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Tam,

Just an FYI - I met last Thursday afternoon with the Leech Lake DNR's Enforcement Chief, (b) (6), (b) (7)(C). His investigation has concluded that there was no foul play in the trapping of Canada Lynx 2581. He said the trap was a legal set. I also met with their biologist, Steve Mortenson. He is already planning to take DNA samples for Tim Catton with the Forest Service and for the tribe. I left him with a couple of tissue sampling kits and he's also going to take some for us, then forward those samples to me. I will then send them on down to you.

Please let me know if you have any questions.


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(b) (6), (b) (7) - Please coordinate with Tam Smith in our office as this develops.

I'd also recommend coordinating with our regional tribal liaison - Tim Petronski, at some point, but we won't do that until getting a green light from you (LE).

Thanks, (b) (6),  
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(b) (6),  
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I talked to Steve Mortenson about this lynx this morning. Please give (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) a call on this ASAP. I haven't read the attached report yet but I understand the Band member was snaring bobcats and caught this lynx near Cass lake. He turned in the carcass to the Leech Lake tribal DNR. Please make sure there was no intent to catch a lynx and find out if there was any negligence involved.

Please ensure Phil has the following:

Date taken  
Precise location  
Description of the incident  
Size of cable and loop used  
Photos (if taken)  
Contact information for the trapper

We may need a genetic sample once your investigation is complete.

Thanks,

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Here is the lynx report.

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[attachment "Injured Protected Wildlife Report C. Lynx Jan. 20, 2012  
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