# Northwest Colorado Resource Advisory Council Meeting Minutes June 13, 2019

# Kremmling, Colorado

#### Attendance

#### Category 1

Wes McStay, Scott Robertson, Jeff Comstock, Kirk Daehling

### Category 2

Carl Conner, Connor Coleman, Mike Pritchard

#### Category 3

Callie Hendrickson, Tom Jankovsky, Merritt Linke

#### BLM

Andrew Archuleta, Bruce Sillitoe, Kent Walter, Helen Mary Johnson, Bill Mills, David Boyd, Brian Hopkins, Maribeth Peccotte

#### Public

Adam Ortega, Colorado Department of Agriculture; Hogan Peterson, Senator Cory Gardner's Office; Hattie Johnson, American Whitewater; Barbara Vasquez; Jim Yust; Andrew Peterson, The Colorado Angler; Jon Stavney, NWCCOG Eagle County; Hagen Lyle

Chairman Mike Pritchard called the meeting to order at 8:04 a.m.

Upper Colorado River Recreation Area Management Plan proposal – Maribeth Pecotte

- Past public comment period on boat ramp
- Signed decision in a couple of weeks
- Ramp implements results of RMP
- Zone 1- no fees
- Zone 2- Confluence to Pump House- Fee area
- Zone 3- Pumphouse to State Bridge- Fee area
  - o Designating 12 dispersed campsites- reservations required and fees
  - o Recreation.gov- where people reserve.
- Zone 4- Yarmony Jeep Trail- Day use only, no permits required.
- Proposal to bring tot RAC- Hopefully April 2020. Implementation 2021
- Jeff-Outfitters, would they pay more?
  - o \$1.25/ person with the 3% the outfitter already pays of their gross recipts.
    - Logic adding additional outfitter fees: Fees are the same whether you're a citizen or an outfitter.
    - Outifters can put the 3% on the clients if the outfitter chooses.
    - Trough Rucker Return Route- Funding from state?
      - I.D'd a club that will help.
      - Stay the trail- Scratch the route in.

- Mile High Jeep Club
- Connor Coleman- Fire pan & Groover- likely to be mandatory
  - Firewood?- Unknown at this time but likely require recreators to bring in their own wood.
  - Do you think the fee process will help manage the resource better?
    - Yes, all the funding that is raised on the river will go back to maintaining the river.
- Tom- Easier to enforce a parking fee rather than a per person fee
  - Fee's come with regulations and we want to see regulations and accountability for the river also.
  - Per Person fees can be used throughout the river corridor rather than just the site the fee was collected.
- Wes McStay- Run dual fee programs (vehicles and river per person use)
  - No because per person gives better data. Encourages better participation.
- Maribeth- We don't intend to put a cap on the permits.

Recreation Enhancement Act and RAC roles and responsibilities – David Boyd

- REA:
  - See presentation
  - o Enacted in 2004
  - o 10- year authority
  - o BLM CO originally elected to use same RRAC as FS
  - o Never effective for BLM fee proposals
  - o Colorado BLM RAC's voted in 2011 to take on RRAC responsibilities for one year.
  - o Colorado BLM RAC's coted to make RRAC function part of charter indefinitely 2012
  - o Types of Fee's
    - Standard Amenity Fee
      - National Conservation Area
      - Visitor or interpretive center with services
    - Expanded Amenity Fee
      - Boat Ramps
      - Camp Grounds
    - Individual Fees
  - RAC Fee Review Process
    - Field Office develops proposal
    - Field Office Seeks Public Comment
    - Field Office presents to State Director
    - Washington Reviews
    - BLM forwards to RAC
    - RAC Coordinator Posts Notice in FRN and local Paper at least one week prior to meeting
    - RAC reviews and recommends
    - BLM implements or with withdraws
  - o Changing fees doesn't require FRN, adding fee's require a FRN.
  - Where do fee's go? State Office or does it stay local?
    - Stays local, on-site

