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Part A Reference	Description
Sections 4.4 and 5.4, Chytrid Fungus Bioassay	In the technical meeting on March 6, 2014, David Tessler of ADF&G's Division of Wildlife Conservation suggested that the study team consult with Tara Chestnut of USGS in Portland, Oregon, regarding the possibility of collecting water samples from sites surveyed for wood frogs to assess the presence of amphibian chytrid fungus (<i>Bd</i>) by testing for environmental DNA ("eDNA") from the fungus. The study team contacted Ms. Chestnut but she did not recommend such sampling, as is detailed in the email and telephone communication logs appended to this ISR (Appendix C, incorporated by reference in Section 7).