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Energy Facilities Siting and	FILE: 09-AFC-7C (Compliance Proceeding)		
Environmental Protection Division	Project Title: Palen Solar Power Project		
E-MAIL: Telephone:	Meeting Location		
NAME: Carol Watson	Date Ap 2013	ril 22,	Time 4:38pm
WITH: Interagency Meeting: participants listed below			
SUBJECT: Palen Solar Power Project			
From: Pagel, Joel [mailto:joel_pagel@fws.gov] Sent: Monday, April 22, 2013 4:38 PM To: Bill Haas; Watson, Carol@Energy; Pete Sorensen; Magdalena Rodriguez Cc: Fraser, Jody; Tom Dietsch (thomas_dietsch@fws.gov) Subject: Re: eBird data from 8 - 10 April 2013			
Hi,			
I just wanted to add to this account that on the day of the field trip (10 April 2013; Winds N, 10-15 mph, 0% cc, 75 degrees, ca. 1030 am), we (FWS, CEC, BLM) saw at least 8 Turkey Vultures, one Red-tailed Hawk, and one dark phase Ferruginous Hawk located on or very near to the Palen northern project boundary. The TUVU's appeared to be flying towards the west and could have been migratory; the RTHA appears to be resident, as it was in the same area, using the same perches, when it was seen on a prior field trip (20 March 2013). The FEHA was noted on the northern part of the project boundary, and it flew further north towards the southern portion of the Palen Mountains.			
We spoke with Zack Olmsby, a Bloom Biological employee, who informed us that he had seen a light phase Ferruginous Hawk in the morning. He also indicated that Dr. Bloom had done the first of the helicopter reconnaissance for Golden Eagles for the Palen project on 09 April, and that the raptor observers at the Palen site employed by Bloom Biological had started two days prior, on monday, 08 April 2013.			
Thanks,			
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