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Colorado River Valley Campground fee proposal overview – Brian Hopkins

o Pitkin County and Eagle County have sent letters of support

- o Since last version, State Office- requested edits and an executive summary.
- o Added 2 appendices: Maps and Pictures of sites.
- o Things RAC brought up: Question about \$4-5 dollar fee-Clarified (Table on Page 8)
- o Probable Cause: Jump in Fee Collection (pg 11)
  - Maintenance worker being a face
  - o LEO issuing citations to recreators weren't paying fees.
- o Increase bases on the consumer price increase: Page 14-15
  - How often would we come back to the RAC? RAC members said make a suggestion on timeframe.
    - 3-4 years based on the Consumers Price Increase.
    - When we come back 3-4 years from now the 7 step process wouldn't be necessary with the FRN. It would just require a notifying of the RAC.
    - Fees can only be increased by \$2 at a time.
    - Would it take a formal resolution or a recommendation for an increase to happen?
      - Set a cap on an amount that requires the RAC to decide whether or not they are in favor. 50%?
      - Brian change wordage on page 15 BLM would return to the RAC AFTER (change to BEFORE) each fee increase...
      - Consider adding a clause that says if CPI goes down the fee's will remain the same.
      - Consider: Change wordage from Fee Adjustments or Fee Increases?
      - Mike Pritchard: Draft Final Sentence? Get Final Sentence from Mike.
      - No camping signs or no parking signs on the pull off's on Prince Creek.

# Public comment period

- Andrew Peterson: Season pass for Wolcott? Offer that as an option?
  - o All for the increases at Catamount, Lion's Gulch, Pinball, etc.
    - Commercial Fees are gradually increases
    - Day Use Fees: Increase because we are holding people accountable.
  - o Feels like public now has "skin in the game" for the day use fee'
  - o Reasonable dollar amounts
- Dan- Kremmling Manager
- Hattie Johnson-American Whitewater
  - o Fee's River sites- were initially shocking,
  - o Business plan that will come in April, Fee's for day use have been hard to understand.
    - Comment: Look at impacts of day use vs. overnight use. Perhaps coordinate fee's with results from the data.
    - How Fees are used on site- Super important to understand. Being clear and transparent.
- Jon Stavrey- NW council of governments:
  - o Approve this business plan and support it.
  - o Recreation.gov- will be used for on river camping.
    - Challenge- you can't reserve within the week.
    - What if there are cancellations? Will the campground stay empty
    - Gypsum and Wolcott campgrounds: Sold or maintained by private party running
      - Doesn't know if BLM has the capacity or the know how to run those sites to the best of their abilities.
      - Consider picnic tables and fire rings for on river camp sites.

- Not enough campsites from Two Rivers and down.
- Lyons: Please put in effort into boat ramp and camping experience.

Discussion/vote whether to approve/approve with modifications/not approve CRV campground fee proposal

- Fee increases in CRV- Motion Approve with modifications (Connor) that they've discussed Seconded by Callie. (sentence with Mike)
  - o Pause: John brought up issue with recreation.gov and reservations
    - Reserve up to a week ahead after that you can't reserve any sites.
    - Needs to be a management tool (Billboard with reservations, calling in to the administrative support assistant.
    - Brian's Response: No cell phone coverage. Going to get back up site fee tubes.
      - Check via your phone and go in and reserve it.
      - Brian's hope is to have a bigger presence up on the Eagle River.
        - LEO, seasonals, back up fee tubes.
      - There is signage that addresses these issues.
      - Camp host: Eagle Valley Corridor would be their span of enforcement.
  - Unanimously vote in favor for fees

District and Field Manager updates

Northwest District- Andrew Archuleta:

- Ouestions:
  - o Connor: With your vacancy what is going to be happening?
    - Andrew: Getting approval the WO, looking for a detailer/acting DM 120 days
  - Callie: When we do these plans that we are voting on and the county that supporting it, she would suggest adding the letter of support
    - Andrew: yes we will add it.
  - Kirk
    - Pending oil and gas lease sale: Impacts with the new state legislation?
    - Andrew: We don't have any different direction than legislation.
  - o Tom
    - Live detection for live methane capture and BLM stated they would follow that.
    - Andrw: We are looking to do an MOU but it's going to be a slow process.

White River Field Office- Kent Walter

- Questions:
  - o Tom: Public access is very important. Issue- Private land owners locking gates. Is your Field Office running into that issue also?
    - Kent: Yes, in our travel management plan we will work on designating routes. If we were to run into that even if we were in our travel management plan, we would bring that to your attention.
  - Callie Hendrickson: Caution: Name of 'Mustang Makeover' and hope there would be a significant education portion to education of the impacts on habitat. If we don't get that education piece (during the sale and show) for adults. Give education before horses for kids. Callie willing to be a part of the presentation
  - o Merritt: Mustang Makeover: Education on the health portion of the herd and land.
    - Kent: Permitee's have voluntarily taken cuts to help manage the land.

