NCDE Habitat Database Manager

FY2021

Grazing Section(s) in Conservation Strategy

- None of the recommended direction in the Conservation Strategy has changed.
- Animal Unit Months (AUM) will still be used.
- Most proposed updates are dealing with the different terms different agencies have for the land that receives grazing. Allotments, leases, or range units.
- Biennial reporting data will include:
 - Acres under allotment/lease/range unit.
 - Number of USFS & BLM allotments whether they have active permittee.

Appendix 6 in Conservation Strategy

- This the Motorized Access Analyses Application Rule section.
- It's a detailed and technical appendix.
- All changes are for clarification.
- Not sure how to proceed, suggestions?

Biennial Reports

- Currently the 2017 motorized access, 2018 developed recreation, and 2018 grazing reports are completed.
- Should reports be approved? And if so, by whom?
- Should final reports be posted? And if so, where?

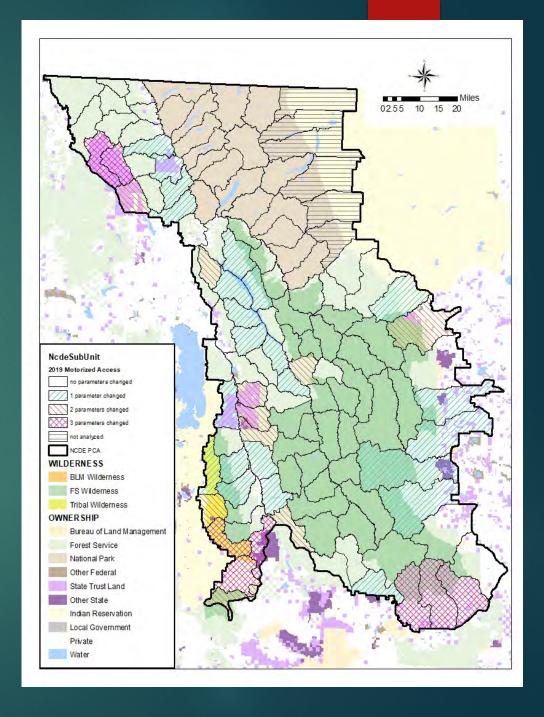
2019 Motorized Access Monitoring

The 2019 motorized access monitoring report is completed for 120 subunits. The remaining 6 subunits are not completed due to COVID-19 pandemic delaying Blackfeet IR information.

The 120 subunits met Conservation Strategy rules.

Comparing 2017 to 2019, 41 subunits had a whole percentage value change in either OMRD, TMRD, or CORE due to:

- updates in information in 37 subunits.
- land exchanges in 6 subunits.
- project implementation in 5 subunits.

