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RE: Freedom of Information Act Request # 2012-APHIS-00575-F

Legislative
and Public
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Dear Mr. Geist:

Freedom of
Information

This is in response to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request dated, November 2, 2011 and received in our office on November 2, 2011. You requested records that disclose the appropriation of funds by the U.S. Congress and expenditure of funds by the USDA APHIS for its Bison Quarantine Feasibility Study using bison captured in Yellowstone National Park. The search time period is the initial federal appropriation through the current calendar year 2011. The disclose balance of funds, if any, available to USDA APHIS for its Bison Quarantine Feasibility Study. Also, any reports that disclose costs incurred or expenditure of funds by USDA APHIS for this project.

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Our office is requesting a time extension to complete the processing of your request. Pursuant to the U.S Department of Agriculture FOIA Regulations, 7 CFR 1.16(b)(1), this extension is necessary because of the need to continue the search for and collect records from field facilities separate from this office processing the request. We are still waiting for the records.

In addition, when we have received the records to your request, we request an extension to **review the records** pursuant to the USDA FOIA Regulations, 7 CFR 1.16(b)(2). This extension request is necessary because of the need to review records that were collected; the need to appropriately examine distinct records that are subject to this request. We have estimated that the **review** for the responsive records will approximately be completed by February 24, 2012.

If you have any questions, please feel free to call or write to Robbie Perry, at (301) 734-8696.

Sincerely,

for Tonya Woods
Director
Freedom of Information & Privacy Act
Legislative and Public Affairs



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