

From: Annette Naylor
To: [Chris Servheen](#)
Subject: RE: HIGH IMPORTANCE: Grizzly Bear Responses
Date: Tuesday, March 17, 2015 3:10:45 PM

Thank you

From: Chris Servheen [mailto:chris_servheen@fws.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, March 17, 2015 2:20 PM
To: Annette Naylor
Cc: Nicole Alt; Michael Thabault
Subject: Re: HIGH IMPORTANCE: Grizzly Bear Responses

The states invoked are MT, WY, and ID. Please note that none of these states are interested in hunting bears on reservation lands.

Sent from my iPhone

On Mar 17, 2015, at 2:10 PM, Annette Naylor <annette_naylor@fws.gov> wrote:

Hi Chris,
HQ wants to know what state(s) you are referring to in the below update on the Grizzly Bear response.
Email me back and I will forward it on.
Thank you

From: Servheen, Chris [mailto:chris_servheen@fws.gov]
Sent: Thursday, March 12, 2015 1:42 PM
To: Alt, Nicole
Cc: Ivy Allen; Seth Willey; Bridget Fahey; Michael Thabault; Jill Naylor
Subject: Re: HIGH IMPORTANCE: Grizzly Bear Responses

Here is a short paragraph due mostly to Ivy's efforts:

The Tribal Leaders Council (TLC) has requested more time to consult on the consideration to delist the grizzly bear. The TLC has elevated their concerns to Secretary Sally Jewell. There is Tribal opposition to a delisting but some of this may be due to misunderstandings about delisting such as that the states plan to institute grizzly hunting seasons on reservation lands. R6 has offered 3 in-person consultation meetings but the Tribes are requesting more time. R6 is proposing to host three consultation meetings in broad areas where Tribes have expressed interest in this issue. We would like to offer three meetings in late winter or early spring. Ideally, the three meetings would occur within the Great Plains, Northern Rocky Mountains, and Idaho geographical areas.

On Thu, Mar 12, 2015 at 11:03 AM, Alt, Nicole <nicole_alt@fws.gov> wrote:
We need a short paragraph for the weekly report. Chris can you prepare a few sentences? Thank you.

Nicole Alt
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From: **Michael Thabault** <michael_thabault@fws.gov>
Date: Thu, Mar 12, 2015 at 6:22 AM
Subject: Fwd: HIGH IMPORTANCE: Grizzly Bear Responses
To: Nicole Alt <Nicole_Alt@fws.gov>

Need something from Chris and Ivy. I have not looked at this weeks submissions.

Michael Thabault
Assistant Regional Director
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Begin forwarded message:

From: Noreen Walsh <noreen_walsh@fws.gov>
Date: March 11, 2015 at 8:34:47 PM MDT
To: "Thabault, Michael" <michael_thabault@fws.gov>
Cc: Matt Hogan <Matt_Hogan@fws.gov>
Subject: Re: HIGH IMPORTANCE: Grizzly Bear Responses

Yes, and include in weekly report

Noreen Walsh
Regional Director
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On Mar 9, 2015, at 2:49 PM, Thabault, Michael
<michael_thabault@fws.gov> wrote:

FYI for now. Probably need to discuss next steps.

Michael Thabault
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From: **Ivy Allen** <ivy_allen@fws.gov>
Date: Mon, Mar 9, 2015 at 11:35 AM
Subject: HIGH IMPORTANCE: Grizzly Bear Responses

To: Michael Thabault <michael_thabault@fws.gov>,
Chris Servheen <chris_servheen@fws.gov>, Stephen
Torbit <Stephen_Torbit@fws.gov>,
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Cc: Marla Trollan <marla_trollan@fws.gov>

FYI all, this grizzly bear issue is going back up to DC, Secretary level and to some congressionals. Someone may want to loop the front office in so they are not surprised when it comes back down the pipe. It might be worth noting who they CC'ed on the response below. Two of the attached letters are Tribal responses.

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From: Cheryl Belcourt [mailto:cbelcourt@mtwtytlc.com]

Sent: Monday, March 09, 2015 11:22 AM

To: ivy_allen@fws.gov; Sally Jewell

Cc: Cheryl Belcourt; Howlett, Sierra (Indian Affairs); Erik_Nylund@tester.senate.gov; Amanda Peterman (Amanda_Peterman@Daines.Senate.gov); Alex_Sterhan@zinke.house.gov

Subject: Please see attached letter

Importance: High

Hello all at the Department of Interior and Fish Wildlife Service,
Please see the attached letter in response to the letter from the DOI-FWS Mountain Prairie Office (the latter was received by the Tribal Leaders Council office a couple weeks ago dated 2/17/2015 -- RE: FWS/R6/ES/EA ESO-00060852). Both letters as well as the original TLC Resolution to which the letters pertain are attached for your reference.

Although you had requested a response by March 6 (this past Friday), as the subsequent TLC letter reiterates, more time is needed to accomplish the full fledged meaningful consultation process that is required for the Tribes to be able to really engage and be heard on this issue.

My understanding is that ordinarily, Tribal Consultation is announced in the Federal Register 30 days in advance of the first session.

Cheryl Belcourt
Tribal Leaders Council

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