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ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT

NUMBER: DOI-BLM-CO-120-2009-0023-EA

PROJECT NAME: Renewal of Gloria Chandler grazing permit #0501723.

LEGAL DESCRIPTION: Bureau of Land Management (BLM) administered land includes all or part of the following:

07040 (Dean Peak)
T. 11N., R. 79W., Sec 14, 15, 22, 23

07041 (Pinkum)
T. 11N., R. 79W., Sec 15, 17, 20

07107 (Sentinel Mountain)
T. 11N., R. 79W., Sec 20, 21, 27-29, 33, 34

APPLICANT: BLM

PURPOSE AND NEED FOR THE ACTION: The Proposed Action would renew livestock grazing on Allotments 7040 (Dean Peak), 7041 (Pinkham) and 7107 (Sentinel Mountain). The permit expires on February 28, 2009.

The permit is subject to renewal at the discretion of the Secretary of the Interior for a period of up to 10 years. Renewal of this livestock grazing permit would allow livestock to continue grazing the designated allotments for a period of 10 years beginning on March 1, 2009.

DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED ACTION AND ALTERNATIVES:

Background/Introduction/Issues and Concerns:

During the 1999 permit renewal process, it was determined that allotment 07107 was achieving Standards for Public Land Health in Colorado (Standards). Allotments 07041 and 07040 were not assessed for Standards because they are low priority allotments.

Allotment 07107 was again assessed for compliance for Standards in June 2006. It was determined at that time the allotment is in compliance with the Standards. Allotments 07041 and 07040 were not assessed for Standards because they are low priority allotments.

Since the assessment, Gloria Chandler has passed away and willed the base property to the Arapaho National Wildlife Refuge. The Arapaho National Wildlife Refuge (ANWR) has preliminarily agreed that they would be interested in receiving this land but are still required to go through the NEPA process before they can accept title to the lands. If the ANWR should acquire the lands, the new grazing permit cannot be held by a government agency due to the required BLM qualifications. Because of these qualifications, the BLM is proposing changes to these allotments as described in the Proposed Action.

Proposed Action: The Proposed Action would close the permit #0501723 and implement new terms and conditions for the allotments which expire February 28, 2019:

- Allotment 07107 would become a reserve common allotment. This would allow any qualified applicant the ability to graze this allotment. It would also allow the BLM flexibility to allow other permittees an alternative allotment to put cattle on if their allotment is in need of rest due to a treatment (fire, sagebrush treatment, etc). It also would allow the BLM the ability to work with ANWR on a grazing plan if they acquire the Chandler private property. Grazing would follow an approved plan.
- Allotment 07040 would be available for grazing as this allotment is currently also grazed on Colorado State Land Board land. The Colorado State Land Board would work with the BLM to determine the appropriate new lessee.
- Allotment 07041 would be closed to livestock grazing due to steep slopes and resource protection.
- The season of use on allotment 07107 would be extended 60 days to provide flexibility. Allotment 7040 would not change the season of use. There would be no change in AUMs.
- Conversion to yearlings use would be authorized at a rate, not to exceed 1.5 yearlings per cow

The renewed livestock grazing permit would authorize grazing to the following extent:

Allotment	Livestock		Season of Use		% Public Land*	AUMs**
	Number	Kind	Begin	End		
07040 (Dean Peak)	180	C	6/1	6/30	10	18
07041 (Pinkham)	closed					
07107 (Sentinel Mountain)	41	C	6/1	9/30	100	164

*% Public Land is the percentage of forage within the public land (BLM) portion of the allotment.

