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| **Subject:** | Re: Intro to the draft Final Report |
| **Date:** | Thursday, March 26, 2015 3:32:27 AM |
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My comments noted on the draft.

**Most importantly, I believe we need to further discuss how we organize the final report. Since we are not presenting this to the public for comment now -- i.e., we are simply sending them the recommendations from the task group, then we need not propose how we would organize the report at this time.**

**I suggest we drop the relevant paragraph and deal with this in organizing the final report.**

Jim

On Thu, Mar 26, 2015 at 6:05 AM, Wiley, Christine <christine_wiley@ios.doi.gov> wrote:

> Good morning, Jim. I like the idea of taking the Introduction and creating a letter for Deputy Secretary Connor to sign. I've incorporated a few additional edits for your consideration.
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> On Wed, Mar 25, 2015 at 4:44 PM, Douglas, James <james_douglas@ios.doi.gov> wrote:
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>> as discussed this morning, the plan is to take a simplified version of the final report (focus just on actions) to the TF and prepare for April 2 public review.
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>> Attached is a first draft of what the intro to this simple version might look like. Please review and comment by mid-morning ET tomorrow.
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>> Meanwhile, Christie is making the edits we discussed today. If anyone has any thoughts she would like to get them ASAP.
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THE DEPUTY SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR
WASHINGTON

~~Draft Final Report Actions and Activities~~Date of Signature

Dear Reader,

The Secretary of the Interior signed Secretarial Order 3336 – Rangeland Fire Prevention, Management, and Restoration (the Order) on January 5, 2015, emphasizing the need to give greater attention to the threat of rangeland fire across the West as a critical fire management priority for the Department and setting in motion work to enhance policies and strategies for preventing and managing rangeland fire and for restoring sagebrush landscapes impacted by fire across the West. These efforts build upon the experience and success of addressing rangeland fire to date~~,~~ as well as ~~nd~~ broader wildland fire prevention, suppression, and restoration efforts ~~to date~~, including the National Cohesive Wildland Fire Management Strategy.

Since the issuance of the Order, nine interagency task groups worked collaboratively with other Federal, tribal, state, and local governmental partners and stakeholders to develop and publish: 1) the Implementation Plan, which established the approach to accomplish the nine actions outlined in Section 7(b) of the Order; and 2) The Initial Report – *A Strategic Plan for Addressing Rangeland Fire Prevention, Management, and Restoration in 2015* (Initial Report) that identified actions and activities to be implemented prior to the onset of the 2015 Western wildfire season.

Since the acceptance of the Initial Report, the task groups have worked to identify and recommend actions and activities to be implemented in the longer term—during the remainder of 2015, 2016, and beyond. The product of these efforts – incorporating the recommendations of the task groups embodied in the initial report and those that were developed I which is due to the Secretary in early May~~— that will form the basis for the May 1 Final Report~~.

~~Upon initial review of the proposed actions, the Senior Steering Committee identified several areas where similar recommendations from the nine task groups (e.g., fire management, science and research, restoration activities, governance, and adaptive management) could be integrated together.~~

This document includes all of the draft proposed actions developed by the task groups. ~~prior to organization and integration into a combined presentation.~~ We request comments and discussion from Tribes, our partner agencies, and interested stakeholders on these proposed actions , and any other thoughts and recommendations you would like to offer, as we prepare the Final Report for Secretary Jewell.

Sincerely,

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**Comment [JRL1]:** This term tends to make the states – and others – nervous.

**Comment [JRL2]:** Let's not attempt to deal with this now.

**Comment [JRL3]:** I still believe that this can be better organized. No need to resolve now and not a subject for public review and comment anyway.

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**Comment [JRL4]:** If this is the case – i.e., the "raw" input from the task groups, then we don't need to resolved how we will organize the document as noted in the paragraph above. So, let's not make a quick judgement regarding how it should be organized.

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THE DEPUTY SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR
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