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Scott just chatted me one of the questions that we should expect. Why is the map in the rule different than the state plan?

Here's my off the cuff response: The map is for informational purposes. The state plan is the operational plan for releases and delineates where release may occur. This is a draft rule and the state plan is not final and provided a larger area (to the state borders) to help the public understand where wolves are likely to be initially.

We can chat about whether to add: Also, if wolves leave Colorado and are returned, the state may not want to transport the animal back to the initial release areas.

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Thanks Nicole, happy to provide any further feedback or information as needed on my end.

Including the fully cleared Q&As here as well if helpful in crafting these materials: [Q&As_CO](#)

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I acknowledge that I work and live in the lands of the Ute, Arapaho, Cheyenne, and Očhéthi Šakówiŋ (Lakota, Dakota, and Nakota) Tribes.

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Hey all. Lauren and Kurt, here are a few thoughts on revisions to the public meeting powerpoint.

Overall, please think about what we want people to walk out of the meeting knowing about the rule and DEIS. Seems like the following are important points that should shape the presentation.

- Our intent is to provide the regulatory framework for the state plan, tribes, and others to be able to manage conflicts with authorization for take in limited circumstances. Without the experimental population rule, the ESA has limited authorization for take.
- This rule is consistent with previous rules and our experience with reintroductions in the Northern Rockies.
- Not every wolf causes conflict. However, some do. We cannot always predict where or when conflicts could or will occur.
- The rule provides the framework and flexibility to for the vast majority of conflicts we've seen and experienced in the last 30 years of wolf conservation.
- We want the presentation to represent all interests, so think about those that may be opposed to take authorization.

Scott and Joe, please weigh in if you see additional or different main points we want to get across in the meetings.

I think we should modify the 10j CPW plan differences slide to look more like the banner/poster. What the state plan does. What our rule does.

Given the interest in the ungulate provision, it may make sense to add a slide describing the ungulate provision and the feedback we are seeking.

Seems like we should add a few Q&As to the end of the presentation.

Reporting requirements and permits from both FWS and Colorado?

The rule is designed to delegate management to the state or tribes and we do not expect reporting would be required to both FWS and Colorado.

How is a population defined? Do we have a population in Colorado? Under what circumstances would DEIS alternative 2 be implemented?

What other Q&A should we include? Maybe check the communications plan or think about the questions we get to walk through a few of these at the end of the presentation.

Thanks for all your work. Text me if something comes up or if you have questions while I'm out this week.

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