**AUM = animal unit month = amount of forage required to support 1 cow and calf for 1 month.

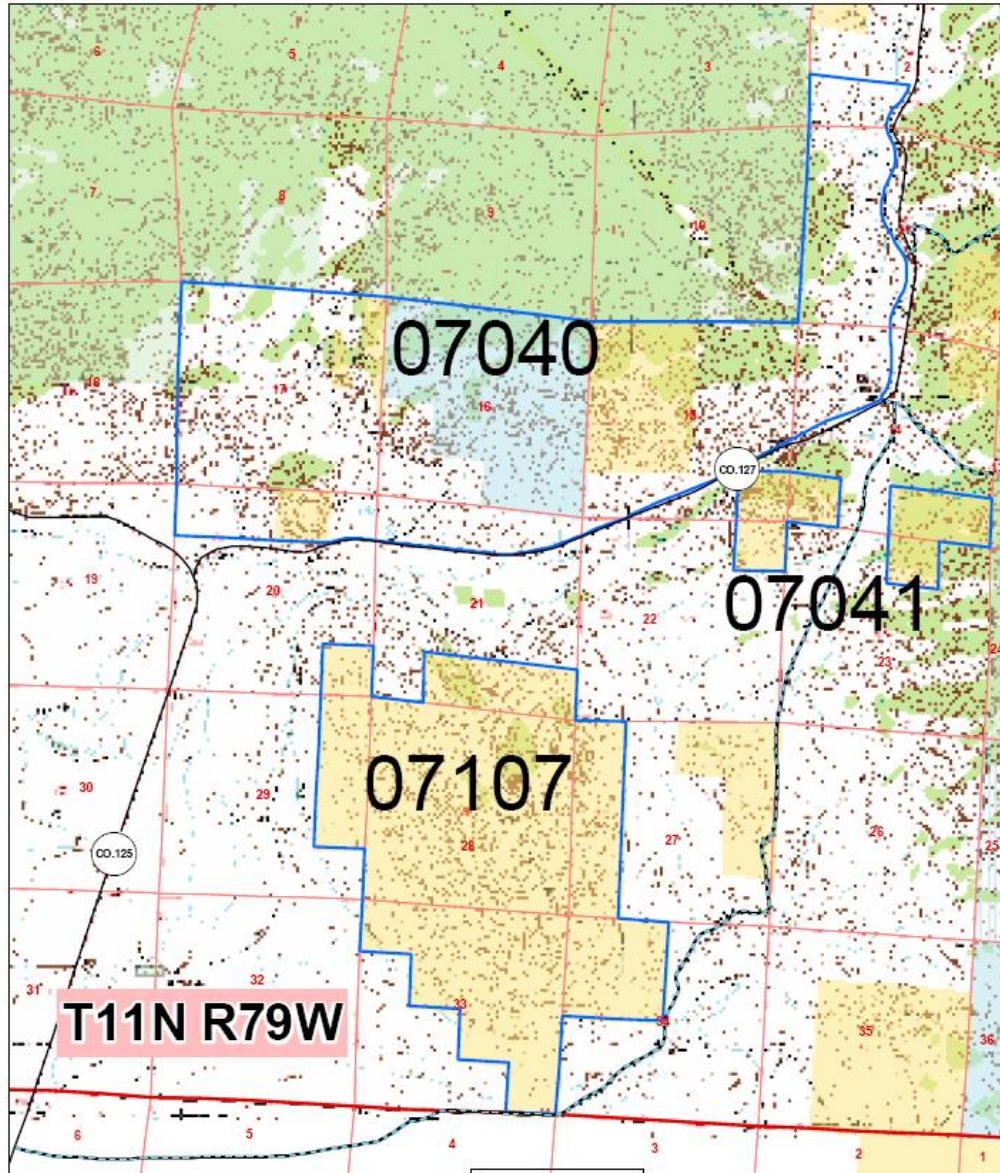
Total AUMs that would be authorized for this permit is 182.

Design Features of the Proposed Action:

- Merchantable trees may need to be cut if fence construction occurs. Such trees will need to be identified on the ground and purchased, prior to any cutting.



