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Good morning Adam and Ben,  
Sandi and I have been working with Lydia Allen from the UFS to reschedule the grizzly bear Bitterroot Forum II that we'd originally hoped to have last winter. Scheduling has been difficult and the USFS has proposed an all day meeting on March 14<sup>th</sup> in Missoula. This works for our IDFO so I am checking to see if it would work for one or both of you.

For a little background, we held the first Bitterroot Forum in January 2020 to discuss management for grizzly bears on USFS land (meeting notes attached). It was a productive meeting to discuss background, current status, and future work. Unfortunately with the beginning of the pandemic a lot of the items were put on hold. We hope that this meeting is an opportunity to reconnect on future priorities of work.

Thank you,  
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