

IBMP Conference Call Notes:

Reason: OPS check-in

Date: February 19, 2013

Participants: Pat F.-FWP; PJ W.-YNP, Mary E.-USFS, Christian M.-BOL, Marty Z.-DOL, Ryan C.-APHIS, Tom M.-CSKT

Reports: **YNP** -300-400 hd of bison regularly using Gardiner Basin. Considering capture in order to reach goal of 400 hd removal. Would include transfer to APHIS for GonaCon Study and transfer to tribes (ITBC, CSKT) for ship to slaughter. MOU's in process. No pregnant animals shipped after March 15th. CSKT will provide security for loads to White's. PJ will coordinate with ITBC on load security. Notice to governor's office has been given for intent to move bison.

Roughly 132 head of bison taken through hunts.

DOL: West side; small groups coming and going, 2 head out currently, hunting ongoing.

North side; bison on Forest Service with hunters currently on the ground. Bison at Hoppe's leased pasture this morning.

FWP: Harvest record for winter 12/13 hunts attached. Umatilla have taken 9 hd so far, will continue hunting with roughly 40 permits.

CSKT: Season ended at the end of January.

NPT: Offering 15 permits for 2 head each this week. (per Keith L. email)

Other Business: OPS calls will be planned for every Tuesday with APHIS to coordinate need and cancel if no new business is necessary.