

From: [Will Meeks](#)
To: [Matt Hogan](#)
Subject: RE: Urgent meeting with tribal leaders
Date: Wednesday, October 14, 2015 3:21:36 PM

Focus on direct/critical issues to prep Dep.Sec. as opposed to a general BP.

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From: Matt Hogan [mailto:Matt_Hogan@fws.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, October 14, 2015 3:10 PM
To: Will Meeks
Subject: RE: Urgent meeting with tribal leaders

Not sure I understand what direct route means?

From: Will Meeks [mailto:Will_Meeks@fws.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, October 14, 2015 3:08 PM
To: Matt Hogan
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See Ivy's note below. I suggest the direct route for BP. You?

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From: Ivy Allen [mailto:ivy_allen@fws.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, October 14, 2015 2:27 PM
To: Will Meeks; Michael Thabault
Subject: RE: Urgent meeting with tribal leaders

Thanks Will,

I will do and I will include any folks in ES that Mike wants me too collaborate with on the pre-surname work. Much of a general FWS grizzly/tribal actions briefing paper is done but it will need updated.

They (GOAL) have a lot of stuff on their site specifically directed at Chris S. This is going to come up in their meeting. So are some other direct issues. Do you all want them prepared for this and to have answers for what they are going to say? This is going to be a sticky meeting. So you all want a general BP or do you want the specifics to this situation?

From: Will Meeks [mailto:Will_Meeks@fws.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, October 14, 2015 1:42 PM
To: Ivy Allen
Cc: Michael Thabault
Subject: FW: Urgent meeting with tribal leaders

Ivy,

Matt asked that we begin compiling this, but working with ES? Please lead. I think some of the briefing (if not a large share) is already done (see 9/2/15 draft). Let's shoot for final surname draft by 11/2/15.

Mike – who in ES should we work with on drafts prior to your surname.

Thanks.

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From: Munoz, Anna [mailto:anna_munoz@fws.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, October 14, 2015 12:56 PM
To: Noreen Walsh; Matt Hogan
Cc: Emily Porcari; Will Meeks
Subject: Fwd: Urgent meeting with tribal leaders

Hi Matt and Noreen,

It looks like we've nailed down a date (Nov. 6) for meeting with GOAL on grizzly bear. There will be a pre-brief with Mike Conor on 11/5. Can you provide a BP as requested below? Emily will be running point on this as I'm scheduled to be driving to Denver that week for my exciting new job! That being said, I will still be managing things during my drive out there, so feel free to reach out, if needed. Scroll down to the end to review GOAL's original meeting request and the concerns raised re: the Service.

Anna

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From: **Rees, Gareth** <gareth_rees@ios.doi.gov>

Date: Wed, Oct 14, 2015 at 1:33 PM

Subject: Fwd: Urgent meeting with tribal leaders

To: Anna Munoz <anna_munoz@fws.gov>

Cc: Elizabeth Washburn <elizabeth_washburn@ios.doi.gov>, Jordan Finegan <jordan_finegan@ios.doi.gov>

Hi Anna,

A meeting with this group has been confirmed for Friday November 6 with a pre-meeting on Thursday November 5. Would it be possible to have a briefing paper on the issues mention in the email below by Wednesday November 4 at 2pm in time for the pre-brief?

Thanks

Gareth

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From: **Elizabeth Washburn** <elizabeth_washburn@ios.doi.gov>

Date: Thu, Oct 1, 2015 at 6:03 PM

Subject: Fwd: Urgent meeting with tribal leaders

To: Gareth Rees <gareth_rees@ios.doi.gov>

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From: "Iacobucci, Francis" <francis_iacobucci@ios.doi.gov>

Date: October 1, 2015 at 4:02:17 PM MDT

To: Elizabeth Washburn <elizabeth_washburn@ios.doi.gov>, Elizabeth Klein <elizabeth_klein@ios.doi.gov>, Anna Munoz <anna_munoz@fws.gov>

Subject: Fwd: FW: Urgent meeting with tribal leaders

We have regretted this for SJ. They are incredibly eager to meet with high levels.

Is this something Mike and Dan can handle?

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From: **GOAL Tribal Coalition** <goaltribalcoalition@gmail.com>

Date: Thu, Sep 3, 2015 at 2:04 PM

Subject: FW: Urgent meeting with tribal leaders

To: scheduling@ios.doi.gov

Adding to our conversation this week, the dates that work for our party of tribal leaders will now be during the week starting October 26th.

Many thanks,

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From: GOAL Tribal Coalition [mailto:goaltribalcoalition@gmail.com]
Sent: Tuesday, September 01, 2015 1:44 PM
To: scheduling@ios.doi.gov
Subject: FW: Urgent meeting with tribal leaders

Secretary of Interior
Sally Jewell
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Washington, DC 20240

Dear Secretary Jewell,

We at Guardians of Our Ancestors' Legacy (GOAL) request a personal meeting with you to discuss the need for formal government-government consultation with Tribes regarding US Fish and Wildlife Service's decision to delist the Yellowstone grizzly bear population. Tribal leaders are prepared to travel to Washington, DC, for the meeting. The best dates are September 16-17, 2015.

GOAL is a diverse tribal coalition united in the common cause of protecting the sacred grizzly bear, defending tribal sovereignty, and preserving indigenous and spiritual rights. To date, 38 tribal governments have passed legal resolutions opposed to premature delisting of Yellowstone's grizzly bears, and the coalition continues to grow.

GOAL and member tribes are concerned about the dismissive and disrespectful behavior of US Fish and Wildlife Service Recovery Coordinator Chris Servheen towards the Tribes. Servheen has stated that consultation with Tribes would not affect the decision to delist. And, he said that only three tribes have "standing" in this matter, which is clearly not the case. Tribes from the region and across the country have a legitimate stake in the fate of Yellowstone's grizzly bears, and have made their views about delisting unequivocal with the passage of legal resolutions. Given the behavior of Servheen, we request that he not be present at this meeting.

We need not remind you of the requirements for the Department of Interior under the National Historic Preservation Act, American Indian Religious Freedom Act and numerous presidential orders to provide meaningful consultation with tribal governments.

We look forward to discussing this matter in person with you and your staff regarding meaningful consultation with all tribes concerned with the fate of the grizzly.

Please let us know if you can meet on September 16-17, and if so, at what times. If these dates are not available, please suggest alternatives, or consider our invitation for you to come to meet with Tribal leaders in the Yellowstone region.

We look forward to hearing from you as soon as possible. Please be in touch if you have any questions or would like additional clarification.

Sincerely,

R. Bear Stands Last,
Sara Atiqtalik

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