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**Cc:** [Baucum, Madonna L](#); [Wilkinson, Susan](#); [Eanett, Jillian H](#)  
**Subject:** Re: OIRA significance determination BP for CO wolf 10(j) final rule  
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Hi, all.

When Exec Sec received the CO wolf 10(j) final rule OMB briefing paper, they said, "we'll try to work with OIRA to get a determination." Then they asked:

Is there a projected date for when this rule would get to OES? I did not see it on the 90-day List. [note from Anissa: he's referring to the July to September 90-day list, which projects rulemaking actions that will be delivered to Exec Sec and ready for OMB review during the timeframe from July 1, to September 30, 2023. The final rule for this action was not included by ES on that list.] If OIRA determines the rule is significant we'd need it in OES and at OIRA by August to publish by November."

Can you please provide an answer to Exec Sec's question? I'm assuming the answer is something like: we expect/hope for a "not significant" determination from OMB, and are planning a delivery date to Exec Sec for review and clearance in October, but we need to confirm that OMB determination now because our publication timeline is inflexible. If OMB designates the final rule as "significant," then we would hustle to get the rule to Exec Sec in late summer or early fall.

Thanks,

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Many thanks for the review and assistance. I have addressed the one comment bubble, in the attached version, and also pasted below for ease of use:

~~was~~ in Colorado under section 10(j) of the Endangered Species Act (ESA).  
2022, OIRA determined that our proposed rule was not significant under  
E.O. 12866 and indicated that they would make a separate determination at  
e. OIRA also provided a publication, which we have considered in the  
final rule and final environmental impact statement (FEIS). We now request  
determination under E.O. 12866 for our final rule, which we expect to  
begin 2023.

2020, Colorado voters approved Proposition 114 (codified as Colorado Revised  
3), a citizen-initiated ballot measure requiring that Colorado Parks and Wildlife  
implement a plan to reintroduce and manage the gray wolf in Colorado by the

I think all of your in-line edits look acceptable.

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What does this mean? What publication?

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At our briefing with OIRA on the proposed rule, one of the members provided a journal article regarding potential impacts to livestock for our consideration. We could likely delete this sentence, if easiest.

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Hi, Kelly. Sue and I both reviewed the OMB significance determination briefing paper, and we made edits primarily to (1) change the form's presentation of the four parameters for significance to reflect the current wording in E.O. 12866, as revised by E.O. 14094. Doing so made it necessary to address the last parameter differently; and (2) revise verb tenses to acknowledge that we are at the final rule stage.

Our edits are in tracked changes in the attached file. Please review the attached file carefully, and let us know if you need to make further revisions.

Thanks,  
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Hi PRB, attached is our significance determination request BP for the CO wolf 10(j) final rule. This is one of our top priorities for significance determination requests - by state law, Colorado must reintroduce gray wolves into the State by December 31, 2023, so we must publish the final rule by mid-November in order for it to be effective prior to any gray wolf releases.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thanks!

Kelly

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