From: West - DNR, Madeleine
To: Noreen Walsh
Subject: Re: Meeting Re CO Habitat Exchange
Date: Monday, June 10, 2013 1:08:50 PM

Thanks, Noreen. I'm glad to hear you have a nice vacation planned. I was just reading an article about how great the cherries are in some parts of Michigan - as a sour cherry pie maker 9and eater) that makes me jealous! - so maybe you'll get to enjoy them.

I'll wait to hear back regarding Mike, Nicole and Matt's availability on June 28.

Many thanks again,
Madeleine

On Mon, Jun 10, 2013 at 11:10 AM, Noreen Walsh <noreen_walsh@fws.gov> wrote:

> Hi Madeleine,
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> Thanks for reaching out. I would very much like for FWS to learn more about the Habitat Exchange and it seems like a conversation would be a good way to proceed so we can have a dialogue. Unfortunately on June 28 I will be in Michigan with family, but that date might work for Mike Thabault, Nicole Alt, and Matt Kales who are primary here in the RO on this issue. If that date works for them, we could proceed and I will catch up when I get back. Let me check with them and I will let you know.
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Hi Noreen,

I called your office last week to say hi and to make a request. Lisa and I would love to bring a couple people from DNR (including Colorado Parks and Wildlife staff) and EDF over to your office to meet with you, and any of your staff, to discuss our progress on the Colorado Habitat Exchange. As you may know, this is a mitigation credit trading program we are piloting in Colorado for Sage Grouse and Mule Deer. EDF has been working on a similar project for the Lesser Prairie Chicken with Region 2 staff.

We'd like to give you an update on this work, including how we see this potentially playing into the listing decision for sage grouse, and discuss appropriate FWS involvement in on-the-ground activities that will likely begin in Colorado in the next year. I believe Steve Torbit was part of early conversations with this group - before I came to the state - so this would be a good meeting to talk about how best to reconnect FWS.

EDF's new Director of Habitat Markets will be in town on June 28 so I'm wondering if you would have any time that day for us to come out to Lakewood?

Let me know when you can. I hope all is well!

-Madeleine

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