From: DElia, Jesse
To: Alt, Nicole
Cc: Lief Wiechman
Subject: Re: HELP.
Date: Tuesday, September 03, 2013 12:17:34 PM

Hey Nicole,

From BLM's Briefing paper on cumulative effects in prep for the last FF meeting:

The intent is to roll-up [a cumulative effects analysis (CEA)] on the FRSG from each WAFWA MZ into one final range-wide Landscape Report...The NOC will develop this Landscape Report after the RODs for all the planning efforts have been signed. The intent iws to provide the USFWS with a document that compiles qualitative information from land use plan decisions across the range of GRSG. If sufficient subregional data and analysis is provided to the NOC, the Landscape Report will attempt to depict regulatory certainty in BLM and FS management of sage-grouse habitats across the entire range of the species. This report will compare the management actions for the No Action (data from the Baseline Environmental Report) and decisions provided in the RODs to demonstrate the amelioration of threats geospatially (if possible) across the range of sage-grouse.

Let me know if you need anything else.
-Jesse

On Tue, Sep 3, 2013 at 11:08 AM, Alt, Nicole <nicole_alt@fws.gov> wrote:

> Could either of you, in Pat's absence, summarize the purpose of the BLM landscape report for me today? THANK YOU.
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> BLM landscape report in two sentences please?
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> Sentence or two explaining this example please. For example, we have provided funding to WAFWA to complete a decision support tool for sagebrush management, as well as funding to support data collection and analysis for genetic connectivity across the specie's range (with USGS).\ -
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From: **Noreen Walsh** <noreen_walsh@fws.gov>
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Nicole,

Thanks for getting this stuff to me yesterday. I don't need anything else on the background section. I broke the "next steps section" into a separate document, following the outline Gary gave us. It is attached.

I am not sure what these first two below mean. Can you help and edit and return the doc?

Is the yellow highlighted part referring to the LCC funds that WAFWA just helped us to administer resulting in funding to 4 important projects? Or is this other funding? Also, can you add a mention of our Coop Agmt with WAFWA to assess and advise on most important steps to addressing the invasives/wildfire threat?

1. State Efforts

FWS has and will continue to provide (within budget and staff restrictions) financial and technical support to the WAFWA in improving our understanding of sage-grouse population and habitat dynamics, and associated management. For example, we have provided funding to WAFWA to complete a decision support tool for sagebrush management, as well as funding to support data collection and analysis for genetic connectivity across the specie's range (with USGS).\

2. For the part below, I am unfamiliar with the term "landscape report" – what is the timing on this? Are the evaluating the efficacy of the drafts they put out to lead to final plans, or how is this effort intended to work?

BLM and FS Planning Efforts

- The FWS is working with BLM in the design of their proposed "landscape report" which will summarize the efficacy of their RMP revisions and amendments for sage-grouse conservation. This work includes creating a meaningful monitoring and reporting strategy.

3. I shortened the separate mitigation briefing paper and added that summary directly into this file so it track the outline order they asked for the info in. Please read the summary and fix any inaccuracies. Sarah Greenberger, DOI, has previously asked me our plans for incorporating the states into the development of our framework. Can you address that in here please?

4. Please also review the end portion of the document where I fleshed out the "how can the Secy help" section. We need to say more than we need $.

Thanks, and please send back to me as soon as you can Tuesday. Hope you all have a great weekend,

Noreen

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To: Noreen Walsh; Michael Thabault; Matt Kales; Pat Deibert; Jesse DElia; Terry Rabot; Michael Fris
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Attached below, are the items requested earlier this week for next weeks pre-briefing on GSG. I have not tried to put this all in briefing paper format or the same format. Please advise me on how you'd like to present the briefing information (Background paper, mitigation update, Bi-State, and the talking points Gary requested). I'm available Tuesday and Wednesday to make changes and to address formatting.

Nicole

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