Chandler BLM



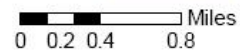
Legend

- County Roads
- Major Roads
- Major Streams
- allotment_Lrp polygon

land_status

Land Status

- Bureau of Land Mgt
- Division of Wildlife
- National Park
- National Rec Area
- National Wildlife Refuge
- Private
- State Forest
- US Forest Service



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Maps: King canyon
Northgate
BLM, Kremmling FO 11/2008

No Action Alternative: The No Action Alternative would offer new grazing permit or permits to qualified applicants for a period of 10 years expiring February 28, 2019.

- Allotment 07107 is fenced out from the private land. This allotment would be offered to a qualified applicant. Grazing would be offered for even years at 150 cattle 6/1-7/3 and odd years 150 cattle 6/18-7/20.
- Allotments 07040 and 07041 would continue to be grazed and would be offered to a qualified applicant. Currently the BLM allotments are not fenced out of adjacent private land and this would require the qualified applicant to fence out the public land from the adjacent private land unless they owned the private land surrounding the BLM land.
- Conversion to yearlings use would be authorized at a rate, not to exceed 1.5 yearlings per cow
- There would be no change in the season of use or AUMs for any allotment.

The renewed livestock grazing permit would authorize grazing to the following extent (which is the same as the 1999-2009 permit):

Allotment	Livestock		Season of Use		% Public Land*	AUMs**
	Number	Kind	Begin	End		
07040 (Dean Peak)	180	C	6/1	6/30	10	18
07041 (Pinkum)	180	C	7/1	8/09	4	9
07107 (Sentinel Mountain)	100	C	6/1	7/20	100	164

*% Public Land is the percentage of forage within the public land (BLM) portion of the allotment.

**AUM = animal unit month = amount of forage required to support 1 cow and calf for 1 month.

Total AUMs that would be authorized for this permit is 192.

Alternatives Considered But Eliminated From Further Analysis:

No livestock grazing was considered but eliminated from further analysis for the following reasons:

- Livestock grazing with the Kremmling Field Office was fully analyzed and authorized in the RMP/EIS as recorded in the 1984 Approved Plan and Record of Decision. At that time a “No Grazing Alternative” was considered but not selected.
- This alternative is not consistent with the Federal Land Policy and Management Act (FLPMA) that stated: “the public lands be managed in a manner which recognizes the Nation’s need for domestic sources of minerals, food, timber, and fiber from public lands.....”.
- During public scoping and staff review, there were no issues or concerns identified that would support a “No Grazing Alternative”.

It has been determined that significant progress toward achieving compliance with the Standards for Public Land Health in Colorado would occur with the appropriate livestock grazing guidelines set forth in the Proposed Action

PLAN CONFORMANCE REVIEW: The Proposed Action is subject to and has been reviewed for conformance with the following plan (43 CFR 1610.5, BLM 1617.3):

Name of Plan: Kremmling Resource Management Plan (RMP), Record of Decision (ROD)

Date Approved: December 19, 1984; Updated February 1999

Decision Number/Page: Livestock Grazing: pages 6 and 8, as revised

Decision Language: Objectives of the RMP/ROD include allocation of a base level of livestock forage and maintaining or improving forage production and condition in areas where livestock grazing is a priority or is compatible with the land use priority. The RMP designated the project area with a livestock grazing priority.

AFFECTED ENVIRONMENT / ENVIRONMENTAL CONSEQUENCES / MITIGATION MEASURES:

INVASIVE, NON-NATIVE SPECIES

Affected Environment: Past actions such as livestock grazing, motorized travel, recreation, etc. that have caused disturbance of vegetation and soil have contributed to the invasion and spread of invasive, non-native species (noxious weeds). There are no known invasive, non-native species (noxious weeds) growing within the allotments. If present, species would be located along roadways, and in high-use areas, such as livestock watering areas. Soil or vegetation disturbing activities provide an avenue for the establishment and expansion of invasive, non-native species. The BLM monitors these known areas to control the spread of these species.

