

HOW TO SEARCH THE UTAH BLM ENVIRONMENTAL NOTIFICATION BULLETIN BOARD (ENBB)

The Utah BLM is committed to fully informing and involving the public in decisions regarding the use of public lands. The Environmental Notification Bulletin Board (ENBB) is a searchable list of proposals under consideration by the Utah Bureau of Land Management (BLM) that provides a brief description of proposed actions and identifies potentially affected or involved resources or values that are of interest to the public.

All proposals are listed on the ENBB regardless of the level of National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) documentation that applies. Therefore, all Categorical Exclusions (CXs), Documentations of NEPA Adequacy (DNAs), Environmental Assessments (EAs) and Environmental Impact Statements (EISs) currently under preparation by BLM in Utah are listed in the ENBB.

The electronic database was taken off line in April of 2005 and was not restored until March 21, 2006. The projects will be entered into the database as proposals and decisions are made. Information on proposals made prior to March 21, 2006, is available at the individual BLM offices.

To access and search the ENBB, find the Utah BLM Internet Homepage at <http://www.ut.blm.gov/>. In the bar on the left side of the page click on “**NEPA Proposals Under Review**”. Under “ENBB Application” on the ENBB page, click on “Search Past 2 weeks”, “Show All Entries” or “Search the ENBB”.

Search Past 2 Weeks: This search finds and lists projects entered into the data base by all offices beginning two weeks prior to the search. This allows chronological tracking and identification of new listings for all BLM offices in the database.

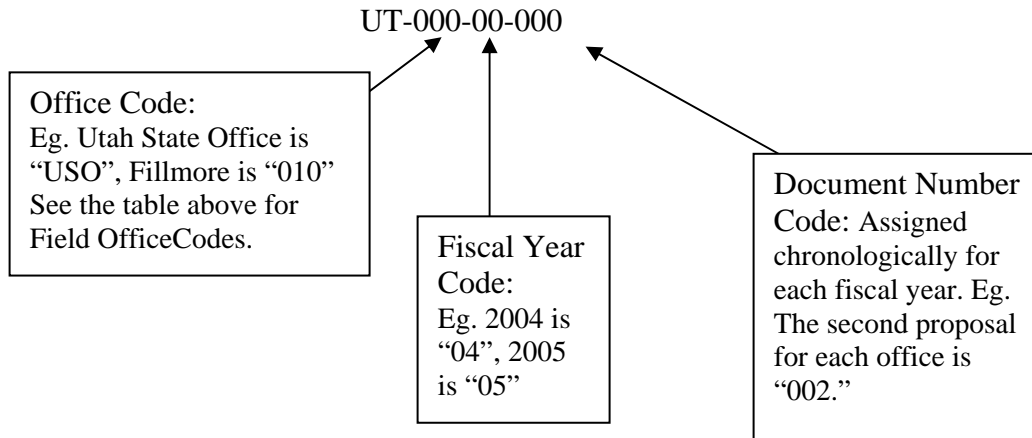
Show All Entries: This displays a list of all proposals in the database.

Search the ENBB: Prepare a search form according to the following instructions:

Enter the search criteria and then scroll to and click on the “search” button at the bottom of the form. When a list is displayed, click on the magnifying glass icon to display a form. The most accurate way to search is to search under one or two criteria for each search. As combinations of criteria are added to the search, the search function becomes less reliable. If you find problems or errors in the search functions or database, please notify Gregory Thayn at (801) 539-4071.

Project Name: A proposed action may be searched for by name by entering and searching for a key word or string of characters. The word or string will be found in either upper or lower case.

NEPA Log Number: This search finds forms by strings of numbers. To find a certain form by the log number, enter and search for the entire number. BLM assigns a log number to each NEPA documentation file according to the following protocol:



Because the search function finds forms by strings of numbers, proposals initiated in a certain year may be found by entering the year. For example, if Moab is selected as the Field Office, and "2005" is entered in the NEPA Log Number box, all projects initiated by the Moab Field Office in 2005 will be listed.

Field Office Code: For a list of forms entered by a specific field office, click on the down arrow and select an office from the menu.

