

From: [Stuart, James N., DGF](#)
To: [Grizzle, Betty](#)
Subject: RE: Public comment re wolverine in NM
Date: Wednesday, January 11, 2017 11:41:21 AM

I agree that a camera trap survey in northernmost NM would be valuable, both for lynx and possible wolverine. We have funded some such work for marten and have discussed that informally for other species but it has not been a priority.

From: Grizzle, Betty [mailto:betty_grizzle@fws.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, January 11, 2017 11:38 AM
To: Stuart, James N., DGF
Subject: Re: Public comment re wolverine in NM

We are trying to sort through ones that are fairly credible and ones that are not verified, but this does not have any coordinates so unlikely we will add this to our GIS data base. But I will mention the two from NM in the SSA Report.

The public comments describe sightings from as long as 40 years ago. Would be interesting to initiate a citizen science type effort for some of these areas. We have been working with our Natural History Museum on camera "trapping" for a flying squirrel found near residences in San Bernardino Mtns here in So Calif. (which we did not list as threatened or endangered). It has been very successful.

On Wed, Jan 11, 2017 at 10:27 AM, Stuart, James N., DGF <james.stuart@state.nm.us> wrote:
Hi Betty:

Yes, I found reference to that sighting by Peggy Nelson in my files but lacking the details in her public comment letter. I never got a good description of her sighting from Peggy directly (and that was back when I was new to this job) and so considered it "indeterminate.". Thanks for forwarding that. I assume these reports will be compiled in the SSA for the state?

Interesting ... how many unverified anecdotes do we need to give the possibility serious consideration? I can't answer that.

Thanks,
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From: Grizzle, Betty [mailto:betty_grizzle@fws.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, January 11, 2017 11:15 AM
To: Stuart, James N., DGF
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Jim - Another public comment for sighting in Pecos Wilderness Area in 2005...see attached (says info was forwarded on to your agency).

On Tue, Jan 10, 2017 at 3:39 PM, Grizzle, Betty <betty_grizzle@fws.gov> wrote:
Very difficult to verify without photograph. Let me know if your agency receives any additional information about this sighting.

On Tue, Jan 10, 2017 at 3:34 PM, Stuart, James N., DGF <james.stuart@state.nm.us> wrote:
Thank you! I guess I would call this one "indeterminate."

Thanks,

Jim

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From: Grizzle, Betty [mailto:betty_grizzle@fws.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, January 10, 2017 4:25 PM
To: Stuart, James N., DGF
Subject: Public comment re wolverine in NM

Hi Jim - Here is the public comment submitted (this is also at regulations.gov - see information on first page for assigned document number).
Betty

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