

**WILDERNESS CHARACTERISTICS INVENTORY**  
**APPENDIX A – PERMANENT DOCUMENTATION FILE**

The permanent documentation file should include the following:

1. **Inventory Area Evaluation:** Appendix B.
2. **Route Analysis:** Appendix C.
3. **Inventory Maps:** Inventory maps used in conducting and documenting findings of wilderness characteristics inventories must be retained. Maps should depict the area's unique identifier, boundary, and any photo points.
4. **Photo Documentation:** Documentation could include a descriptive log and photographs (Appendix D).
5. **Supporting Documentation:** Include additional notes, forms, and documents.

**WHISKEY CREEK (OR11-12)**

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**APPENDIX B – INVENTORY AREA EVALUATION**

**Evaluation of Current Conditions:**

- 1) Document and review any existing BLM wilderness characteristics inventory findings on file regarding the presence or absence of individual wilderness characteristics, using Form 1, below.
- 2) Consider relevant information regarding current conditions available in the office. Identify and describe any changes to the existing inventory information. Use interdisciplinary team knowledge, aerial photographs, field observations, maps, etc. and document the findings on Form 2, below. Document current conditions regarding wilderness characteristics, as opposed to potential future conditions.

Conduct field reviews as necessary to verify information and to ascertain current conditions. Reach conclusions on current conditions including boundaries, size of areas and presence or absence of wilderness characteristics. Fully explain the basis for each conclusion on Form 2, including any critical differences between BLM and citizen information.

Document the findings regarding current conditions for each inventoried area. Describe how the present conditions are similar to, or have changed from, the conditions documented in the original wilderness characteristics inventory. Document the findings on Form 2 for each inventory area. Cite to or attach data considered, including photographs, maps, GIS layers, field trip notes, project files, etc.

**WHISKEY CREEK (OR11-12)**

**FORM 1**

**Documentation of BLM Wilderness Characteristics Inventory Findings from Previous Inventory on Record**

**1. Is there existing BLM wilderness characteristics inventory information on all or part of this area?**

No  (Go to Form 2)

Yes  (If yes, and if more than one area is within the area, list the unique identifiers for those areas.):

a) **Inventory Source:** WOPR 2006

b) **Inventory Area Unique Identifier(s):** OR11 -12

c) **Map Name(s)/Number(s):** Whiskey\_Creek\_WCI\_20130124.pdf

d) **BLM District(s)/Field Office(s):** Medford District/Grants Pass F.O.

**2. BLM Inventory Findings on Record:**

Existing inventory information regarding wilderness characteristics (if more than one BLM inventory area is associated with the area, list each area and answer each question individually for each inventory area):

Inventory Source: WOPR analysis 2006

Unique Identifier	Sufficient Size? Yes/No (acres)	Naturalness? Yes/No	Outstanding Solitude? Yes/No	Outstanding Primitive & Unconfined Recreation? Yes/No	Supplemental Values? Yes/No
OR11 12	Y	N	Y	Y	

**WHISKEY CREEK (OR11-12)****FORM 2****Current Conditions: Presence or Absence of Wilderness Characteristics**

Area Unique Identifier **OR11 -12 (WHISKEY CREEK)** Acreage **6,187**

(If the inventory area consists of subunits, list the acreage of each and evaluate each separately).

In completing steps (1)-(5), use additional space as necessary.

- 1) Is the area of sufficient size? (If the area meets one of the exceptions to the size criterion, check "Yes" and describe the exception in the space provided below),

Yes

No

Note: If "No" is checked the area does not have wilderness characteristics; check "NA" for the remaining questions below.

