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ok with me. thanks Alex

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Thanks for the update. The language looks fine to me.

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Hi everyone,

There was a bit of discussion up the chain last week as to whether we needed to provide the grizzly five-year status review in the HQ report. In the end, they did provide it to HQ and Nicole helped shorten our report to match current standards. I have pasted below what was ultimately included:

"To comply with a court-approved settlement agreement, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS) will finalize a five-year status review for the grizzly bear (*Ursus arctos horribilis*) in the lower-48 States by March 31, 2021. The last five-year status review for grizzly bears in the lower-48 States was completed in 2011. We solicited data for this five-year status review, and the associated Species Status Assessment (SSA) report, from interested parties. We sought peer review and review from our partners on the SSA report. Based on the best available information, the five-year status review will recommend no change in status for grizzly bears in the lower-48 states. Five-year status reviews are not published in the Federal Register; the Regional Director of Interior Regions 5 and 7 will sign the completed status review and it will be posted on the Regional website."

I am working on getting confirmation that we should provide an entry in this week's report as well. In the meantime, please take a look at the above and let me know if you have any edits/comments (without adding length).

Thanks!

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