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**GOVERNOR STEVE BULLOCK**  
**STATE OF MONTANA**

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**Bullock Approves Movement of Yellowstone Bison to Quarantine**

HELENA – Montana Governor Steve Bullock has approved a request from Yellowstone National Park to move 63 bison from a holding facility in the park, near Gardiner, to an Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service facility in Corwin Springs, three miles away.

The bison are being moved to the facility for research and quarantine.

Under an Executive Order issued in 2011, the U.S. Department of Interior is prohibited from transporting “wildlife in Montana to or from any Department of Interior-managed lands or facilities without prior approval.” That Executive Order, No. 16-20111, remains in effect.

The movement of the bison to quarantine is consistent with the Interagency Bison Management Plan.

In approving the transfer, Bullock encouraged Yellowstone Park officials to “work closely with my staff and the Montana Departments of Livestock, and Fish, Wildlife and Parks to safely effectuate this transport.”

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