Executive Session Report



- IGBC Executive Coordinator job announcement will be out from soon (Dec/Jan). It will be a USFS position.
- IGBC agreed to establish a Budget Committee:
 - Vice Chair
 - Executive Coordinator / IEO Chair
 - 3 Executive Committee Members
- IGBC Budget Committee will meet in January. Topics include FY20, FY21, and outyear structuring of agency agreements.
- IGBC approved a Chair and Vice-Chair for 2021-22

Executive Committee Overarching Goals



- 1. Understand relationships between emerging patterns in recreation and grizzly bear conservation to support effective measures in preventing conflicts and mortalities.
 - Covid effect update Winter Meeting 2020
 - other?
- 2. Identify landscape conditions that allow interchange and dispersal in areas between ecosystems and, where desired and feasible, maintain and enhance those conditions.
 - Verified Outlier Database
 - USFWS is working with MFWP and IGBST to maintain an outlier database of verified and possible sightings of bears occurring between ecosystems.
 - State, Tribal, and Federal partners are critical in gathering and verifying reported sightings.
 - The database will inform Federal consultation, potential connectivity areas, and priority areas to monitor
 - MTFWP is working with a Post Doc to look at potential pathways between NCDE, CYE and BE.

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- 3. Identify trends and concerns, and support effective preventative measures to reduce human-bear conflicts and human caused mortality.
 - Subcommittee efforts (YES, NCDE, S/C-Y)
 - IEO efforts, MTFWP Summit, 3rd Party efforts (Wildlife Services/NGO, etc)
- 4. Provide strategic support and direction to Bitterroot, Selkirk, Cabinet Yaak, and North Cascades Ecosystems for continued grizzly bear conservation and recovery efforts.
 - Subcommittee Workplans and Reports
- 5. Support and coordinate integrative approaches to increase effectiveness and accuracy of population monitoring.
 - IGBST/YES 2021
 - IGBST, NCDE, and CYE working with the U of M on Integrated Population Model.
- 6. Improve effective communication across all levels of IGBC
 - IGBC 2019 retreat, charter update, roles and responsibilities, website update