APPENDIX F

PRESS RELEASE AND PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENTS

BLM Casper Field Office
Media Tracking Form

Type of Media	Name of Media Source	Date Published or Broadcasted
Newspaper Ad or Press Releases		
Newspaper Article	Casper Star Tribune	7/4/2003
Newspaper Article	Casper Star Tribune	7/6/2003
Newspaper Article	Casper Star Tribune	10/30/2003
Newspaper Article	Casper Star Tribune	11/5/2003
Newspaper Article	Glenrock Independent	7/26/2003
Newspaper Article	Guernsey Gazette	7/24/2003
Newspaper Article	Lingle Guide	7/8/2003
Newspaper Article	Platte County Record Times	
Newspaper Article	Torrington Telegram	7/2/2003
Newspaper Article	Torrington Telegram	11/5/2003
Newspaper Article	Wyoming Business Reprot	9/1/2003
Newspaper Article	Wyoming Livestock Roundup	7/28/2003
Newspaper Article	Wyoming Livestock Roundup	8/4/2003
Newspaper Article	Wyoming Livestock Roundup	8/18/2003
Newspaper Article	Wyoming Livestock Roundup	11/3/2003
Interview with Don Whyde	Torrington Telegram	11/11/2003
Interview with Jim Murkin	Casper Star Tribune	7/1/2003
Interview with Linda Slone	Rocky Mountain Energy Reporter	11/5/2003
BLM Bulletins		
BLM Seeks Input On Platte River RMP		6/20/2003
Casper BLM holds RMP Scoping Meetings		10/27/2003
Casper BLM holds RMP Scoping Meetings Reminder		11/11/2003
TV Spot		
TV Interview with Don Whyde	KWYF-TV	11/13/2003

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BLM SEEKS INPUT ON PLATTE RIVER RMP

The Bureau of Land Management (BLM), Casper Field Office, is asking the public to provide resource information, issues, and concerns as the agency begins the process of revising the Platte River Resource Management Plan (RMP). As part of this project, a supporting environmental impact statement is also being prepared.

The Platte River RMP was approved in July 1985, and several updates have occurred since that time. Current RMP decisions are on the Casper Field Office web site, *http://www.wy.blm.gov/cfo/cfoplan.htm*.

The revised RMP referred to as the Casper RMP, is being developed to provide future direction for managing approximately 1.4 million acres of public surface land and 4.7 million acres of federal mineral estate lands in east central Wyoming. The planning area includes most of Natrona County, and all of Converse, Goshen, and Platte Counties, Wyoming. BLM's Lander Field Office administers public land in the southwestern corner of Natrona County.

An integral component of the Casper RMP development process is public involvement. This request for public input is the first opportunity for local interests and residents to participate and share their insights and comments. As BLM proceeds with the planning effort, additional opportunities for public participation will be provided.

Emerging issues and changing laws necessitate preparation of the Casper RMP. The major issues are 1) energy and mineral resource exploration and development, including consistency with the National Energy policy; 2) access to and transportation on BLM lands; 3) recreation and off-highway vehicle (OHV) management; 4) wildlife habitat and management of crucial habitat and migration corridors; 5) management and the cumulative effect of land uses and human activities on threatened, endangered, candidate, and sensitive species and their habitats; 6) vegetation, including impacts of invasive non-native species; 7) management of cultural and paleontological resources, including national historic trails; 8) landownership adjustments; 9) fire management and consistency with the National Fire Plan; 10) livestock grazing; 11) visual resource management; and 12) air and water quality. The BLM is requesting the help of the public in identifying additional issues to be addressed in the planning effort.

To assure that the best available information is used in completing the Casper RMP revision, BLM is requesting public input of any available resource information or data relevant to this planning area. BLM is also requesting interest and information on coal resource development potential and other resources that may be affected by coal development for lands in the planning area. Industry, state, local governments, and the public may submit information on lands that should or should not be considered for coal leasing, including statements describing why the lands should or should not be considered for leasing. This request is in accordance with 43 CFR 3420.1-2, fulfilling the required call for coal and other resource information.

BLM can best use public comments and data submissions received by August 20, 2003, or 60 days from the date of publication of the *Federal Register* Notice of Intent to revise the Platte River RMP and prepare an associated EIS. Other opportunities to provide public input, including public scoping meetings, will be announced by BLM through mailings, e-mail postings, and other media during the scoping process.

Written comments and resource information submitted by mail should be sent to the BLM Casper Field Office, Attention Linda Slone, RMP Project Manager, 2987 Prospector Drive, Casper, Wyoming 82604. Electronic comments may be sent to crmp_wymail@blm.gov. For more information or to have your name added to the RMP mailing list, contact Linda Slone at (307) 261-7600.

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Casper BLM holds RMP scoping meetings

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BLM will host four scoping meetings to receive input.

Meetings will be held in:

Wheatland	November 10, 2003	Platte County Library Large Meeting Room 904 9th St. Wheatland, WY	3 p.m. to 8 p.m.
Torrington	November 11, 2003	Eastern Wyoming College CTC Building 3200 W. C St. Torrington, WY	3 p.m. to 8 p.m.
Douglas	November 12, 2003	Converse County Community Room 107 N. 5th St. Douglas, WY	3 p.m. to 8 p.m.
Casper	November 13, 2003	BLM Casper Field Office 2987 Prospector Drive Casper, Wyoming	3 p.m. to 8 p.m.

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A Casper RMP website has been developed at *www.blm.gov/rmp/casper* . This website is a good source of information for participating in this planning process. The website features the latest information on development of the RMP and EIS, including background documents, maps, meeting announcements, published bulletins and other documents.

BLM strongly encourages public comment. Written comments and resource information can be submitted by mail to: BLM Casper Field Office, Attention Linda Slone, RMP Project Manager, 2987 Prospector Drive, Casper, Wyoming 82604. Electronic comments can be submitted online at *www.blm.gov/rmp/casper*.

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