

Notice of Public Scoping

GLENWOOD SPRINGS FIELD OFFICE GRAZING PERMIT RENEWALS AND LAND HEALTH ASSESSMENTS DURING FISCAL YEAR 2010

Comment Period: Open until **November 30, 2009**

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The Glenwood Springs Field Office (FO) is soliciting public comments on the following two topics: First, we would like assistance in prioritizing areas within watersheds for the assessment of public land health standards for Colorado. Secondly, we intend to renew 12 grazing permit/leases in 2010. We need to determine the level of public interest, concern, and resource conditions on each of the allotments up for assessment and renewal.

The assessment of public land health will be done on a watershed basis. During FY 2010 the Glenwood Springs FO will be completing land health assessment(s) in the following area:

NAME AND GENERAL LOCATION OF AREA	APPROXIMATE FEDERAL ACREAGE
ROARING FORK UNIT	53,000

Once the FO receives the public comments, the staff will meet as an interdisciplinary team. Using the public comments and all other available information provided, the FO Inter-Disciplinary Team will establish the priority list of the land areas that will be assessed for compliance with the health standards during the 2010 field season.

The FO will also be completing the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) analysis and making decisions on the renewal of certain grazing permit/leases. Since the level of NEPA analysis is in part driven by the level of public interest and concern, your comments are requested relative to conditions you have observed on these allotments, and/or specific environmental concerns about the lands and/or resources found within the specific allotment. The more specific and factual your information is, the more helpful and useful it will be.

The following BLM grazing permits/leases are scheduled for renewal in FY2010 on the following BLM grazing allotments in the Glenwood Springs FO:

Auth No	Allotment Name	Livestock #	Livestock Kind	Begin Date	End Date	Aums	Permit Exp Date
501988	OLD MOUNTAIN	175	C	7/15	8/30	270	6/15/2009
507529	RILEY GULCH COM	26	C	5/12	6/15	30	1/1/2010
	CRAWFORD AND KERLEE	20	C	5/1	6/15	8	1/1/2010

507621	EAST FORK COM CLOUGH-ALBER	112	C	6/16	10/15	449	1/1/2010
		134	C	6/16	10/15	537	1/1/2010
507548	DELANEY	34	C	6/15	9/30	60	2/28/2010
507589	UTE CREEK	1900	S	5/11	6/25	103	2/28/2010
		5	H	5/11	6/25	1	2/28/2010
		1900	S	10/1	11/20	115	2/28/2010
		5	H	10/1	11/20	2	2/28/2010
507689	STRUBI A NICK	10	C	7/1	9/30	30	2/28/2010
	ALBERTSON	33	C	6/1	10/1	133	2/28/2010
507570	GOULD	600	C	6/6	6/13	158	3/31/2010
	CORYELL	600	C	6/1	6/5	19	3/31/2010
	DRIVEWAY COMMON	600	C	6/24	7/8	296	3/31/2010
	PRECTEL	600	C	6/20	6/23	24	3/31/2010
507671	EAST FORK COM	44	C	6/16	10/15	176	4/1/2010
507716	GREENHORN	95	C	5/8	6/23	147	5/1/2010
		95	Y	5/8	6/23	147	5/1/2010
	UPPER COTTONWOOD	28	C	5/8	6/23	43	5/1/2010
		28	Y	5/8	6/23	43	5/1/2010
507583	EAST CASTLE	2120	S	6/1	11/15	2342	5/15/2010
	HELLS HOLE	28	C	5/16	10/15	34	5/15/2010
	BELLYACHE	100	C	5/10	7/9	18	5/15/2010
	DOMANTLE	2700	S	10/1	10/15	32	5/15/2010
		2700	S	6/1	6/15	32	5/15/2010
	CABIN GULCH	1200	S	10/10	11/1	181	5/15/2010
		1200	S	5/15	6/3	158	5/15/2010
	BOCCO MTN	1690	S	9/1	9/10	111	5/15/2010
1700		S	5/16	5/31	179	5/15/2010	
507658	N THOMPSON CRK COM	90	C	6/1	6/15	22	9/30/2010
		90	C	10/10	10/16	10	9/30/2010
507663	WHEELOCK IND LARGE	79	C	11/1	2/28	25	12/31/2010
		10	C	11/16	1/15	2	12/31/2010

If you have any information or concerns, wish to be considered as an interested public on a permit or allotment, or wish to be involved in a land health assessment, please contact Isaac Pittman at isaac_pittman@blm.gov or 970-876-9069 to be put on a mailing list. If you do not have specific comments at this time but have questions about the land areas or allotments listed in this notice, contact the individual at the address or phone number above.