

**Little Snake Field Office
Resource Management Plan Revision**

RMP Revision Comments

What is a Resource Management Plan?

A Resource Management Plan provides the overall management framework for BLM. This RMP will guide management of the approximately 1.3 million surface acres and 1.9 million subsurface (mineral estate) acres administered by the Little Snake Field Office in Moffat, Routt, and Rio Blanco counties.

What is the Preferred Alternative?

The Draft EIS analyzes a wide range of possible management alternatives for the RMP. BLM is required to identify an “Agency Preferred Alternative” in the Draft EIS, which outlines what BLM currently proposes. The final plan will fall within the range of alternatives analyzed, but could include components of other alternatives presented in the Draft.

Why is BLM seeking public comment?

BLM has relied heavily on public participation in developing this RMP. Public participation is a vital component of the BLM’s planning process. This current 90-day public comment period offers the public an opportunity to review and comment on all the alternatives and associated information detailed in this plan.

How can I comment?

The document is available on-line at www.co.blm.gov/ltra/rmp or by contacting the Little Snake Field Office in Craig. BLM will hold three public meetings (March 13 at the Maybell School Gym; March 14 at the Steamboat Springs Community Center; March 15 at the Moffat County Fairground Pavilion in Craig) to help explain the RMP as well as provide an opportunity to comment. Comments may also be submitted on-line or to **Jeremy Casterson, Team Leader**, Bureau of Land Management, Little Snake Field Office, 455 Emerson Street, Craig, Colorado 81625-1129. Comments can be e-mailed to Jeremy Casterson at colsrmp@blm.gov.

How can I make my comments be the most effective?

The most effective comments will address specific details of the Draft RMP, including methodologies, sources of information, and components of the alternatives. All comments received by BLM will be considered during BLM’s decision-making process, but only specific comments will be addressed in the Final EIS/Proposed RMP.

When will the Proposed RMP/Final EIS be released?

BLM currently anticipates a fall 2007 release. The Proposed RMP/Final EIS will be released for a 30-day public protest period, and the Governor has 60 days to review the document for consistency with state law. A Record of Decision follows resolution of any protests.

Will my comments be made public?

Following the close of the public comment period, all comments received will be available for public review at the Little Snake Field Office in Craig. Individuals may request confidentiality with respect to their name, address and phone number by clearly stating in the first line of their comments: “CONFIDENTIALITY REQUESTED.”

