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Mike,

Attached are the revised communication plans. I accepted the majority of the changes proposed by SOL and DOJ and made changes were needed. The there are a few remaining things that you and Allison will need to review. Also, we cannot complete BE until (b)(5) DPP [REDACTED].

Let me know if you have questions.

On Fri, Dec 15, 2017 at 9:48 AM, Richardson, Michael <mjrichardson@blm.gov> wrote:

Tyler,

Please review updates and let me know what i should incorporate. Thanks--Mike

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Anita,

Please see attached the DLR and DOJ comments on the BENM and GSENM comms plans.

DLR and DOJ would like the opportunity to do a quick, red-flag review of the NOI package once the USFS comments have been incorporated and the documents have been finalized.

Thanks,

Josh

On Wed, Dec 13, 2017 at 8:12 PM, Bilbao, Anita <abilbao@blm.gov> wrote:

Dan, I inadvertently cced this to your usbr email so here is a resend with all looped -

apologies! Anita

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Attached are updated and BLM Utah reviewed NOIs, Communication Plans, and schedules for BENM (units combined) and GSENM planning.

The BENM combined planning schedule assumes that the BLM will be the lead agency in preparation of the EIS, but that that the USFS, participating as a cooperating agency (rather than joint lead agency), would use the BLM-prepared EIS to prepare their own decision. Based on this assumption, we will have to make sure that during the EIS/planning process we are meeting both agencies regulatory requirements (similar to sage-grouse planning process and approach for major rights-of-way projects).

We need USFS management direction/decision on whether the FS would complete the ShashJaa unit RMP as part of their ongoing revision or if they will participate in this effort as a cooperating agency. With this decision we can make consistent what is currently a difference between the NOI that identifies 2 BLM RMPs/RODs and the Comm Plan that discusses/assumes 3 BENM RMPs (includes one for the USFS). Ed will connect with Regional Forester, Nora Rasure to resolve prior to finalizing the NOI.

Let us know if you have questions, Anita

On Wed, Dec 13, 2017 at 3:47 PM, Jarnecke, Pamela <[pjarnecke@blm.gov](mailto:pjarnecke@blm.gov)> wrote:

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*I go to nature to be soothed and healed, and to have my senses put in order. ~ John Burroughs*

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**Notice of Intent to Prepare Resource Management Plans for the Bears Ears  
National Monument Indian Creek Unit, Shash Jáa Unit and Associated  
Environmental Impact Statement**

**Communication Plan**

**December 2017**

**INTRODUCTION**

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**BACKGROUND**

The BENM was established by Proclamation 9558 of December 28, 2016. The original designation encompassed 1.35 million acres of Federal land. On December 4, 2017, President Trump issued Proclamation 9681 modifying the boundaries of the BENM. The modified boundaries exclude from designation and reservation approximately 1.15 million acres of land. Lands that remain part of the BENM are included in two units, known as the Indian Creek (71,896 acres of BLM land), and Shash Jáa (97,393 acres of BLM land and 32,587 acres of National Forest System Lands) units of the monument.

Preliminary issues identified for analysis in the RMPs include cultural and historic resources, including protection of Indian sacred sites and traditional cultural properties; paleontological resources; travel management; livestock grazing; wildlife; vegetation and fire management; outdoor recreation; and visual resource management.

Preliminary planning criteria for the BENM include:

- 1) The public planning process for the RMPs will be guided by Proclamation 9558 as modified by Proclamation 9681, in addition to FLPMA and NEPA.
- 2) The BLM and USFS will use current scientific information, research, technologies, and results of inventory, monitoring, and coordination to determine appropriate management.
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4) The BLM and USFS will strive for consistency of management decisions with other adjoining planning jurisdictions, both Federal and non Federal.

5) Decisions made in the planning process will only apply to BLM National Conservation Lands, National Forest System Lands, and, where appropriate, split estate lands where the subsurface mineral estate is managed by the BLM.

6) Existing Wilderness Study Areas (WSAs) will continue to be managed to prevent impairment and ensure continued suitability for designation as wilderness. Should Congress release all or part of a WSA from wilderness study, resource management will be determined by preparing an amendment to the RMPs.

