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#### Step 6. "No Effect" Determination and Documentation

Your project does not involve removal of any native vegetation and entails one of the following activities:

- Addition of communication-related devices to existing tower structures, along with any associated equipment, within existing disturbed areas (e.g., manicured lawns, active agricultural fields, paved, graveled, or otherwise unvegetated areas that do not require impacts to trees)
- Construction of new or existing towers, antennas and associated equipment installed on or in existing buildings, rooftops, billboards, basements, or bridges, or located in previously disturbed areas (e.g. manicured lawns, active agricultural fields, paved, graveled, or otherwise unvegetated areas that do not require impacts to trees).
- Expansion of tower compounds in previously disturbed areas (e.g. manicured lawns, active agricultural fields, paved, graveled, or otherwise unvegetated areas that do not require impacts to trees).

Based on these factors, a "No Effect" determination is appropriate because the project will not remove suitable habitat for any listed species and/or no habitat disturbance is anticipated. Hence, no listed species or designated critical habitat is anticipated to be directly or indirectly affected by this action.

To document your section 7 review and "no effect" determination, we recommend that you print this page (go to File<Print Preview), fill-in the project name and date, attach your species list, and file in your administrative record.

Telecommunications Project:

Naperville Springbrook / IL-00-5717

Date:

5/23/17

You have fulfilled your Endangered Species Act responsibilities, but your project may still affect migratory birds, which are protected under the <u>Migratory Bird Treat Act</u>. To reduce the potential for your project to harm migratory birds, please read and follow the <u>Service's Telecommunications</u> Tower Guidelines.

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