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Hello Ungulate Champions!!

Thank you for volunteering (either at the meeting or through your supervisor) to be a leader in the TAG. The following pages include details of the assignments discussed at the 2017 AZA Ungulate TAG meetings.

There were many amazing ideas at this year's meeting. The goals for this year are big, and you will help make 2017 a success by completing your assignments before your deadline, or by next year's meeting.

Please be ready to report your progress at the 2018 Ungulate TAG meetings in Jacksonville, FL. If you cannot make the meeting in 2018, we will miss you, but you can still send your report to Michelle Hatwood at [mhatwood@auduboninstitute.org](mailto:mhatwood@auduboninstitute.org), or have a representative from your zoo report for you.

Good luck with your tasks this year, and remember to seek out help if you need it; there is a wide ungulate network to pull from.

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- 1 Computer programmer to create searchable databases- Cindy Kimmick at LA/UCLA
- Facebook Page volunteers to assist Matt Ardaiole- Pam Eby, Matt Lamoreaux, Nikki Smith's staff, Ashley Arimborgo, Matt Gelvin, Elizabeth Johnson, St. Louis keepers, Heather Johnson
- Video marketing montage to promote ungulates. Try for June deadline to make Ungulate Awareness Day- Jordan Baur (Denver), Matt Lamoreaux (CMZ)
- Keeper Representatives , 1 at each Zoo- Jonnie Capiro to act as Keeper Liaison
- Create Biological Samples needs list for website resource page- Buddha Pukazhenti
- ACM volunteers to help with open programs that need info- Matt Ardaiole, Ashley Arimborgo, Terry Webb, Andrew Haertzen, Elizabeth Johnson
- List of ungulate hauler and what they haul for website- Terry Webb
- Liaison to help tell our story to AZA marketing Committee- Michelle Hatwood

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- SSP Compliance Discussion
  - Make interim TAG action plan- Martin Ramirez
  - List that describes best practices for wants/needs survey, possible presentation for next year
- Behavioral Management and Husbandry Committee
  - Send survey out to find out behavioral ungulate needs to determine behavioral committee purpose- Denver Zoo
  - Procedure of formation of behavioral committee- Tracy Thessing & Amy Roberts
- In Situ Vetting Discussion
  - Task force created for vetting in situ programs
    - May 1<sup>st</sup> goal to complete Phase 1 of program
    - Task Force includes Brent Huffman, Martha Fischer, Kristen Wolfe, JT Svoke, Matt Goodwin, Adam Eyres, Dolores Reed, Allison Case, Jim Haigwood, Andrew Haertzen, Jordan Schimming, Nikki Smith, Matt Lamoreaux, Cindy Kimmick

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- Non-AZA discussion group
  - Create a list, with the help of the TAG leaders, to prioritize genetic needs for all 7 TAGs- Lisa Smith
  - Design a media/PR resource to promote the SHO success story highlighting AZA and non-AZA partnering together- Adam Eyres
  - Hold a non-AZA presentation session next TAG meeting- Jeff Holland
  - Create resource on website with vetting forms for working with non-AZA's- Lisa Smith
  - Risk assessment of working with typical non-AZA institutions- medical, etc.- Linda Penfold
  - Cost analysis of working with non-AZA's- Katy Palfrey
  - List of AZA ungulate programs working with non-AZA's- Sam Berner
  - TAG Chairs- give encouragement to some institutions to work with non-AZA's

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- Succession Planning Discussion
  - TAG Chairs- draft a letter to encourage development of ungulate professionals to aid in succession training
  - Ungulate newsletter- Run by keepers, advised by the Keeper Liaison Jonnie. Institutions will be chosen quarterly. Denver will do the first one.
  - Mentor Program for leaders and aspiring leaders- Tim Thier, Ashley Arimborgo, Dan Dembiec, Adam Felts
  - Create a “growth timeline” to aid staff wanting to grow into successful ungulate leaders- Tim Thier
  - Add TAG leader testimonials to point growth timeline above- Roxanna Breitigan, Bill Houston, Curby Simerson
  - AAZK Conference TAG presence- 1 TAG Chair (Gil Myers) & 1-2 ungulate keepers. Martha will find presentation for Gil to update.