

Comments that are acceptable:

1. P. 2 – “evaluate” instead of “update” ...
2. P. 4 – insertion of the “the GYA grizzly bear”, except change to GYE
3. P. 4 – “address” instead of “deal with” ...
4. P. 8 – remove word “all” in front of nuisance bears...
5. P. 16 – replace “update” with “evaluate” ...
6. P. 21 – add statement about state MOA...
7. p. 40 – G53 – remove “to expand their range and numbers and re”
8. p. 47 – G59 – agree to add/move explanation of why increasing number of mortalities outside the DMA is expected from protocol to background.
9. P. 50 – Table 4, item #6 – change wording from “achieving the objective of a stable population at the estimated number at time of delisting” to “achieving the objective of a stable population around the model-average Chao2 estimate 2002–2014 of 674”
10. P. 52 – agree to add a reference to Appendix P but not the rest.
11. P. 62 – t55 – ok to remove words “embraced and”
12. P. 63 – t76 – update to 41%
13. p. 63 – t77 – should refer to Figure 8.
14. p. 93 – ok to remove word all...
15. p. 93 – OK to add sentence at end of page...
16. p. 113 – ok to replace reduction with management

Responses to comments in Chapter 3:

p. 65 – t78 – “will be” is correct

p. 65 – t79 – Figure 8 shows all of the occupied range. Throughout the Strategy percent occupied is calculated based on a number of other boundaries that the occupancy layer overlaps (i.e., the PCA, the DMA (i.e. criterion 1), and suitable habitat).

p. 66 – t80 – calculation is based on occupied suitable habitat outside of the PCA that is on federal lands. However, upon updating calculations it should read

“Approximately 85% of suitable habitat outside the PCA occurs on federally owned land and about 83% of that suitable habitat is occupied by grizzly bears (Figure 8).”

p. 78 – t81 – Figure 7 contains areas outside of the DPS (the proposed DPS boundaries are not changing from the 2007 delisting) because the forest service monitors for secure habitat in these bear analysis units to allow for connectivity.