Special Recreation Permits (SRP)

Two Types of Special Uses
- Recreation Special Uses – SRP’s, Rec Use Permits (ex. Campgrounds), and Special Areas (ex. Gunnison Gorge River Permits)
- Lands Special Uses – Commercial Filming and Photography, Rights of Way, etc.

Why Issue SRP’s?
- “Discretionary Program”
- Regulate certain types of uses of BLM (see attachment)
- Outfitters & Guides – Provide a public service on behalf of the agency that it can’t or won’t provide on its own
- State has regulatory oversight and licensing requirements for Hunting, Fishing and River Outfitters

Triggers For A Permit
- Commercial – Exchange of something of value for services rendered (‘Pecuniary Remuneration’ – doesn’t have to be $)
- Duty Of Care – Minors, Guided Activities, Risky Activities
- Public Advertising
- Vendors
- Resource Concerns

Types of SRP’s
- Commercial – Includes ALL Colleges
- Competitive – Lots of New Rules
- Organized Group – Most Organized Groups DON’T require a permit (see attachment), sometimes a Letter of Agreement is issued in place of a permit (ex. Zapata Stargazers)

SRP Fees
- “If it requires a permit, it requires a fee” (with the one exception of some Special Area permit requirements that are in place to regulate amount of visitation)
- Fees can be only be waived by State Directors, the BLM Director, or the Secretary of the Interior – no exceptions
- What if BLM “Sponsor’s” or “Co-Sponsor’s” the activity?
- Application/Renewal Fee, Minimum SRP Fee or 3% of Gross

SLVFO Permit Process
- Statewide participation and support among all Administrators
- @20 Permittees, mostly climbers at Penitente Canyon
- Establishing SRP Compartments to determine availability vs. capacity.