Environmental Consequences: Any type of soil or vegetation disturbance in an area where non-native, invasive species are established promotes their expansion. Under the No Action or Proposed Action, impacts are expected to be minimal because within the Standard Terms and Conditions of their permit, the permittee is responsible for notifying the BLM of all county listed noxious weeds which result from their livestock grazing operations. The BLM would monitor these areas for further establishment or expansion of invasive, non-native species. Also, the BLM will be responsible for implementing control measures, which would include partnership with the Jackson County Weed Abatement Program.

Mitigation: None

SOILS (includes a finding on Standard 1)

Affected Environment: Under the Proposed Action and the No Action Alternative, allotment 7040 would continue current conditions and would not be affected. Allotment 7041 is only 4% BLM and little grazing occurs on the public lands. Removing it from grazing would not affect soils. Allotment 7107 is mapped as primarily Rocky Loam range sites on the slopes, with Rock Outcrops near the top of Sentinel Mountain. The base of the mountain is the Sandy Bench range site. During field assessments, it has been observed that livestock distribution can be difficult to improve and that the allotment has limited water. One spring was developed after the 1999 assessment, but has failed to produce much flow in recent years.

Environmental Consequences: The Proposed Action removes livestock from ground not really suited for grazing on allotment 7040, which insures that soil health is protected. By using allotment 7107 as a reserve allotment, rest would occur, improving overall vegetative conditions on the allotment and insuring longterm soil fertility is maintained. Maintaining the allotment's condition would be the basis of the grazing plan. The BLM also needs reserve allotments to improve range conditions in North Park, and 7107 is better suited to occasional use than yearly use, especially due to the water situation. Under the No Action Alternative, the current grazing practices could continue and rest would not occur causing soil health to possibly deteriorate.

Mitigation: None

Finding on the Public Land Health Standard for upland soils: The allotments are considered to be meeting Standard #1. The Proposed Action optimizes the current situation (no permittee) to make adjustments to the permit without affecting a livestock operator. The Proposed Action protects longterm soil health. The No Action Alternative continues current conditions.

VEGETATION (includes a finding on Standard 3)

Affected Environment: The majority of vegetation found allotment #07041 is Lodge pole pine. There is also a mixture of sagebrush with an understory of grasses and forbs. Allotments #07107 and #07040 are a mixture of the grazing allotments is a mixture of sagebrush with an understory of forbs and shrubs.

Environmental Consequences: The proposed action would allow for the renewal of grazing allotments #07107 and #07040. Under the proposed action allotment #07107 would become a reserve common allotment which would allow grazing to any qualified applicant. The allotment could be rested, grazed by multiple permittees or one permittee. This flexibility would allow for periodic rest to this allotment or adjacent allotments depending on vegetation impacts (drought, fire, sagebrush treatment). This allotment could also be incorporated into a comprehensive grazing plan with the ANWR that would benefit both BLM and ANWR vegetation. Allotments #07040 would be available for livestock grazing to a qualified applicant. Impacts to vegetation are anticipated to remain the same due to no change in AUMs or season of use. Allotment #07141 would be closed to grazing. This should improve the vegetation over time. Under the No Action Alternative allotments #7041, #7107, and #7040 would be renewed without any changes and the impacts to vegetation would continue in the current conditions.

Mitigation: None

Finding on the Public Land Health Standard for plant and animal communities (partial, see also Wildlife, Aquatic and Wildlife, Terrestrial): Allotment 07107 was assessed for compliance for the Standard in June 2006. It was determined at that time the allotment is in compliance with the vegetation Standard. Allotments 07041 and 07040 were not assessed for Standards because they are low priority allotments with no known resource concerns or problems.

RANGE MANAGEMENT

Affected Environment: The grazing allotments were part of Gloria Chandler ranch. When she passed away, the allotments were willed to the ANWR. Because a government agency can not hold a grazing permit, the Kremmling Field Office proposed to make adjustments to allotments #07107, 07041 and 07040.

