From: Pelizza, Charlie
To: Creed Clayton
Subject: Re: GRSG: State Plan Letter
Date: Monday, March 30, 2015 1:33:33 PM

Thanks Creed and Terry,

We'll see where this goes.

Charlie

On Tue, Mar 24, 2015 at 7:52 AM, Creed Clayton <creed_clayton@fws.gov> wrote:

> Charlie, I looked at the letter one more time too and made one small suggested edit. Thanks for also giving your 2 cents, Terry.
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> Creed
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> **From:** Ireland, Terry [mailto:terry_ireland@fws.gov]
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> **To:** Charlie Pelizza
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> **Subject:** GRSG: State Plan Letter
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> Hi Charlie,
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> I looked at the letter (again) since there was a question on the Colorado Habitat Exchange paragraph. I agree with the change you made ("is unlikely to" to "may not"). The RO wanted to word the letter as strongly as possible but I think it is very difficult to predict how much people will voluntarily use the exchange in lieu of mandatory use. The latest draft of the CHE doesn't deny that it is voluntary but tries to make the case that people would rather use it than negotiate project by project with CPW through the HB 1298 rules and COGCC (for O&G projects). I'm not convinced of that at all. We state in the paragraph previous to the CHE paragraph that there's been numerous times in the recent past that O&G pads have been put in GRSG priority habitat and even within 0.6 miles of a well. Consequently, I don't think negotiating with CPW is much of a deterrent because COGCC can choose to not accept their recommendations. However, people may find the CHE to be one less step than talking to CPW and if the CHE is sold well most companies/people may use it. I also made a couple other minor edits. You can choose to ignore my recommended change in the first paragraph if you think it's not necessary.

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