Description (describe the boundaries of the area--wilderness inventory roads, property lines, etc.): Field inspections, review of the area using Google Earth, and review of BLM road and timber records brought some changes to the original inventory unit boundary. The current boundary is: T33S R08W - north of the Wild & Scenic section of the Rogue River. Confluence of the West and East Forks of Whiskey Creek are at the southern boundary of the unit, with road 33-8-26 forming the southern boundary itself, along with a private land boundary. Roads 33-8-17, 33-8-21.2, 33-8-26 form the western boundary, with 20 ft buffer; roads 34-8-1 and 34-8-4 form the northern boundary, with 20 ft buffer; a 4WD track to a mining claim off of 33-8-26 in the East Fork Whiskey Creek drainage constitutes a "cherry stem" incursion into the southeastern portion of the unit; road 34-8-1 forms the eastern boundary, with 20 ft buffer, and with another 'cherry stem' road in the northeastern area.

- 2) Does the area appear to be natural?

Yes

No

N/A

Note: If "No" is checked the area does not have wilderness characteristics; check "NA" for the remaining questions below.

Description (include land ownership, location, topography, vegetation, and summary of major human uses/activities):

The area is BLM land ownership within the above-described boundaries (see map Whiskey Creek WCI 20130124.pdf). Area is remote, densely forested dissected steep mountainous terrain ranging from about 1,500' elevation in East Fork Whiskey Creek to about 3,900' in the northwestern ridgeline. Mixed conifer forests dominate, primarily Douglas fir and ponderosa pines, with some other conifers as well, and small areas of hardwoods along some of the drainages. Dominant human uses on BLM lands have been watershed, wildlife, recreation, and some timber harvest. Harvested units have revegetated and do not dominate the viewscape in the unit. Adjacent private lands are industrial timberlands and mining claims.

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- 3) Does the area (or the remainder of the area if a portion has been excluded due to unnaturalness and the remainder is of sufficient size) have outstanding opportunities for solitude?

Yes No N/A 

Description (describe the area's outstanding opportunities for solitude):

Vegetative and topographic screening allows opportunities for solitude throughout most of the unit; roads around periphery are gravel or native surface, low use, and screened from the interior of the unit by vegetation and topography.

- 4) Does the area (or the remainder of the area if a portion has been excluded due to unnaturalness and the remainder is of sufficient size) have outstanding opportunities for primitive and unconfined recreation?

Yes No N/A 

Note: If "No" is checked for both 3 and 4 the area does not have wilderness characteristics; check "NA" for question 5.

Description (describe the area's outstanding opportunities for primitive and unconfined recreation):

No roads nearby, deep drainages and dense forests offer seclusion.

- (5) Does the area have supplemental values (ecological, geological, or other features of scientific, educational, scenic or historical value)?

Yes No N/A 

Description:

The area is adjacent on both sides to other proposed Wilderness Characteristics Inventory areas - Wild Rogue Additions on the west and Reuben Creek (Reuben Creek does not meet the size criteria) on the east - with gravel or dirt roads separating them.

## WHISKEY CREEK (OR11-12)

## Summary of Analysis\*

## Area Unique Identifier: OR11 -12 (WHISKEY CREEK)

## Summary

## Results of analysis:

(Note: explain the inventory findings for the entirety of the inventory unit. When wilderness characteristics have been identified in an area that is smaller than the size of the total inventory unit, explain why certain portions of the inventory unit are not included within the lands with wilderness characteristics (e.g. the inventory found that certain parts lacked naturalness).

1. Does the area meet any of the size requirements?    Yes             No
2. Does the area appear to be natural?    Yes             No             N/A
3. Does the area offer outstanding opportunities for solitude or a primitive and unconfined type of recreation?    Yes             No             N/A
4. Does the area have supplemental values?    Yes             No             N/A

## Check one:


The area, or a portion of the area, has wilderness characteristics and is identified as lands with wilderness characteristics.

The area does not have wilderness characteristics.

