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Subject: list of CS revisions/discussion topics

hi Lisa,

This is just a personal list of things and has a lot of my own ideas in it...I don't know that we'll actually accomplish all these things.

GYA CS Revisions:

(Jennifer - I am adding my comments where appropriate – Lisa Landenburger, September 2015)

- i. To facilitate connectivity, commitment from MFWP to no hunting in the portion of bear harvest unit 317 north of Montana Hwy.'s 41 and 287 (i.e., the Tobacco Root Mountains and the Highland Mountains).
- ii. drop the CS Mgmt. Area polygon entirely? It's not relevant any more....right? (I agree; it serves no legal or administrative purpose. I will maintain it in the database as a legacy boundary of historical interest)
- iii. drop the CEM (this means dropping HE & HQ also, right?) (yes to all 3! Delete all references throughout the document and appendices)
- iv. change reporting/monitoring protocol for motorized route density to remove seasonal designation (yes, we have good consensus on this)
- v. updated ch. 2 w/ most recent recovery criteria (yes, it will make the document more user-friendly, less confusing, and more professional!)
- vi. genetics monitoring (that already went through public review)...where would a girl find this document/language?
- vii. inadequate funding as a trigger (A legal policy question – we need counsel on this. This lack of funding trigger would only be relevant to monitoring protocol - not standards. We will need to know if a lack of sufficient funding is legitimate reason to not conduct certain monitoring elements i.e., spring ungulate carcass surveys)
- viii. changes to Commission rules or state laws that depart significantly from the CS
- ix. any criteria being routinely not achieved = status review
- x. revisit 2020 deadline for documented genetic connectivity?
- xi. change "Bio&Monitoring Review" to "Mgmt review"?
- xii. state laws chapter – include more description (like in NCDE)
- xiii. FSOs in all suitable habitat on USFS lands
- xiv. No translocation until it is demonstrated that levels of genetic diversity are a threat or deleterious (maybe just remove the translocation language entirely due to the Ne work Haroldson is doing)
- xv. Do we have to get signatures again?

- xvi. Delete Appendix G? (Possibly. Most of the content regarding definitions, standards and protocol will be incorporated directly into Chapter 3 and/or Appendix F. Table 1 will be morphed into chapter text. However, Tables 2-4 in Appendix G have nothing to do with standards or monitoring protocol but rather seem to substantiate points relevant to the discussion of temporary changes in secure habitat found under the section "Inside the PCA" (pg. 148 of the Appendix G). I don't see any need to keep this section or the tables since it's more a discussion rather than management guidelines. As for the material in Appendix G pertaining to management direction OUTSIDE the PCA found on pgs. 147 and 149, I need input from others more knowledgeable on State Plans and Forest Plans. Habitat management outside the PCA relies much less on the CS and primarily on State Plans and individual Forest Plans. I don't know what to do with these 2 sections in the Appendix nor am I certain whether any of it is still applicable since the States may have updated their management plans.)
- xvii. TRIGGERS FOR A USFWS STATUS REVIEW: define "significantly" in state law, hunting regs, or Tribal ordinances clause....if it will make the population decline or create range retraction w/in the DMA only; triggers for 3 consecutive years or routinely
1. routinely not defined, but an example given...2 years violated, 1 year ok, 2 years violated = 4 of 5 years

thanks again for all your help!
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