

# The Soon-to-hibernate Bear Addresses His Public

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Slow way down.  
Get off the freeway.  
Park the car.  
Stop racing the engine.  
Turn off the key.  
Go in the house.  
Shoot the picture tube.  
Smash the chip.  
Stop pacing back and forth.  
Don't crack your knuckles.  
Sit down.  
Stop that fidgeting.  
Listen carefully:  
    *"No."*