From: Nolin, Chris
To: Noreen Walsh
Cc: Matthew Huggler
Subject: Re: House Member Sage-Grouse Briefing
Date: Tuesday, January 13, 2015 12:31:54 PM

Thanks, there was an earlier, more specific letter, but I'll try to find out the scope of their interest.

On Tuesday, January 13, 2015, Noreen Walsh <noreen_walsh@fws.gov> wrote:

> It really depends – if this is specific to NV than Ren and his folks are all that is needed. If not, we might need to reevaluate. The 12/4 letter is pretty open ended but folks may have had conversations that narrow the field of interest?
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> **From:** Nolin, Chris [mailto:chris_nolin@fws.gov]
> **Sent:** Tuesday, January 13, 2015 11:23 AM
> **To:** Noreen Walsh
> **Cc:** Huggler, Matthew
> **Subject:** Fwd: House Member Sage-Grouse Briefing
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> Do you think you need to be present for a meeting with Dan and Rep. Amidst on sage grouse? It has to do with why we need conservation on private lands in NV, but may reach other issues. Chairman Calvert now wants to host.
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> Thanks
> ---------- Forwarded message ----------
> From: **Lohoefener, Ren** <ren_lohoefener@fws.gov>
> Date: Tuesday, January 13, 2015
> Subject: House Member Sage-Grouse Briefing
> To: "Nolin, Chris" <chris_nolin@fws.gov>
> Cc: Matthew Huggler <matthew_huggler@fws.gov>, Jocelyn Hunn <Jocelyn_Hunn@fws.gov>
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> If it turns into something bigger, then I suspect we will need Noreen Walsh and her folks.....
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> For me it would be either the 2nd or last week of February.....

Ren

On Tue, Jan 13, 2015 at 10:05 AM, Nolin, Chris <chris_nolin@fws.gov> wrote:

Looks like it is turning into something bigger. Do you have some February dates that would work?

On Tuesday, January 13, 2015, Lohoefener, Ren <ren_lohoefener@fws.gov> wrote:

Reclamation has lead on the water meetings, so far as I know they are all on 1/27.

The Amodei and McCarthy meetings were originally just me, my folks, and perhaps Gary F. or someone from his staff. My office has not responded either Amodei or McCarthy with firm days/times.

If the Amodei meeting turns into something bigger, then we need to rethink the January dates as 1/28-29 is only 2 weeks from now.

Ren

On Tue, Jan 13, 2015 at 9:35 AM, Matthew Huggler <matthew_huggler@fws.gov> wrote:

Ren,

Just so we are all on the same page, we are moving forward with scheduling McCarthy and Amodei?

You guys already more or less have the other water meetings set?

Anything else I am missing?

- Matt

On Jan 13, 2015, at 12:26 PM, Lohoefener, Ren <ren_lohoefener@fws.gov> wrote:

Chris

We have been coordinating with Matt. Right now it would have to be 1/28 or 1/29 for it to work with my January travel.

Ren

On Tue, Jan 13, 2015 at 9:23 AM, Nolin, Chris <chris_nolin@fws.gov> wrote:

When did you say you were going to be here? Can we fit this in? I will coordinate with Ros and Thomas on Dan's availability. Will we need a pre-brief for him too? Thanks.
---------- Forwarded message ----------
From: **Benjamin, Darren** <Darren.Benjamin@mail.house.gov>
Date: Tuesday, January 13, 2015
Subject: House Member Sage-Grouse Briefing
To: Kristen Sarri <kristen_sarri@ios.doi.gov>, Olivia Ferriter <olivia_ferriter@ios.doi.gov>
Cc: "LesStrang, Dave" <Dave.LesStrang@mail.house.gov>, Denise Flanagan <denise_flanagan@ios.doi.gov>, "chris_nolin@fws.gov" <chris_nolin@fws.gov>, Linda Smith <lhsmith@blm.gov>

Per Mr. Amodei's December 4, 2014, letter to FWS Regional Director Ren Lohoefner requesting a member-level sage-grouse briefing (attached): Chairman Calvert supports this briefing and wants to host it in B-308 Rayburn. Given the positions of the members copied on the letter, I'm guessing this will be something that Director Ashe, Director Kornze, and/or officials in the Department would also want to participate in. They would certainly be welcome. Can we work together to set this up for February?

Thanks,

Darren

Darren Benjamin

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