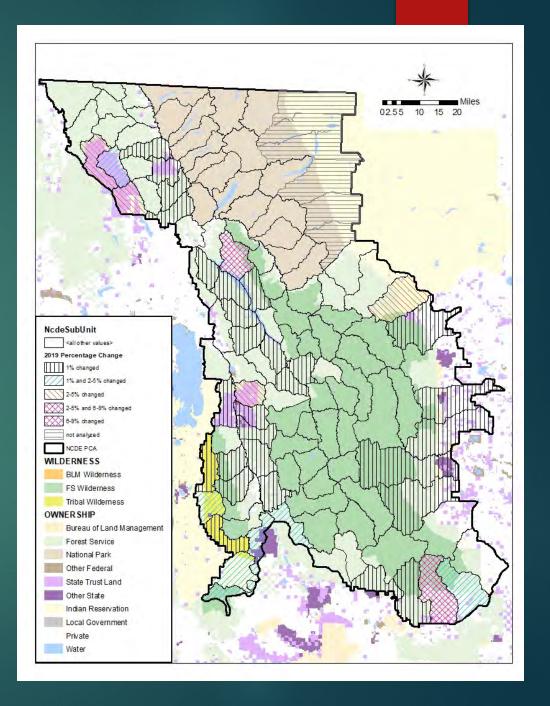


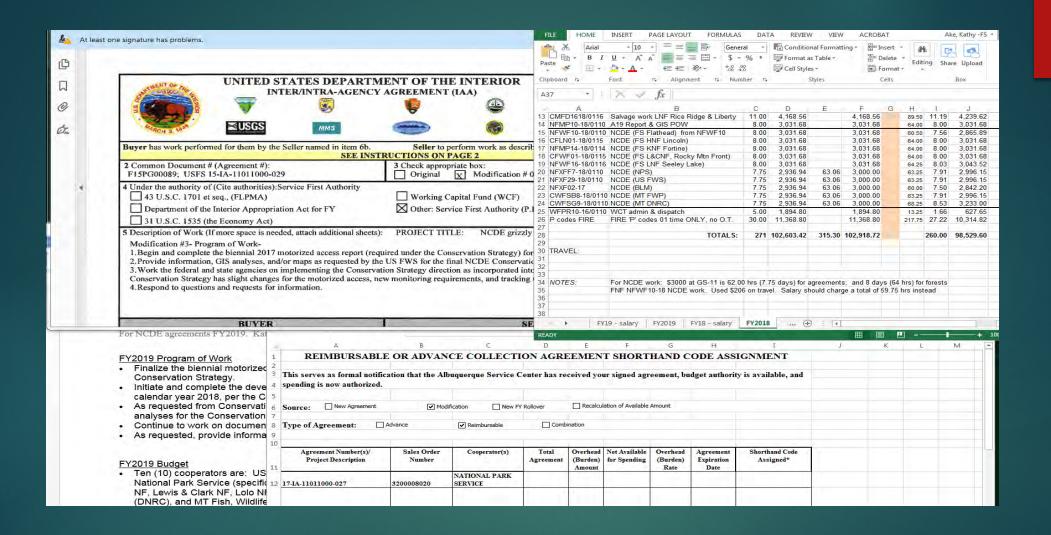
2019 Motorized Access Monitoring

Of these 41 subunits, there were 67 individual changes:

- 69% had a change of 1%.
- 25% had a change between 2-5%.
- 6% had a change between 6-9%.
- None had a change ≥10%.

NOTE: On the map, the highest range of percent change determined the color pattern.





And for the what, how much, and when discussions . . .

FY 2020 Accomplishments

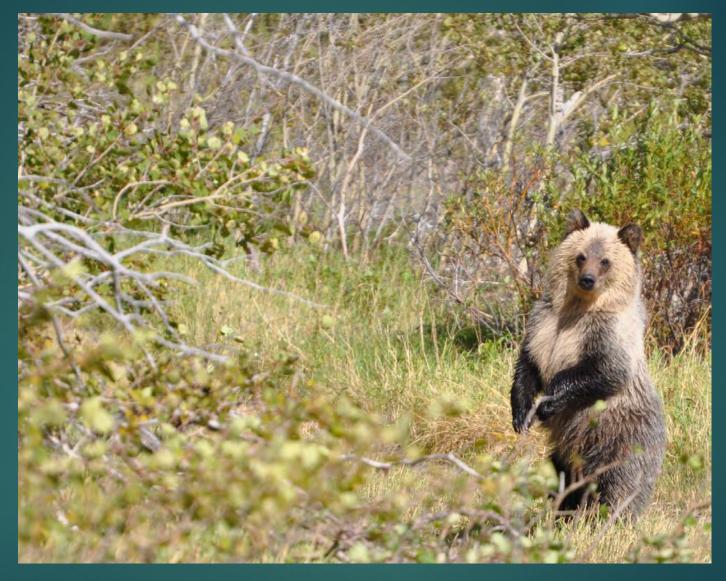
- Completed biennial motorized access monitoring for CY 2019, except for Blackfeet Indian Reservation information.
- Completed grazing monitoring for CY 2018.
- Completed grazing edits to Conservation Strategy, for decision at this Managers' Subcommittee meeting.
- Provided assistance to projects on various motorized access analyses.
- Responded to questions & requests for general information, and for implementing plans.

FY 2021 Work Plan

- Complete biennial motorized access monitoring for CY 2019 for the 6 remaining subunits.
- Initiate and complete biennial grazing monitoring for CY 2020.
- Initiate and complete the developed recreation monitoring for CY 2020.
- Have proposed changes for grazing sections in Conservation Strategy reviewed & finalized by NCDE Mangers' Subcommittee.
- Work with NCDE Managers' subcommittee on process for reviewing and posting completed monitoring reports.
- Work on documentation & training for motorized access analyses.
- As requested, provide information, analyses, or assistance.

FY 2021 Agreements & Budget

- All FY 2020 agreement funds were spent, and will be either closed or continued for FY 2021.
- FY 2021 request is \$3000 per unit.
- 10 contributors: BLM, US FWS, US NPS, MT DNRC, MFWP, and Flathead, Kootenai, Lolo, & HLC (2 forests).
- Provides for approximately 81 days (31% of my time).



Thank you for your assistance & continued support!