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Matt and I chatted earlier this week about our upcoming meeting with the states and the likely permits ideas that may be discussed. He requested a few bullet points to discuss issues with FWS leadership for awareness next week.

Specifically, I think the following scenarios will be requested via a 10(a)(1)(A) recovery permit:

1. States and the Service are interested in capturing gray wolves that escape south into Arizona and New Mexico and return them to Colorado for release. This would also include the ability to capture Mexican wolves that may come north into Colorado and return them to the Mexican wolf 10j area.
2. Utah is interested in management flexibility. Utah is not included in the Colorado 10j. They are interested in returning Colorado 10j wolves to Colorado and would like to return any gray wolves from the delisted areas (within or outside of Utah) to the delisted portion of Utah.
3. Kansas and Nebraska are also interested in capturing and returning any Colorado 10j wolves to Colorado.

Colorado is willing to except 10j wolves back to Colorado for some amount of time. It's not clear what the length of any such agreement amongst the states would be and this is a topic we will be discussing.

Under any of these scenarios, we would include appropriate terms and conditions for the permit including handling, capture, maximum holding time, blood and tissue sampling, genetic testing, and other appropriate conditions.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

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