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All,

First off, I want to thank those of you who made time for me to visit with you about the upcoming meeting in Denver. I will keep trying to reach those of you I have not yet. Richard and Jeff (G), please provide a phone number that I can use to reach you.

As facilitator for the meeting, I have drafted up the attached agenda, which is fairly self-explanatory. My goal is to help both the FWS and the states clear up misunderstandings and communication gaps that are evident to me, having spoken with most of you, and to help you seek resolution of the issues that currently divide you. I am not so naïve as to think this will be easy, and we may not be able to reach full resolution of all issues in the time we have. However, I have the sense from speaking with you that all of you are committed to genuinely trying to move toward the shared goal of designing an approach to delisting and post-delisting management that meets the needs of both the states and the FWS.

I have designed the agenda so that the afternoon of the 18th will consist of presentation of information, from both the FWS and states' perspectives and framing of issues. We will not debate any of the issues on the 18th. The purpose of the afternoon will be for each of you to gain a fuller understanding of the perspectives of others in the room, get all the facts on the table, and frame the issues we will need to resolve. Thursday morning will be committed to resolving the issues. During this part of the meeting I will be looking primarily to the Directors of the states and FWS for their concurrence, since that's where the respective "bucks" stop.

Please review the agenda and give some careful thought to the contributions you can make to this meeting. I look forward to open, honest, frank and respectful dialog that moves us all forward.

Jeff (H) and Scott, I do not have Ken McDonald's or Brian Nesvick's email address. Please forward this message on to them.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at any time.

Thanks,

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Subject: GB Meeting

Quick update on our planned meeting for Feb 18-19.

Chris Smith from WMI has agreed to facilitate our conversation. He intends to try to have a brief conversation with all of you prior to the meeting so expect a call from him.

I am working with Scott Talbot on the agenda right now and hope to have that out next week. Our intent is to start around 12 Noon on Feb 18 and adjourn by 12 Noon on Feb 19.

For the states, let me know if I left anyone off this list that you are intending to bring.

Everyone should have the hotel information.

Let me know if you have any questions.

Matt

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"Try to learn something about everything and everything about something." - Thomas Huxley.