Utah BLM Office Codes

Utah State Office	USO
Fillmore Field Office	UT010
Salt Lake Field Office	UT020
Grand Staircase - Escalante National Monument	UT030
Cedar City Field Office	UT040
Richfield Field Office / Hanksville	UT050
Moab Field Office	UT060
Price Field Office	UT070
Vernal Field Office	UT080
Monticello Field Office	UT090
St. George Field Office	UT100
Kanab Field Office	UT110

Contact : This is a keyword search. Enter the name of the assigned BLM contact person for the proposal.

Phone Number: This search finds forms by strings of number. Enter the phone number for information.

File/Serial Number: This search finds forms by strings of numbers. Guidance for some BLM programs requires that a serialized case file be prepared for proposed actions and projects. The protocol for serialized case numbers is “UTU” followed by a series of numbers. In some cases a suffix of letters, numbers or a combination of numbers and letters follows the series of numbers and is separated from the numbers by a space or hyphen. To find a certain form by the log number, enter and search for the entire number

Document Type: Click on the down arrow and select from Statutory Categorical Exclusion (CX), Administrative Categorical Exclusion, Documentation of NEPA Adequacy (DNA), Environmental Assessment (EA), or Environmental Impact Statement (EIS).

Categorical Exclusion (CX) is a category of actions for which EA or EIS is not required. Statutory CXs are identified in Section 390 of the Energy Policy Act of 2005. Administrative CXs are listed in Department of Interior (DOI) Manual 516, 516 DM2, Appendix 1 and 516 DM 11.5.

Documentation of NEPA Adequacy (DNA) is worksheet that documents that existing NEPA documents are adequate for compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and that an additional EA or EIS is not required. The Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ) NEPA Guidelines at 40 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) 1502.9(c) indicate that NEPA documents are adequate when (1) a current proposed action has been previously proposed and analyzed and (2) resource conditions and other relevant circumstances have not changed significantly, and there is not significant new information germane to the proposed action.

Environmental Assessment is a concise public document that briefly provides sufficient evidence and analysis for determining whether to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) or a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) (40 CFR 1508.9). There are no specific levels of public involvement or procedures for preparation of EAs required by the CEQ, DOI or BLM.

Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) is a detailed written statement as required by section 102(2)(c) of NEPA. Public involvement procedures including a scoping notice and a 45-day comment period on a Draft EIS are required by the CEQ NEPA Guidelines.

Primary Program: BLM actions are often proposed by a specific BLM program. A primary program is the BLM program that originates a proposed action.

Primary programs may be selected by clicking on the box to the right of the title. Only one primary program may be selected for each search. Additional primary programs may be found through repeated searches.

Based on the specific conditions related to a proposed action, a Primary Program not specifically listed in the menu may be entered in the “Other” box. Other categories of Primary Programs may be found by entering and searching for a key word or string of characters.

Project Description: Project descriptions may be searched by entering and searching for a key word or string of characters. For example, if the key word “well” is entered, the search will list all projects that include the word “well” in the description.

Legal Description: A search by legal description may be done by first clicking on the down arrow of the Meridian box and selecting either the Uinta Special or Salt Lake Meridians, and then keying in the number of the township, range and section. The Uinta Special Meridian includes portions of Daggett, Duchesne, Summit, Uintah and Wasatch Counties. The remainder of Utah is in the Salt Lake Meridian.

The protocol for township and range is a number followed by an upper case letter as follows: For Township: “S” for south, “N” for north; for Range “E” for East, “W” for west. Multiple entries may be made. For Example, 29S30S31S would search for all projects in 29 through 31 south.

The protocol for “Section” is a string of numbers between 1 and 36. Only one section may be included in a search. Multiple sections may be found through repeated searches.

General Location and Other Remarks: This section can be searched by entering and searching for a key word or string of characters. The general location consists of a brief description of the location rather than the legal description.

County(s): Click on the down arrow and select from the menu of counties. One county may be selected for each search. If other counties have been entered into the “Other” box, they may be found by key word or string of characters.

Special Interests: These are specific categories of resources or activities that are involved in or could be affected by a proposed action. These categories have been identified as of special interest to various segments of the public and have been placed on the notification form at the request of the public.

