From: Travis Bruner
To: Noreen Walsh
Subject: Re: GRSG: RE: FWS Greater Sage-Grouse Data Call Deadlines
Date: Wednesday, November 05, 2014 3:17:39 PM

Noreen,

Thank you for your message.

You received a few partial submission on Friday by some staff from WWP, but our comprehensive submission will be coming later this month.

Thank you,
Travis

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On Nov 3, 2014, at 9:56 AM, Noreen Walsh <noreen_walsh@fws.gov> wrote:

Hello Travis and thank you for your note.

We will give full consideration to material submitted, even after 10/31. We are asking for all who submit population and threat information to do their best to submit by 10/31, and all who submit conservation effort information to do so into the database by 12/31. This is simply because the work associated with reviewing and analyzing all the information is immense. If all the information is submitted late into the next year, we will be very challenged to analyze it all.

If you have further questions, please give me a call.

Best regards,

Noreen

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From: Travis Bruner [mailto:travis@westernwatersheds.org]
Sent: Thursday, October 30, 2014 6:40 PM
To: Noreen_Walsh@fws.gov
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Dear Noreen:

WWP is hard at work on our submission of data to the U.S. Fish & Wildlife service regarding populations of greater sage-grouse populations and threats to those populations. While our data is nearly ready for submission, I write to verify that our data will be given full consideration if submitted after 10/31.

The August 15 PR (attached) requires that info be submitted by December 31 and makes no mention of 10/31. The letter (attached) "requests" info by 10/31. While the letter does not say that information received between 10/31 and 12/31 will not be considered, I am concerned that FWS will not fully consider WWP's submission if sent after 10/31.

I think you will find the data presented by WWP to be very useful to the FWS in its upcoming important determination next fall, and we would prefer to submit a thorough and polished document after 10/31 rather than submit a less helpful version of that document tomorrow. If that works for you, please let me know, and feel free to provide a specific date by which you would like to receive our complete submission.

By the way, I greatly benefitted from a legal internship in your office during the spring of 2013, my final semester of law school at the University of Colorado. My time there helped inform my understanding of the important work performed by you and your colleagues at FWS, and I remain grateful for that opportunity.

Best,
Travis

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