Environmental Consequences: Under the proposed action grazing allotment #07107 would be changed to a reserve common allotment. Livestock grazing would be allowed, however, there would not be a permittee associated with the allotments. Any qualified applicant could use the allotment as permitted. This would help other permittees in the area, who may have used a treatment such as fire, sagebrush manipulation or other habitat improvement and need to rest their allotment, with a place to graze cattle. Under the Proposed Action allotment

07040 would be available to a qualified applicant. Under the Proposed Action allotment 07041 would be closed to livestock grazing due to steep slopes and limited fencing. Closing this allotment would result in a loss of 9 AUMs available for livestock grazing. Under the no action alternative, the allotments would be available to grazing. The overall impact to livestock grazing under the Proposed Action would result in a loss of 9 AUMs available to grazing on 240 acres. This loss is not anticipated to impact livestock use within this area. Under the No Action alternative, the allotments would be renewed without any changes and livestock use would continue at the current rate.

Mitigation: None

CUMULATIVE IMPACTS SUMMARY: Livestock grazing has been an important use of the public lands in the Kremmling Field Office since the introduction of domestic livestock in the 1870s. Presently, the Field Office supports a grazing program on approximately 378,000 acres of BLM-administered public lands. Currently, these public ranges are licensed at a level of approximately 39,726 Animal Unit Months (AUMs) for livestock.

For the purpose of this EA, the general geographic boundary for cumulative impact analysis is North Park. The Kremmling Field Office is divided north to south by the Continental Divide. The public lands to the north of the divide are generally referred to as North Park, and those to the south of the divide, Middle Park. In North Park, there are approximately 260,000 acres of BLM-administered public lands that are currently being grazed, and 26,656 AUMs that are licensed.

In looking at past actions within the geographic area over the past ten years, there have not been any major changes to the North Park allotments. A majority of the allotments have been assessed for standards and the permits modified when needed due to non-compliance with specific standards or new information that has been received (i.e. new sage grouse lek). A BLM interdisciplinary Team (IDT) assessed two allotments for compliance with the Colorado Public Land Health Standards, and both allotments met standards.

In looking at reasonably foreseeable actions, the Coalmont area in southern Jackson County has seen recent interest in oil and gas development. There is a potential this activity could have a cumulative impact on North Park allotments in the future depending upon the extent of development. Other reasonably foreseeable actions that are projected to occur include minor range improvement projects.

In terms of cumulative impacts to cultural resources, grazing may cause substantial ground disturbance and cause cumulative, long term, irreversible adverse effects to historic properties throughout the Kremmling Field Office. However, as part of the BLM permit renewal process, allotments are being assessed and inventoried for cultural resources. If resources are found and eligible for NRHP, mitigation is implemented. This process is attempting to mitigate any major cumulative impacts to cultural resources in the Kremmling Field Office.

PERSONS / AGENCIES CONSULTED: Starting in February 2008, a scoping process was begun to request information concerning the renewal of grazing permits/leases and to prioritize areas or allotments with issues and concerns. The Field Office sent scoping letters, along with

land status maps showing the affected allotments, to the following groups and agencies: Colorado Division of Wildlife (Steamboat, Walden, Hot Sulphur Springs, Ft Collins); District Board of Grazing Advisors; County Commissioners (Grand, Jackson); Stock Growers (Middle Park, North Park, Upper Big Laramie River Ranch Assoc.); Northwest Resource Advisory Council; United States Forest Service (Silverthorne, Granby, Walden); US Fish and Wildlife Service (Arapaho Wildlife Refuge); Tribal Councils (Arapaho, Shoshone, Southern Ute); Colorado Commission of Indian Affairs; Ute Indian Tribe Uintah & Ouray Agency Business Committee; Colorado Environmental Coalition; Colorado State Land Board.

