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Hi all:

Last week I sent you all the message shown below (along with a report from the USFS RMRS genetics lab) regarding a lynx incidental take from last winter. Today I received a revised report from the lab indicating that the now confirmed lynx in question was NOT a new individual to their genetics database as originally reported, but rather the same lynx that had been genetically detected sometime in 2009 from a scat sample submitted (collected?) by Tim Catton with USFS. Still a lynx, but it's a genetic recapture, not a new individual. Revised report from lab is attached.

Dave – your call on whether the plaintiff's need to be re-notified of this slight change.

Tim – could you provide me with the details of the previous scat submission – date, location, etc.

John

From: Erb, John D (DNR)
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Dave and Ken (et al.):

Per our internal protocol for reporting, I am informing you that I just received confirmation from the USFS RMRS genetics lab in Montana that the animal captured in a foothold trap (but escaped) last winter (12/1/09) near Babbitt was in fact a lynx, as suspected. The incident was previously reported to all parties back in December 2009 – this is just an update to the initial reporting. Recall that a trapper, after watching an animal escape his trap as he approached, contacted Steve Loch (he knew Steve) to come look at the sign around the trap site to see if he thought it was a lynx or bobcat. Steve visited the site and was confident it was a lynx. But we still wanted a genetic confirmation. Regarding chain of custody on the genetic sample that was collected/submitted - Steve Loch collected a hair sample from the trap site when he first visited the area. The sample was later transferred to a DNR CO, then to me for submission to the lab. The lab's report is attached – sample submitted was confirmed as a male lynx, and as new individual to the RMRS genetic database.

Dave – I assume you will notify the plaintiff's of this final conclusion. I've cc'd all others (USFWS, USFS, and others in DNR).

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