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**Subject:** Re: I've confirmed Interior Secretary Zinke is recommending reducing the size of Bears Ears  
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roger. thank you.

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For WH to answer

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Dear Heather,

Yes, I understand. And so that recommendation is unchanged, correct?

And this is a very technical question, but I think it still matters. The EO called for a final report on the Secretary's recommendations to be submitted within 120 days:

(e) Within 120 days of the date of this order, the Secretary shall provide a final report to the President, through the Director of the Office of Management and Budget, the Assistant to the President for Economic Policy, the Assistant to the President for Domestic Policy, and the Chairman of the Council on Environmental Quality, summarizing the findings of the review described in subsection (a) of this section. The final report shall include recommendations for such Presidential actions,

legislative proposals, or other actions consistent with law as the Secretary may consider appropriate to carry out the policy set forth in section 1 of this order.

But in the press release, Zinke calls it a “draft report.” Why is that? Obviously the president will make the final call on these changes, and that might come in the form of a report, but this is Zinke’s final report on his recommendations, right?

Thanks, Juliet

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