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Agreed on all points, Ben. Would be good for us to delineate what has happened on the easement verses off during this visit so we can keep driving home our authority is on easement only.

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We'll work on getting something setup.

***"Idea is to visit and talk about what has been done, what needs to still be done in terms of locations for crossings and any other hanging chads."***

I hope the focus of this meeting, at least as far as it relates to the Service, is what's been done to the fence we have under easement and what still needs to be done if anything. We need to stay in our lane....

If the crossings have been installed at the points identified last fall, I don't think the Western MT complex has a role going forward aside from standard easement monitoring. If Matt wants to stay engaged on the rest of the fence he can, but we as the easement managers shouldn't be involved.

I'll let you know when we have something setup.

Thanks,

Ben Gilles

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Lisa and Ben -

See below. Need to reach out and get this scheduled ASAP.

Good for both Ben and Andrew to attend. If Ben can't go, Trevor can possibly stand in.

Also, Chris Paige is willing to join again so please include her in the scheduling.

Happy to get a call scheduled with us this afternoon if needed.

Thanks.

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Per my chat about follow up on Grizzly Ridge. Need our folks to coordinate a follow up meeting between the ranch (POC below – Mark's boss) and Brandon Kittson with the Blackfeet Tribe. I will also see if Chris Paige will want to re-engage.

Idea is to visit and talk about what has been done, what needs to still be done in terms of locations for crossings and any other hanging chads.

Will ask our folks to keep detailed notes on actions items and next steps so there is no confusion about what was agreed to.

Can explain more if there are questions.

Would like this to happen ASAP with coordination of a date ASAP.

Thanks.

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**From:** Jonathan Harding <(b) (6)>  
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Yes, of course!

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Thanks Jonathan....appreciate your involvement. I realized I don't have Chad's contact info...could you share that with me? Thanks.

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