From: Frazer, Gary
To: Noreen Walsh
Subject: Re: FW: GUSG 4(d) Rule
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Do I owe you a call?- GDF

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On Tue, Jun 9, 2015 at 6:38 PM, Noreen Walsh <noreen_walsh@fws.gov> wrote:

> Ok, thanks, I thought maybe I had entered an alternate universe or something ☺
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> When we talk I can share what Dan and I talked about.
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> It's because of those freakin' weekly reports, which are the bane of my existence. If it's not on the weekly report with a date, then we can't get it cleared. But people treat those dates like they're written in stone, as opposed to best guesses. It's an imperfect system.
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> FYI, our most recent best guess put the FR delivery date target at June 24, but that was

before I heard from Sarah and you and I talked. -- GDF

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On Tue, Jun 9, 2015 at 5:32 PM, Noreen Walsh <noreen_walsh@fws.gov> wrote:

Hi Gary,

FYI: After you and I spoke aobut Gusg 4 d still needing to 1) fix MB's comments and 2) go to OMB, then Dan called last night. I told him it still needed to go to OMB etc. Somehow the EA machine thinks it is ready to be published next week. I'm not clear why they think that. Matt H is calling Matt H.

Noreen

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Thoughts?

From: Huggler, Matthew [mailto:matthew_huggler@fws.gov]
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Subject: GUSG 4(d) Rule

Matt,

The region is taking the lead on the upcoming GUSG 4(d) rule announcement on June 17.

There are a handful of national conservation organizations which have been great message-wise on all things sage grouse. These organizations have been out publicly making the case for pro-active grouse conservation. We think it might be a nice stroke to loop them in about the GUSG 4(d) before it is publicly announced (so they would be well placed to get something positive out the day of the announcement). Theo did not think the stakeholder call would be appropriate because it involves the local working group and county commission chairs.

So, looking for your thoughts on how (and whether) we should reach out to these groups before it goes public. They are:

Wildlife Management Institute

Theodore Roosevelt Conservation Partnership

Mule Deer Foundation

Pheasants Forever/Quail Forever

Back Country Hunters and Anglers (regional stakeholder, but great on messaging)

We don't want to over-reach here, so hoping to get your input as acting ARD-EA. Thanks,

- Matt

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