

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 offices. 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 BLM's 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 were given an opportunity to review the draft RMP. Also, the Governor's Task Force on Planning was briefed in October 1984.

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 26, 1981 in Missoula; March 3, 1981 in Philipsburg; and March 5, 1981 in Ovando. The District Advisory Council also reviewed the preliminary issues and the public response to them in March 1981. 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 conducted 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 in the draft RMP/EIS.

After the draft RMP/EIS was filed with the Environmental Protection Agency in December 1984 and released to the public, a period of 90 days was allowed for public review and comment. The Federal Register of December 14, 1984 carried a notice of availability and announced a public hearing and two open houses at Missoula and Drummond, Montana on February 13, 1985 and February 20, 1985 respectively.

A news release published on December 16, 1984 announced the availability of the draft RMP/EIS and gave a summary of the document. This release, which gave the times and locations for the hearing and open houses, was sent to national wire services, daily newspapers, weekly newspapers, radio stations, and television stations throughout western Montana.

Approximately 400 copies of the draft RMP/EIS were distributed to governmental agencies, businesses, organizations, grazing lessees, and interested individuals. Public reading copies were available at BLM offices in Washington D.C.; Billings, Butte, and Missoula, Montana; the University of Montana and Montana State University; and the public libraries in Missoula, Granite, and Powell counties.

Seven individuals testified at the hearing in Missoula and 47 comment letters were received by the close of the comment period. The transcript of the hearing and written comments are reproduced in Chapter 7. A summary of the comments and the responses to the comments are also in Chapter 7.

Other informal coordination with the public took place throughout the planning process by means of personal contacts, phone calls, etc. Table 5-1 lists the public participation activities that occurred after the formulation of alternatives.



TABLE 5-1
LIST OF PARTICIPANTS IN BRIEFINGS AND OPEN HOUSES

BRIEFINGS

Date	Attendees (other than BLM)	Representing
09-17-84	Larry Brown Tom Ellerhoff Ralph Driear Bob Martinka John Larson Reed Lommen Pete Husby	State Water Quality Board Department of Health and Environmental Sciences Governor Schwinden Department Fish, Wildlife, and Parks Department of Agriculture Department of State Lands Department of Natural Resources and Conservation
11-02-84	Darrel Kenops Jack Fisher	Forest Service Forest Service
01-28-85	Dennis Workman Don Peters Bill Thomas Earl Davis John Firebaugh Jim Ford Jay Haveman Kurt Alt	All from Montana Department Fish, Wildlife, and Parks
01-28-85	Jennifer Cote Don Aldrich	Montana Fish and Game Association National Wildlife Federation
02-04-85	Jim Bentley Chuck Seeley Bob Symes John Dahlberg Wayne Maahs	All from Champion Timberlands
02-04-85	Jerry Bignell Georgia Bignell Hal Hansen Dutch Weaver Emmett Coughlin Gene Coughlin	All ranchers representing themselves.

BRIEFINGS (Continued)

Date	Attendees (other than BLM)	Representing
02-06-85	Gary Oliphant Mike Whitman Kathy Whitman Mavis Lorenz Marvin Hammer	Five Valley Four Wheelers Five Valley Four Wheelers Montana 4x4 Association Cross Country Skiers Missoula Snowgoers and Montana Snowmobiling Association
02-06-85	Arnold Bolle Tom Sewell Jim Curtis	The Wilderness Society Montana Wilderness Association Sierra Club
02-07-85	William Murphy	Butte District Grazing Advisory Board and Self (Rancher)
02-07-85	Don Pocha	Self (Rancher)
02-08-85	Chuck Seeley Kelsey Milner	Champion Timberlands Champion Timberlands
02-08-85	Dominic Job Lew Shull	Montana Mining Association Montana Mining Association
02-12-85	Bob Neal Evelyn Neal Larry Clark Brent Smith Bill Viotor, Jr. Mike Toney	All ranchers representing themselves.
02-19-85	Land Lindbergh Bill Potter Leonard Iverson Hank Goetz	Self (Rancher) Self (Rancher) Self (Rancher) Lubrecht Experimental Forest
02-26-85	Kurt Knievel Ron Roginske Gary Learn Howard Challinor	All Forest Service
02-28-85	Ben Stout Bob Pfister Sid Frissel Don Potts	All University of Montana School of Forestry

OPEN HOUSE/HEARING

Date	Attendees (other than BLM)	Representing
02-13-85 (Missoula)	Kathy Whitman Mike Whitman* Gary Oliphant Rena Oliphant Chris Rockey Karen Timchack T. T. Smith Elsie Smith Howard Harper Ralph Smith Leonard Iverson W. Sanders III Ivan Leigland* Arnold Stoverud* Mrs. Arnold Stoverud Dick Kulawinski Russ Lawrence* Helen Hammond* Mary Jane Morin* Bruce Cox Tom Sewell*	Five Valley Four Wheelers Montana 4x4 Association Five Valley Four Wheelers Five Valley Four Wheelers Missoula County Community Development Missoula County Community Development Mining Mining Self Mining Ranching Landowner, Ten Mile Garnet Preservation Association Mining History Mining History Self Garnet Preservation Association Garnet Preservation Association Garnet Preservation Association Geology Montana Wilderness Association

