



# Environmental Consultation Organizer (ECO) Public Portal Frequently Asked Questions Sheet

## Account Creation

**Question:** How do I create an account and login to the ECO Public Portal?

**Answer:** See Instruction Guide linked here for [Federal Agency Users](#) and [General Public Users](#)

## Finding Consultation Documents

**Question:** Where can I find Biological Opinions?

**Answer:** [The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration \(NOAA\) Institutional Repository](#). Tips on searching the NOAA Institutional Repository can be found at the following link: <https://repository.library.noaa.gov/help>. If you are looking for a biological opinion from an Endangered Species Action (ESA) section 7 consultation completed before 2019 that is not available in ECO, you may send an email with specific details regarding the consultation to [NMFS.Historic.Consultations@noaa.gov](mailto:NMFS.Historic.Consultations@noaa.gov).

**Question:** Where can I find Letters of Concurrence?

**Answer:** Letters of Concurrence for completed Informal ESA or Combined consultations can be found within their respective ECO record under “ESA Completion Details” (See screenshot below).

SERO-2016-00434 Details

**Details**

<b>Working Title</b> Army Permit No. SAJ-2014-394 (201400394) - Thomas & Louisa Isaacs - Dredge Project	<b>Region</b> SERO	<b>FAST-41 Project</b> <input type="radio"/> No
<b>Request Received</b> Mar 21, 2016	<b>Division</b> Protected Resources Division (PRD)	<b>One Federal Decision</b> <input type="radio"/> No
<b>PCTS Number</b> SER-2016-17839	<b>Branch</b> N/A	

**Consultation Information**

**Date Initiated** Nov 7, 2016  
**Due Date** Jan 6, 2017

Consultation Category	Sub-Category	Type
Informal	N/A	N/A

**ESA Completion Details**

**Date of Conclusion** 1/6/2017

Letter of Concurrence [17839\\_Signed](#)

## Question: Where can I find Essential Fish Habitat (EFH) Consultation Letters?

**Answer:** EFH Consultation Letters can be found within ECO records under “EFH Completion Details” (See screenshot below).

WCRO-2021-00056 Details

**Details**

**Working Title** City of West Sacramento Broadway Bridge Construction Project  
**Request Received** Jan 7, 2021

**Region** WCRO  
**Division** California Central Valley Office (CCVO)  
**Branch** Sacramento River

**FAST-41 Project** No  
**One Federal Decision** No

**Consultation Information**

**Date Initiated** Feb 11, 2021  
**Due Date** Jul 18, 2021

Consultation Category	Sub-Category	Type
Formal	N/A	N/A

**ESA Completion Details**


**Date of Conclusion** 7/13/2021  
**Document Title** City of West Sacramento Broadway Bridge Construction Project

**Incidental Take Statement** Reasonable and Prudent Measure(s)

**EFH Completion Details**

**Consultation Letter** 2021-07-13\_City-of-West-Sacramento-Broadway-Bridge-Project-BIOP508-SIGNED  
**Was Offset or Compensatory Mitigation Recommended?** No. Compensatory Mitigation was Included in the Project Proposal

**NMFS Conclusion** Would Adversely Affect: EFH Conservation Recommendations Provided  
**Date response provided to Action Agency** Jul 13, 2021



## Record Search Capabilities


**Question:** After performing a search, how can I modify my search results without resetting the search filters I originally selected?

**Answer:** Search results can be modified by selecting “Return to Search”. After selecting this, users will be returned to the ECO Record Search Form and the original filters that were selected will be maintained.

<a href="#">PIRO-2021-01544</a>	EFH	Maintenance dredging - Kaunakakai Harbor	PIRO	Open
<a href="#">PIRO-2021-01543</a>	EFH	Maintenance Dredging - Kahului Harbor	PIRO	Open
<a href="#">PIRO-2021-01527</a>	EFH	NPDES Permit Reissue for Wake Island Water Plant	PIRO	Completed
<a href="#">PIRO-2021-01416</a>	EFH	ONMS Research Cruises to PMNM	PIRO	Completed
<a href="#">PIRO-2021-01396</a>	EFH	Kaneohe Bay Meteorological Station	PIRO	Completed
<a href="#">PIRO-2021-01351</a>	EFH	Invasive Brown Treesnake Eradication on Cocos Island, Guam	PIRO	Completed
<a href="#">PIRO-2021-01279</a>	EFH	USACE Removal of Seahawk #68 grounded vessel POH-2020-00160	PIRO	Completed
<a href="#">PIRO-2021-01278</a>	EFH	U.S. DOT MARAD projects for American Samoa	PIRO	Completed
<a href="#">PIRO-2021-01143</a>	ESA - Informal	USFWS Ground Truthing of Satellite Imagery	PIRO	Completed
<a href="#">PIRO-2021-01136</a>	EFH	NMFS Deep Sea Coral Research and Technology Program PMNM and AmSam Falkor Research	PIRO	Completed


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[Generate Excel Document](#)

[RETURN TO SEARCH](#) 

**Question: After viewing a record in ECO, how do I return to the search results?**

**Answer:** To return to the search results from a consultation record, select “Return to Results” located at the bottom of the screen.

<input type="checkbox"/> EFH Information	
Priority Project? No	Existing Procedure? Yes
NEPA Cooperating Agency No	After the Fact Consultation No
Habitat Details	
Habitat	
Substrate (Silt/Mud, Estuarine)	
EFH Impact	
EFH Impacted	Species/Other
Fishery Management Plan	South Atlantic Southeast Regional Fishery Management Plans
Impact to HAPCs? No	
 <a href="#">RETURN TO RESULTS</a>	

## Consultation Assistance

**Question: Where can I find spatial data associated with EFH and/or protected resources that overlap with my project area?**

**Answer:** Please see the link to the EFH mapper [here](#). For spatial data for ESA-listed resources, visit the following links below:

[Critical Habitat Data](#)

[NMFS Alaska Regional ESA Species Regional Mapper](#)

[NMFS Greater Atlantic Region ESA Section 7 Mapper](#)

[NMFS West Coast Regional Office Protected Species Mapper](#)

[NMFS Southeast Region Office ESA Section 7 Mapper](#)

**Question: Where can I direct questions for consultation assistance (either nationally or regionally)?**

**Answer:** Questions regarding consultations can be submitted to the appropriate [ESA Section 7 Consultation Coordinator](#) or [EFH Coordinator](#) for the regional or national office located in your project area.