

Figure 7, MDC Determination of No Effect  
(See attached)

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**Subject:** FW: Endangered Species Clearance Fountain Road Temporary Housing Site (UNCLASSIFIED)  
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Luke,

Thank you for seeking our input on state endangered species within the area proposed for temporary housing. A review of the Natural Heritage Database and other data layers for the 5.75 acre site in Section 26, T28N, R33W showed there are no state endangered species or species or high quality natural communities of conservation concern known to occur on the area. Based on the information in the database and other data sources and your description of the area, it is unlikely there will be impacts to state-listed species.

Should you complete a Natural Heritage Review of the site using the internet tool, you will learn the site is within the known range of the greater prairie chicken, gray bats and karst topography. However, while the site is within the range of these species, we have no nearby records of greater prairie chickens or gray bats, and the habitat does not appear suitable for either species to occur on the area. Additionally, from the photos, the area does not appear to have karst features (e.g., springs, sinkholes, cave openings) present.

If and when the land is returned to its previous use, you may wish to follow practices to minimize the potential for introducing or spreading invasive plant species on the area. Some additional information on ways to minimize the potential for this to occur is available at:

<http://mdc.mo.gov/landwater-care/plant-management/invasive-plant-management>

Thank you for the opportunity to review your project and provide input on best management practices to avoid and minimize impacts to Missouri's resources.

Please let me know if you have questions on this response or if I may be of further assistance.

Janet

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Luke:

I have looked at your map and photos of the proposed Fountain Road Temporary Housing Site and have concluded that there are no federally listed species at the project site. Therefore, this is a no effect determination under the ESA.. If you have any questions, please contact me at the address below.

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Subject: Endangered Species Clearance Fountain Road Temporary Housing Site (UNCLASSIFIED)

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I am requesting State & Federal Endangered Species (and species of concern) Clearance for a 5.75 acre site located at 310 East Fountain Road in Joplin, Missouri. The legal for this site is Section 26, Township 28 north, Range 33 west, Jasper County, Kansas. See attached aerial photograph and USGS Quad maps. At this site (the Fountain Road Temporary Housing Site) crabgrass is the dominant plant species, but white clover, Korean Lespedeza, and fescue were also noted. One very small micro depressional area was observed toward the north end of the property. This was a very small area, approximately 6 feet by 6 feet although the size might increase slightly during wet years. This site is outside any floodplains and there are no streams, drainages or channels present, so the small wetland would be isolated and non-jurisdictional for the purposes of Section 404 of the Clean Water Act.

Attached, site photo of proposed Fountain Road temporary housing site looking south and a photo of the small isolated wetland.

Please reviews the information furnished and provided Endangered Species Clearance for this site. I also ask if this request could be reviewed as soon as possible, due to the critical need for temporary housing by the victims of the May 22, 2011 Joplin Tornado. If you have any questions, please call me.

Thank You,

Luke M. Cory

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