The BLM Colorado State Office also mailed outreach letters, concerning the renewal of grazing permits/leases, to all Congressional offices, State and Federal agencies, and major environmental, conservation, and user group organizations.

In addition, individual letters were sent to the affected permittees/lessees informing them that their permit/lease was up for renewal and requested any information they wanted included in, or taken into consideration, during the renewal process. A Notice of Public Scoping was posted on the Internet, at the Colorado BLM home page, asking for public input on permit/lease renewals and the assessment of public land health standards within the Field Office. This notice was followed up in October with an Internet posting of the Field Office prioritization of allotments and a determination as to which allotments would be assessed according to the land health standards. The proposed project was also posted on the Kremmling Internet NEPA Register.

INTERDISCIPLINARY REVIEW: See IDT-RRC in Appendix 1.

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Based on the analysis of potential environmental impacts contained in the attached environmental assessment, and considering the significance criteria in 40 CFR 1508.27, I have determined that the Proposed Action will not have a significant effect on the human environment. An environmental impact statement is therefore not required.

DECISION RECORD

DECISION: It is my decision to authorize the Proposed Action as described in the attached EA and renew livestock grazing for allotments 07040 and 07107 expiring February 28, 2019. Allotment 07041 would be closed to livestock grazing. Allotments 07040 and 07107 will be subject to the mitigation measures included below.

RATIONALE: The proposed action was chosen because it would result in better livestock distribution, improve vegetative vigor and overall cover, protect watershed conditions, produce more plant material available for bird use, especially by those species that nest on the ground, and improve habitat conditions for sage-grouse.

When a livestock grazing permit/lease expires, it is subject to renewal at the discretion of the Secretary of the Interior for a period of up to ten years. Livestock grazing, when properly managed in accordance with good rangeland ecology practices, has been proven to result in improved land health. The public benefits from public lands which are maintained in a healthy condition and are able to produce sustainable resources for a variety of uses.

The livestock producer benefits from a renewed livestock grazing permit/lease to graze forage on BLM managed land. Livestock grazing on BLM managed land is an integral part of the livestock producer's operation, and an important part of local rural economies

MITIGATION MEASURES:

Cultural:

-A Class III field inventory will be completed within the ten-year expiration period of the grazing permit. Mitigation would be identified and implemented in consultation with the Colorado State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) if historic properties are located during the subsequent field inventory and if BLM determines that grazing activities would adversely impact the properties.

COMPLIANCE/MONITORING: Compliance with the renewed livestock grazing permit and its associated terms and conditions will be accomplished through the Kremmling Field Office Range Management Program. Livestock grazing will be monitored by the range staff and other area personnel, as appropriate, to ensure compliance. The Kremmling Field Office Range

Monitoring Plan will be used to schedule periodic utilization checks, collect trend data, and evaluate allotment condition. When activity plans have been developed covering an allotment, monitoring methods and schedules included in them will be applied to the allotment. Changes will be made to the permit, based on monitoring, when changes are determined necessary to further protect land health.

NAME OF PREPARER: Peter Torma

NAME OF ENVIRONMENTAL COORDINATOR: Susan Cassel

DATE: 3/3/09

SIGNATURE OF AUTHORIZED OFFICIAL: /s/ Peter McFadden

DATE SIGNED: 3-5-09

ATTACHMENTS:

No permit is attached because the allotments are not attached to a livestock permit.

1) Stipulations

APPENDICES:

Appendix 1 – Interdisciplinary Team Analysis Review Record and Checklist

Appendix 2 – Bibliography (if citations are used)

Appendix 1

INTERDISCIPLINARY TEAM ANALYSIS REVIEW RECORD AND CHECKLIST:

Project Title: Renewal of allotments 07040, 07041 and 07107 .

