



BLM – Glenwood Springs & Kremmling Field Offices
Resource Management Plan Revisions
Trails & Route Data-Collection Workshops



June 2007



The Glenwood Springs and Kremmling Field Offices' Resource Management Plans (RMPs) are currently being revised. The revised RMPs will comprehensively plan for all types of travel (recreational, casual, agricultural, industrial, administrative, etc.) and accompanying modes and conditions of travel, including motorized, mechanized, and non-mechanized uses. It is now Colorado BLM policy (CO-IM-2007-20) to restrict all OHV use within limited areas to designated routes.

The BLM has inventoried existing motorized, mechanized and non-mechanized travel routes within the Field Offices over the past few years. In June 2007, the BLM will host public workshops to: 1) allow the public to review BLM's inventory for accuracy and completeness; 2) provide information on routes that are missing from BLM's inventory; and 3) offer suggestions for reroutes or new trail sections that would complement the existing route system.

At this workshop, maps are available that show the inventoried trails and routes. To provide trails and routes data to the BLM, please complete the trails and routes comment form AND write any missing existing trails and routes on the accompanying map. Please complete a separate comment form for each route or trail you identify.

The BLM will follow-up after the meetings and comment period by ground truthing any travel route inconsistencies. By fall 2007, the BLM will then have a complete inventory of existing trails and routes for planning purposes.

In fall 2007, the BLM will begin developing alternatives for the RMPs. The BLM will first develop RMP alternatives for natural, biological, and cultural resources, resource uses, and special designations. Once these are developed, the BLM will then develop travel management alternatives that will include appropriate travel route systems and designations for motorized, mechanized, and non-mechanized uses to meet the goals and objectives of the RMP alternatives. The environmental impact statement (EIS) that will accompany the RMPs will analyze the impacts of designating each proposed travel network.

The Draft RMP/Draft EIS is scheduled to be released during the latter half of 2008 and will include the RMP alternatives and the accompanying travel management alternatives. The public will then have 90 days to comment.

Additional information on the RMP revision effort is available at <http://www.blm.gov/rmp/co/kfo-gsfo>. Thank you for participating.

BLM Route Classes Terms & Definitions

Route Class Definitions

1-Track Foot/Horseback: A single-track linear route less than 36 inches wide that is designed for nonmotorized uses (pedestrian/foot and equestrian/horse).

1-Track Mechanized: A single-track linear route less than 36 inches wide that is designed for mechanized uses, as well as nonmotorized uses.

1-Track Motorized: A single-track linear route less than 36 inches wide that is designed for motorized uses, as well as mechanized uses and nonmotorized uses.

ATV trail: A linear route less than 52 inches wide that is managed for all-terrain vehicle (ATV) use. An ATV is a motorized vehicle that is less than 50 inches in width (such as four-wheelers and three-wheelers) and is capable of operating on areas that are not maintained.

Closed to Motorized Use: A route that is closed to motorized vehicles or uses (including but not limited to jeeps, all-terrain vehicles, and trail motorcycles or dirt bikes).

Light Duty Road: A dirt, gravel, or paved road passable by two-wheel-drive, low-clearance vehicles, that was constructed and is regularly maintained.

Primitive 4wd: An unimproved linear route managed for use by four-wheel drive, high-clearance vehicles that was constructed or user-created and is not regularly maintained.

Primitive Road: An unimproved road passable by two-wheel-drive, low-clearance vehicles, that was constructed or user-created and is not regularly maintained. These routes do not normally meet any BLM road design standards.

Other Terms & Definitions

Routes: A combination of roads, trails, or ways that are used by motorized vehicles (jeeps, all-terrain vehicles, motorized dirt bikes, etc.), mechanized uses (mountain bikes, wheelbarrows, game carts), pedestrians (hikers), and/or equestrians (horseback riders).

Road: A linear route declared a road by the owner, managed for use by low-clearance vehicles having four or more wheels, and maintained for regular and continuous use.

Trail: A linear route managed for human-power (e.g., hiking or bicycling), stock (e.g., equestrian), or off-highway vehicle forms of transportation or for historical or heritage values. Trails are not generally managed for use by four-wheel drive or high-clearance vehicles.

Mechanized Uses: Equipment that is mechanized, including but not limited to mountain bikes, wheelbarrows, and game carts.

Motorized Vehicles or Uses: Vehicles that are motorized, including but not limited to jeeps, all-terrain vehicles (such as four-wheelers and three-wheelers), and trail motorcycles or dirt bikes.

