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Subject: Re: Review of public comments on DOI Monument Review
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All,

I just sent out license keys for [doi.discovertext.com](#). If you do not see it in your inbox, please look in your spam folder.

Subject: Enterprise License Key for DiscoverText

There are registration instructions. Once the registration is complete, you will get a peer request from my account. I will be acting as the data manager for the review. Assignments will come from my account to your personal DiscoverText account once the coding begins.

A note on terms: we refer to labeling (which some call tagging or annotation) as coding in the traditional qualitative sense. You might want to review a short video about the attributes of a good coder:

<https://vimeo.com/69834903>

I'm looking forward to working with you all to make this task as painless as possible.

Thanks,
~Stu

On Fri, May 26, 2017 at 6:59 PM, Bowman, Randal <randal_bowman@ios.doi.gov> wrote:

I've gotten your names from your bureaus as volunteers to help screen public comments on the National Monument Review - welcome aboard!.

Unfortunate glitches in the contracting process prevented us from getting started until late today (Friday). We are using a system called DiscoverText, which FWS has used for 7 years, to help analyze the comments and limit the number of comments anyone needs to directly review. I would like to schedule a one-hour webinar-type training session, which you can take from your desk or if you are teleworking, as long as you are using a government computer, on Wednesday May 31 at 10 am. For those who are on leave Wednesday, the training will be recorded and can be accessed when you return.

I will be working on the comments over the weekend, and hopefully my experience will give insights on applying the system to these particular types of comments that will save everyone else time and effort.

If you are not on leave Tuesday, please let know your availability for the training on Wednesday morning. You should also receive from our contractor information on how to

sign in to the system, for which you will receive your own initial code.

The request was for each team member to be available for one day per week, and I am advised that reviewers are generally more productive doing 2 half-day sessions rather than one all-day effort, so please plan accordingly.

Again, thank you for helping on this project.

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