

## 2017 Selkirk and Cabinet-Yaak IGBC Subcommittee Desired Actions

Reduce human caused grizzly bear mortalities, particularly in the front country. Continue implementing food storage orders and sanitation measures on public lands.

Continue improving sanitation conditions within all land ownerships, particularly on private lands. Use the results of mortality analysis to tailor public outreach/education and sanitation strategies via community input.

Continue coordination with British Columbia partners to further Information & Education efforts on the B.C. side of the Selkirk recovery zone including the development of an electric fencing and bear resistant garbage container loaner program.

Make maps of recent grizzly bear Resource Selection Function (RSF) model available to land management agencies in 2017.

Implement a vigorous Information and Education management strategy for the Cabinet-Yaak and Selkirk

Support and participate in augmentation of acceptable grizzly bears in the Cabinet-Yaak Ecosystem.

Continue agency efforts to maintain funding for a full time bear management specialist for the State of Montana, as well as retaining a full-time State of Idaho position where they currently are not fully funded to do bear management work year round. Focus on finding funding to support Information and Education on the Washington side of the recovery zone.

Continue systematic and opportunistic DNA data collection of grizzly bears in the Cabinet-Yaak and Selkirk Recovery Zones and adjacent areas. Increase emphasis on establishing/monitoring rub stations.

Continue discussions concerning the content and mechanisms of a conservation strategy for one or both recovery areas with the intent of assessing the information and resources necessary to start the process.

Continue trapping and monitoring efforts in the Cabinet-Yaak and Selkirk ecosystems to facilitate gathering of population trend information including details on mortality, recruitment and distribution.

Participate in efforts to assess and respond to linkage opportunities within and between the Cabinet-Yaak and Selkirk recovery zones within the U.S. and British Columbia. When opportunities for action are identified (e.g., acquisitions or easements) use a collaborative stakeholder process prior to implementation.

Coordinate with NCDE IGBC subcommittee

Complete annual recovery status report with a target date of May 2017

Begin discussions about vegetation habitat enhancements within the recovery zones.

Compile a record of administrative use on restricted roads for Bear Year 2016 and update condition of OMRD, TMRD and Core in each BMU. Improve coordination with U.S. Customs and Border Patrol officers in administrative use and reporting.

Make headway towards achieving access standards in the Blue Grass (Selkirk RZ), Boulder, Bull, Grouse Creek, St. Paul, Mt. Headley, and Wanless (Cabinet-Yaak RZ) BMUs by 2019.

Continue to develop and implement a coordinated, long-term, sustainable funding strategy. Pursue funding for identified unfunded work priorities including 1) Cabinet-Yaak and Selkirk information and education; 2) Selkirk radio-telemetry monitoring; 3) wildlife resistant dumpsters and food storage containers; and 4) distributing bear

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information in both ecosystems. Maintain and/or develop five year agreements among partners to facilitate flow of funding.

Continue research coordination with our B.C. partners on research revolving around male grizzly bear habitat use, U.S. huckleberry patch (food) modeling, density, and reproductive fitness for the Selkirk and Cabinet-Yaak grizzly bear ecosystems. Present progress at the spring SCYE IGBC meeting. Consider investing in M. Proctor's huckleberry patch research and other research needs as deemed appropriate by the group.

Assemble a technical team to identify and prioritize the best grizzly bear research needed for the Cabinet-Yaak and Selkirk ecosystems.

Facilitate a SCYE subcommittee workshop in British Columbia in 2017

Revisit Final proposed IGBC charter in 2017