From:	Leith Edgar
To:	Robert Segin
Subject:	RE: New message from Contact Us form
Date:	Monday, April 08, 2013 10:54:26 AM

OK, thanks.

From: Robert Segin [mailto:robert_segin@fws.gov]
Sent: Monday, April 08, 2013 11:43 AM
To: Leith Edgar
Subject: RE: New message from Contact Us form

Nope but will....

From: Leith Edgar [mailto:leith_edgar@fws.gov]
Sent: Monday, April 08, 2013 11:33 AM
To: Robert Segin
Subject: FW: New message from Contact Us form

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From: Vanessa Kauffman [mailto:vanessa_kauffman@fws.gov]
Sent: Friday, April 05, 2013 8:45 AM
To: Leith Edgar; Robert Segin
Subject: FW: New message from Contact Us form

This came to me, so sending on to you if you wish to reply. Thanks much.

Best,
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From: Contact2, FWHQ [mailto:contact2@fws.gov]
Sent: Thursday, April 04, 2013 7:57 AM
To: Vanessa Kauffman
Subject: Fwd: New message from Contact Us form

Regards,

Customer Service Center - Tier II
U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service

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From: <lindaluvscats@msn.com>
Date: Wed, Apr 3, 2013 at 7:44 PM
Subject: New message from Contact Us form
To: contact2@fws.gov

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From: lindaluvscats@msn.com
First Name: Linda
Last Name: Amundson
State: AZ
Country: US

As a U.S. resident who is deeply concerned about the survival of the last remaining wolverines in the Rocky Mountain States, I thank you for your intent to protect wolverines under the Endangered Species Act.

I understand that Montana's state wildlife agency, the Department of Fish, Wildlife and Parks (MTFWP), is opposed to the listing of the wolverines and that the agency wants to continue furbearer trapping within wolverine habitat.

I urge you not to allow this to happen. Wolverines are currently threatened with extinction due to climate change, and also due to recreational trapping, even when they are not targeted. There are a mere 300 wolverines left, with an "effective population" size of fewer than 40 individuals.

Wolverines have huge territories, and as researchers often state, "wolverines are always on the move," which makes them extremely vulnerable to encounter indiscriminate and baited, deadly traps and snares. Studies in Montana have shown that a large number of female wolverines are pregnant when trappers kill them.

Allowing trapping in the habitat of an endangered or threatened species is unethical and contrary to the intent of the Endangered Species Act to prevent further threats to a listed species. Allowing trapping would further threaten the intended and much needed recovery of wolverines in Montana as evidenced by the fact that other listed species, i.e. lynx, are caught and killed in traps every season because Montana allows trapping in core lynx habitat. In recent incidents in Montana, four Golden Eagles were either seriously injured or killed in traps and snares intended for other animals.

In addition, more than 50 "incidental" dog captures, two of which were lethal, and several mountain lion captures in traps set for wolves, were reported to MTFWP this trapping season.

Montana is the last stronghold of wolverines in the lower 48 states. Please do not allow Montana to continue to put trappers' recreational interests ahead of the welfare of the wild animals the agency has an obligation to protect. I urge you to not allow MTFWP to continue recreational trapping in wolverine habitat. Wolverine conservation for all (people and wild animals) has to trump recreational interests of a few.

Sincerely, Linda Amundson