

From: Bowman, Randal
To: [Brooke, Samantha](#)
Subject: Re: Handford Reach Economic Report
Date: Monday, August 07, 2017 2:02:23 PM

Thank you. Should be easy to incorporate.

On Mon, Aug 7, 2017 at 2:40 PM, Brooke, Samantha <samantha_brooke@fws.gov> wrote:
Hi Randy - here is the information you requested:

The Saddle Mountain NWR was established after signing a permit with DOE in 1971. The **attached MOU** states this was 32,000 acres. That permit transferred management responsibilities of the Wahluke Slope to the FWS (Saddle Mountain NWR) and the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife.

The agreement was updated in 1999 to modify the management responsibilities, so that all of the Wahluke Slope, except about 800 acres near the Vernita Bridge to be managed by WDFW, would be managed by FWS. This should be approximately 57,000 acres.

The Fitzner-Eberhardt Arid Lands Ecology Reserve (ALE) is 77,000 acres. The FWS assumed management of the ALE (resources for ecosystem protection and management) via a 1997 DOE permit and MOU.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thank you,
Samantha

On Sun, Aug 6, 2017 at 8:56 PM, Bowman, Randal <randal_bowman@ios.doi.gov> wrote:

Is this all that you want included on the prior management? If anything else, your folks would need to provide it, as our economists don't have ready access to that sort of information. Now that the subject is broached, it seems to me that it would be useful to cite acres for each area, to give a sense of how much of the current monument was managed by the Service prior to the Proclamation. I had forgotten about those areas.

On Fri, Aug 4, 2017 at 12:44 PM, Brooke, Samantha <samantha_brooke@fws.gov> wrote:

Hello Randy - apologies for the delay in providing comments. Our staff did not have any significant edits. The following minor suggestion was made:

- It would be useful to add some background information about the management history of the Monument. Specifically, it is important to mention that large portions of the Monument were already being managed by the FWS, under permit with DOE, prior to the issuance of Proclamation 7319. These areas include the Saddle Mountain NWR in 1971, the ALE in 1997, and remaining portions of the Wahluke Slope in 1999.

Thank you for the opportunity to review.

~Samantha

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