From: Amy Defreese
To: Martin, Spencer; Christine Pontarolo
Cc: Christine Pontarolo; Robin Naeve; Julie Reeves
Subject: RE: Meet next week re: TWE BA?
Date: Monday, March 31, 2014 12:41:22 PM

I have a meeting from 9-12 that morning, so could we say 1:30 pm?

I am without a call-in number right now … let's use the AECOM conference line.

If we have time and BLM is prepared to discuss, could we spend a few minutes talking about greater sage-grouse? I'm specifically wondering how BLM in Utah will address the impact analysis where the line goes through PGMA (based on Alternative D in the draft EIS/draft LUP). This is probably a big topic, but I'd like to at least broach it to get an idea of where we all sit on the topic.

Thanks!
Amy

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It doesn't look like I'm going to be able to bring maps to this meeting but I actually think that works out better. We can discuss and agree on the parameters for species-specific analysis areas first and do the maps later. That approach should ensure that we get the maps right the first time!

I'll send out a meeting invitation for this Wednesday afternoon. Do we want to stick with the 3pm – 5pm timeslot? I could get to the FWS office by 1pm if we want to go a bit earlier in the afternoon. Amy, do you need/want to use a FWS call-in number or should we just plan to use my AECOM conference line? -Spencer

From: Pontarolo, Christine [mailto:cpontaro@blm.gov]
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To: Amy Defreese
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I can make April 2 work and a conference line works fine for me. Thanks,

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On Fri, Mar 28, 2014 at 3:03 PM, Amy Defreese <amy_defreese@fws.gov> wrote:
Yes, that works for me. Let me know what you all decide. Thanks for accommodating my schedule.

Have a great weekend!
Amy

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From: Martin, Spencer [mailto:Spencer.Martin@aecom.com]
Sent: Friday, March 28, 2014 3:01 PM
To: Amy Defreese
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Can we pencil in April 2 from 3pm – 5pm? Would that work for you, Christine and/or Robin? If not, I'd suggest April 10 at 2pm. I need to check where we are with the analysis area maps and make sure they can be completed in the next few days--I'll try to get them out ahead of time. -Spencer

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From: Amy Defreese [mailto:amy_defreese@fws.gov]
Sent: Friday, March 28, 2014 2:25 PM
To: Martin, Spencer
Cc: Christine_Pontarolo@blm.gov; Robin Naeve; Julie Reeves
Subject: RE: Meet next week re: TWE BA?

Hi Spencer,
Yes … if we could eliminate the drive time to Fillmore, that would make a big difference. I could do a 2-hour meeting if Christine would be willing to conference in by phone.

Here are the days/time slots I could do:

March 31: 1 -3
April 1: any time
April 2: any time
April 10: after 1 pm
April 11: (morning)

Ultimately, I will want to solicit input on any major decisions from Tova Spector (cactus) and Jena Lewinsohn (milkvetch). If there is any information you can give me prior to our meeting, I can

try to get their thoughts ahead of time.

Best,
Amy

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Sorry—I meant "analysis" areas rather than action areas, thanks for keeping me straight, Amy! I'll look over your spreadsheet and get back to you with our thoughts on analysis areas before the meeting. I know that Fillmore is kind of a long haul. Would you be able to meet before the 14th if we met at your office? We've got some time-sensitive considerations related to Deseret milkvetch and Uinta Basin hookless cactus that it would be best to talk over (if possible) before the week of 14th. -Spencer

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From: Amy Defreese [mailto:amy_defreese@fws.gov]
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To: Martin, Spencer
Cc: Christine_Pontarolo@blm.gov; Robin Naeve; Julie Reeves
Subject: RE: Meet next week re: TWE BA?

Hi Spencer and Christine,
Unfortunately the next two weeks are bad for a meeting in Fillmore. I'm booked with other projects and I'm sneaking in some time to entertain visiting family. Could we plan something for the week of the 14th? I am completely open that week.

To try and get things moving in the next two weeks before we meet in person, I'm wondering if you could provide me with the species-specific analysis areas (I'm using that term because our section 7 guidance calls for the delineation of just one action area for the entire project) you have prepared, in narrative form. I could distribute them to the various species biologists in our office and request their review and comment. Then we wouldn't be starting from scratch when we get together in person. Just a thought.

I've spent a little bit of time thinking about appropriate analysis areas for the plants. Attached you will find my current thoughts in a spreadsheet. This is a spreadsheet I would likely bring as a reference to a meeting on the topic, so I thought I should just provide it to you now. It is by no means final and is a starting point for discussion.

Best regards,
Amy

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Hi Amy, Christine Pontarolo and I were wondering if you would be able to meet sometime next week to discuss the Utah species and action areas being covered in the TransWest Express Transmission Project BA. Please let us know a good date and time that would work for you. We'll probably need a couple of hours. Also, Christine would like to attend the meeting in person and has suggested that, if possible, we meet at the BLM office in Fillmore, which is about halfway between SLC and Cedar City. Please let us know. Thanks! -Spencer

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