



IGBC Update

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Partner Agencies



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT
OF THE INTERIOR AND STATES OF IDAHO, MONTANA, WYOMING, AND WASHINGTON
MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT TO REVISE AND EXPAND THE
INTERAGENCY GRIZZLY BEAR COMMITTEE

A. Need:

The grizzly bear is listed as a threatened species in the 48 conterminous States under provisions of the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended. To achieve the recovery of the grizzly bear, it is necessary that all Federal and State agencies with responsibilities for this species coordinate their management and research actions to the greatest extent possible to insure the best utilization of available resources and prevent duplication of effort.

To attain the objectives established by the Grizzly Bear Recovery Plan, the United States Department of Agriculture (U.S. Forest Service), the United States Department of the Interior (Fish and Wildlife Service, National Park Service, Bureau of Land Management, Bureau of Indian Affairs), and the States of Idaho, Montana, Wyoming, and Washington find it in the best interest of the grizzly bear to revise and expand the Interagency Grizzly Bear Committee (IGBC) established in April 1983).



IGBC Mission

The IGBC supports recovery and delisting, and ongoing conservation of grizzly bear populations and their habitats in areas of the western United States through interagency coordination of policy, planning, management, research and communication.

IGBC Purpose



- “Evergreen”
 - Coordination to ensure best utilization of resources and prevent duplication of effort
 - Enhance information sharing
 - Support ongoing conservation of grizzly bears and their habitat after delisting
- Tied to USFWS Recovery Plan
 - Coordinate implementation of the recovery plan
 - Support revisions to the recovery plan
 - Support development of conservation strategies
 - Support actions by FWS to delist populations upon achievement of
 - Support revisions to CSs as warranted by new info

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IGBC: 40 years of accomplishments

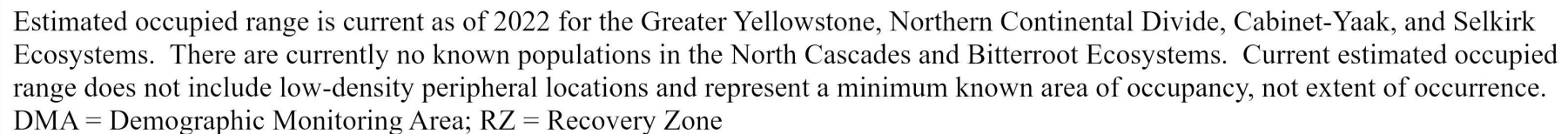
- Bear Resistant Product Testing Program
- Attractant storage/Food Conditioning
- Information, Education, and Outreach (IEO)
 - universal messages
 - website (100k impressions/month)
 - Bear Smart Communities framework and manual
- Science

IGBC Executive Committee

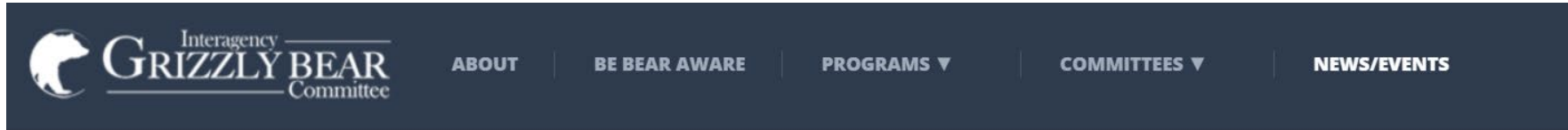
- Continued expansion of occupied areas
- Separate decision processes NCE/BE
- Other administrative / legal processes
- Refocus five-year plans to annual reporting, with exchange between Subcommittees and Executives
- Common understanding that successful grizzly bear recovery and conservation requires a shared responsibility with all parties



2022 update



IGBC News/Events



Bitterroot Subcommittee Fall 2023 Meeting – VIRTUAL

October 18, 2023

The IGBC's Bitterroot Ecosystem Subcommittee is holding its 2023 Fall meeting on Wednesday, October 18th from 9:30am-5:00pm mst (8:30am-4:00pm pst).

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BITTERROOT ECOSYSTEM
SUBCOMMITTEE



North Cascades Ecosystem Fall Meeting 2023

October 10, 2023

The IGBC's North Cascades Ecosystem Fall Meeting will be held October 10, 2023, from 12:00pm-4:00pm PT at the Confluence Technology Center, 285 Technology Center Way #102, Wenatchee, WA .

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NORTH CASCADES
ECOSYSTEM
SUBCOMMITTEE

2023 Save the Date:

10/10 North Cascades,
Wenatchee, WA 12-4PT
10/18 Bitterroot, virtual, 9-
3MT
11/8-9 YES, Jackson WY, 2-6, 8-
1PT
11/14, Selkirk/Cabinet-Yaak,
Cusick, WA, 9-3PT
11/28-29 NCDE, Polson MT 10-
5, 8-12PT
12/12-14 Executive
Committee, Bozeman MT

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Upcoming IGBC Meetings

- 11/14, Selkirk/Cabinet-Yaak, Cusick, WA
- 11/28-29 NCDE, Polson MT
- 12/12-14 Executive Committee, Bozeman MT
- 1/30/24 2nd IEO Summit, Coeur d'Alene, ID



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Thank you!



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