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Team,

After our last meeting I felt the process we used was much more time intensive than anticipated. With the short timeline we have, I recommend we change course slightly to be more efficient in our discussions on Friday. I think we could move through what we have left on the public comment list if each of us are willing to take some time to review the comments in advance of the meeting. I propose we each bring those issues we believe to be important to address in the Conservation Strategy to our meeting on Friday and dedicate our time to those items. We spent a lot of our time last week talking about how to respond to those issues in a final delisting rule. I think it is very important for our committee to remain focussed only on the Conservation Strategy.

If the USFWS needs assistance responding to comments, I think we are all willing to help, but I also believe this work is squarely in their purview and they should reach out directly to those who they would like help from.

If you are agreeable to this proposal, I am hopeful that you will start your review of the comments by asking "is this a conservation strategy issue?" and "is it significant enough to make a change in the strategy?" and "have we already addressed the issue through our discussions based on YES provided themes?"

We were able to get to the first issue on page 5, so start there. I will consider silence as consent to modify our process. If you have concerns with this idea, please respond to this e-mail and the entire group.

thanks,
Brian

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