

**From:** Van Houten, William  
**To:** [Bowman, Randal](#)  
**Subject:** Re: Review of National Monuments - DoD input  
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Randal,

Very helpful, and confusing. Last week, Ron Tickle in the Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense (Energy, Installations and Environment) sent out a memo to all the Services to coordinate the effort. I will run this down.

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On Fri, Jun 2, 2017 at 3:39 PM, Bowman, Randal <[randal\\_bowman@ios.doi.gov](mailto:randal_bowman@ios.doi.gov)> wrote:

Thank you - I believe we met in the cafeteria a while back, with Twinkle Thompson.

I was in touch early in the monument review process with John Pierson, Office of the Assistant Secretary of the Navy for Environment, who is the lead Navy staff for the National Ocean Council, which I was previously involved with.

It is my understanding that he was authorized to represent all of DOD on the review issue, and is a member of the DOI monument review team. I suggest you contact him before proceeding further:

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On Fri, Jun 2, 2017 at 3:24 PM, Van Houten, William  
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Sir:

I am on a long term detail to the ASLM Office from the Department of Defense as the DoD/DOI Liaison. In this capacity, I work issues of concern between the two Departments. I sit in BLM spaces at Main Interior so as to improve communication.

I have been working with the DoD to ensure that they consider your subject federal register notice, both from a military mission impact as well as possible environmental consequences. Any assistance you might be able to provide in terms of how we can frame responses to be most useful would be appreciated.. I would aim for the inputs to be specific as to impacts and locations within the monuments.

DoD is working on a consolidated response (versus individual comments coming in from multiple organizations, such as the Military Departments or individual installations). Consolidation will allow a review in the Office of the Secretary of Defense and a



consistency in approach. Even with this approach, you may still get individual comments.

Would it be helpful to set up a call with the DoD lead for this? Is there some other way I can assist?

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