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Subject: Fwd: Timing of RINS - seeking DO approval
Date: Monday, November 13, 2017 11:32:18 AM

Hello ES, Refuges, and IA,

Here is the email chain with Greg's request to adjust the timelines for the latest round of RINS.

Please let Kashyap Patel know of the revised timelines you're working on. We want to be able to provide Jim and Steve this information this week to give to Greg when he returns. It sounds like what makes sense is to have a bulleted timeline of when the product will be drafted, submitted to the Director's Office, and etc. through the process leading up to a targeted publication date.

Thanks,

Michael

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From: **Greg Sheehan** <greg_j_sheehan@fws.gov>
Date: Sun, Nov 12, 2017 at 3:29 PM
Subject: Re: Timing of RINS - seeking DO approval
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Thanks Charisa

I believe that even with the EA process (if needed) and surname process that we could accelerate these dates by several weeks each.

Please reprioritize these in the workload to identify what can be placed on temporary hold to move these more quickly.

Kashyap please email me achievable revised timelines and anticipated needs for EA work and what that would entail on each.

Thanks

Greg

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On Nov 9, 2017, at 5:53 PM, Morris, Charisa <charisa_morris@fws.gov> wrote:

Good afternoon-

At this point, I have the following to suggest to Greg as reasonable timelines, per the ADs:

1018-BC93 (Compatibility Regulations Pursuant to the National Wildlife Refuge System Improvement Act of 1997): **03/00/2018**

1018-BC94 (Revising the Endangered Species Act Section 4(d) Rule for the African Elephant): **04/00/2018**

1018-BC95 (Revising the Endangered Species Act Section 4(d) Rule for the African Lion): **2/00/2017**

These timelines are based on staff work needed (revisions PLUS EAs if necessary) and surname deadlines. As a reminder, we need final dates to put into the system to fully process these RIN requests. Kashyap, please confirm DO-approved dates with Anissa Craighead.

Thanks!
Charisa

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