

Agency Coordination/Conflict Management Sub-group

Joe,

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.

The Steering Committee's decision is provided below by theme.

Theme #1-NPS Managers included in the discussions and decision making process.....allocation of harvest—*Elevated to Steering Committee for discussion*

Theme #2-Update Chapter on Conflict—*Proceed with your recommendation*

Theme #3-Connectivity/Linkage/Genetic Management— *Elevated to Steering Committee for discussion*

Theme #4-USFS concerns related to the safety and moving bears—*Proceed with your recommendation*

Theme #5-Food storage, consistency of orders and linkage to NCDE- *Prepare to discuss with Steering Committee to provide additional clarification regarding this recommendation.*

Theme #6-Coordination and consultation re: moving bears.....- *Proceed with your recommendation*

Theme #7-USDA sheep station—*Concur with your recommendation to leave as is in C.S.*

Theme #8-Limit on bear relocations to other ecosystems—*Proceed with your recommendation*