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Subject: Re: Bear removal in Wyoming
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OK, thanks a bunch Wayne. I'll reach out and touch bases with Brian.

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Ben,

Got a call from Brian Deboldt about a bear that has been in a cornfield that is used as a maze and pumpkin patch outside of Clark Wyoming. Bear is a 10 year-old female with a history of conflicts in the area but has never been caught or relocated though they are sure it is her and have tried for 3 years to catch her. Brian emphasized the human safety issue but also indicated they had gotten funding to fence this particular field this fall. He said there are other cornfield in the area (well outside of the DMA) that he expects her to continue to use even with the fence. I gave the go ahead to remove her based on the human safety issues and the long history as Brian described. I urged him to prepare some background on this bear's history and human safety to be prepared in case of blow back from the funders of the project. The bear is in a trap and awaiting this removal.

Wayne

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Cabinet-Yaak Annual Report at:
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