From: Ann Timberman
To: Matt Hogan
Cc: Will Meeks; Matt Kales
Subject: Re: Sage Grouse Viewing
Date: Friday, October 31, 2014 5:05:01 PM

Hey Matt. Sounds good. Mid to later part of April is usually better since we can get snows in early April. Other than that no conflicts. I would mention the unpredictable spring weather and the altitude. 8200 feet. Can I get back to you with more details after the 7th? I'll look at lek counts for avg high counts as well. I'll be in and out of cell service. Thanks

Sent from my iPhone

On Oct 31, 2014, at 12:58 PM, Matt Hogan <Matt_Hogan@fws.gov> wrote:

> See below....keep a visit by some or all of the Directorate on your radar screen for 2015. Are there any weeks in April you would recommend we avoid and/or that you would be unable to accommodate folks? Thanks.
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> **From:** Munoz, Anna [mailto:anna_munoz@fws.gov]
> **Sent:** Friday, October 31, 2014 12:54 PM
> **To:** Matt Hogan
> **Subject:** Re: Sage Grouse Viewing
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> Hi Matt,
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> This is flexible. We are willing to move the Directorate meeting to late Feb or early March to facilitate the RD retreat occurring in April. So I'd say pick your best week/weeks (if there's flexibility) and let's go from there. Currently, we have the week of April 20 noted on Dan's calendar as a possible date for the retreat, but we've got some flexibility around that.
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> I think that keeping participation to RDs and DO is a reasonable request. I will mention this to Dan and let you know if he feels otherwise.
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> On Wed, Oct 29, 2014 at 12:37 PM, Matt Hogan <Matt_Hogan@fws.gov> wrote:
> Anna,
> Wanted to follow up on the potential RD retreat in spring to view SG. Our recommendation would be to keep it to RD's and DO as the numbers will be more manageable for logistics (both lodging and grouse viewing).

Can you narrow down to some potential weeks that I can share with our refuge folks to get their input on the best time to go? Peak lek count dates for the lek we had in mind for the last several years are mid to late April.

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