Little Snake Field Office- Bruce Sillitoe

- Ouestions:
  - Wes McStay: Cross Mountain Acquistion:
    - Bruce: Need to do a Recreation Area Management Plan

- Carl Conner: New problems with SHPO with looking at any site with carbon on it as being significant. If it can yield significant additional information they are going to have archeologists looking at them. Lithic Scatter's are going to be another issue.
  - Bruce: No response.

## Colorado River Valley Field Office- Helen Mary Johnson

- Questions:
  - Mike: RMR Quarry Broad Community Opposition. It's frustrating to see that they're operating outside of their jurisdiction. How are you going to address that? Are we going to see EIS?
    - HM: The issue has been ongoing. At this point some of the non-compliance issues are small. The mains issues: exceeding surface disturbance. Telling them to stop what they're doing now isn't going to necessarily solve anything.
  - Tom: Garfield County has some jurisdiction: RMR was not within their permit with the county either. On 20 acres rather than the allotted 16 acres. Unknown if 16 acres were surveyed for sure. Coming back into compliance. Issue: Selling non locatable product. Bottom Line; another license companies have to get. You also need a social licenseso you have at least some support in the community. This has none.

### Kremmling

- Question:
  - o Tom: Is the timber going to WY or somewhere to be milled?
    - Bill: Both
  - o Connor: Is this profitable? Is it high quality timber?
    - Bill: Yes it's profitable but not very great quality
  - o Merrit: Sand Dunes: In the past there has been a severe outcry for assistance with the fencing issues and not respecting property boundaries
    - Bill: Switching fence styles. Looking at ways to connect alternate routes to keep the recreators even in terms of area.
  - Carl: Maybe do a ethnic background study to get ahead of the game with the North Sand Hills
  - o Callie: Timber Piece: How many acres do you have actual timber sales
    - Bill: I'd have to get you an actual number but roughly 1800 acres.
  - Jeff: How do you involve Jackson County Commissioners with the North Sand Hills effort?
    - Bill: they've been very involved and are very supportive of regaining control. They've helped with public scoping, press releases, Commissioner Benson has played an active role.

### Follow-up from last meeting

- Draft resolution Canyon Pintado site names
  - o Kent: How was it made: Call from Washington do we want signs, and said yes we do.
    - Consulting with the Hopi and Ute tribes for the signage and interpretive signs.
    - Let us keep with our process of naming convention.
    - Kent will go back to his staff and ask how long the consultation will take and come up with a funding proposal.
  - o Callie:
    - Lessons learned for informal sub-committees
      - Set up committee, didn't read the minutes, and let it flop.
      - Set up a chair for this committee and have reminders for meetings.
      - Keep the BLM involved.

- Sign that gave RAC members heartburn: Sheep and Cattle there are the reason there are no bighorn sheep. "Why the shift in the populations?" The early ranchers brought in domestic sheep and cattle....
  - Looking to remove sign.
- Mike: If the sign says it's a recreation site is there an easier way to adjust the sign to say a 'Cultural Site'.
  - Kent: Really wants the tribes to support signage at this site. Rather than telling the tribes what the answer is, look for help in finding the answer.
- Callie: When we do name it we need to really work on capturing the nature of the area.
- Two Issues: Entrance Signage.
- Kirk: Ensure we add the draft resolution- Canyon Pintado site names on next meeting agenda
- Draft resolution BLM Land Tenure and county land-use plans
  - o Are there wording changes the members would like to see?
  - There is a blatant disregard for commissioners policies.
  - o This resolution is focused on acquiring and disposing of public lands that agree with local policies and holding folks accountable.
    - Tom: Federal government will take in consideration local land plans.
  - How to make it neutral for all the counties
    - Wes: Keep lands public.
    - Connor: Propose that processes do take in local governments concerns. In regards to the groups he represents, a lot of the work they do is acquire lands that would be in better hands of BLM or another agency.
    - Mike: Is this necessary? Does this change anything? How do we establish lands that get disposed?
      - Andrew: Lands that are surrounded by Private Land, Parcels of land that are difficult to manage. Parcels that don't give any immediate benefit to the public. The list is developed through a public process.
    - Callie: Moffat County 75% Public Land and are happy with where they're at.
      - Work back through the public process to voice concerns. If someone has concerns there is a great opportunity to work with your county commissioner.
      - Respect what the local community wants: If they don't want more public lands or if they do, respect that.
    - Tom: Coordinator is in FLPMA. This isn't trying to prevent the process. It isn't always about acre for acre but rather value for value. Wants to write this in order to support that.
    - Carl: Is selling land faster than a land exchange?
      - Bill: I would say that it is faster.
      - Andrew: There is nothing fast about anything.
    - Connor: Don't understand the issue of concern that we are writing this.
    - Wes: I'm support of resolution of PILT? Don't see that system is broken. However FLPMA could use more public implementation
    - Jeff: We just heard why the system is broke, it's not a priority within the state and it's not a priority to deal with the land disposals. This is about empowering the Field Managers to fix the land disposal problem. It's also a priority that local policies are followed. This is a political effort to bring this issue forward.
    - Callie: 1.BLM Working with the local governments. And Reiterating NEPA and FLPMA. This is just to remind BLM as a whole to work with local governments.
       2. If they don't respect and follow the local governments, they

