Public Participation during the RMP Process

	Process Milestones	Public Participation Components
Winter 2004	**Notice of Intent**	"Notice of Intent" published in the *Federal Register* November 18, 2004
Winter 2004	**Scoping** Identify Concerns	- 60-day Public Scoping Period - Public Scoping Meetings held in Craig, Steamboat Springs, and Maybell, CO (January 2005) - Informal Scoping conducted by NWCOS to solicit public issues/comments for the RMP
	Here we are now	
Winter 2004/05	**Planning Issues and Criteria Development** Ensure decisions address the pertintent issues	
Winter 2004/05	**Data Collection**	NWCOS and the public provides additional background documents for inclusion in the Analysis of the Management Situation (AMS) document and Alternatives Development.
Summer/Fall 2005	**Alternatives Formulation** Develop range of reasonable management alternatives	
Winter 2005/06	**Alternatives Assessment** Analyze a Preferred Alternative	
Fall 2006	**Draft RMP/EIS** Analyze a Preferred Alternative	- Written for public audience - Circulate and publicize availability of Draft RMP/EIS document - Request public comment - 90-day comment period - Public hearings will be held in the community
Summer 2007	**Final EIS Proposed RMP**	- Consideration of and response to public comments obtained on draft RMP/EIS - File Final EIS with Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and make publicly available - Make copies of any subsequent Mitigation Action Plan publicly available