From: Wiechman, Lief
To: Wightman, Catherine
Subject: Re: GRSG Metrics Discussion
Date: Wednesday, November 27, 2013 11:05:54 AM

Sounds good.
I was just looking back at your comments related to the previous draft, and I just wanted to make sure we create a spot (build a home so to speak), for all of the efforts to be 'housed' and I think we've done that (or are at least we're getting there). Sometimes it's the way things are worded that may provide more clarification as to what efforts fall under which subactivities - and I just wanted to make sure that while I may not have worded everything in the way you suggested, I did try to make sure we have a spot for the efforts you mentioned at the meeting and in your previous review (enhancements more than mitigation - for example). I anticipate concerns and criticisms over some of the wording, but while those issues may be easier to rectify, I want to make sure we capture concerns related to the actual efforts being recorded/reported.

I understand it's a busy time of year, and that's why I provided that list (of threats) in case others are in the same boat as you and may not be able to review the entire document. Enjoy the holiday and I'll see your comments soon!

Take care,

Lief

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On Wed, Nov 27, 2013 at 10:49 AM, Wightman, Catherine <CWightman@mt.gov> wrote:

> Hi Lief,
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> Thanks for your email. For the record, I am always struck at RISCT meeting how different the big issues in Montana are relative to the other states. So I feel it is my responsibility to make sure Montana's issues (and conservation actions) are represented because otherwise they tend to get lost. I am not working much between now and your deadline. I will do what I can to look at the database; however, I hope you can use my earlier comments as I'm not sure I will have time for a thorough review of the document by Tuesday.
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> Thanks for all your work!

Catherine

From: Wiechman, Lief [mailto:lief_wiechman@fws.gov]
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To: Wightman, Catherine
Subject: Re: GRSG Metrics Discussion

Hi Catherine,

I've been looking back through the metrics draft this morning (I sent last Friday) and realized I may have omitted some of the terminology that captures habitat enhancements, etc. I know I have it in some places, but may have missed it elsewhere. I'll be working today and Friday if you want to discuss any concerns - otherwise I'll be available Thursday next week. I'm guessing you'll have any of those concerns captured in you comments to-be-submitted, but just didn't want to leave Montana's suggestion(s) unaddressed.

Take care,

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On Wed, Nov 6, 2013 at 4:26 PM, Wightman, Catherine <CWightman@mt.gov> wrote:

As promised I took at look at this on the plane. Attached is mostly food for thought as you pull together elements of the database. Most of my comments are under sub-activities but there are a few others scattered about. As I mentioned when I was leaving the meeting, Montana is focusing more on protection and enhancement, less on restoration and mitigation. We are hoping we don't need to get to the latter as much. I do think USFWS will want to capture these activities in the assessment, as the value for Montana PACs might be relatively high (i.e., we don't need to be restoring, but we can certainly enhance what we have).

My 2-cents. Hope it helps!

Catherine

From: San Stiver [mailto:stiver@cableone.net]
Sent: Friday, November 01, 2013 4:14 PM
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Subject: FW: GRSG Metrics Discussion

Folks,

Background and discussion points for the conservation metric discussion next week.

San

From: Wiechman, Lief [mailto:lief_wiechman@fws.gov]
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Cc: Pat Deibert; Nicole Alt; Jesse DElia
Subject: GRSG Metrics Discussion

Hi San,

Attached are 3 documents for next week's Metrics discussion. The 1st is the 'narrative' version of the Metrics Framework the Task Force has been working on. It is structured in a (Conservation Goal - Cons. Action. - Metric) format. The 2nd document is the 'tabular' version of the same list. Not all of the narrative has been incorporated into the table. The 3rd document is the definitions of the 'activities' listed in the Table.

We'll primarily be using the table for our discussion and the other 2 as supplemental information as well as a background on how we've got to this point.

Take care, see you next week.

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