

CHAPTER XII: REINITIATION-CLOSING STATEMENT

This concludes formal consultation on the Modified Idaho Roadless Rule. As provided in 50 CFR §402.16, reinitiation of formal consultation is required where discretionary Federal agency involvement or control over the action has been retained (or is authorized by law) and if: 1) the amount or extent of incidental take is exceeded; 2) new information reveals effects of the agency action that may affect listed species or critical habitat in a manner or to an extent not considered in this Opinion; 3) the agency action is subsequently modified in a manner that causes an effect to the listed species or critical habitat not considered in this Opinion; or 4) a new species is listed or critical habitat designated that may be affected by the action. Specifically, if the USFS changes the proposed action (MIRR) in the final rule such that it differs from the action described in the final Assessment of September 12, 2008 and reflected in this Opinion, then the USFS should contact the Service to discuss the need to reinitiate consultation. The Service's analysis and conclusions in this consultation are predicated on the standards contained in the existing LRMPs. Should these existing LRMPs or the standards contained therein change, reinitiation of consultation on the MIRR may be necessary. In instances where the amount or extent of incidental take is exceeded, any operations causing such take must cease pending reinitiation.