under this office's jurisdiction. Please contact the designated FWS office if you have questions.

1. NOAA Fisheries, also known as the National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), is an office of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration within the Department of Commerce.

Mammals

NAME	STATUS
 West Indian Manatee Trichechus manatus There is final critical habitat for this species. Your location is outside the critical habitat. This species is also protected by the Marine Mammal Protection Act, and may have additional consultation requirements. Species profile: <u>https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/4469</u> 	Threatened
Birds NAME	STATUS
Red-cockaded Woodpecker <i>Picoides borealis</i> No critical habitat has been designated for this species. Species profile: <u>https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/7614</u>	Endangered
Wood Stork <i>Mycteria americana</i> Population: AL, FL, GA, MS, NC, SC No critical habitat has been designated for this species. Species profile: <u>https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/8477</u>	Threatened

Reptiles

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NAME	STATUS
Eastern Indigo Snake Drymarchon corais couperi	Threatened
No critical habitat has been designated for this species.	
Species profile: <u>https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/646</u>	
Gopher Tortoise Gopherus polyphemus	Candidate
Population: eastern	
No critical habitat has been designated for this species.	
Species profile: <u>https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/6994</u>	
Amphibians	
NAME	STATUS
Frosted Flatwoods Salamander Ambystoma cingulatum	Threatened
There is final critical habitat for this species. Your location is outside the critical habitat.	
Species profile: <u>https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/4981</u>	
Clams	
NAME	STATUS
Altamaha Spinymussel Elliptio spinosa	Endangered
There is final critical habitat for this species. Your location overlaps the critical habitat.	
Species profile: <u>https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/6920</u>	
Gulf Moccasinshell Medionidus penicillatus	Endangered
There is final critical habitat for this species. Your location is outside the critical habitat.	C
Species profile: <u>https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/7663</u>	
Oval Pigtoe Pleurobema pyriforme	Endangered
There is final critical habitat for this species. Your location is outside the critical habitat.	0
Species profile: <u>https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/4132</u>	
Shinyrayed Pocketbook Lampsilis subangulata	Endangered
There is final critical habitat for this species. Your location is outside the critical habitat.	
Species profile: <u>https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/6517</u>	
Suwannee Moccasinshell Medionidus walkeri	Threatened
There is proposed critical habitat for this species. Your location overlaps the critical habitat.	Threatened
Species profile: <u>https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/533</u>	
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Flowering Plants

NAME	STATUS
Hairy Rattleweed <i>Baptisia arachnifera</i> No critical habitat has been designated for this species. Species profile: <u>https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/8029</u>	Endangered
Pondberry Lindera melissifolia No critical habitat has been designated for this species. Species profile: <u>https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/1279</u>	Endangered
Relict Trillium <i>Trillium reliquum</i> No critical habitat has been designated for this species. Species profile: <u>https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/8489</u>	Endangered

Critical habitats

There are 2 critical habitats wholly or partially within your project area under this office's jurisdiction.

NAME	STATUS
Altamaha Spinymussel <i>Elliptio spinosa</i> <u>https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/6920#crithab</u>	Final
Suwannee Moccasinshell <i>Medionidus walkeri</i> <u>https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/533#crithab</u>	Proposed