7) The BLM will consider changes to the off highway vehicle (OHV) area designations (open, closed, limited) approved through the Monticello Field Office Record of Decision and Approved RMP. Implementation level travel and transportation management planning (route designations) will be deferred until after the RMP is completed.

8) As required by the Proclamation, the BLM and USFS will meaningfully engage with the Shash Jáa Commission and will carefully and fully consider integrating the traditional and historical knowledge and special expertise of the Commission into the planning decisions for the Shash Jáa Unit. The BLM and USFS will also work with the Commission to identify parameters for continued meaningful engagement that will be set forth in the management plan.

## **KEY MESSAGES**

1. Public input is key to sound decision making. Public involvement will be welcomed in land use planning and NEPA analyses as the agencies implement the modified proclamation. BLM appreciates the time and effort people take in providing comments, as inclusion is vital to managing sustainable, working public lands.
2. Existing management plans remain in effect until new plans are adopted. The new land use plans will provide clarity for the public and permittees on how they can enjoy and use public lands within the monument.
3. Any federal lands outside of the revised monument boundaries will remain in the stewardship of BLM and USFS. The BLM and USFS lands will be managed according to all relevant laws including but not limited to the Federal Land Policy and Management Act, National Forest Management Act, Wilderness Act, Paleontological Resources Preservation Act, the Archaeological Resources Protection Act, the National Historic Preservation Act, and Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act.

## **TALKING POINTS**

- Proclamation 9681 modified the boundaries of BENM to comprise the smallest area compatible with the protection of important objects of historic or scientific interest. The scoping period will be open for 60 days or until 15 days after the last scheduled public meeting, whichever is later. The date(s) and location(s) of any scoping meetings will be announced at least 15 days in advance through local media, newspapers and the BLM website at: <https://www.blm.gov/utah>. In order to be considered in the Draft EIS, all

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comments must be received prior to the close of the 60 day scoping period or 15 days after the last public meeting, whichever is later.

- The BLM and USFS encourage public participation in the planning process. The BLM and USFS will consider all comments received during public scoping and work cooperatively with other Federal, State, Tribal, and local governments to formulate an appropriate range of alternatives.
- The Trump Administration is ensuring public lands are for public use and enjoyment, not to be closed off and set aside for special interests, including increasing public access to and enjoyment of public lands.
- We will provide additional opportunities for public participation upon publication of the Draft EIS.

## COMMUNICATION GOALS

- Ensure the public is notified of the intent to develop new land use plans and an associated EIS;
- Encourage public participation in the land use planning process;
- Educate external stakeholders and media representatives about land use plan goals and processes;
- Ensure the public is aware of how they can participate in the process and submit comments regarding the land use plans;
- Ensure BLM Utah and USFS Region 4 are prepared to respond to media inquiries with one voice and a consistent message.

## COMMUNICATION TACTICS

- Publish NOI in *Federal Register*.
- Post any relevant documents on BLM's NEPA Register (ePlanning) with instructions on how to provide comments.
- Promote information about the scoping period using various methods, such as: news releases, website postings, and public mailings.
- Contact, meet and/or conference with target audiences identified during the plan amendment process. See "Target Audiences" section.
- Share messages on social media.

## SOCIAL MEDIA

The goal for social media will be to make people aware of opportunities to provide comments and attend scoping meetings. The social media manager will develop a series of tweets to highlight upcoming milestones in the planning process.

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Date	Action	Responsibility
(b)(5) DPP	Set public meeting dates, times, locations	UTSO Public Affairs and Canyon Country District
	Confirm inbox ready to receive comments	UTSO planning
	Finalize news release and coordinate with all appropriate	UTSO Public Affairs

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State/District/Field Office and Washington Office (WO)/National Program Office managers, staff, and specialists	
Call or email Governor's office/PLPCO	UTSO state director
Call Congressional district and Senate staff	WO Kim Finch (DC) Canyon Country District Manager
Call or email San Juan County representatives	Canyon Country District Manager
Post news release to BLM Utah website	Webmaster/social media manager
Email news release to media, adjacent landowners, and stakeholders	UTSO and Canyon Country District PAO
Share on Facebook and Twitter	Webmaster/social media manager

**TARGET AUDIENCES:**

Outreach will continue with the following stakeholders. Primary contacts include:

