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Steering Committee Members,

Below is recommended language in response to the USFWS stated desire to describe the fact that the CS will remain in effect long after delisting. Secondly, attached is the language recommended by the Habitat Subgroup regarding Habitat standards language revisions. These are two of only a few changes left to be decided on by the Steering Committee prior to our October 3rd YES meeting. At our Steering Committee meeting next week (**September 26, 2:00 p.m.**) we will discuss all changes that are submitted for consideration. As a reminder, those making final recommendations for edits to the CS have until close of business tomorrow to submit them.

**Signature Page:** The agencies signing this Conservation Strategy agree to use their authorities to maintain and enhance the recovered status of the grizzly bear in the Greater Yellowstone Ecosystem (GYE) by implementing the regulatory mechanisms, interagency cooperation, population and habitat management and monitoring, and other provisions of the Conservation Strategy as per the details and responsibilities described in this document. All signatories recognize that each has statutory responsibilities that cannot be delegated and that this agreement does not and is not considered to abrogate any of their statutory responsibilities. This agreement is subject to and is intended to be consistent with all appropriate federal and state laws. Funding of this MOU is subject to approval and appropriations by approved state and federal entities. All agencies will take appropriate steps to seek funding to implement this document. The adequacy of the regulatory mechanisms demonstrated by this Conservation Strategy are dependent upon funding being available to fully implement the management and monitoring actions detailed in this document. This Conservation Strategy does not go into effect until all agencies have signed this document and the final rule delisting the GYE grizzly bear DPS has been published in the Federal Register. **This Strategy will remain in effect well beyond delisting and the five year monitoring period required by the Act to address the long-term need for continued coordination among signatory agencies. This strategy will be adaptive in nature and will be revised and re-signed every 5 years beginning on the date of the last signature below.**

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