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To: <u>Michael Wright</u>
Cc: <u>Stacey Cummins</u>

**Subject:** Fwd: Bozeman Chronicle -- FOIA for grizzly bear correspondence

**Date:** Thursday, May 25, 2017 8:53:16 AM

Dear Michael Wright,

The United States Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS) Headquarters FOIA Office received your request dated May 23, 2017. We have forwarded your request to our Region 6 office for processing. You will receive a formal acknowledgement shortly.

If you have any questions regarding your FOIA request; please contact Stacey Cummins at fw6\_foia@fws.gov or 303-236-4473.

Respectfully,

United States Fish and Wildlife Service Headquarters Freedom of Information Act Office MS: IRTM 5275 Leesburg Pike Falls Church, VA 22041

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From: Michael Wright < mwright@dailychronicle.com >

Date: Tue, May 23, 2017 at 5:44 PM

Subject: Bozeman Chronicle -- FOIA for grizzly bear correspondence

To: "fwhq\_foia@fws.gov" < fwhq\_foia@fws.gov>

To whom it may concern:

Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act, I request copies of all 2017 correspondence regarding the delisting of the Yellowstone grizzly bear between the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and the following state agencies: Montana Fish, Wildlife and Parks, Wyoming Game and Fish, and Idaho Fish and Game.

I would prefer to receive these documents in electronic form.

The request is in the public interest and is for the purpose of news gathering, as I am a reporter for the Bozeman Daily Chronicle. The delisting of the grizzly bear is of high importance to my readership.

As a member of the news media, I am only required to pay for the direct cost of duplication

after the first 100 pages. I also ask that any applicable fees be waived, as this request is for

news gathering purposes. If my request for a fee waiver is denied, please notify me before the

request is filled.

If my request is denied in whole or in part, I ask that you justify all deletions with references to

specific exemptions of the act. I also expect that all segregable portions of otherwise exempt

materials be released. I reserve the right to appeal your decision to withhold any information

or deny a waiver of fees.

If there are questions about this request, please call me at 406-582-2638 or email to

mwright@dailychronicle.com. My mailing address is P.O. Box 1190, Bozeman, Montana, zip

code 59771.

I look forward to your reply within 20 business days, as the statute requires.

Michael Wright

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