Open Area: An area where all types of vehicle use is permitted at all times, anywhere in the area subject to the operating regulations and vehicle standards set forth in 43 Code of Federal Regulations 8341 and 8342.

Limited Area: An area restricted at certain times, in certain areas, and/or to certain vehicular use. These restrictions may be of any type but can generally be accommodated within the following categories: Numbers of vehicles; types of vehicles; time or season of vehicle use; permitted or licensed use only; use on existing roads and trails; use on designated roads and trails; and other restrictions.

Closed Area: An area where off-highway vehicle use is prohibited. Use of off-highway vehicles in closed areas may be allowed for certain reasons; however, such use shall be made only with the approval of the authorized officer.

Name & Organization (if applicable) _____

Mailing Address _____ City _____ State _____

Zip _____ Telephone # _____ E-Mail Address (optional) _____

Add me to this project's mailing list to receive future project-related information? Yes No

Please indicate your affiliation by checking **one** of the following boxes: Individual (no affiliation)

Elected Representative Federal, State, or Local Government Public Interest Group

Route & Trails Information

1) Glenwood Springs Field Office -or- Kremmling Field Office **Zone #** _____

2) **Route Name/Number:** Existing route: _____ Proposed new route
(If the route is not on a map, assign it a new route name & number consisting of your name's three initials & a number [for example, John B. Smith would use "JBS-1", "JBS-2", etc.], using "-1" and "-2" if you provide more than one route. Also pencil in the route's location on the appropriate map.)

3) **Description of Route** (check one): Game/Cattle Trail Single-track ATV trail
 4-wheel drive 2-wheel drive

4) **What are the current modes of travel on this route** (check all that apply):
 Hike/Run Horseback Mountain Bike Dirt Bike ATV
 Four-wheel Drive Two-wheel Drive

5) **What do you consider the appropriate modes of travel on this route** (check all that apply):
 Hike/Run Horseback Mountain Bike Dirt Bike ATV
 4-wheel Drive 2-wheel Drive

6) **Route Use:** Recreation Commercial Agriculture/Ranching Administrative
 Other (be specific): _____

7) **Time of Year Most Often Used** (check all that apply):
 Spring Summer Fall Hunting Season Fall Winter

8) **When Most Often Used** (check all that apply):
 Weekends Weekdays Both

9) **Frequency of your use of this route:** Daily Weekly Monthly Yearly

10) **Specifically addressing this route or trail, what are the characteristics about this route or trail that make it important to you?** (for example, close to home, easy/difficult, can make loop trips, connections to other trails, no signs/signed, few regulations):

11) **Provide any other comments or issues you think BLM managers should know about this route or the area it accesses** (for example, wildlife viewing, access to water):

The Field Offices will accept written comments through **July 20, 2007**. For all comments, please submit both this comment form AND a map, on which you have shown any missing existing trails and routes. Complete a separate comment form for each route or trail you identify.

The form and maps are available at the workshops, on the Web site (www.blm.gov/rmp/co/kfo-gsfo), or at either Field Office Front Desk (see addresses below). Please submit your comments by any one the following ways:

1) Fill out the comment forms at the workshops.

2) Glenwood Springs FO Comment Forms & Maps:

Mail or Drop Off:

BLM, Glenwood Springs Field Office

Attn: Brian Maiorano

50629 Highways 6 & 24, Glenwood Springs, CO 81601

Phone (970) 947-2800

3) Kremmling FO Comment Forms & Maps:

Mail or Drop Off:

BLM, Kremmling Field Office

Attn: John Monkouski

2103 E. Park Avenue, PO Box 68, Kremmling, CO 80459

Phone (970) 724-3000

You can review documents and maps related to the RMP comprehensive travel management planning at either Field Office Front Desk or online at www.blm.gov/rmp/co/kfo-gsfo.

Public comments submitted, including names and street addresses of respondents, will be available for public review at the Glenwood Springs and Kremmling Field Offices during regular business hours (8:00 AM to 4:30 PM), Monday through Friday, except holidays. If you wish to withhold your name or address from public review or from disclosure under the Freedom of Information Act, you must state this prominently in your comments. Such requests will be honored to the extent allowed by law. All submissions from organizations or businesses, and from individuals identifying themselves as representatives of organizations or businesses, will be made available for public inspection in their entirety.