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Sent: Friday, March 23, 2018 11:06 AM
To: **Whitney Wilkinson**
Cc: Convery, Abigail
Subject: [External] Re: Ventura County Corridors Request

Hi Whitney,

Just reading this fully now, sorry about that. Maybe we could schedule a time to talk next week, about what you're needing, and how we could try to help you? I'm pretty open next week at this point.

Thanks,

Seth

On Wed, Mar 14, 2018 at 9:50 AM, Whitney Wilkinson <wwilkinson@reconenvironmental.com> wrote:

Hey Seth,

I hope you got my voicemail a couple months back—I appreciated your kind message. As it turns out, I am still working on the Ventura County Wildlife Corridor Project as a consultant (yay!). I am writing the Staff Report for the Planning Commission Hearing that I believe is scheduled for May. In reading the research available online, it's obvious the biggest obstacle to movement are the freeways which the County has no control over. But, I'm hopeful that by showing that animal movement is happening in VC that we can convince the Board that small increases in regulations on fencing, lighting, buffers from streams and roadway crossings and the clustering of development in certain critical areas are justified. We are still trying to finalize the ordinance—but I am hoping you can help me with some info/data needs for the report. NPS has great info online on the mountain lions moving mostly through LA County. I seemed to remember that in your presentation to the Planning Division, you had animal movement data specific to Ventura County.

Can we discuss using some of your data? Ideally if we could use your spatial data to make our own maps, this would be easiest and best. But if you don't feel comfortable sharing your GPS data, maybe you can share images/figures of maps with animal point observations you/NPS has made? I'd like to reference or even show this data as a justification for the regulations in the ordinance. I'd like to show the animal movement that is happening in Ventura County—specifically in the Tierra Rejada Valley, Bell Canyon, Box Canyon, and the Santa Susana Knolls if possible. Do you know of animal movement data in the Oak View area? These are the areas we have pinpointed as being critical to movement within the County unincorporated areas.