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The U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service (USFWS) Information for Planning and Consultation (IPaC) was recently updated. The Monarch Butterfly (*Danaus plexippus*) is being generated as a candidate species to notify users it could be listed in the future. Candidate species are those where USFWS has enough information to propose for listing (listing is warranted) but has not yet published a listing proposal. At this time no additional or separate coordination is required with INDOT or USFWS.

If the listing status changes, INDOT and USFWS will send out additional information and guidance on how to coordinate and receive a Section 7 determination for impacts to the Monarch Butterfly and its habitat. There may be some language about general best management practices recommendations appearing in coordination responses from USFWS. Those recommendations should be included as For Consideration commitments if they are applicable to the project and considered during the projects design.

IPaC will be receiving ongoing updates. Remember to direct questions and coordination to INDOT. Coordination with USFWS will be led by INDOT ESD staff.

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