Project Leader: Peter Torma

Date Proposal Received: (Only for external proposals)

Date Submitted for Comment: 12/10/08

Due Date for Comments: 2/17/08

Need for a field Exam: (If so, schedule a date/time)

Scoping Needs/Interested or Affected Publics: (Identify public scoping needs)

Consultation/Permit Requirements:

Consultation	Date Initiated	Date Completed	Responsible Specialist/ Contractor	Comments
Cultural/Archeological Clearance/SHPO	1/20/2009	1/20/2009	BBW	Past actions have resulted in a cultural resource inventory to determine if those actions would cause potential adverse affects to known and unknown cultural resources sites from livestock grazing, motorized travel, and recreational use. When project undertakings are identified, a cultural resource inventory would be conducted to determine if sites are present and their eligibility, project effects, and mitigation requirements if necessary.
Native American	1/20/2009	1/20/2009	BBW	Consultation was completed for the original allotment renewal. Future undertakings would require tribal consultation to identify traditional cultural properties.
T&E Species/FWS	N/A	N/A	MM	
Permits Needed (i.e. Air or Water)	N/A	N/A	PB	

(NP) = Not Present

(NI) = Resource/Use Present but Not Impacted

(PI) = Potentially Impacted and Brought Forward for Analysis.

NP NI PI	Discipline/Name	Date Review Comp.	Initials	Review Comments (required for Critical Element NIs, and for elements that require a finding but are not carried forward for analysis.)
CRITICAL ELEMENTS				
NI	Air Quality Belcher	2/25/09	PB	There are no air quality impacts by renewing the grazing permit.
NP	Areas of Critical Environmental Concern Cassel	3/3/09	SC	There are no Areas of Critical Environmental Concern in the proximity of the proposed project area.
Ni	Cultural Resources Wyatt	1/20/2009	BBW	Past actions have resulted in a cultural resource inventory to determine if those actions would

					cause potential adverse affects to known and unknown cultural resources sites from livestock grazing, motorized travel, and recreational use. When project undertakings are identified, a cultural resource inventory would be conducted to determine if sites are present and their eligibility, project effects, and mitigation requirements if necessary.
NP	Environmental Justice Cassel	3/3/09	SC		According to the most recent Census Bureau statistics (2000), there are no minority or low income communities within the Kremmling Planning Area.
NP	Farmlands, Prime and Unique Belcher	2/25/09	PB		There are no farmlands, prime or unique, in the proximity of the proposed project area.
NP	Floodplains Belcher	2/25/09	PB		The allotments are in the uplands and do not affect a floodplain.
NP	Invasive, Non-native Species Johnson Torma Scott	1-8-09	MS		See Analysis.
NI	Migratory Birds McGuire	1/23/09	MM		The allotments are currently in good condition. There are no changes proposed in the No Action or Proposed Action for allotment #7040. For allotment #7107 the season of use would be extended in the Proposed Action, however there would be no changes in AUMs. Allotment 07141 would be closed to grazing thus, impacts are not expected to occur for either the Proposed Action or No Action Alternative.
NI	Native American Religious Concerns Wyatt	1/20/2009	BW		Consultation was completed for the original allotment renewal. Future undertakings would require tribal consultation to identify traditional cultural properties.
NI	T/E, and Sensitive Species (Finding on Standard 4) McGuire	1/23/09	MM		The allotments are currently in good condition. There are no changes proposed in the No Action or Proposed Action for allotment #7040. For allotment #7107 the season of use would be extended in the Proposed Action, however there would be no changes in AUMs. Allotment 07141 would be closed to grazing thus, impacts are not expected to occur for either the Proposed Action or No Action Alternative.
NP	Wastes, Hazardous and Solid Hodgson	1/7/09	KH		There are no quantities of wastes, hazardous or solid, located on BLM-administered lands in the proposed project area, and there would be no wastes generated as a result of the Proposed Action or No Action alternative.
NI	Water Quality, Surface and Ground (Finding on Standard 5) Belcher	2/25/09	PB		The allotments are meeting the Water Quality Standard. The Proposed Action does not make measurable changes in management to affect water quality. The No Action Alternative continues present conditions, with which there are no concerns.
NI	Wetlands & Riparian Zones (Finding on Standard 2) Belcher	2/25/09	PB		There are no known wetland or riparian zones on public lands in the allotments. The Proposed Action does not measurably change

