



NOTICE TO THE WILDLIFE IMPORT/EXPORT COMMUNITY



February 14, 2019

Subject: Wood bison (*Bison bison athabascae*)

Background: At the most recent Conference of the Parties (CoP 17), held in Johannesburg, South Africa, September 24 – October 4, 2016. A proposal by Canada to delist the Wood bison from CITES was adopted and came into effect on January 2, 2017. Therefore no CITES documents are required for this species as of January 2, 2017. However, the Wood bison is protected and listed as Threatened under the US Endangered Species Act (ESA).

Action: Wood bison (trophies, products, etc.) imported into, or exported from, the United States on or after January 2, 2017 are required to have an accompanying Threatened species permit issued by the USFWS Division of Management Authority upon import or export.

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