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To: [Snyder, Caitlin](#)
Subject: Re: 90-day PRF question
Date: Tuesday, June 23, 2015 9:29:54 AM

Caitlin,
Sounds good. Thanks for the guidance.

On Tue, Jun 23, 2015 at 7:28 AM, Snyder, Caitlin <caitlin_snyder@fws.gov> wrote:

> Hi Jennifer,
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> I think it makes sense to identify them both in the text as you describe, as
> well as separating them out and having two sections within the lit cited --
> a list for the primary petition and a list of the secondary petition. Both
> will add better clarity for the public to see how we evaluated each petition
> on its own merits (although we are consolidating our finding into one form).
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> Thanks,
> Caitlin
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> On Mon, Jun 22, 2015 at 1:17 PM, Servis, Jennifer <jennifer_servis@fws.gov>
> wrote:
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>> Hi Caitlin,
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>> Thank you for getting back to me so quick with the helpful comments. I
>> see now that I can make it more clear which claims and sources came
>> from which petitions.
>> For each citation, do you think it would be helpful to include which
>> petition it came from within the citation? For example, "...as their
>> numbers are stable or increase each year (Meagher 1973, p. 70, primary
>> petition; Meagher and Meyer 1994, p. 646, both petitions)." Or I could
>> separate the citations within the literature cited section at the end
>> of the document. Do you think either option would be helpful?
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>> Thanks,
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>> On Mon, Jun 22, 2015 at 10:43 AM, Snyder, Caitlin
>> <caitlin_snyder@fws.gov> wrote:
>> > Hi Jennifer,
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>> > Thanks for sending this. Generally I think the set-up for this will
>> > work,
>> > although I suggest that at the start of each Factor we identify which

>>> purposes each petition is claiming may be a threat to the species. (See
>>> attached -- I inserted some comments). I also think we should separate
>>> out
>>> the DPS discussion and identify the citations we used to support a
>>> discreteness finding and the citations we used to support a significance
>>> finding (and do this for both petitions -- not sure if they used the
>>> same
>>> references, but we should verify that we agree that both petitions
>>> present
>>> an argument that the petitioned entity may be a DPS (and be both
>>> discrete
>>> and significant)).
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>>> There were some instances where it appeared that just the primary
>>> petition
>>> was claiming something may be a threat, but then we seemed to indicate
>>> that
>>> both petitions were claiming that something was a threat. I inserted
>>> some
>>> comments asking for clarity on this. We also need to be clear on which
>>> citations came from which petition.
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>>> I inserted some other general comments.
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>>> Please let me know if you have any additional questions or would like to
>>> discuss further.
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>>> Thanks,
>>> Caitlin
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>>> On Fri, Jun 19, 2015 at 5:57 PM, Servis, Jennifer
>>> <jennifer_servis@fws.gov>
>>> wrote:
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>>>> Hi Caitlin,
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>>>> Hope you are well. I wanted to follow up on the brief discussion we had
>>>> with Justin earlier this month on how to combine two petitions into one
>>>> finding. I recall there not being specific guidance on the process
>>>> since it
>>>> hasn't come up often. I've put together a draft of a PRF for two
>>>> petitions
>>>> to list the Yellowstone bison and wanted to send it your way so you
>>>> have a
>>>> chance to give input on aspects of its organization and wording, if you

>> >> have
>> >> time.
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>> >> Please let me know if you have any other ideas for ways to combine the
>> >> petitions.
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>> >> Thank you,
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