					the current management to affect private areas.
NP	Wild and Scenic Rivers	Windsor	2/25/09	AW	There are no eligible Wild and Scenic River segments in the proposed project area.
NP	Wilderness	Windsor	2/25/09	AW	There is no designated Wilderness or Wilderness Study Areas in the proximity of the proposed project area.
NON-CRITICAL ELEMENTS (A finding must be made for these elements)					
PI	Soils (Finding on Standard 1)	Belcher	2/25/09	PB	See Soils Section.
PI	Vegetation (Finding on Standard 3)	Johnson Torma Scott	1/28/09	PT	See analysis
NI	Wildlife, Aquatic (Finding on Standard 3)	McGuire	1/23/09	MM	The allotments are currently in good condition. There are no changes proposed in the No Action or Proposed Action for allotment #7040. Allotment 07141 would be closed to grazing. There is no aquatic wildlife present in allotment #7107.
NI	Wildlife, Terrestrial (Finding on Standard 3)	McGuire	1/23/09	MM	The allotments are currently in good condition. There are no changes proposed in the No Action or Proposed Action for allotment #7040. For allotment #7107 the season of use would be extended in the Proposed Action, however there would be no changes in AUMs. Allotment 07141 would be closed to grazing thus, impacts are not expected to occur for either the Proposed Action or No Action Alternative.
OTHER NON-CRITICAL ELEMENTS					
NI	Access/Transportation	Monkouski	2/24/09	JJM	No change in access. No Impacts.
NI	Forest Management	K. Belcher	2/4/2009	KB	No impact to forest resources as a result of implementing either of the alternatives. The description of the proposed action discloses a potential need to construct fences and merchantable trees may need to be cut if construction occurs. Such trees will need to be identified on the ground and purchased, prior to any cutting.
NI	Geology and Minerals	Hodgson	1/7/09	KH	No impacts.
NP	Fire	Wyatt	1/20/2009	BBW	Grazing would reduce light flashy fuels.
NI	Hydrology/Water Rights	Belcher	2/25/09	PB	The Proposed Action and No Action Alternative would not alter current hydrologic conditions nor would they impact water rights.
NI	Paleontology	Rupp	1/16/2009	FGR	No impacts to fossil resources from renewing permit, or the no action alternative. Proposed ground disturbing projects will be reviewed on a project by project basis to determine the need for paleontological inventory.
NI	Noise	Monkouski	2/24/09	JJM	No Impacts.
PI	Range Management	Johnson Torma Scott	1/26/09	PT	See range management section
NI	Lands/ Realty Authorizations	Cassel	12/12/08	SC	There are three ROW's in these locations. COC-58276 to Union Telephone for a commsite and access road, COC-13319 to Town of Walden for a pipeline and COD-12137 to Union Pacific for a railroad that is inactive. No leases or permits exist in this

				location. The ROW's will not be affected by the proposed action or the no action alternative.
NI	Recreation Windsor	2/25/09	AW	Recreation would not be impacted by the proposed action or the no action alternative.
NI	Socio-Economics Cassel	3/3/09	SC	Even though there is a change in use for allotment 7107, there would be no change in AUM's and no change at all in allotment 7040. As allotment 7041 is small, the closure would not impact the socio-economics of North Park.
NI	Visual Resources Windsor	1/30/09	AW	Visual resources would not be impacted by the proposed action or the no action alternative.
PI	Cumulative Impact Summary Cassel	3/3/09	SC	See analysis in EA.
FINAL REVIEW				
	P&E Coordinator Cassel	3/3/09	SC	