## Prepared by (team members):

Name	Title	Date
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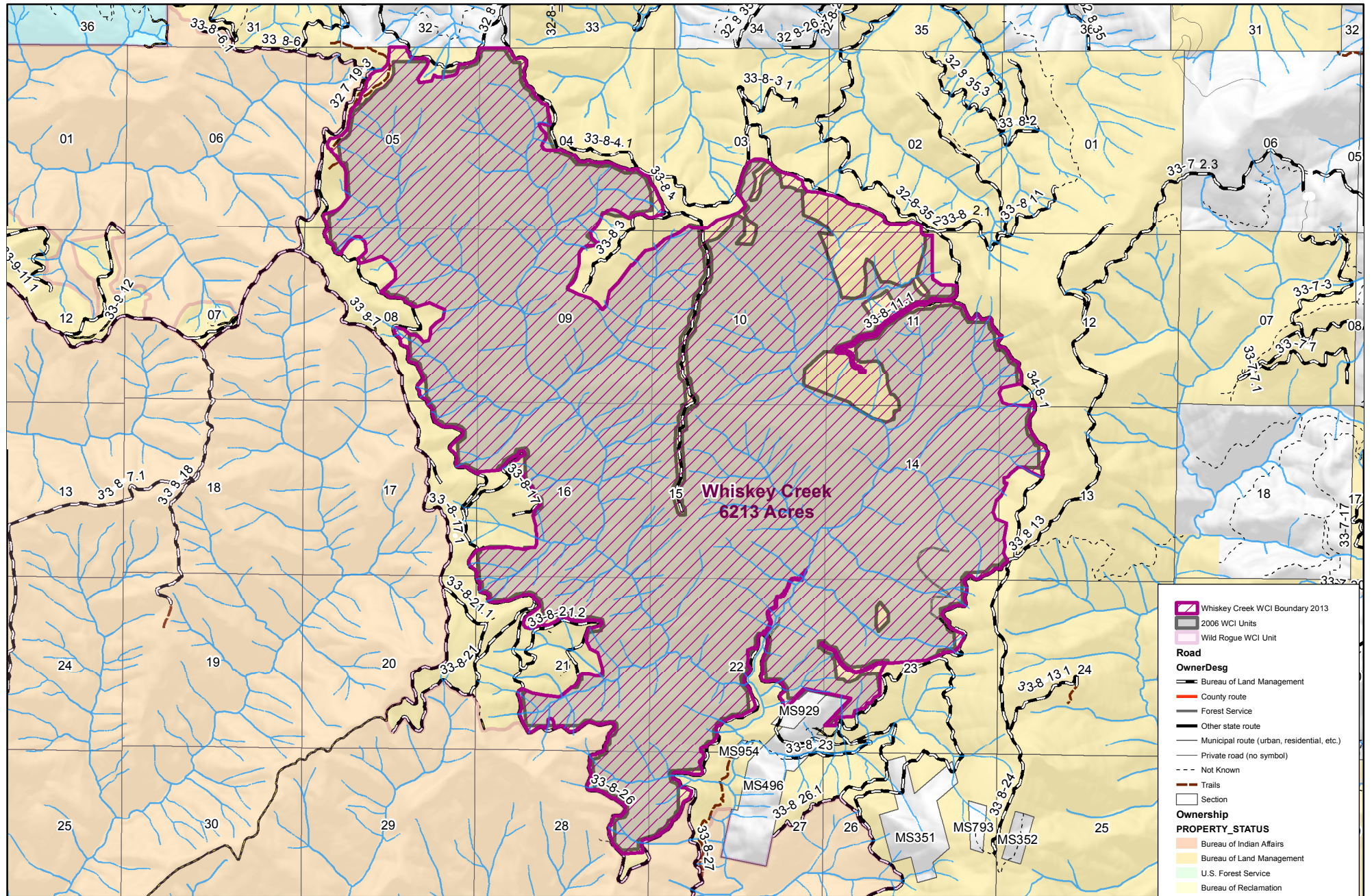
## Reviewed by (District or Field Manager):