need to put it in writing like NEPA says. Let's make sure this document reiterates: Disposals, Dedicated funds to disposals.

- Kirk: How effective is reminding the BLM to follow their policies?
  - Dedicate resources and revenue to make these things happen.
- Mike: with acquiring lands have funding set aside to manage the lands acquired.
- Connor: How impactful has it been in a negative way to tax payers?
  - Financial is probably the least impacted
  - The cores and values are severely impacted.
- Carl: Getting a state division to deal solely with Land Disposals.
  - Andrew: we have a Realty Specialist at the NWD
- Callie: At the last meeting we past a vote that reminded BLM to follow the law that was pertaining to WH&B and that's exactly what we are trying to do here.
- Mike: Is there a version of this that Connor and Wes would like better?
  - Wes: Will never be on board
  - Connor: a big simplification would work for him, if not, no.
  - Carl: Note that it is a supported within the BLM to work on land disposals (realty specialist job at the district)
  - Callie: Committee to bring different viewpoints to a table and making this document these best that it can be.
  - Kirk: What's the niche or message that this is trying to send home to the BLM.
  - Callie: End goal: Wants to continue working with local governments.

# Public comment period

 Barbara: wondering about the duplicity of this document-BLM Land Tenure and county land-use plans

Further discussion, potential vote on resolutions

- No resolution.
- Jeff: Agenda Item on disposal process for next meeting. And how the establish that there is no benefit to keep it. Become educated and then advise the BLM.
- Kirk: That would be a great opportunity to come back and suggest to fill the NWD realty specialist position, etc.

# Next meeting agenda items

Bill

North Sand Hills Ramps slideshow

Connor

Education on lands disposal

Carl

Leasing near Owl Ridge

Tom

o Look at North Sand Hills before it's cold.

Callie

Revisit Canyon pintage signage

Bruce

o Sarvice Creek Cabin

Jeff

RAC Appointments

### 3 p.m. Adjourn

Field Trips for next meeting

- -Grazing
- -Sage Grouse
- -Museum
- -Underground Mine
- -Sarvice Cabin

# Manager Updates Northwest District, Andrew Archuleta

Northwest Colorado oil and gas leasing update – The next lease sale with northwest Colorado parcels will be held September 26. The 30-day public review of the environmental analysis ended June 12. Currently 80 parcels totaling more than 78,000 acres are being considered for northwest Colorado, including acreage formally deferred until the new sage grouse planning effort was complete. The sale includes lands Kremmling, Little Snake and White River Field Offices, with more than 16,000 acres in Garfield County; 21,000 in Jackson County; 18,000 in Moffat County; 11,000 in Rio Blanco County; and 10,000 in Routt County.

### White River Field Office, Kent Walter

**Buffalo Horn Land Exchange evaluation process continues** – The White River Field Office received initial appraisals from the Department of the Interior Office of Appraisal and Valuation Services. The BLM continues to talk to Buffalo Horn about adjusting the proposal to balance the appraised values in the exchange. The preferred alternative in the EA would convey 14 parcels of Federal lands totaling approximately 2,815 acres in Rio Blanco and Moffat counties for one non-Federal parcel in Rio Blanco County totaling 1,835 acres. The BLM modified the proposal for this alternative to address concerns heard during public scoping about existing hunting access on public parcels and existing surface use agreements on private land. The BLM only conducts land exchanges if they are determined to be in the public's interest.

