

APPENDIX L

ACCESS TO BLM LAND

Access needs are based on these management considerations:

Resource Values - The commercial, casual use and protection of the public lands are important management issues for the Bureau. Resource values and their use or nonuse require a multiple use perspective including various access considerations. Rights-of-way corridors, forest management, recreation, wildlife, and minerals.

Public Demand - Public demand is closely tied to resource values. As the need for a resource changes, its value fluctuates accordingly. Demand is one of the key criteria in prioritizing access needs.

Size - The size of the area identified for access is an important consideration. As a rule, large areas have a priority. But, resource values such as recreation sites, may justify acquiring access to smaller areas.

Bureau Investment - Legal public access will be obtained to those BLM areas where substantial public monies have been invested in projects and where continued diverse public use is expected. For lesser investment projects and/or those to which general public use will be limited, a nonexclusive easement will be obtained.

Access needs were identified to meet management objectives for hunting, hiking, sightseeing, camping, picnicking, geological interpretation, riparian areas, crucial winter range and paleontological interpretation and excavation. The type of access pursued could be a trail, two-track, bladed road or gravel road. Access needs identified would be for a two-track.

New Legal Public Access

BLM would pursue new legal public access to these BLM parcels under Alternatives C, D and E:

Judith Resource Area

<u>Parcel Name</u>	<u>Acres</u>
Square Butte	1,760
Arrow Creek West	3,200
Arrow Creek East	10,460
Arrow Creek Northwest	4,720
Judith River West	5,540
Judith River South	660
North Moccasins	3,280
South Moccasins	1,200
Whiskey Ridge	4,760
East Christina	760
Fergus	2,040
Fergus Breaks	1,240
New Year Peak	920
Fox Peak	720
Levis Peak	1,360
Lookout Peak	560
Black Butte	3,080
Blacktail	320
Little Snowy Mountains	3,360
Antelope Common	2,680
Cottonwood Crossing	1,040
Hay Coulee	4,280
Three Buttes	6,880
Cat Creek	<u>2,920</u>
Subtotal	67,740

Valley Resource Area

<u>Parcel Name</u>	<u>Acres</u>
Mouth of the Milk River	13

Phillips Resource Area

<u>Parcel Name</u>	<u>Acres</u>
Big Bend Allotment	1,080
Henry Smith Cultural Site	2,480
Little Warm Spring Creek	320
Kid Curry	<u>160</u>
Subtotal	4,040

A total of 71,793 BLM acres were identified as needing new legal access.

Additional Legal Public Access

BLM would pursue additional legal public access to these BLM parcels under Alternatives D and E:

Judith Resource Area

<u>Parcel Name</u>	<u>Acres</u>
Arrow Creek Southwest	1,600
Arrow Creek Southeast	8,800
Judith River East	6,220
Dog Creek South WSA	3,760
Dog Creek	3,160
Blind Canyon	5,120
Woodhawk WSA	14,060
Sourdough Creek West	840
Sourdough Creek	10,420
Fargo Coulee	10,320
Armells Creek	15,160
South Armells Creek	4,200
Pyramid Peak	7,760
Chicago Gulch	2,880
Fords Creek	3,840
East Indian Butte	7,120
Carroll Crossing	2,240
Buffalo Wallow	6,840
Chimney Crossing	12,000
Horse Camp Crossing	19,040
Chain Buttes	10,900
Drag Creek	4,840
Box Elder	3,400
Payola Reservoir	2,160
Teigen Hills	3,360
Elk Creek South	5,280
Pike Creek	13,260
Flatwillow South	4,160
Evans Bend	2,560
Chimney Bend	3,200
Armells Headwaters	2,180
Blood Creek Breaks	27,960
Gorman Coulee	<u>2,620</u>
Subtotal	231,260

Valley Resource Area

<u>Parcel Name</u>	<u>Acres</u>
Rock Creek	10,640
Hose Reservoir	800
Gay Reservoir	640
Burnt Lodge	15,120
Broken Bow	15,000
Harpers Ridge	15,880
Duck Creek	9,300
Upper Eighth	2,640
Middle Eighth	840
Seventh Ridge	<u>2,000</u>
Subtotal	72,860

Phillips Resource Area

<u>Parcel Name</u>	<u>Acres</u>
Frenchman Creek	63,045
North Phillips	305,280
Saco Hills	32,000
Southeast Phillips	178,560
Burnt Lodge WSA	13,730
Phillips Breaks	182,400
Little Rocky Mountains	27,883
White Rock Coulee	<u>19,840</u>
Subtotal	822,738

A total of 1,126,858 BLM acres were identified as needing additional legal public access.