From: Lindstrom, James
To: Kemner,Don
Subject: Re: ID Sage-Grouse Conservation Area GIS Data
Date: Friday, November 09, 2012 7:32:52 AM

Thanks Don,

This should take care of my questions. If I have any more specific questions I'll let you know.

Thanks again,
Jim

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On Thu, Nov 8, 2012 at 3:29 PM, Kemner,Don <don.kemner@idfg.idaho.gov> wrote:

> Jim,
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> See the attachment.
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> Hope this answers your questions.
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> Don Kemner
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> **From:** James_Lindstrom@fws.gov [mailto:James_Lindstrom@fws.gov]
> **Sent:** Monday, October 29, 2012 2:28 PM
> **To:** Kemner,Don
> **Subject:** ID Sage-Grouse Conservation Area GIS Data
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> Hi Don,
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> This email is a follow up to a voice mail I left you about the Idaho Sag-Grouse GIS data I received in working with Pat Deibert on the Sage-Grouse COT Report. I'm doing the GIS and mapping work for the COT. I read through the Metadata of the shapefile but I still have some questions and was hoping you could help.

I see that the polygons are divided into Conservation Areas and then further divided into Core Areas, Important Areas, General Areas, and Non-Habitat Areas. We are using the state data to identify Priority Areas for Conservation (PACs) for the COT. PACs represent areas essential for the long-term conservation of the Sage-Grouse. Following that definition and info I could find in the shapefile and online I identified the Core and Important Areas as PACs. Would you agree with this? Or does Idaho see all areas within the Conservation Areas as essential for the long-term conservation of the Sage-Grouse? Let me know what you think or if you want to discuss.

The other area that I was a little fuzzy on the methods of data creation and what data the polygons are based on. Basically I'm looking for what types of data went into the shapefile and what processes were used to put it all together. Any more detail in this area would be greatly appreciated. Look forward to hearing from you when you get back.

Thanks,

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