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Snow management mitigation measures

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Hello Christopher and Kimberly,

Deb Heebner worked with Tim Melville, the Roads and Pad Foreman, to create the attached snow management mitigation measures. A couple things to note - we included den checks 30 minute prior and 30 minutes post maintenance because FWS requested that of BP last year. However, we are concerned that the checks might just create more potential disturbance and may not be wise.

Also, we did not increase the 800m (400m each side of den) snow-pusher only zone for several reasons:

- the pusher's inefficiency means that for longer distances, many additional passes would be needed to get the road cleared (creating more sustained noise)
- The pusher leaves berms on the side of the road which promote more and increased drifting, thereby also resulting in much more required snow-clearing activity. The blade can make one pass to pile the snow in a row, then the blower shoots it out onto the tundra so that we don't have berms.

We are hoping you could be available tomorrow at 11:00 to review and discuss this plan. I will send out a meeting invite. If 11:00 doesn't work, Deb indicated she is available at 2:30. I am tied up after 3:30.

Thank you,

Beth



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