

affect snow depth for winter tundra travel.

Thank you in advance for your time. I know that those of you from USGS are out in the field looking for bears, but I hope you'll have a chance to share your thoughts early next week or let me know what additional information you may need and when you might be able to reply.

Thank you,

Wendy

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Yes, I agree it is a FWS issue.

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we should discuss tomorrow. Though I think this is a FWS issue

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Hi Greg and Karen,

This is the kind of thing I'm hoping we can discuss next week. This is new work apparently being undertaken by USGS, and it's not clear to me what the relative priority is or how useful it will be. Thus far, I understood the need for snow depth information to be related to water availability in terms of the EIS. Is this snow drift modeling for polar bear den habitat needed for the IHA? I hadn't heard of this requirement before.

Thanks,
Aimee

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Dear Beaufort Sea Polar Bear Researchers,