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Senator Rhiannon asked:

The Department has previously indicated it does not check state kangaroo survey or extrapolation methodologies, transect mapping, or actual count data. Is this still the case?

Answer:

The Department does checks kangaroo survey and extrapolation methodologies as part of the assessments of wildlife trade management plans. Subsequent to approval of the wildlife trade management plans, the Department then reviews each state's submitted annual report and quota report to ensure consistency with the survey and extrapolation methodologies outlined in the approved wildlife trade management plans. The Department does not generally see the count data, but may request this information if required.