Name 	Title <u>GPRA FM</u>	Date <u>5/24/13</u>
<b>Allen Bollschweiler</b>		

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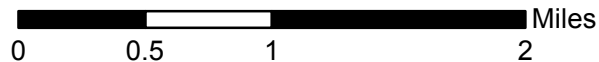
# Wilderness Characteristics Inventory - Whiskey Creek Unit (OR11-12)

WORKING DRAFT 2013/01/21



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**Whiskey Creek WCI Boundary 2013**

- Whiskey Creek WCI Boundary 2013
- 2006 WCI Units
- Wild Rogue WCI Unit

**Road**

- Bureau of Land Management
- County route
- Forest Service
- Other state route
- Municipal route (urban, residential, etc.)
- Private road (no symbol)
- Not Known
- Trails

**Ownership**

- Section

**PROPERTY STATUS**

- Bureau of Indian Affairs
- Bureau of Land Management
- U.S. Forest Service
- Bureau of Reclamation
- Corps of Engineers
- National Park Service
- U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
- Local Government
- State
- Private Individual or Company
- Undetermined

## WILDERNESS CHARACTERISTICS INVENTORY

### APPENDIX C – ROUTE ANALYSIS<sup>1</sup>

*(Factors to consider when determining whether a route is a road<sup>2</sup> for wilderness characteristics inventory purposes.)*

Wilderness Characteristics Inventory Area Unique Identifier: **(Whiskey Creek) OR11-12**

Route or Route Segment<sup>3</sup> Name and/or Identifier: **BLM route 33-8-4**

(Include Transportation Plan Identifier, if known, and include route number supplied by citizen information, when available.)

I. LOCATION: Refer to attached map **Whiskey\_Creek\_WCI\_20130121.pdf** and BLM corporate data (GIS). List photo point references (where applicable) or reference attached photo log:

**Describe:** A native surface road that extends south from a quarry in the NW ¼ of section 10; it extends south for about 1.5 miles along the ridge dividing the east and west forks of Whiskey Creek.

#### II. ROUTE CONTEXT

A. Current Purpose<sup>4</sup> (if any) of Route: (Examples: Rangeland/Livestock Improvements (stock tank, developed spring, reservoir, fence, corral), Inholdings (ranch, farmhouse), Mine Site, Concentrated Use Site (camp site), Recreation, Utilities (transmission line, telephone, pipeline), Administrative (project maintenance, communication site, vegetation treatment)).

**Describe:** Unknown, possibly for planned for timber access or mining. Does not appear to be in current use beyond the quarry.

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- b. Mechanical means – Use of hand or power machinery or tools.
- c. Relatively regular and continuous use – Vehicular use that has occurred and will continue to occur on a relatively regular basis. Examples are: access roads for equipment to maintain a stock water tank or other established water sources, access roads to maintained recreation sites or facilities, or access roads to mining claims.

<sup>3</sup> If a portion of a route is found to meet the wilderness inventory road criteria (see Part III) and the remainder does not meet these criteria (e.g., a cherrystem road with a primitive route continuing beyond a certain point), identify each segment and explain the rationale for the separate findings under pertinent criteria.

<sup>4</sup> The purpose of a route is not a deciding factor in determining whether a route is a road for wilderness characteristics inventory purposes. The purpose of a route does provide context for factors on which such a determination may be based, particularly the question of whether maintenance of the route ensures relatively regular and continuous use. The purpose also helps to determine whether maintenance that may so far have been unnecessary to ensure such use would be approved by BLM when the need arises.



