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Hi Diane.

EC is requesting some additional information regarding terrestrial wildlife. I don't think any of these questions are worthy of formal IRs, particularly since they are in relation to existing IRs and OPG responses. That being said, although I am comfortable with requesting this additional information via e-mail, this e-mail will be sent to the JRP for posting onto the CEA Registry. Accordingly, your response should be submitted for posting to the Registry, as well.

The following additional information is being requested:

- Confirm whether or not the Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources suspects that Western Chorus Frog (SARA THR) is present in the Local Study Area or the DGR Project Area. Western Chorus Frog was recorded on the Bruce Nuclear Site in 2009 (Attachment 2, IR# EIS-01-15, p. 10, para. 5).
- Confirm whether or not the Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources suspects Eastern Milksnake (SARA SC) to be present in the Local Study Area or the DGR Project Area. OPG states *'there is a possibility that eastern milksnake could be using the cultural habitat found on the DGR Project site such as....'*, but further state that milksnakes have not been found and that there are no adverse effects on population(s) of Eastern Milksnake within the Local Study Area (Attachment 2, IR# EIS-01-15, p. 4, para. 4). If milksnakes *'could be using'* the site then they *'could be'* present and there *'could be'* adverse effects. If milksnakes are present (or have potential to be present), EC recommends that mitigation measures for this species be outlined.
- Confirm whether or not the Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources (OMNR) suspects that Queen Snake is present at the DGR site. Confirming OMMR's opinion with respect to this species is important; while it may not be considered extant in the COSEWIC status report assessment, a future recovery action might involve verifying species' presence at historic sites (one of these being the Local Study Area).
- Provide the survey protocols for Whip-poor-will that have been *"established by OMNR"* (Attachment 2, IR# EIS-01-15, p. 15, para. 1).

EC notes that, for other SAR species, OPG indicates OMNR's opinion as to whether or not the species is present in the Local Study Area and/or the DGR Project Area. We would appreciate the same consideration be applied for the other SAR species, hence the requests made above.

If you have any questions or require any clarifications, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Regards,

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