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September 30, 2011

Tom Knudson  
The Sacramento Bee  
P.O. Box 15779, 2100 Q Street  
Sacramento, CA 95852

Dear Mr. Knudson:

This is in response to your August 6, 2011, Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request for copies of all documents, e-mails, reports, memos and correspondence pertaining to the non-target, take of a bald eagle in North Dakota in 2003 with M44. Your request was received in this office on August 9, 2011, and assigned case number FOIA 11-734. We apologize for the delay of the processing of your request.

Wildlife Services' employees conducted a thorough search of their files and located 31 pages of responsive records contained on the enclosed CD-ROM s. However, personal privacy information such as names and addresses have been withheld under FOIA Exemption 6, 5 U.S.C. § 552(b)(6). This exemption protects information from disclosure when its release would cause a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy. The release of this information will not shed any light on Government operations. Specifically, we have withheld the names of contact people and cooperators.

You may appeal our partial denial of this information. If you choose to appeal, your appeal must be in writing and must be received within 45 days of the date of this letter to:

Administrator  
Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service  
Ag Box 3401  
Washington, DC 20250-3401

Please refer to FOIA 11-734 in your appeal letter and add the words "FOIA Appeal" to the front of the envelope. To assist the Administrator in reviewing your appeal, provide specific reasons why you believe modification of the determination is warranted.

We were able to locate records which were referred to the United States Fish & Wildlife Services (FWS) because the records were under that agency's jurisdiction. There were four pages of responsive records which originated from FWS. The responsive records were directed to the following contact/address for processing:

Teri Jackson  
FWS FOIA Office  
Division of Information Resources  
and Technology Management  
4401 N. Fairfax Drive, Suite 380  
Arlington, VA. 22203



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FOIA 11-734

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The fees pertaining to this request have been waived. If you have any questions concerning this request, please contact Mr. Robbie Perry of my staff on (301) 734-8696.

Sincerely,

*Katy Vignoni for:*

Tonya Woods  
Director  
Freedom of Information & Privacy Act  
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Enclosure