

**From:** [Abele, Susan](#)  
**To:** [Scheffler, Kenneth](#)  
**Cc:** [Ted Koch](#); [Carolyn Swed](#)  
**Subject:** Re: FW: URGENT Request: ACTION Needed for outreach on GRSG Conservation Efforts Database  
**Date:** Wednesday, December 17, 2014 2:01:51 PM

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Thanks Ken. Hopefully, Tim understands that some of the completed projects may have already been entered by partners (e.g., PFW, NRCS SGI projects, NDOW). If any questions come up, let me know.

cheers,  
susan

On Wed, Dec 17, 2014 at 2:58 PM, Scheffler, Kenneth <[kenneth.scheffler@fws.gov](mailto:kenneth.scheffler@fws.gov)> wrote:

I just spoke with Sheila and she said that they have not input any data as of yet. She is finalizing the plan and will have it signed and submitted to Tim Rubald with the Conservation Districts by the 19th. Tim will then input the SANE plan and list of completed projects, as well as the projects to be completed in 2015.

Just and update, Ken

On Wed, Dec 17, 2014 at 1:42 PM, Abele, Susan <[susan.abele@fws.gov](mailto:susan.abele@fws.gov)> wrote:

Ken,

Could you reach out to the SANE group to see if they have entered their action plan into the sage-grouse CED or if they are in need of assistance? Maybe Connie Lee would know and/or Sheila Anderson at RCI?

Ted/Carolyn, are there other partners we need to reach out too? The attached list indicates that Nevada DCNR and NDOW have registered in the CED. Are there others who may want to know there has been an extension in the deadline?

cheers,  
susan

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**Sent:** Wednesday, December 17, 2014 2:25 PM  
**To:** Heather Johnson; Matthew Barry; Chris Swenson  
**Cc:** Lief Wiechman; Anna Harris; Theodore Stein; Nicole Alt  
**Subject:** Fwd: URGENT Request: ACTION Needed for outreach on GRSG Conservation Efforts Database

Hi All, would you please ask your Partners Program folks working on sage grouse to help us with this important outreach? THANKS

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From: **Hollar, Kathy** <[kathy\\_hollar@fws.gov](mailto:kathy_hollar@fws.gov)>

Date: Wed, Dec 17, 2014 at 1:19 PM

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Hi All, would you please forward the message below to the ES Project Leaders and sage-grouse teams ASAP. We need the actions listed below to happen ASAP, preferably by COB tomorrow.

We now have better clarity on the implications of the spending provisions of the CR/Omnibus appropriations bill. **W**

**e are still obligated to return a determination as to whether the GRSG still warrants protection under the act by September 30, 2015.**

That means our timeline for making this determination is not materially affected by the rider in the CR/Omnibus. We have added an additional two weeks to the CED "deadline;" however, **we urgently need to reach out to GRSG stakeholders to let them know that this important part of our timeline has not been substantively changed and to motivate them to submit data to the CED as soon as possible.**

We have also learned that a number of our conservation partners such as counties, Soil and Water Conservation Districts, and Sage Grouse Local Working Groups were not made aware of our original data call back in

August. We need your help to reach these program- and project-level folks directly to ensure comprehensive dissemination of our request.

To facilitate this outreach, attached you will find

- A letter  
from Noreen  
to stakeholders informing them of the new January 15, 2014 "deadline",  
" with information on how to access the CED.
- A set of internal-only talking points on the subject
- A spreadsheet with the recipient list for the original stakeholder letter
- A spreadsheet with the names of the conservation partners that have registered in the CED

Also, please check your inbox for a

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from Lief Wiechman to many of our stakeholders forwarding the letter from Noreen, and providing a summary of that letter.

**Please take the following actions for each State ASAP, preferably no later than COB 12/18/2014.**

- Review the spreadsheet of conservation partners currently registered in the CED and note if key conservation partners in your state have not yet registered in the CED.
- **Forward the email from Lief (with attachment from Noreen) to those partners and please immediately follow-up with phone calls to ensure our request reaches the right ears.**
- Ask your staff to identify local cattlemens' groups, county commissioners, Soil and Water Conservation Districts, NGO conservation groups, etc. who were not on the original distribution list

and to contact them directly by email and by phone. NOTE: We are also asking the Partners Program for assistance to reach out to these partners, please coordinate with them as well.

If you have any questions, please call Kathy Hollar at 503-231-6156, or Lief Wiechman at 307-772-2374 x 236. THANK YOU for helping us with this important outreach on the CED.

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