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Via email: greta@westerwatersheds.org

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RE: DOI-FWS-2024-000317

Dear Greta Anderson:

We are writing to respond to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) office received your request dated February 2, 2024 and assigned it tracking number DOI-FWS-2024-000317. Please cite this number in any future communications with our office regarding your request.

You requested the following "*the project record (a.k.a. "Administrative Record") for the FWS rule: "Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Establishment of a Nonessential Experimental Population of the Gray Wolf in Colorado" published on 11/8/23 in the Federal Register (88 FR 77014).*

By project record, I mean any and all documents included in or relied upon by the agency in making its final NEP/10j decision. I would like copies of correspondence with the other branches of the USFWS (in particular, the Mexican Wolf Recovery Program) as well as with the states (including but not limited to UT, NM, AZ, WY). I also mean any and all presentations, meeting notes, call records, or any other records that were part of the FWS decision making process for this rule.."

Response

We are enclosing 3349 pages, four (4) Excel files,(181 KB) and shapefiles (387 KB) responsive to your request, which are being released to you in their entirety. We are continuing to review records responsive to your request.

Because this is an interim response to your request, we will provide notice of your appeal rights in our final response letter.

If you have any questions about our response to your request, you may contact me by email at stacey_cummins@fws.gov or by mail at U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service; ATTN: FOIA; 5275 Leesburg Pike, MS: IRTM, Falls Church, VA 22041

Sincerely,

Stacey Cummins
FWS Lead FOIA Coordinator