

September 22, 2010

US Fish and Wildlife Service
Mr. Jeffrey Towner
Field Supervisor
3425 Miriam Avenue
Bismarck, ND 58501

Re: Proposed Oil Pipeline
Quintana Capital Group GP, Ltd.

Dear Mr. Towner:

Quintana Capital Group GP, Ltd (Quintana) filed a letter of intent with the North Dakota Public Service Commission (Commission) on June 9, 2010, for construction of a crude oil pipeline system. The proposed pipeline system consists of approximately 165 miles of 10 and 12-inch steel crude oil pipeline extending from multiple receipt points in McKenzie, Mountrail, and Williams Counties, North Dakota, to Watford City, North Dakota, and approximately 139 miles of 16-inch steel crude oil pipeline extending from Watford City, North Dakota, to an interconnect with the Keystone XL Pipeline System in Fallon County, Montana (see attached figure).

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McCain and Associates, Inc. (McCain) is submitting the following information regarding threatened and endangered (T&E) species in accordance with Section 7(a) (2) of the Endangered Species Act (ESA) of 1973, as well as information showing regard for and mitigation efforts made to comply with the Migratory Bird Treaty Act (MBTA), Executive Order 13186 and the Bald and Golden Eagle Protection Act (BGEPA).

Migratory Birds and Raptors

The proposed development may affect raptor and migratory bird species through direct mortality, habitat degradation, and/or displacement of individual birds. These impacts are regulated in part through the Migratory Bird Treaty Act (MBTA, 916 USC 703-711) and the Bald and Golden Eagle Protection Act (BGEPA).

At the time of this letter, a ground survey for existing raptor nests and general migratory bird habitat evaluation along the proposed route is being conducted. The results of the survey are not yet available; however, it is known that suitable nesting habitat for raptors and migratory birds exists within the proposed corridor.

If portions of the pipeline are to be constructed during the nesting season (February 1 - July 15) aerial and ground surveys for migratory birds (including raptors) and nests will again be conducted during the spring nesting season and before construction commences. Active and non-active golden and bald eagle nests will be avoided and a minimum ½-mile buffer between nests and the construction corridor will be maintained. Other raptor nests will be avoided to the extent possible and evaluated on a case-by-case basis in coordination with your office.

Areas identified as migratory bird nesting habitat will be mowed or grubbed in the fall and early spring to minimize the nesting of ground-nesting birds. An avian bird survey will be conducted five days prior to spring construction to determine if active nests are present. If nesting migratory birds are found, measures will be taken to protect the birds until fledged.

The proposed pipeline construction may have a net reduced effect on migratory bird and raptor incidental take due to reduced truck traffic in the project area over the life of the Bakken oil field development.

Critical Habitats

The ND Parks and Recreation Department (NDPRD) houses the North Dakota Natural Heritage biological conservation database. A review by the NDPRD will be done to determine if any current or historic plant or animal species of concern or other significant ecological communities are known to occur within an approximate one-mile radius of the project area. Critical habitats will be avoided to the extent possible and a minimum buffer of ½-mile will be maintained when possible.

Threatened and Endangered Species

Currently, six threatened and endangered species (TES), one Designated Critical Habitat, and one candidate species are known to historically occur along the proposed route (Table 1).

Table 1. Threatened, Endangered and Candidate Species

| Species | Status |
|---|---------------|
| Interior Least Tern | Endangered |
| Whooping Crane | Endangered |
| Black-footed Ferret | Endangered |
| Pallid Sturgeon | Endangered |
| Gray Wolf | Endangered |
| Piping Plover | Threatened |
| Dakota Skipper | Candidate |
| Designated Critical Habitat - Piping Plover | |

¹ USFWS (updated June 29, 2010)

As stated previously, field surveys are currently being conducted to evaluate potential habitat and the potential for the occurrence of these species. Species assessments and impact determinations have not been made; however, determinations will be forwarded to your office as soon as possible.

Streams and Rivers

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Wetlands

Wetlands will be avoided to the extent possible. Fill and above ground facilities will not be placed in wetlands. Wetlands delineations will be conducted during the next field season. Consultation with U.S. Fish and Wildlife (USFWS) wetland management districts is being conducted to determine if wetland easements exist along the route.

Grasslands

Consultation with USFWS field offices have identified no grassland easements along the proposed route. The proposed route does cross U.S. Forest Service (USFS) administered land and consultation with the USFS is being conducted..

Cumulative Impacts

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Fragmentation of native prairie habitat is a specific concern for grouse species, but the disturbance from pipeline installation is temporary and small in the landscape context. Trenches will be backfilled immediately after pipeline and utility installation and testing, waiting only if soils are overly wet or frozen. Final and complete reclamation will proceed immediately after construction is completed, and no later than by the next appropriate planting season (fall or spring).