## B. Right-of-Way (ROW):

1. Is there a ROW associated with this route?

Yes  No  Unknown 

2. If yes, what is the stated purpose of the ROW?

3. Is the ROW still being used for this purpose?

Yes  No  Unknown or N/A 

Explain:

## III. WILDERNESS INVENTORY ROAD CRITERIA

A. Evidence of construction or improvement using mechanical means:

Yes  (if either A.1 *or* A.2 is checked "yes" below) No  (if both A.1 *and* A.2 are checked "no" below)1. Construction: (Is there evidence that the route or route segment was originally constructed using mechanical means?) Yes  No Examples: Paved  Bladed  Graveled  Roadside Berms  Cut/Fill  Other **Describe:** Poor connection with main route. Narrow, almost completely unused.2. Improvements: (Is there evidence of improvements using mechanical means to facilitate access?) Yes  No  If "yes": by Hand Tools  by Machine Examples: Culverts  Hardened Stream Crossings  Bridges  Drainage  Barriers  Other **Describe:** UnknownB. Maintenance: (Is there evidence of maintenance that would ensure *relatively* regular and continuous use?):Yes  (if either B.1 *or* B.2 is checked "yes" below) No  (if both B.1 *and* B.2 are checked "no" below)

1. Is there Evidence or Documentation of Maintenance using hand tools or machinery?

Yes  No  If "yes": by Hand Tools  by Machine **Explain:** No known or evident maintenance is observed over past 15 years at intersection.

- 2. If the route or route segment is in good<sup>5</sup> condition, but there is no evidence of maintenance, would mechanical maintenance with hand tools or machines be approved by BLM to meet the purpose(s) of the route in the event this route became impassable?  
 Yes                       No

**Explain:** No BLM destination using this road.

- C. Relatively regular and continuous use: (Does the route or route segment ensure relatively regular and continuous use?) Yes                       No

**Describe evidence** (e.g., direct, vehicles or vehicle tracks observed, or indirect, evidence of use associated with purpose of the route such as maintenance of facility that route accesses) and other rationale for whether use has occurred and will continue to occur on a *relatively* regular basis (i.e., regular and continuous use relative to the purpose(s) of the route):<sup>6</sup>

Probably gets used occasionally by curious, bold explorers on foot or ATVs.

IV. CONCLUSION:

Does the route or route segment<sup>7</sup> meet the definition of a wilderness inventory road (i.e., are items III.A and III.B and III.C all checked yes)?

Yes  = Wilderness Inventory Road                      No  = Not a road for wilderness inventory purposes

Explanation<sup>8</sup>: Probably not a road that should remain if designated wilderness. Potentially should consider decommissioning.

**Note:** 6" snow, unwalked road. Evaluated based upon junction appearances and years of observation at that junction.

Evaluator(s)  
Todd Calvert Park Ranger

Date  
01/22/2013

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<sup>5</sup> Good condition would be a condition that ensures regular and continuous use relative to the purposes of the route. Consider whether the route can be clearly followed in the field over its entire course and whether all or any portion of the route contains any impediments to travel.

<sup>6</sup> Include estimate of travel rates for the stated purposes, e.g., trips/day or week or month or season or year or even multiple years in some facility maintenance cases.

<sup>7</sup> If part of the route meets the wilderness inventory road definition and the remainder does not, describe the segment meeting the definition and any remaining portion not meeting the definition and why.

<sup>8</sup> Describe and explain rationale for any discrepancies with citizen proposals.

## WILDERNESS CHARACTERISTICS INVENTORY

### APPENDIX C – ROUTE ANALYSIS<sup>1</sup>

*(Factors to consider when determining whether a route is a road<sup>2</sup> for wilderness characteristics inventory purposes.)*

Wilderness Characteristics Inventory Area Unique Identifier: **Whisky Creek OR11\_12**

Route or Route Segment<sup>3</sup> Name and/or Identifier: **BLM Rd # 33-8-3**

(Include Transportation Plan Identifier, if known, and include route number supplied by citizen information, when available.)

I. LOCATION: Refer to attached map **Whiskey\_Creek\_WCI\_20130124.pdf** and BLM corporate data (GIS). List photo point references (where applicable) or reference attached photo log:

**Describe:** T33S R08W Sec 3 and 9 (UTMs = 0447539, 4730694 ). Extends from north bounding road 33-8-4 southwesterly along the ridge into the middle of Section 9. Accesses timber harvest units on both sides of the ridge.

