From: Mike Brennan
To: Matt Kales
Subject: Re: Please read: rescheduling follow up call re: GrSG conservation and mitigation, Friday, May 31 at 10:00 am MDT
Date: Thursday, May 30, 2013 2:25:41 PM

Matt, I will plan to sit in as long as I can - thanks, Mike

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On 5/30/13 1:47 PM, "Matt Kales" <matt_kales@fws.gov> wrote:

>Mike,
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>Please join us on the below call tomorrow if your schedule permits. This
>is the first staff-level exploratory call following the call you kindly
>organized between FWS/DOI and DOD leadership. I'll be sure to keep you
>informed about other, future calls (in a more timely manner; this one took
>some time to schedule). Thanks.
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>Matt
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>Folks,
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>Thanks for responding to the scheduling poll. I've heard from most
>everyone re: this meeting and the date/time that works for the majority is
>Friday, May 31 at 10:00 am MDT, so let's plan on meeting by phone then.
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>To refresh everyone on our charge, leadership for both agencies earlier
>this month asked staff meet to further explore opportunities to "pilot"
>sage-grouse conservation partnerships, both on Department of Defense
>installations and, potentially, off-site in other parts of the range. Key
>considerations include:
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>1. How much flexibility does FWS have to provide DOD w/regulatory
>certainty;
>2. How do we ensure certainty so FWS can give credit (from a
>regulatory standpoint) for what DOD is doing; and,
>3. W/re: sage-grouse, and other species, what if lands adjacent to
>DOD facilities aren't as valuable to conservation of the species? Could
>DOD invest in lands and actions in other places and then receive
>credit for conservation status on their lands?
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>To make the most of our time next week and help advance this conversation,
>I recommend both agencies come to the meeting prepared to provide ideas
>about the above three items with an eye toward identifying some potential
>actions, i.e., specific conservation measures on specific lands, on which
>we can focus and then evaluate those potential actions in the context in
>which leadership previously framed this issue (conferencing, pre-listing
>voluntary conservation measures, INRMPs).
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>Call information is below. Please let me know if you have any additional
>thoughts or questions in advance of the call. Thanks.
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>Matt
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>-----Original Message-----
>From: Matt Kales [mailto:matt_kales@fws.gov]
>Sent: Monday, May 13, 2013 9:45 AM
>To: 'Thomasgard, Kristin J Ms OSD ATL'; 'Boice, Peter, Mr, OSD-ATL'; Paul
>Henson; Ken Berg; Pat Deibert; Jesse DElia
>Cc: 'Michael Shaw (shaw_michael@bah.com)'; 'Natoli, Nancy Ms OSD ATL';
>'Van Ness, James, Mr, DoD OGC'; Noreen Walsh; Michael Thabault; Michael
>Bean
>Subject: Follow up call re: GrSG conservation and mitigation
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>DOD and FWS Staff,
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>Please see below a link to a scheduling poll for a follow-up conversation
>to the 5/3/13 call re: Greater sage-grouse conservation and mitigation
>concepts. Please complete the poll at your earliest convenience so we can
>get everyone together soon and move forward with further exploring the
>concepts identified and discussed on the previous call. Thanks in advance.
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>Matt
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