*Written or oral testimony given

02-20-85 (Drummond)	Earleen Alder Dean Dutton David Dutton Frank Trask, Jr. John Hollenback Frank Fitzgerald J. Dinsmore Steve Stolp Fred Weaver Stewart Baker Bill Baker Ray Piche Audrey Piche Emmett Weaver	Self Rancher Rancher Self Rancher Landowner, Garnet Rancher Landowner, Yourname Creek Rancher Rancher Rancher Rancher Self Self Drummond City Counsel
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CONSULTATION AND COORDINATION

The RMP team consulted with or received input from the following organizations during the development of the RMP.

Federal Agencies

U. S. Air Force
 U. S. Army Corps of Engineers
 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 Land Management
 Bureau of Mines
 Bureau of Reclamation
 Fish and Wildlife Service
 Geological Survey
 Minerals Management Service
 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 University
 Office of the Governor
 University of Montana

Congressional Offices

Office of Congressman Pat Williams
 Office of Senator Max Baucus
 Office of Senator John Melcher

Montana Legislators (1981-1984)

Ben Hanson
 John Manley
 Bob Ream
 M. K. Daniel

Local Government

Granite County Commissioners
 Granite County Planning Office
 Missoula County Commissioners
 Missoula Development Office
 Powell County Commissioners
 Powell County Planning Office

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 Advisory Council
 Butte District Grazing Advisory Board
 League of Women Voters
 Meridian Minerals Company
 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 and Hyndman
Earthworks, Incorporated
Continental Oil Company
Noranda Exploration, Incorporated
Burwest
Geoplan, Incorporated
Union Carbide Corporation
Cominco American
Rocky Mountain Oil and 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.

DISTRIBUTION

Over 330 copies of the proposed RMP and final EIS are being sent to the following agencies, businesses, and interest groups for their review.

Federal Agencies

Agriculture Department
 Forest Service
 Soil Conservation Service
Air Force
Army Corps of Engineers
Energy Department
 Bonneville Power Administration
Environmental Protection Agency
Interior Department, Secretary
 Bureau of Indian Affairs
 Bureau of Land Management
 Bureau of Mines
 Bureau of Reclamation
 Fish and Wildlife Service
 Geological Survey
 Minerals Management Service
 National Park Service

Public Officials

U.S. Senator Max Baucus
U.S. Senator John Melcher
U.S. Representative Pat Williams
Governor of Montana
 Lt. Governor of Montana
Missoula County Commissioners
Granite County Commissioners
Powell County Commissioners

State Agencies

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

Local Agencies

Granite County Planning Office
Missoula County Planning Office
Powell County Planning Office

Indian Tribes

Confederated Salish and Kootenai

Businesses

Amoco Production Company
Atlantic Richfield Company
Bignell Ranch Company
Blackfoot River Ranch
Black Sheep Ranch
Castle Mountain Ranch, Incorporated
Champion Timberlands
Champlin Petroleum Company
Cominco American
Continental Oil Company
Dutton Hereford Ranch
Enman and Nakken, Incorporated
Environmental Impact Services
Exxon Minerals Company
Gimlet Creek Ranch
Homestake Mining Company
Jacobs Engineering Group
Jensen Ranch Company
Joseph Industries
Kolbeck Ranches, Incorporated
Lindbergh Cattle Company
Louisiana Pacific Corporation

Meridian Minerals Company
Missoula Electric Cooperative
Montana Power Company
Nelson Ranch Company
Northwest Irrigation, Incorporated
Planning and Engineering Resources
Plum Creek Timber Company
Pyramid Mountain Lumber Company
Rock Creek Cattle Company
Rocking Chair Ranch
R. V. Ranch Company
Shell Western E & P, Incorporated
Southern California Edison
Tuning Fork Ranch
Wales Brothers, Incorporated
X Diamond Bar Ranch

Organizations

Advisory Council on Historic Preservation
Audubon Society
Back Country Horsemen of Missoula
Bonita-Clinton-Potomac Cattle Association
Butte District Advisory Council
Butte District Grazing Advisory Board
Defenders of Wildlife
Five Valley Four Wheelers
Hellgate Mineral Society
Historical Research Association
Inland Forest Resource Council
Montana Association of Conservation Districts
Montana Historical Society
Montana Logging Association
Montana Mining Association
Montana Snowmobile Association
Montana Stockgrowers Association
Montana Wilderness Association
Montana Women in Timber
National Wildlife Federation
National Resources Defense Council
Outdoor Resources Center
Outdoors Unlimited
Ponderosa Snow Warriors
Public Lands Council
Rocky Mountain Oil and Gas Association
Seeley Lake Driftriders
Sierra Club
Sunnyslope Grazing Association
Trout Unlimited
Western Environmental Trade Association
Western Montana Fish and Game Association
Western Montana Ghost Town Preservation
Association
Wilderness Association
Wilderness Institute
Wilderness Society
Wildlife Society

Others

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