#### II. ROUTE CONTEXT

- A. Current Purpose<sup>4</sup> (if any) of Route: (Examples: Rangeland/Livestock Improvements (stock tank, developed spring, reservoir, fence, corral), Inholdings (ranch, farmhouse), Mine Site, Concentrated Use Site (camp site), Recreation, Utilities (transmission line, telephone, pipeline), Administrative (project maintenance, communication site, vegetation treatment)).

**Describe:** Access to numerous managed units which do not add to wilderness characteristics.

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## B. Right-of-Way (ROW):

1. Is there a ROW associated with this route?

Yes  No  Unknown

2. If yes, what is the stated purpose of the ROW?

3. Is the ROW still being used for this purpose?

Yes  No  Unknown or N/A

Explain:

## III. WILDERNESS INVENTORY ROAD CRITERIA

A. Evidence of construction or improvement using mechanical means:

Yes  (if either A.1 *or* A.2 is checked "yes" below) No  (if both A.1 *and* A.2 are checked "no" below)

1. Construction: (Is there evidence that the route or route segment was originally constructed using mechanical means?) Yes  No

Examples: Paved  Bladed  Graveled  Roadside Berms  Cut/Fill  Other

**Describe:** Not maintained recently but good base

2. Improvements: (Is there evidence of improvements using mechanical means to facilitate access?) Yes  No  If "yes": by Hand Tools  by Machine

Examples: Culverts  Hardened Stream Crossings  Bridges  Drainage  Barriers  Other

**Describe:** Not maintained recently

B. Maintenance: (Is there evidence of maintenance that would ensure *relatively* regular and continuous use?):

Yes  (if either B.1 *or* B.2 is checked "yes" below) No  (if both B.1 *and* B.2 are checked "no" below)

1. Is there Evidence or Documentation of Maintenance using hand tools or machinery?

Yes  No  If "yes": by Hand Tools  by Machine

**Explain:** No evidence, but probably documentation.

- 2. If the route or route segment is in good<sup>5</sup> condition, but there is no evidence of maintenance, would mechanical maintenance with hand tools or machines be approved by BLM to meet the purpose(s) of the route in the event this route became impassable?  
 Yes                       No

**Explain:** Road would likely be maintained to gain better access to managed units in the future.

- C. Relatively regular and continuous use: (Does the route or route segment ensure relatively regular and continuous use?) Yes                       No

**Describe evidence** (e.g., direct, vehicles or vehicle tracks observed, or indirect, evidence of use associated with purpose of the route such as maintenance of facility that route accesses) and other rationale for whether use has occurred and will continue to occur on a *relatively* regular basis (i.e., regular and continuous use relative to the purpose(s) of the route):<sup>6</sup>

Route accesses many units directly off the stem. Likely continued management to these lands will occur. Lands adjacent do not currently meet description of wilderness inventory criteria.

IV. CONCLUSION:

Does the route or route segment<sup>7</sup> meet the definition of a wilderness inventory road (i.e., are items III.A and III.B and III.C all checked yes)?

Yes  = Wilderness Inventory Road                      No  = Not a road for wilderness inventory purposes

**Explanation<sup>8</sup>:** Road should remain active not decommissioned within wilderness boundary.

Evaluator(s)	Date
Todd Calvert	12/13/12
Becky Brown	12/13/12
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<sup>5</sup> Good condition would be a condition that ensures regular and continuous use relative to the purposes of the route. Consider whether the route can be clearly followed in the field over its entire course and whether all or any portion of the route contains any impediments to travel.

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<sup>8</sup> Describe and explain rationale for any discrepancies with citizen proposals.

**WILDERNESS CHARACTERISTICS INVENTORY****APPENDIX C – ROUTE ANALYSIS<sup>1</sup>**

*(Factors to consider when determining whether a route is a road<sup>2</sup> for wilderness characteristics inventory purposes.)*

Wilderness Characteristics Inventory Area Unique Identifier: **(Whisky Creek) OR11-12**

Route or Route Segment<sup>3</sup> Name and/or Identifier: On southeastern flank of unit, unnamed route in NE ¼ T33S, R8W, Sec 2; spur road off of main BLM route 33-8-1, which forms the eastern boundary in this area.