**Nearly 130 volunteers participate in volunteer reclamation planting** -- Chevron partnered with BLM for their June White River Replanting Volunteer Day, where nearly 130 volunteers planted 500 shrubs on two old well pads along the White River. The work will help stabilize the bank and complement additional work to restore riparian habitat.

**Travel Management Update** – The White River Field Office completed the Cooperating Agency reviews on its Travel Management Plan Amendment in May. It expects to release the final environmental assessment this summer for a 30-day public protest period and 60-day Governor's consistency review. A final decision is expected this fall. Specific route-by-route designations will follow through a separate process.

**Meeker Mustang Makeover** – Six wild horses gathered during 2017's gather outside the Piceance-East Douglas Herd Management Area will be part of the Meeker Mustang Makeover. On June 8, six trainers each adopted one of the horses and will spend 100 days training them. During the Meeker Sheep Dog Trials in September, the horses will be shown and auctioned. The event is being held by the Meeker Mustang Makeover group, a local group.

#### Little Snake Field Office, Bruce Sillitoe

Successful motorcycle race held in Sand Wash – More than 200 riders took place in a high-speed, off-road motorcycle race in Sand Wash Basin in May. Under the "Enduro Race" format, riders left one-at-a-time and completed stages of the 50-mile course. The majority of the race took place in the open OHV area in the South Sand Wash Special Recreation Management Area. The race could become an annual event that draws visitors from outside the area and provides significant economic benefit. The race occurred in the southern part of the Sand Wash Basin Herd Management Area. BLM staff and volunteers monitored the area for wild horses and did not report any issues. Wild horses are typically not in this area during the spring and summer.

LSFO continues to work on travel management – The environmental assessments for Travel Management Areas (TMA) 1 and 2 have completed the public review process. TMA 3 route-by-route inventory is now complete and a public meeting will be held July 16 in Hayden to review the inventory and preliminary alternatives. The draft EA for TMA 3 will be ready for public review in late fall 2019. Final decisions for all TMA areas will follow completion of Programmatic Section 106 Agreement with SHPO. The Field Office is working out the necessary details to conduct route inventories on additional areas not covered by the three travel management areas.

Motorized Travel restriction in place at Boone Draw – The Little Snake Field Office is temporarily limiting motorized and mechanized travel in the area burned by last year's Boone Draw Fire to existing roads and trails to prevent erosion and to allow the area to recover. The limitation affects 3,080 acres of the 19,710-acre Sand Wash Open Off-Highway Vehicle Area. The area is currently under an emergency restriction pending the temporary restriction being published in the *Federal Register*. The closure will be in place for two years and can be extended if the recovery has not yet met objectives. Natural regeneration of the vegetation is occurring, and the BLM will reseed the area during the fall of 2019.

**Sarvis Creek Cabin** – The Field Office has been developing a business plan for making the cabin available for public rental. The plan will be released for public review this summer. An informational presentation is planned for the August RAC meeting, with a formal vote anticipated at the December meeting.

### Colorado River Valley Field Office, Helen Mary Johnson

**Quarry planning expansion outside Glenwood Springs** – Rocky Mountain Resources Aggregates, Inc. (RMR) is proposing to significantly expand its current limestone mining operation in the Mid-Continent Quarry adjacent to Glenwood Springs. RMR operates the quarry under an approved Plan of Operations for BLM and a permit under the State of Colorado. The proposed quarry expansion would enlarge the quarry footprint from about 20 acres to more than 300 acres and potentially increase truck traffic from about 20 trips a day to more than 450 trips a day. Currently the BLM Colorado River Valley Field Office is awaiting RMR's re-submission of their proposed Plan of Operations Modification, which they will then review for completeness under the mining regulations. The field office returned two previous submissions because they were incomplete in December 2018 and April 2019. Due to the scale and potential for impacts from the proposed expansion, several long-term studies are required for the environmental analysis, including a mineral examination to identify common and uncommon variety limestone, a 12-month hydrologic study, a cave/karst study, and all standard biological/cultural surveys. The three Ute Tribes have indicated that the area that includes the proposed expansion is a Traditional Cultural Property, which could require an ethnographic study. Several non-compliance issues on-going when RMR purchased the quarry in 2016 have not yet been resolved, including operating outside of the BLM authorized area and operating under an incomplete and outdated Plan of Operations. The field office is working with RMR to address these noncompliance issues.

