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Dear all,

Lara and Matt were kind enough to try and help on the fly Friday when I asked some questions about the stronghold map that includes NV

The questions arose in the context of the meeting with the state of NV on Friday. The maps they show of the stronghold areas do not match my recollection or my visual comparison to our maps as stored on ScienceBase. Nonetheless, they insist their maps show our strongholds without alteration. There was also discussion of how much general habitat is included within our polygons. We need to reach a quick definitive answer regarding the following:

Is our NV stronghold map different from NV map the state is using?
How did they become different?
Is the general habitat inclusion just minor fragments that arise as a consequence of the polygons being so large and including "inholdings"? (or is it an artifact of the switch to the Coates map)
What do the differences mean and what if anything do you all recommend we do about it? Let's discuss this in person.

I will share the paper copy of the map that they gave us during the meeting as soon as I am back Monday although if Mary or others have an elec copy that might be more helpful for Lara.

Thanks very much,

Noreen

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