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**FW: Bighorn Sheep-Domestic Sheep Interaction Working Group Meeting**

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WY-WSF Board:

Doug McWhirter has officially announced that this year's Bighorn/Domestic Sheep Interaction Working Group meeting will be held **Tuesday, November 2, 2021 at The Inn at Lander from 10:00am to 2:00pm.**

Please see the forwarded email for details regarding both the meeting and the Sweetwater Rocks Proposal process.

Additionally, Doug announced the selection of State Veterinarian Dr. Hallie Hasel as the new co-chair for the working group.

Please let me know if any of you would like more information regarding the meeting or the process.

Best,

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**Subject:** Bighorn Sheep-Domestic Sheep Interaction Working Group Meeting

Hello,

This message follows a previous email regarding the evaluation of a possible bighorn sheep reintroduction in the Sweetwater Rocks area. To re-cap, there was a request from a landowner to evaluate the possibility of reintroducing bighorn sheep in the Sweetwater Rocks area near Jeffrey City. This request was presented to the Wyoming Game and Fish Commission (the Commission) and was discussed at their July 15 meeting in Sheridan. At that meeting the Commission directed the Wyoming Game and Fish Department (the Department) to conduct an evaluation of this potential action.

The Wyoming Plan is very specific in how such proposals are to be addressed, and relative appendices are attached for your review. The Department will follow this guidance, which includes involvement of the Interaction Working Group.

The Department is currently working on Step 1, No. 2 (Appendix L), and in a very general sense on Step 2, No. 1 as there is no formal proposal at this stage. Convening the Interaction Working Group is specified in Step 2, No. 2 and is the reason for this message. After consulting with the State Veterinarian's office we would like to schedule a meeting of the **Bighorn Sheep-Domestic Sheep Interaction Working Group Meeting for Tuesday, November 2, 2021 at The Inn at Lander from 10:00am to 2:00pm** to present completed

efforts associated with the Commission direction and to discuss this matter in detail. Although a primary reason for gathering, other agenda items will be discussed as time allows.

At this meeting we will also introduce the new co-chair, State Veterinarian Dr. Hallie Hasel. I hope your schedule allows for your attendance, and please direct any questions and/or additional agenda items to me anytime prior to the meeting.

Thank you - Doug

Bighorn Sheep-Domestic Sheep Interaction Working Group Co-Chair

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