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September 22, 2010

Mr. Paul J. Sweeney
Natural Resources Conservation Service
220 East Rosser Avenue
Federal Building, Room 270
Bismarck, ND 58501

**Re: Proposed Oil Pipeline
Quintana Capital Group GP, Ltd.**

Dear Mr. Sweeney:

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Mr. Daniel Cimarosti
North Dakota State Program Manager
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
1513 South 12th Street
Bismarck, ND 58504

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Mr. Dennis E. Breitzman
Dakotas Area Manager
Bureau of Reclamation
304 East Broadway Ave.
Bismarck, ND 58501

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October 13, 2010

Mr. Cathy Walsh
Medora Ranger District
Dakota Prairie Grasslands
99 23rd Ave W Ste B
Dickinson, ND 58601

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Dear Ms. Walsh:

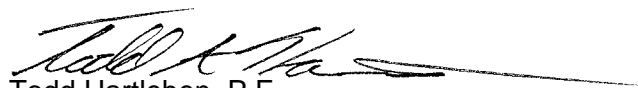
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Mr. Kim Grotte
Pipeline Technician
McKenzie Ranger District
Dakota Prairie Grasslands
1901 So. Main St.
Watford City, ND 58854-6705

**Re: Proposed Oil Pipeline
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Ms. Valerie J. Naylor
Superintendent
Theodore Roosevelt National Park
P.O. Box 7
Medora, ND 58645-0007

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The proposed pipeline does not cross land administered by the National Park Service; however, it does cross land adjacent to the North Unit of Theodore Roosevelt National Park. We can forward a GIS shapefile of the most current route upon request.

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Francis G. Ziegler, P.E.
North Dakota Department of Transportation
608 East Boulevard Avenue
Bismarck, ND 58505-0700

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Mr. Mike McKenna
North Dakota Game and Fish Department
Conservation & Communication Division
100 North Bismarck Expressway
Bismarck, ND 58501

**Re: Proposed Oil Pipeline
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Ms. Kathy Duttonhefner
North Dakota Parks and Recreation
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Bismarck, ND 58503-0649

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McCain and Associates is requesting comments on the proposed pipeline in regard to species of concern and other biological resources. Consultation with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and North Dakota Game and Fish Department are being conducted concurrently.

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Mr. Dave Glatt
North Dakota Department of Health
Environmental Health Section
918 East Divide Avenue
Bismarck, ND 58501-1947

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October 10, 2010

Mr. Larry Taborsky, Director
N.D. Aeronautics Commission
2301 University Drive
Building 1652-22
PO Box 5020
Bismarck ND 58502

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Bismarck, ND 58506-5507 USA

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Mr. Scott Davis
North Dakota Indian Affairs Commission
State Capitol Building
600 East Boulevard Avenue
1st Floor, Judicial Wing - Room #117
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October 10, 2010

Office of Governor John Hoeven
State of North Dakota
600 East Boulevard Avenue
Bismarck, North Dakota 58505-0001

**Re: Proposed Oil Pipeline
Quintana Capital Group GP, Ltd.**

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October 10, 2010

Mr. Paul Lucy, Director
Economic Development & Finance Division
P.O. Box 2057
Bismarck, North Dakota 58502-2057

**Re: Proposed Oil Pipeline
Quintana Capital Group GP, Ltd.**

Dear Mr. Lucy:

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October 10, 2010

ND Dept of Human Services
600 East Boulevard Avenue
Dept 325
Bismarck N.D. 58505-0250

**Re: Proposed Oil Pipeline
Quintana Capital Group GP, Ltd.**

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October 10, 2010

Mr. Wayne Stenehjem, Attorney General
State Capitol
600 E. Boulevard Ave.
Dept. 125
Bismarck, ND 50505

**Re: Proposed Oil Pipeline
Quintana Capital Group GP, Ltd.**

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October 10, 2010

Mr. Doug Goehring
ND Dept of Agriculture
600 E Boulevard Ave
Dept 602
Bismarck, ND 58505-0020

**Re: Proposed Oil Pipeline
Quintana Capital Group GP, Ltd.**

Dear Mr. Goehring:

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October 12, 2010

Mr. Scott Hochhalter
State Soil Specialist
NDSU Extension Service
2718 Gateway Ave., Suite 104
Bismarck, ND 58503

**Re: Proposed Oil Pipeline
Quintana Capital Group GP, Ltd.**

To Mr. Hochhalter:

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September 22, 2010

Mr. Justin Kringstad
ND Pipeline Authority
State Capitol 14th Floor
600 E. Boulevard Ave. Dept. 405
Bismarck, ND 58505-0840

**Re: Proposed Oil Pipeline
Quintana Capital Group GP, Ltd.**

Dear Mr. Kringstad:

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October 10, 2010

Mr. Wayne Kutzer
ND Dept. of Career and Technical Education
600 East Boulevard Avenue
Dept. 270
Bismarck, ND 58505-0610

**Re: Proposed Oil Pipeline
Quintana Capital Group GP, Ltd.**

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October 12, 2010

Mr. Todd Sando P.E.
North Dakota State Water Commission
900 East Boulevard Avenue, Dept 770
Bismarck, ND 58505-0850

**Re: Proposed Oil Pipeline
Quintana Capital Group GP, Ltd.**

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Mr. Paul Govig, Director
ND Division of Community Services
1600 East Century Avenue, Suite 2
PO Box 2057
Bismarck, ND 58502-2057

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October 10, 2010

Mr. Mike Brand
ND State Land Dept.
PO Box 5523
Bismarck, ND 58506-5523

**Re: Proposed Oil Pipeline
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| Section | Township | Range |
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| 36 | 155 | 94 |
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