



# Selkirk/Cabinet-Yaak Subcommittee

## Interagency Grizzly Bear Committee

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**May 8, 2024**

**8:00 am (Pacific), 9:00 am (Mountain)**

**AGENDA**

**Red Lion Hotel Kalispell (20 N Main St, Kalispell, MT 59901)**

**Video (browser or MS Teams app): [Click here to join the meeting](#)**

**Call-in: 1 564-999-2000 passcode: 213 520 822# (mute/unmute \*6)**

Time (MST)	Topic	Presenter
9:00-9:15	Committee and presenters logon and test function	
9:15-9:30	Welcome and subcommittee member introductions	Mike Kuttel, Jr. Subcommittee
9:30-10:30	<b>Conservation Strategy Discussion Part 1 - Process</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Establish how Technical Team and Subcommittee will coordinate</li> <li>Leadership structure for Technical Team</li> </ul>	Subcommittee & Technical Team
10:30-10:45	<b>Break</b>	
10:45-11:30	<b>Conservation Strategy Discussion Part 2 – Ensure Progress</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Establish timeline and progress milestones</li> <li>Verify DOI Teams site works for collaborating</li> </ul>	Subcommittee & Technical Team
11:30-1:00	<b>LUNCH</b>	<b>On your own</b>
1:00-1:30	<b>Selkirk/Cabinet-Yaak Recovery and Monitoring Update</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>2023 annual report</li> <li>2024 trapping/field season plans</li> </ul>	Wayne Kasworm
1:30-2:00	<b>British Columbia Monitoring Update</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Influences of food and mortality risk on grizzly bear habitat use</li> </ul>	Michael Proctor
2:00-2:30	<b>SCY Genetics Findings</b>	Megan Turnock
2:30-2:45	<b>Modeling Connectivity Areas</b>	Cecily Costello
2:45-3:00	<b>IEO Subcommittee Updates</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>IEO updates</li> <li>Conflicts Database</li> </ul>	Eddie Whitcomb
3:00-3:15	<b>Discuss IEO Chair going forward</b>	Mike Kuttel, Jr.
3:15-3:30	<b>Break</b>	

3:30-4:30	<b>Agency Updates</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• B.C. Ministry of Forests, Lands &amp; Natural Resource Operations</li> <li>• Counties Rep</li> <li>• Idaho Fish and Game</li> <li>• Idaho Dept. of Lands</li> <li>• Kalispel Tribe of Indians</li> <li>• Kootenai Tribe of Idaho</li> <li>• Montana Fish, Wildlife &amp; Parks</li> <li>• U.S. Bureau of Land Management</li> <li>• Colville National Forest</li> <li>• Idaho Panhandle National Forest</li> <li>• Kootenai National Forest</li> <li>• Lolo National Forest</li> <li>• USFWS Idaho Office</li> <li>• USFWS Washington Office</li> <li>• Washington Dept. Of Fish and Wildlife</li> </ul>	Agency reps
4:30-4:45	<b>Questions and Comment, in-person, Teams (link above), or Phone (call-in above)</b>	All
4:45-5:00	<b>Closing:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Identify preferred meeting dates for fall 2024</li> <li>• Adjourn</li> </ul>	Mike Kuttel, Jr. Subcommittee

**Joint NCDE & Selkirk/Cabinet-Yaak Subcommittee Meeting**

**May 9, 2024  
8:00 am (Pacific), 9:00 am (Mountain)**

**AGENDA**

**Red Lion Hotel Kalispell (20 N Main St, Kalispell, MT 59901)**

**Video (browser or MS Teams app): [Click here to join the meeting](#) (note different link from Day 1)  
Call-in: 1 202-650-0123 Phone Conference ID: 509 843 111#**

Time (MST)	Topic	Presenter
9:00-9:15	<b>Welcome and Introductions</b>	Mike Kuttel, Jr. & Lee Anderson
9:15-10:15	<b>Current status of NCDE and Cabinet-Yaak/Selkirk</b>	Cecily Costello & Wayne Kasworm
10:15-11:15	<b>Conservation Strategy 101: Process &amp; Purpose Presentation and Discussion</b>	Subcommittee & Technical Team
11:15-11:30	<b>Break</b>	
11:30-12:00	<b>North Cascades Environmental Impact Statement</b>	Hilary Cooley
12:00-12:30	<b>Closing</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Identify coordination points and next steps</li> <li>• Adjourn</li> </ul>	Mike Kuttel, Jr. & Lee Anderson