

## Re: Yellowstone Bison SOL comments

Bison x



Servis, Jennifer <[jennifer\\_servis@fws.gov](mailto:jennifer_servis@fws.gov)>

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to me

Great - thanks for your input.

Jenn

On Mon, Jul 20, 2015 at 10:38 AM, Gober, Joy <[joy\\_gober@fws.gov](mailto:joy_gober@fws.gov)> wrote:

> I agree. I think a simple explanation is nearly always better.

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> On Mon, Jul 20, 2015 at 10:35 AM, Servis, Jennifer <[jennifer\\_servis@fws.gov](mailto:jennifer_servis@fws.gov)> wrote:

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>> Hi Joy,

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>> I hope you had a nice weekend. For the bison DPS qualification discussion, I put the new citations provided since the 2011 finding as justification for the discreteness and significance criteria and deleted the older citations. I also inserted some words just below where I define the species and range to clarify what citations we're considering and why there may be information suggesting the bison may now qualify as a DPS. I wrote:

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>> "In 2011, we made a not substantial 90-day finding on a petition to list the wild plains bison or each of four distinct population segments as threatened under the Act (FWS 2011, entire). In that finding, we determined that the YNP bison did not qualify as a DPS and, therefore, a listable entity under the Act (FWS 2011, pp. 10309-10310). The present finding evaluates new information provided by the petitioners that has become available since the 2011 decision, to determine whether the YNP bison may meet the discreteness and significance criteria needed to qualify as a DPS."

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>> Do you think that is helpful, accurate, and adequate to relay our current thinking? I choose not to go into detail about the "ecological discreteness" and significance reasoning we discussed because we don't do that anywhere else in the form for substantial information. b(5)

What are your thoughts?

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>> Thanks,

>> Jenn

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>> On Thu, Jul 16, 2015 at 2:43 PM, Gober, Joy <[joy\\_gober@fws.gov](mailto:joy_gober@fws.gov)> wrote:

>> > Jennifer, I tried calling, but got Drew D. away message. Anyway, I'm

>> > available to visit anytime. Joy

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>> > On Thu, Jul 16, 2015 at 8:19 AM, Servis, Jennifer

>> > <[jennifer\\_servis@fws.gov](mailto:jennifer_servis@fws.gov)>

>> > wrote:

>> >>  
>> >> Okay, late afternoon today is best for me.  
>> >> Thank you.  
>> >>  
>> >> On Thu, Jul 16, 2015 at 7:44 AM, Gober, Joy <[joy\\_gober@fws.gov](mailto:joy_gober@fws.gov)> wrote:  
>> >> > I have several conference calls today, but am available late  
>> >> > afternoon  
>> >> > today, or anytime Friday, Monday, or Tuesday.  
>> >> >  
>> >> > On Wed, Jul 15, 2015 at 3:39 PM, Servis, Jennifer  
>> >> > <[jennifer\\_servis@fws.gov](mailto:jennifer_servis@fws.gov)>  
>> >> > wrote:  
>> >> >>  
>> >> >> Hi Joy,  
>> >> >>  
>> >> >> I hope you're continuing to have a nice summer. b(5)  
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>> >> >>  
>> >> >> Let me know if you're available and willing to chat again.  
>> >> >>  
>> >> >> Thanks,  
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