American Gypsum mine expansion – The Field Office is currently reviewing America Gypsum's Plan of Operations Modification to increase the size of their current locatable gypsum mining permit area, from about 830 acres to about 929 acres. Overall surface disturbance is proposed to increase from 67 acres to about 165 acres. Once the field office finds the plan modification complete under mining regulations, it will begin the environmental assessment and public review process. The mine and associated dry wall plant employ nearly 100 people. The wallboard plant produces about 600 million square feet per year. American Gypsum operates Colorado's largest gypsum mine, which is located primarily on BLM lands in Eagle County.

Basalt Fire to get BLM right-of-way for new station – The Field Office is working with to the Basalt and Rural Fire Protection District to grant a 2.25-acre site right-of-way to construct and operate a fire station for 99 years. The station is needed to better serve the growing area, but suitable sites to build the station are limited. The Fire District is an important partner to the BLM and U.S. Forest Service in managing wildfires, and this station's proximity to public land should also benefit the federal agencies. The right-of-way currently needs to go to the Fire District Board for approval.

CRV and CPW partnering for wildlife and livestock waters – Colorado Parks and Wildlife and the BLM CRVFO are working together on a comprehensive wildlife and livestock water repair and development project north of Gypsum over the next five years. Three water catchments will be replaced with solar wells. Six other water catchments will be replaced and two additional repaired. These 11 catchments will provide seasonal water for wildlife and in some cases livestock. Nine new ponds would be constructed and six ponds maintained to improve livestock distribution on three grazing allotments (wildlife would use these waters as well). Small areas associated with the ponds would be mowed to increased surface run-off into the ponds. The BLM will seek partner funding once the work begins. Colorado Parks and Wildlife, the Habitat Partnership Program and a number of wildlife groups have expressed interest.

#### **Kremmling Field Office, Bill Mills**

North Sand Hills (NSH) Protection EA – On June 3, 2019, KFO released a preliminary plan for public review that addresses sedimentation issues at North Sand Creek in Jackson County. The Colorado Water Quality Commission recently listed the creek as "impaired" under the Clean Water Act (303d), citing erosion from off-highway vehicles operating in the tributary as the primary cause. The BLM's Resource Protection and Area Improvement Environmental Assessment for the North Sand Hills analyzes an erosion control measure to create a single crossing of North Sand Creek and other improvements on Government Ditch Trail. The field office is also proposing to improve fencing within and along the boundary of the North Sand Hills Special Recreation Management Area, additional maintenance and signing, and creating an administrative site for management and emergency uses. The comment period closes
June 17, 2019.

Blue Valley Land Exchange – The BLM is reviewing the final EIS for the Blue Valley Land Exchange. Under the proposed land exchange, the BLM would trade nine parcels totaling 1,489 acres in Grand County for nine parcels totaling 1,832 acres of mostly private lands in Grand and Summit counties. The BLM is conducting the EIS to determine whether the exchange is in the public's interest to complete and what the potential impacts of the exchange would be. Approximately 300 acres of the 1,832 acres gained by the public would be acquired by the U.S. Forest Service, with the remainder going to BLM. More than half of the BLM acreage (792 acres) that would be exchanged is surrounded by private land and has no public access. The majority of other BLM lands being considered for exchange are small, isolated parcels that receive little public use.

**KFO Timber Projects** – KFO continues to make progress with our timber program. One Forester assigned to KFO is currently on detail with the Upper Colorado River Fire Management Unit as a U.S. Forest Service Fuels Technician. We were fortunate to quickly find a highly qualified Forester from BLM Oregon to step in and help manage our aggressive workload for 2019. KFO is currently administering six active timber sales. Our partnership with the Colorado State Forest Services and U.S. Forest Service remains strong, and we are currently planning five additional sales. Two of the five are projected to take place this fall with the remaining three to be offered next spring. One action of particular interest is in the area of Sheep Mountain in Eastern Grand County. We have received a great deal of interest and support from government officials and homeowners associations.