

# CHAPTER 5

## CONSULTATION AND COORDINATION

This resource management plan was prepared by an interdisciplinary team of natural resource specialists from the Garnet Resource Area and the Butte District. Beginning in December 1980, a nine step process led to the RMP's formulation. Four of the nine steps, including the review of this document, have allowed for public review and comment. This BLM planning process, is outlined in full in the Introduction. Consultation and coordination with various agencies, organizations, and individuals occurred throughout the planning process.

### CONSISTENCY

The BLMs planning regulations require that resource management plans be "consistent with officially approved or adopted resource related plans of other federal agencies, state and local governments, and Indian tribes, so long as the guidance and resource management plans are also consistent with the purposes, policies and programs of federal law, and regulations applicable to public lands . . ." Interested parties have been notified and their comments solicited.

The State Historic Preservation Officer and the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation will be given an opportunity to review the draft RMP.

### PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

A Federal Register notice was published on February 20, 1981 that announced the formal start of the planning process.

A preliminary list of 17 major issues was mailed to about 600 individuals and organizations for comment in February 1981. Open houses on the issues were held February 25, 1981 in Drummond, February in Philipsburg, and March 5, 1981 in Ovando. The District 26, 1981 in Missoula, March 3, 1981 Advisory Council also reviewed the preliminary issues and the public response to them in March. As a result of the input from about 100 persons who attended the open houses and 60 written comments, issues were redefined and three new ones were added. These were published for further public comment in November 1981. These were subsequently grouped into five broad issues from which the plan developed. The final list was published in August 1982.

Resource inventories were taken in 1982 and 1983, and a management situation analysis was prepared that examined the capability of the public lands to accommodate the needs and issues previously identified. The criteria for developing the RMP and the District Manager's Concept of the RMP were published for public review in July 1983. Five comments were received.



In early 1984, work began on the formulation of alternatives. Resource specialists aided in the development and made suggestions on resource allocations leading to the analysis of alternatives as laid out herein.

Other informal coordination with the public took place throughout the planning process by means of personal contacts, phone calls, etc.

## AGENCIES AND ORGANIZATIONS CONTACTED

### Federal Agencies

U. S. Department of Agriculture  
Farmers Home Administration  
Forest Service  
Soil Conservation Service  
U. S. Department of the Interior  
Bureau of Indian Affairs  
Bureau of Mines  
Fish and Wildlife Service  
Geological Survey  
National Park Service  
Environmental Protection Agency

### State Agencies and Organizations

Montana Bureau of Mines and Geology  
Montana Department of Agriculture  
Montana Department of Health and Environmental Sciences  
Montana Board of Natural Resources and Conservation  
Montana Department of Natural Resources and Conservation  
Montana Division of Forestry  
Montana Department of Fish, Wildlife, and Parks  
Montana Department of Highways  
Montana Department of State Lands  
Montana State Historic Preservation Officer  
Montana State Clearinghouse  
Montana State University  
Office of the Governor  
University of Montana

### Congressional Offices

Office of Congressman Williams  
Office of Senator Baucus  
Office of Senator Melcher

### Montana Legislators (1981-1984)

Ben Hanson  
John Manley  
Bob Ream  
M. K. Daniel

### Organizations and Businesses

Montana Cattlemen's Association  
Montana Woolgrowers  
Montana Stockgrowers Association  
Bonita-Clinton-Potomac Cattle Association  
Greenough Woodland Grazing Group  
Public Lands Council  
Institute of the Rockies  
Outdoor Resources Center  
Wilderness Institute  
The Wilderness Society  
Montana Wilderness Association  
Clark Fork Protective Association  
Upper Clark Fork Valley Protective Association  
Nature Conservancy  
Environmental Information Center

Natural Resources Defense Council  
NRDC Public Lands Institute  
Outdoors Unlimited  
National Council of Public Land Users  
Champion Timberlands  
Burlington Northern, Incorporated  
Plum Creek Timber Company  
Inland Forest Resource Council  
Montana Loggers Association  
Montana Women in Timber  
Louisiana Pacific Corporation  
Pyramid Mountain Lumber Company  
Montana Lumber Sales, Incorporated  
Stoltze Land and Lumber Company  
Chamber of Commerce  
Montana Power Company  
Missoula Electric Cooperative  
Blackfoot Telephone Cooperative  
Western Montana Trade Association  
Pacific Power and Light  
Butte District Multiple Use Advisory Council  
Butte District Grazing Advisory Board  
League of Women Voters  
Montana Wildlife Federation  
Western Montana Fish and Game Association  
Defenders of Wildlife  
Trout Unlimited  
Montana Wildlife Society  
Montana Historical Society  
Western Montana Ghost Town Society  
Garnet Preservation Association  
Montana 4x4 Association  
Historical Research Associates  
Hellgate Motorcycle Club  
Swan River Trophy Hunters  
Mountaineering Club  
Pintlar Audubon Society  
Ponderosa Snow Warriors  
5 Valley 4 Wheel Drive Club  
Montana Snowmobile Association  
Seeley Lake Driftriders  
Missoula Snowgoers  
Anaconda Sportsmens Club  
Montana Outfitters and Guides Association  
Champlin Petroleum Company  
Montana Mining Association  
Exxon Minerals Company  
Montana Barite Company  
Utah International Incorporated  
Peabody Development Company  
Atlantic Richfield Company  
Amoco Minerals Company  
Amoco Production Company  
Alt & Hyndman  
Earthworks, Incorporated  
Continental Oil Company  
Noranda Exploration Incorporated  
Burwest  
Geoplan Incorporated  
Union Carbide Corporation  
Cominco American  
Rocky Mountain Oil & Gas Association  
Phillips Petroleum  
Hellgate Mineral Society

### Others Contacted

All the Garnet Resource Area grazing lessees were contacted as well as area libraries, newspapers, radio, and television stations and numerous individuals.



