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Cc:	Brian Nesvik
Subject:	RE: Notes from habitat sub-group meeting
Date:	Thursday, July 14, 2016 2:21:52 PM

Let's go ahead and still plan on the call just to check in on progress and to be sure all of the committee members are ok with the direction being worked on. We can probably make it pretty short - 30 minutes or less. I will be looking for a quick update from Jennifer and concurrence from the rest of the group as to the direction. As long as the other committee members are on board with the edits being proposed we should be able to get this finalized pretty quickly.

So let's plan on the call beginning at 8:30. The call in number is: 712-432-1500 Passcode: 385665 #

Thanks,

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-----Original Message-----
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To: McDonald, Ken; dharrell@blm.gov; dsaville@blm.gov; Kerry Gunther; Tom Rice, MACO; Tyers, Daniel - FS
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Subject: RE: Notes from habitat sub-group meeting

Although I have met with both the Forest Service and the Study Team to make the edits we discussed they will not be ready for the Friday call. I am hoping that we can finalize these edits by early next week. In light of this do we still need a call on Friday?

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To: McDonald, Ken; dharrell@blm.gov; dsaville@blm.gov; Fortin-Noreus, Jennifer; Kerry Gunther; Tom Rice, MACO; Tyers, Daniel - FS
Cc: Brian Nesvik
Subject: RE: Notes from habitat sub-group meeting

Greetings habitat sub committee:

Below are the brief notes from the call. WE will have the next call on July 15 from 8:30-10:00 am to review progress made to date based on the meetings described below in the notes and to finalize our work.

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6/24/16 Conf. Call Follow up: McDonald (MFWP), Destin Harrell (BLM), Jennifer Fortin-Noreus (FWS)

* Jennifer, Dan Tyers, and Laura L (FS GIS Person) are meeting on July 12 in Bozeman to discuss habitat issues in Ch. 3 and make recommended edits

* Jennifer and the study team are meeting on July 13 to discuss food monitoring and make recommended edits

* We will have a conf call on morning of July 15 to discuss recommended edits and next steps.

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Subject: RE: Notes from habitat sub-group meeting

For those available, let's convene a conf. call on Friday, June 24 at 2:00 pm to talk about how we are progressing on assignments (see below).

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Subject: RE: Notes from habitat sub-group meeting

The GYE Griz Bear Conservation Strategy Steering Committee reviewed our notes and provided the following direction, with a deadline of July 15. Their direction is in red in the note below. I reviewed our notes and added our recommendations from the conf. call (and attached notes) in blue. I will try to get another conf. call set up for a couple weeks from now to check in. A couple of these identify FWS and FS as leads. Please make sure to include Park and BLM in relevant discussions. Thanks The Steering Committee met on May 31st and reviewed your report and recommendations from your sub-group. Please proceed with planning future meetings to conduct the work

needed by the Steering Committee as outlined below. We ask that you provide your group's recommended Conservation Strategy edits as soon as they are complete. The final deadline for all Sub-group work is July 15th. You will receive additional information regarding a future phone meeting with the Steering Committee for those issues below that require additional understanding by the committee. Also, as you complete your work, please develop a full description of your theme as you understand it. This will help when this information is presented to YES to ensure consistency of understanding of the issues at hand. This isn't a request for a lengthy description, but rather a description to ensure understanding by the reader.
The Steering Committee's decision is provided below by theme.
Theme #1-Other methods to monitor foods-Proceed as recommended. Attempt to complete your work in 6 weeks rather than 8 to meet July 15 deadline. Jennifer will work with Study team to address this Theme #2-Update habitat layer-Combine with Theme #7. Prepare to discuss with Steering Committee to provide additional clarification. No action was recommended Theme #3-Commitments....level of effort for delisted species-Proceed with your recommendation Forest Service (Dan Tyers) has lead on this. Dan was going to provide copy of power point previously provided to FWS

Theme #4-Definitions of dispersed vs. developed sites and implications-Proceed with your recommendation USFS and FWS work to develop alternative language that works for both (FS and FWS).

Theme #5-Monitoring outside PCS-Proceed with your recommendation (note: This is of significant interest to the Steering Committee and they will likely weigh in following your recommendation) FS and FWS (Dan Tyers and Jennifer) need to review Chapter 3 and identify any existing examples of this theme, and suggest edits to address concerns Theme #6-Conversation between USFS and States re: habitat protections outside the PCA- Prepare to discuss with Steering Committee to provide additional clarification regarding this recommendation. No additional action required by the subcommittee Theme #7-Use 2016 developments as the baseline-Combine with Theme #2 No additional actions needed by subcommittee

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Subject: Notes from habitat sub-group meeting

Hello,

Attached are notes from our conference call today. Please review and provide any appropriate edits, additions, etc. to reflect the discussion and improve the accuracy. I need to get these to the Committee by Tuesday, so the quicker the better.

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Subject: Selection to habitat sub-group of the CS Steering Committee

All,

You have been selected by the YES Conservation Strategy Oversight Committee to serve on the habitat sub-group. Attached is a short description of your charge and the major themes identified by YES that your group will be tasked with addressing. We ask that you address this quickly as the first deadline for a report back to the Steering Committee is May 25th.

I ask that Ken McDonald take the lead in coordinating the first meeting. One key task for the first meeting will be to decide on your sub-group chair person who will take over this role for future meetings.

Please contact any of the Steering Committee members or myself if you have questions or concerns.
Brian

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