

Yellowstone Grizzly Bear Population Proposed Delisting



Proposed Rule Process

**Species reaches recovery goals
2007**

Assess if species still needs ESA protection

- Habitat destruction or modification
- Overutilization
- Disease or predation
- Inadequate regulatory mechanisms
- Other factors

**Species has improved since listing
Publish proposed delist rule**

We are
here

**Seek public, scientific community, and federal
and state agency input; also solicit at least 3
independent expert opinions (peer review)**

**Read, evaluate, and consider comments and peer
review - adjust analysis appropriately**

State regulations finalized

**Either withdraw or publish final
rule**

**Monitor the species according to a post-delisting
management plan in perpetuity**