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Attachments: [Chapter3 proposed revisions updates 27 July 2016.docx](#)

Thank you Jennifer.

I made a couple of additional edits in the chapter that I highlighted in Yellow. The main one was to change Habitat Connectivity to Transportation Planning so as not to imply it referred to connectivity between ecosystems, and because that section was focused on new and improved roads and associated planning.

I am a bit concerned about the NPS comments related to whether or not they still agree with using the 1998 baseline related to new developments. It is very late in the game to be just now talking about a change to that standard. I guess we will wait to hear the results of their Aug. 1 meeting.

I will forward this to the Steering Committee, and we will have a good discussion on it next week I assume.

Again, thank you very much for leading the charge on this chapter.

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Ken,

Attached are suggested edits to Chapter 3 that resulted from the Study Team meeting and subsequent emails. As you can see, additional questions were raised and are included as comments in the attached document.

One issue, hunter numbers, should be passed along to the sub-group working on conflict bear management. Monitoring hunter numbers was always about measuring human-bear conflicts and not food availability and so is more appropriate for Chapter 4. In addition, given the lack of correlation between hunter numbers and human-caused mortalities we suggest discontinuing monitoring hunter numbers but including the justification for ending this monitoring.

Please let me know if you any questions.

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Ken,

We need a few more days to give everyone on the Study Team adequate time to review the food monitoring revisions to Chapter 3. I should receive all edits by the COB Monday and will prioritize incorporating those on Tuesday and providing them to the habitat sub-group. Thank you for your patience.

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