From: Wightman, Catherine
To: Deibert, Pat
Cc: Brent Esmoil; Jodi Bush
Subject: RE: MT Sage-grouse Council update
Date: Thursday, May 16, 2013 3:04:31 PM

Hi Pat,

Thanks. What you outline sounds good. Would you also be willing to touch on the COT report, what it means, how it might feed in to our state process, etc.? And, as much as you can, what the Service would like to see as an end product from the state process? I am thinking big picture for the latter, obviously the details are yet to be determined, but I'm hoping you can give some guidance to the group on what types of things are "acceptable" and perhaps some examples of what wouldn't move the bar. I understand you won't want to critique other state plans directly, but a little direction from the Service of "good and not-so-good" examples would help.

RE: Bob, sorry to hear about his back. I will look in to call-in capabilities. It will be great to have you present to fill in gaps.

What is your travel schedule? Let me know if you need any help with logistics.
Thanks for coming our way!
Catherine

From: Deibert, Pat [mailto:pat_deibert@fws.gov]
Sent: Thursday, May 16, 2013 11:24 AM
To: Wightman, Catherine
Cc: Brent Esmoil; Jodi Bush
Subject: Re: MT Sage-grouse Council update

Hi Catherine -

For my (and MT FWS office) presentation I was going to stick to the basics of listing (an overview of listing in general) and then how we got to a warranted status for sage-grouse. This may be repetitive for some folks (like you). Please advise if you think I should do something different, or should emphasize key points, etc.

Bob Budd has injured his back and can't travel. He was going to try to call in for his session, and I offered my assistance since I've lived the process with him. But, I will let him carry the water!

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On Mon, May 13, 2013 at 1:24 PM, Wightman, Catherine <CWightman@mt.gov> wrote:
All,

An updated agenda and map for the Sage-grouse Advisory Council meeting on May 21-23 is attached. Note the new location – Room 152, Capitol Building in Helena. I am in the office this week if you have questions.

Thanks again for your participation in Montana's process.

Catherine

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