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BLM hosts scoping meetings for Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument

Public scoping comments to help shape future management

KANAB, Utah — The Bureau of Land Management will host three in-person and two virtual public scoping meetings as part of the ongoing land use planning for Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument. The public is encouraged to help identify any issues or concerns that should be addressed in the planning process.

Public comments will be used to help set parameters and scope for the revised resource management plan.

“Our outcomes are driven by public input, so we welcome public participation throughout the planning process,” said **Paria River District Manager Harry Barber**. “This is the public’s opportunity to influence the direction of the revised resource management plan, which will have lasting effects on Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument.”

The BLM invites members of the public to attend virtual public meetings via Zoom. Advance registration is required; upon registration, an email containing a unique link to join the meeting will be provided.

Virtual public scoping meetings are scheduled as follows:

- Aug. 17, 2022, from 10 a.m. – 12 p.m. MT. Register for this Zoom meeting here: https://empsi.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_pnVO1ZBsR3ioUH-Cuu9rug.
- Aug. 30, 2022, from 1 – 3 p.m. MT. Register for this Zoom meeting here: https://empsi.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_aJBSSu7uRbOO6poLbsABmg.

Additionally, the BLM invites members of the public to attend in-person public scoping meetings, which are scheduled as follows:

- Aug. 24, 2022, from 6 – 8 p.m. at the Escalante Showhouse, 50 W Main St, Escalante, UT 84726
- Aug. 31, 2022, from 6 – 8 p.m. at the Kanab Center, Ballroom C, 20 N 100 E, Kanab, UT 84741
- Sept. 7, 2022, from 6 – 8 p.m. at the Panguitch Elementary School Gymnasium, 110 S 100 W, Panguitch, UT 84759

The open house meetings will provide opportunities for the public to speak with resource specialists, ask questions and submit written comments in person. Written comments may be submitted at the meetings or anytime through Sept. 27, 2022, via mail at ATTN: GSENM RMP Project Manager, BLM Paria River District, 669 S Highway 89A, Kanab, UT 84741 or via the ePlanning project page at <https://go.usa.gov/xSPrw>.

Before including an address, phone number, email address, or other personally identifiable information in any comments, be aware the entire comment — including personal identifying information — may be made

publicly available at any time. Requests to withhold personal identifying information from public review can be submitted, but the BLM cannot guarantee it will be able to do so.

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