

From: [Deibert, Pat](#)
To: [Juliussan, Lara](#)
Subject: Re: stronghold maps
Date: Friday, February 27, 2015 3:43:02 PM

nicely done!

On Fri, Feb 27, 2015 at 3:36 PM, Juliussan, Lara <lara_juliussan@fws.gov> wrote:

Hi Jesse,

See below in red.

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I looked at the question you have on the rangewide versus zoomed in map and do see what you are talking about. I am not sure why the difference exists, except I can say that sometimes ArcGIS does strange things when exporting to .PDF. The zoomed "Northern Great Basin" map shows the correct stronghold areas.

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At the time these maps were created we clipped the to the PHMA identified by the BLM at that time. If there have been subsequent changes, those data are not reflected in these maps. You may want to verify the designations with the BLM. If there are changes IFWO would have to identify that need to the regional directors within the range of sage-grouse.

2. Can we get our Idaho FWO the final corporate GIS layer for the strongholds?

<https://www.sciencebase.gov/catalog/item/546cf30be4b0fc7976bf1dd4e>

Hope that helps!
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On Fri, Feb 27, 2015 at 2:06 PM, DElia, Jesse <jesse_delia@fws.gov> wrote:

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