

Yellowstone Grizzly Bear Population Proposed Delisting



Yellowstone Grizzly Bear Recovery

- Population: 1975 - as few as 136 grizzly bears
Today - more than 700 grizzlies
- Range: more than doubled since mid-1970s
 - Occupy more than 22,500 miles²
 - More than NH, MA, and RI combined
- Stable population for more than a decade \approx at or near carrying capacity
- Only affects the Yellowstone grizzly bear population – all other populations remain listed
- Recovery based on more than just numbers:
 - Quantity and quality of habitat
 - Sustainable mortality limits
 - Adequate regulatory mechanisms
 - Balance of male and female bears well-distributed throughout ecosystem
- Achieved: collaboration, partner-driven, cross-jurisdictional approach by Interagency Grizzly Bear Committee (IGBC)

