



Memorandum

To: Project File

From: Rebecca Jablon, AICP, LEED AP

Date: July 21, 2015

Subject: City of Minot CDBG-DR Program
Sunset Ridge Apartments Project

On July 16, 2015, following the completion of the Environmental Assessment, a response was received from the United States Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS). The USFWS determined that the project as described will have no significant impact on fish and wildlife resources.

This determination does not change the original environmental determination, and the original Finding of No Significant Impact is still valid.

June 30, 2015

Director
US Fish & Wildlife
3425 Miriam Ave
Bismarck, ND 58501-2096

Re: Sunset Ridge Apartments, Minot, North Dakota

To Whom It May Concern:

The City of Minot, North Dakota will be receiving Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds to be used for the construction of a thirty-five unit apartment complex. As federal funds are proposed to be utilized, your agency is given the opportunity to respond to any concerns or impact the proposed project may have with regard to environmental issues that relate to your agency.

The proposed project is within the City of Minot's corporate boundaries and will be located to the east of Kodiak Street, between Kodiak and Ramstad Middle School, between 36th Avenue NW and 35th Avenue NW. I have enclosed a number of items to aid in your determination of any impact to the environment. They include a preliminary engineering report describing the project and site location map.

The Souris Basin Planning Council is acting as the administrator of the CDBG funds and will answer any questions or provide additional information you require or will direct you to the proper resource for the answer. Please make any response you have to the above letterhead address. Your response is important, but if no response is given within thirty days, it will be assumed that your agency has determined the project will have no impact.

Sincerely,

Emily Brandt
Project Specialist

U.S. FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE
ND Ecological Services Field Office

Project as described is not expected to have significant impacts on fish and wildlife resources. Contact this office if changes to the project are made or new information becomes available.

July 13, 2015 
Date North Dakota State Supervisor

Jablon, Rebecca

From: Emily Brandt <emily@sourisbasin.org>
Sent: Thursday, July 16, 2015 2:16 PM
To: Jablon, Rebecca; Irwin, Randall L.
Subject: FW: 2015-CPA-0008 Sunset Ridge Apartments, Minot Response 07-16-15
Attachments: 2015-CPA-0008 Sunset Ridge Apartments, Minot Response 07-16-15.pdf

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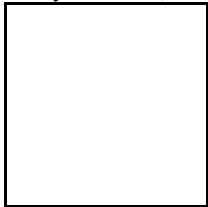
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From: kathy_stone@fws.gov [mailto:kathy_stone@fws.gov] **On Behalf Of** NDfieldoffice, FW6
Sent: Thursday, July 16, 2015 1:13 PM
To: Emily Brandt
Cc: US Fish and Wildlife Service; Terry Ellsworth
Subject: 2015-CPA-0008 Sunset Ridge Apartments, Minot Response 07-16-15

Please see attached. No hard copy to follow.

Thank you.

Kathy A. Stone, Administrative Support Assistant



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Bismarck, North Dakota 58501
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PHONE CONVERSATION LOG

Made By: Emily Brandt, Community Development Specialist
Date: July 2, 2015 **Time:** 11:00 AM
Talked With: Administrative Assistant
U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service
Phone Number: 701.250.4481

Discussion:

I asked the woman I spoke with if we could receive an expedited response, before July 8th. She then explained to me that they are currently short staffed due to losing an experience biologist and that they will not have a response out to me for ninety days.

Made By: Emily Brandt, Community Development Specialist
Date: July 7, 2015 **Time:** 1:00 PM
Talked With: Administrative Assistant
U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service
Phone Number: 701.250.4481

Discussion:

I followed up with them to see the status of the response and was once again reminded that they are short staffed and will have a response to us in ninety days.

Jablon, Rebecca

From: Emily Brandt <emily@sourisbasin.org>
Sent: Tuesday, July 21, 2015 9:38 AM
To: Jablon, Rebecca
Subject: FW: Sunset Ridge Environmental Review
Attachments: Fish & Wildlife Environmental Letter.doc; Map.pdf; Prelim Eng Report.pdf; Project Details.pdf

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From: Emily Brandt
Sent: Tuesday, June 30, 2015 10:44 AM
To: 'ndfieldoffice@fws.gov'
Subject: Sunset Ridge Environmental Review

The location for this project has been changed, so we must conduct another environmental review for this project. I have attached a new map and project details for you to review.

Please contact me if you have any questions or concerns at all.

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