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Subject: Re: Follow-up
Date: Thursday, October 01, 2015 9:04:53 AM

Thanks Mary....that works for me. Got bogged down yesterday in non-shutdown shutdown planning.

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On Oct 1, 2015, at 8:49 AM, Erickson, Mary C -FS <mcerickson@fs.fed.us> wrote:

Hello Matt - any chance of a brief check in today at 11:30?

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From: Matt Hogan [mailto:matt_hogan@fws.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, September 29, 2015 7:16 PM
To: Erickson, Mary C -FS
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Thanks Mary. Sorry to not follow up....planning for the potential shutdown has eaten up otherwise productive time. Let's try to talk tomorrow or Thursday if that works for you.

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On Sep 29, 2015, at 5:48 PM, Erickson, Mary C -FS <mcerickson@fs.fed.us> wrote:

Hello Matt. This is a follow-up to our conversation last week about the status on the Yellowstone Grizzly Bear proposed delisting rule/conservation strategy update. The upcoming YES meeting is set for Jackson on November 3rd and 4th.

I need your help with how to move this conversation forward within the context of the YES agenda.

Here are some initial ideas for working this in to the agenda:

Overview of YES -

- Reminder of Charter/purpose/protocols/membership/decision-making

Overview of ESA Delisting Process and Conservation Strategies

- Background of 2007 Conservation Strategy -
- Demographic components and mortality thresholds
- Habitat standards

Update on Proposed Delisting Rule and Updated Conservation Strategy

- Negotiations with States - ID, MT, WY
- Land Management Agencies - coordinated review and proposed updates (agree to process and timeframes)

What I need most at this point is some guidance from you/USFWS as to how to craft this. Dan and I would be willing, at the request of USFWS, to propose a process to the federal land management agencies (FS, NPS, BLM) to review and recommend any updates to the Conservation Strategy. I assume we would need a core team member from USFWS to be assigned along with a small Interagency group of specialists to pull this together. The best I think we could hope for is to put together a proposal/process/team/timeframe - and seek the support from the YES Committee to move this ahead. I would want to reach out to the Tribes before the YES meeting if possible to let them know the discussion is coming.

We would like to put forth a draft agenda to the YES Committee by the middle of next week, if at all possible.

Dan and I would have time to visit this Thursday from noon to 1 p.m. - or next Monday morning, October 5th.

Let me know what you think.

Thanks much, Mary

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