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Hello All,

I wanted to send out our thoughts on a general schedule that can enable the SE Group team to be in the field in February for winter surveys. I have sent this to the people I am assuming will be involved in the detailed discussions over the next few weeks and cc'd in others. If I have left anyone out, please let me know. Overall, here is the process as we currently see it:

- **Week of Jan. 7** – have a teleconference call at the end of the week to discuss the current habitat suitability model in advance of running the model. E&E is spending this week updating input variables and conducting other activities on the model and the workplan, but I've attached what we have right now as a current snapshot. I have attached several documents:
 - A spreadsheet of our input variables from our model run last year and the scenarios with weights as well as the output from those model runs for the southern 140 – this gives a good feel for how the model behaved based on the weights. I have also attached our preliminary draft workplan that details our proposed survey methodology.
- **Week of Jan. 14** – E&E runs the habitat suitability model, produces output, finalizes draft workplan and sends to agencies.
- **Week of Jan. 21** – Meeting in New Hampshire to sit down with maps and discuss model output, other potential wildlife hotspots, and relative importance of suitable habitat identified (e.g. which areas to survey first) along with discussions on methodology, the workplan, and other issues that arise.
- **Week of January 28** – Finalize model and workplan and submit to agencies for final concurrence.

This is a simplified schedule dependent on several variables, but mostly we wanted to give everyone a heads up so you all know what we're hoping of doing and when.

We will work with scheduling calls and meetings with the people in the "To" distribution but will make sure to cc everyone in. So for those of you in the "To" distribution, we will be contacting you shortly to see about availability for a call at the end of this week.

Disclaimer note – please treat this information as sensitive and classified. We are sharing these data inputs, results, and workplans as a work in process. They are not finished products, do not imply decisional data, and should not be taken or used out of context. We are hoping to arrive at the best finished product that we can. We would like to involve you as best we can and we look forward to working together on this important work.

Thanks,
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