Categories of special interest may be selected by clicking on the circle to the right of the title. Only one special interest may be selected for each search. Additional special interests may be found through repeated searches.

Based on the specific conditions related to a proposed action, a “special interest” not specifically listed in the menu may be entered in the “Other” box. Other categories of special interest may be found by entering and searching for a key word or string of characters.

ACEC: These are Areas of Critical Environmental Concern. This category includes all existing ACECs designated in Land Use Planning Decisions, and potential ACECs. Existing ACECs are listed on the Utah BLM Internet Website, http://www.ut.blm.gov/acec/utah_acec.htm. A potential ACEC is a nominated area where the BLM has determined that relevant and important values exist, and the area will be considered for potential designation during land use planning.

Crucial/Critical Habitat: This includes proposals that will or may affect Crucial/Critical habitat identified by BLM or the Utah Division of Wildlife Resources (UDWR) as particularly important for game and non-game species that are **not** considered to be “special status species”. To search for proposals that may affect or involve critical habitat for special status species, click on the “special status species” button as describe below.

Riparian: This includes proposals that will or may involve or affect streamside vegetation or habitat.

Cultural: This includes proposals that will or may involve or affect prehistoric and historic sites, or Native American traditional cultural properties, that are listed, or eligible to be listed, on the National Register of Historic places.

Native American Concerns: This includes proposals that will or may involve or affect Native American Traditional Cultural Properties (TCP’s) that include, but are not limited to, subsistence-level activities (e.g. wood gathering, hunting, pinyon nut gathering), access to sacred sites, or traditionally gathered materials (e.g medicinal plants, pottery clay, minerals) at locations of interest to Native Americans. (Note: This category is not presently on the form, but will be added to the form on or about the end of February, 2005)

Special Status Species: This includes proposals that will or may involve the following categories of special status species (BLM Manual 6840):

- (1) Federally Listed Threatened and Endangered Species and Designated Critical Habitats
- (2) Federally Proposed Species and Proposed Designated Critical Habitats
- (3) Candidate Species
- (4) State Listed Species in the Utah Division of Wildlife Resources Sensitive Species list)
- (5) Sensitive Species are plant and animal species on the Utah BLM State Director's Sensitive Species List. These species are identified by Instruction Memorandum UT-2003-027)

(Note: (1), (2), and (3) are all identified by Federal Register Notices)

Visual Resources: This category includes proposals that:

- (1) will or may not be compatible with BLM or other agency visual resource management objectives; or
- (2) will or may affect viewsheds that are of high interest to the public such as along back country byways or the viewsheds of a National Park.

Designated Wilderness/WSA: This category includes proposals that will or may affect or involve Wilderness Areas (WAs) and Wilderness Study Areas (WSAs).

WAs are areas that are included in the National Wilderness Preservation System (NWPS). WSAs are areas that BLM has determined to possess wilderness characteristics through the wilderness inventory process mandated by section 603 of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act (FLPMA) and for which the President made recommendations to Congress on inclusion in the NWPS in 1991.

It also includes areas that are formally recognized by the National Park Service, the U.S. Forest Service (FS) or U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, as possessing wilderness characteristics through inventories required by Federal legislation.

To search for other categories of wilderness concerns, click below on “Other Wilderness Concerns”.

Wild and Scenic Rivers: These include proposals that will or may involve or affect river segments designated to the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System, and river segments identified by BLM as eligible or suitable for such designation through land use planning.

Other Wilderness Concerns: These include lands, outside of Wilderness Study Areas (WSAs) and designated Wilderness (WAs) that:

- (1) have been re-inventoried by BLM and determined to possess wilderness characteristics;
- (2) have been assessed by a BLM interdisciplinary team and determined to have a reasonable probability or a likelihood of possessing wilderness characteristics;
- (3) are within a wilderness proposal introduced to the current session of Congress.
- (4) are within areas that other agencies have determined may possess wilderness characteristics.

Comment URL: This is a word string or key word search for any part of a URL that has been entered for a site where BLM is accepting comments electronically. Enter any string of characters found in a URL.

Comment Period: Click on the down arrow and select “Yes” or “NO” to find proposals for which a comment period will or will not be provided.

Files: If BLM has attached any files to the form, click on any file name to open the file.