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Subject: Re: GrSG Q&A
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Looks good by me. Thanks.

Sincerely,

Deep pockets

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On May 1, 2014, at 11:49 AM, Matt Kales <matt_kales@fws.gov> wrote:

> Howdy. I'm writing to make sure you are good with the below for an internal Q&A document we are developing for some Congressional briefings in DC next week:
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> **Q: What is FWS doing on its National Wildlife Refuge System units to support and advance sage-grouse conservation?**
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> **A: While our refuge lands only contain a small (~1.5%) portion of the overall sage-grouse range, we are actively working to ensure our management of those lands supports larger conservation goals for the species. Specifically, FWS is: (a) analyzing current management activities and practices across NWRS units in sage-grouse range to confirm our management is consistent with and complementary of the land management recommendations we have identified for BLM and FS lands in the federal planning process; (b) identifying opportunities to conduct targeted scientific research on NWRS lands to address key questions about sage-grouse conservation; and, (c) exploring potential enhancements of existing refuge lands and boundaries to maximize our conservation footprint in important sage-steppe landscapes.**
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> 1200 MDT tomorrow (5/2) is our deadline to wrap this for Noreen and the other RDs. Thanks.
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> -2Big2Fail

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