(Include Transportation Plan Identifier, if known, and include route number supplied by citizen information, when available.)

I. LOCATION: Refer to attached map **Whiskey\_Creek\_WCI\_20130124.pdf** and BLM corporate data (GIS). List photo point references (where applicable) or reference attached photo log:

**Describe:** Two photo points are at road intersection from main route (Photos 069 and 072).

**II. ROUTE CONTEXT**

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- A. Current Purpose<sup>4</sup> (if any) of Route: (Examples: Rangeland/Livestock Improvements (stock tank, developed spring, reservoir, fence, corral), Inholdings (ranch, farmhouse), Mine Site, Concentrated Use Site (camp site), Recreation, Utilities (transmission line, telephone, pipeline), Administrative (project maintenance, communication site, vegetation treatment)).

**Describe:** Unknown, perhaps old mining access road.

B. Right-of-Way (ROW):

1. Is there a ROW associated with this route?

Yes  No  Unknown

2. If yes, what is the stated purpose of the ROW?

3. Is the ROW still being used for this purpose?

Yes  No  Unknown or N/A

Explain:

### III. WILDERNESS INVENTORY ROAD CRITERIA

- A. Evidence of construction or improvement using mechanical means:

Yes  (if either A.1 *or* A.2 is checked "yes" below) No  (if both A.1 *and* A.2 are checked "no" below)

1. Construction: (Is there evidence that the route or route segment was originally constructed using mechanical means?) Yes  No

Examples: Paved  Bladed  Graveled  Roadside Berms  Cut/Fill  Other

**Describe:** Poor connection with main route. Narrow, almost completely unused.

2. Improvements: (Is there evidence of improvements using mechanical means to facilitate access?) Yes  No  If "yes": by Hand Tools  by Machine

Examples: Culverts  Hardened Stream Crossings  Bridges  Drainage  Barriers  Other

**Describe:** Unknown

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- B. Maintenance: (Is there evidence of maintenance that would ensure *relatively* regular and continuous use?):

Yes  (if either B.1 *or* B.2 is checked “yes” below) No  (if both B.1 *and* B.2 are checked “no” below)

1. Is there Evidence or Documentation of Maintenance using hand tools or machinery?

Yes  No  If “yes”: by Hand Tools  by Machine

**Explain:** No known or evident maintenance is observed over past 15 years at intersection.

2. If the route or route segment is in good<sup>5</sup> condition, but there is no evidence of maintenance, would mechanical maintenance with hand tools or machines be approved by BLM to meet the purpose(s) of the route in the event this route became impassable?

Yes  No

**Explain:** No BLM destination using this road.

- C. Relatively regular and continuous use: (Does the route or route segment ensure relatively regular and continuous use?) Yes  No

**Describe evidence** (e.g., direct, vehicles or vehicle tracks observed, or indirect, evidence of use associated with purpose of the route such as maintenance of facility that route accesses) and other rationale for whether use has occurred and will continue to occur on a *relatively* regular basis (i.e., regular and continuous use relative to the purpose(s) of the route):<sup>6</sup>

Probably gets used occasionally by curious, bold explorers.

#### IV. CONCLUSION:

Does the route or route segment<sup>7</sup> meet the definition of a wilderness inventory road (i.e., are items III.A *and* III.B *and* III.C all checked yes)?

Yes  = Wilderness Inventory Road No  = Not a road for wilderness inventory purposes

**Explanation<sup>8</sup>:** Probably not a road that should remain if designated wilderness. Potentially should consider decommissioning.

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Note: 6" snow, unwalked road. Evaluated based upon junction appearances and years of observation at that junction.

Evaluator(s)

Todd Calvert Park Ranger

Date

12/19/12

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