

From: [Hogan, Matt](#)
To: [Christopher Servheen](#)
Cc: [Dale Becker](#); [Gilles, Benjamin M](#)
Subject: RE: [EXTERNAL] Re: FOIA request from the Blackfeet Nation
Date: Friday, October 27, 2023 11:03:32 AM

Will do Chris. Suspect that is not know by many folks but let me know if there are things I need to know to keep making progress.

From: Christopher Servheen <servheenc@mtwf.org>
Sent: Friday, October 27, 2023 10:34 AM
To: Hogan, Matt <Matt_Hogan@fws.gov>
Cc: Dale Becker <beckerd@mtwf.org>; Gilles, Benjamin M <benjamin_gilles@fws.gov>
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Thanks, Matt. We appreciate your efforts to address this situation.
Please let us know how this proceeds.
My best,
Chris

On Fri, Oct 27, 2023 at 9:00 AM Hogan, Matt <Matt_Hogan@fws.gov> wrote:

Thinks Chris and Dale. We are working on the FOIA. However, and in my opinion more importantly, we are working closely with both the Tribe and the ranch to address wildlife movement on the ranch. A number of wildlife crossings have been installed. Next week I believe, a biologist from the Tribe is going out to the ranch to give advice on where to place an additional 10 crossings. At the same time, the Tribe will be placing 13 cameras on the ranch to monitor wildlife movement to see if additional crossings are necessary. Finally, the ranch has left a number of gates open where bison are not currently located. I am working with my folks to develop one map that shows the crossings, cameras, and open gates. Wanted to make sure you were aware of this effort. Thanks.

Matt

From: Dale Becker <beckerd@mtwf.org>
Sent: Monday, October 23, 2023 11:19 AM
To: Christopher Servheen <servheenc@mtwf.org>
Cc: Gilles, Benjamin M <benjamin_gilles@fws.gov>; Hogan, Matt <Matt_Hogan@fws.gov>
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Great!

On Mon, Oct 23, 2023 at 11:17 AM Christopher Servheen <servheenc@mtwf.org> wrote:

Hi Ben and Matt,

We are aware of the FOIA request sent on October 5, 2023 to FWS by the Blackfeet Tribal Business Council concerning the wildlife exclusion fence built by the Grizzly Ridge Bison Ranch. We look forward to seeing the detailed response of FWS to the Tribe on this important wildlife issue.

Sincerely,

Chris Servheen

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