

Mexican Wolf Blue Range Reintroduction Project
Adaptive Management Oversight Committee
Conference Call Action Items
December 21, 2005

AMOC held a conference call today to discuss various issues, in particular the end-of-year breeding pair count. All AMOC Lead Agencies were represented except NMDGF and WMAT. The following action items were agreed upon by all call participants:

1. Each AMOC representative will brief their Director on today's end-of-year count discussion.
2. IFT will maximize count efforts between 12/21 and 12/30/05. John Oakleaf and Shawn Farry will inquire into Papillon helicopter services to supplement the existing contractor.
3. John Morgart will clarify with Chuck Hayes whether to transfer USFWS funds to NMDGF to support the helicopter and fixed-wing monitoring work. If NMDGF will extract indirect charges, Morgart will work with Bill Van Pelt to transfer the funds to AGFD.
4. **TRIBAL INFORMATION REDACTION**.
5. Draft changes to SOP 17.0, 18.0 (and others?) to address **TRIBAL INFORMATION REDACTION**. Action: Wally Murphy suggested the SOP changes and will work with the appropriate IFT members to craft them for AMOC consideration.
6. By close of business on December 23 (earlier if possible), Shawn Ferry and John Oakleaf will provide Terry Johnson and John Morgart with an accurate summary of breeding pair and pack status to date. Terry and John M will cooperate to release that information to the public via an ES Updates by Monday December 26, to provide notice that the 6-pair trigger for the 2006 Moratorium is in doubt. The ES Update will include notification that the end-of-year count will continue through January 20, and the results (and the 2006 Moratorium) will be presented and discussed at the January 26-27 AMWG meetings (not before).
7. The Monthly Updates must clearly identify current numbers of breeding pairs and total (collared vs. uncollared) wolves, and clearly distinguish between them. Breeding pairs, packs, family groups, and whatever other terms are used in those reports must be defined in them so readers can understand the numbers. Action: IFT (John Oakleaf, IFT Leaders, and Shawna Nelson) to modify the report before the next draft is due, January 2, 2006.
8. AMOC agreed that USFWS will direct the Captive Breeding Program to maximize pairs available for initial release and pairs or individuals available for translocation.
9. Sharon Hansen will work with John Oakleaf and Shawn Ferry to assemble site proposals for initial releases in AZ and translocations in AZ and NM and provide them to AMOC by January 13, 2006, for review in advance of public discussion at the January 26-27, 2006 AMWG meetings.

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10. AMOC and the IFT will start looking for more ways to improve communication throughout the Project, to ensure that “surprises” do not occur and that everyone is “on the same page” with regard to important issues.
11. Each AMOC representative needs to ensure that conference calls and meetings are covered by their surrogate when the representative cannot participate.
12. AMOC Conference Call on January 17, 2006 at 1:30-5:00 pm to discuss 2005 end-of-year count, Moratorium, and translocation/initial release draft package. Johnson will distribute an agenda in advance of the call.