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Via email: equiu@earthjustice.org

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REF: DOI-FWS-2023-000602

Dear Ms. Qiu:

We are writing to respond to your Freedom of Information Act Request (FOIA) request dated November 2, 2022 and assigned control number DOI-FWS-2023-000602. Your request was generally for records related to the grizzly bear locations in Idaho, Montana, and Wyoming.

On February 22, 2023, we met to discuss your request. On March 1, 2023, you modified the scope of your request to: *All records demonstrating or discussing relocating grizzlies into the Bitterroot Ecosystem as well as actions/discussions regarding relocating grizzlies away from the Bitterroot Ecosystem.*

Response

For this first interim response, we are providing one (1) document (130 pages) and one (1) KMZ file (1KB), which are being released to you in their entirety. We are continuing to review additional records that are responsive to your request.

Because this is an interim response to your request, we will provide notice of your appeal rights in our final response letter.

If you have questions about our response, you may contact me by phone at 303-236-4473, or by email at stacey_cummins@fws.gov.

Sincerely,

Stacey Cummins
FOIA Coordinator