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**Cc:** Cathy Marcinkevage; Barbara Byrne - NOAA Federal; Ian Smith; Garwin.Yip@noaa.gov; Pinero, Janice A; Nelson, Benjamin  
**Subject:** Re: EFH Analysis update

Thanks for the update, Josh. I would say that he should target this Friday for a draft with a list of questions that he has for moving forward. The EFH analysis depends, in large part, on the effects analysis and the EFH Conservation Recommendations often re-iterate the habitat-related terms and conditions, so we will look at where he is with the draft and also look at his questions to determine if there is more work that could be undertaken right now, or if, perhaps, we might want to wait until the effects and conditions are flushed out in more detail to wrap up the EFH part. Maybe we should have a short call next Monday afternoon.  
Howard

On Mon, Apr 8, 2019 at 2:54 PM Israel, Joshua <[jaisrael@usbr.gov](mailto:jaisrael@usbr.gov)> wrote:  
Barb and Howard,

Ian and I met this morning in preparation for our coordination meeting on the draft EFH analysis this afternoon. It was canceled, which probably works out, but we will need to meet sometime this week for a short discussion.

Ian is making good progress, but of course would like more time. I have told him we can clear up the rest of his time so he can have full time to work on the draft and provided him with other options to get the work done on your schedule. Can you please confirm that you would like a draft of what has been done at COB Friday or is sharing something on Monday or Tuesday an option?

Also, he is getting close to having as much of the document drafted as feasible without getting a copy of the draft EA to ensure he is analyzing the proposed action in an accurate way based on the EA's review of the proposed action. He will be sharing some specific questions requiring follow up from you to complete writing these sections. He expects to be in touch tomorrow and we would like to set up a short call (<30m) so he can continue towards finishing the document by the end of the week. More soon on this topic.

Well keep you updated, Josh

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