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Sounds good. Thanks

Sent from my BlackBerry Wireless Handheld

----- Original Message -----

From: Sandra Hamilton
Sent: 10/23/2010 08:56 AM MDT
To: Mike Murray
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Subject: RE: WRC comment

Thanks, Mike. Your second suggestion will be the quickest to implement. Lori and I discussed last night and agreed on the following:

In the glossary -- add a cross reference from breeding activity to breeding behavior, and under breeding behavior add text used synonymously with breeding activity in this plan/EIS.

It'll also be added at the end of the definition of breeding behavior in tables 10 and 10-1. We should be clear what we mean for all alts. As far as I can tell after searching on "breeding activity," the term isn't used

in alts A or B or in Table 9. They use breeding behavior or the specific behavior (e.g. territorial or courtship behavior).

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RE: WRC comment(Document link: Sandra Hamilton)

I would make the change only in Alternative F and would use it in any/all Chapter 4 references to "breeding activity", if any, for Alternative F only , if it is easily done.

Since I don't really know if there is much technical difference between the two terms, another thought would be to simply add "breeding activity" as a synonym for "breeding behavior" in the Table 10-1 definition and in the glossary, as in:

"Breeding behavior (or breeding activity)" followed by the definition. Then people would know that in the context of the plan, they mean the same thing, as defined.

That's my input, but I'll defer to Sandy on the best way to handle it.

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Juanita can make these, we just need to clarify how this needs to ripple through the document. Is this just for chapter 2, or will this change need to be made to chapter 4 as well? If we are making this change in chapter 4, would it apply to all alternatives, not just F?

Thanks,
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Hi Mike,

I agree. It makes sense that we would be as clear as possible to avoid confusion.

LORI: Would you and Juanity see if this change can be made in Table 10-1 and wherever alt F is described. Fortunately "activity" and "behavior" have the same number of letters so it shouldn't throw off any of the formatting already done. It wouldn't need to be changed for the other alternatives. Let me know if this is possible in the time we have.

Thanks.

Sandy

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Sandy,

I've just had a chance to closely review the SELC information package about the manipulation of the NCWRC comments on the DEIS. The various emails from WRC staff reveal some comments or concerns that were not included in the agency's comments submitted by Director Gordon Myers, and therefore not officially communicated as concerns for NPS to consider. In reading through all the WRC staff emails, there is a concern mentioned that caught my attention. It was that the criteria for implementing or removing a buffer should be clarified so that management actions are based on observations or absence of "breeding behavior" not just "breeding activity". I'm not sure I totally understand the difference, if there is one,

between the two terms, but perhaps the concern was that "breeding activity" could be interpreted more narrowly as just mating or copulation and not as inclusively as the full spectrum of "behavior".

In reviewing Table 10-1 again to see what terminology we are using, I think there is an inconsistency that we should correct in Table 10-1 (and perhaps if needed in any Alternative F text). In Table 10-1 under "Definitions" we define "breeding behavior" (but not "breeding activity"), but then in all the "Management" sections we use the term "breeding activity" as the trigger for implementing protections or the absence of "breeding activity" as the trigger for removing protections.

I think we should change "breeding activity" to "breeding behavior" wherever the former term is used in Table 10-1 and in text descriptions of Alternative F. Rationale: "breeding behavior" is the term we have defined at the beginning of Table 10-1, so it would be more clear what "behavior" means than what the undefined term "breeding activity" means. Note: "Breeding behavior" (not "activity") is also the term used in the Glossary, as well as in the Consent Decree (Paragraph 7).

Hopefully, this would be an easy editorial fix (i.e., search for and replace "breeding activity" with "breeding behavior" so we are using the term we have defined).

Your thoughts?

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