

PRB IWG -Wildlife Task Group





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Membership

Funding Strategy

Accomplishments

Adaptive Management



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BLM – Buffalo, Casper, & Miles City

USFS – Custer & Thunder Basin

FWS – MT & WY Field Offices

BIA – MT

State – MT FWP & WGFD



PRB IWG -Wildlife Task Group Funding Strategy

Individual agency requests by projects

Previous long-term projects funded

Sage-grouse leks, big game trends, raptor nests

New projects not funded

Habitat loss, small mammals, winter distribution



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Monitoring Plan

Survey Protocol

CBNG coordination

Surveys

Mitigation

Greater sage-grouse research

University of Montana

Habitat mapping & modeling



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Individual Accomplishments

Buffalo

Bald eagle winter, elk

Miles City

Bald eagle winter, big-game

Thunder Basin

Mountain plover, swift fox

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Fortification Creek Elk

Significant impacts/PRB FEIS insufficient

Studies – 1992, 2005, 2008

Cumulative Effects Report – 2007

RMP amendment – 2007

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Fortification Creek RMP Amendment

Geographically phased CBNG development

Elk security habitat loss not to exceed 20%

Compressors & other facilities outside elk crucial habitats

Summer water sources to be provided

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Greater sage-grouse

Univ. MT & other studies

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RMP revision – 2008

Interim management strategy

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