- Congressional officials
- State Agencies: Governor, Public Land Policy Coordination Office
- Local government agencies: San Juan County
- Other federal agencies: National Park Service, US Fish and Wildlife Service, USDA Forest Service, etc.
- Tribes: Hopi, Pueblo of Zuni, Navajo, Ute Mountain Utah, and Ute, and other affected tribes
- Local communities (Monticello, Blanding, Bluff, Montezuma Creek)
- Recreationists (backpacking, hiking, climbing, mountain biking, rock art/archaeology/paleontology groups, OHV users)
- Special interest groups/Nonprofit organizations: Friends of Cedar Mesa, Southern Utah Wilderness Alliance, The Grand Canyon Trust, Great Old Broads for Wilderness, etc.

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- Industry (energy, grazing, mining)
- Local law enforcement agencies
- Cultural resources preservation organizations
- Private landowners adjacent to or near planning area boundaries
- General media for Salt Lake City and Monticello area
- General public (via project mailing list)

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**Media**

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Statewide media list (Utah)	Various	Various	UTSO Public Affairs email statewide media list
Canyon Country regional media list (Western Colorado and tribal newspapers)	Various	Various	CCYD Public Affairs
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**Notice of Intent to Prepare Resource Management Plans for the Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument-Grand Staircase, Kaiparowits, and Escalante Canyon Units and Federal Lands previously included in the Monument that are excluded from the Boundaries and Associated Environmental Impact Statement**

**Communication Plan**

**December 2017**

**INTRODUCTION**

The Bureau of Land Management's (BLM) Grand Staircase Escalante National Monument (GSENM) and Kanab Field Office (KFO) are publishing a Notice of Intent (NOI) that the BLM GSENM and Kanab Field Office, Kanab, Utah, intend to prepare four Resource Management Plans (RMPs) and one associated Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the GSENM Grand Staircase, Kaiparowits, and Escalante Canyon Units, and Federal lands previously included in the Monument that were excluded from the GSENM boundaries by Proclamation 6920. These lands are located in Garfield and Kane Counties, Utah.

These RMPs are necessary to implement Presidential Proclamation 6920, which established the monument, and Presidential Proclamation 9682, which modified the boundaries of GSENM and clarified and modified certain management provisions in Proclamation 6920 for lands within the monument.

**BACKGROUND**

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9) The public is invited to nominate or recommend areas on public lands that are excluded from the modified monument boundaries as potentially new special management areas, such as Areas of Critical Environmental Concern (ACECs), as a part of this planning process (BLM Manual 1613.3.31). The BLM will use the criteria found at 43 CFR 1610.7-2 in considering designation of new ACECs.

10) Parties interested in leasing and development of Federal coal in areas that are excluded from the monument should provide coal resource data for their area(s) of interest. Specifically, information is requested on surface resource values related to the 20 coal unsuitability criteria described at 43 CFR part 3461. This information will be used for any necessary updating of coal screening determinations (43 CFR 3420.1-4) and in the environmental analysis, completion of which would be necessary before any proposal to lease or develop Federal coal in such areas.

## KEY MESSAGES

1. Public input is key to sound decision making. Public involvement will be welcomed in future land use planning and NEPA analyses as the agencies implement Presidential Proclamation 6920 as modified by the Proclamation 9682. The BLM appreciates the time and effort people take in providing comments, as inclusion is vital to managing sustainable, working public lands.
2. The existing GSENM Management Plan remains in effect until new plans are developed. Pending the RMP planning process and implementation level travel and transportation management planning, actions taken by BLM in the Grand Staircase, Kaiparowits, and Escalante Canyons Units, as well as the Federal lands excluded from the GSENM by Proclamation 9682 will continue to conform to the 1999 Monument Management Plan until such plan is modified through this or another planning process.
3. The new land use plans will provide clarity for the public and permittees on how they can enjoy and use public lands within the monument. The land use plan will also clearly

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describe how public lands outside the monument will be managed, according to other relevant laws and resource considerations.

4. Any public lands outside of the revised monument boundaries will remain in the stewardship of BLM. BLM lands and will be managed according to all relevant laws including but not limited to the Federal Land Policy and Management Act, Paleontological Resources Preservation Act, the Archaeological Resources Protection Act, the National Historic Preservation Act, and Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act.

## TALKING POINTS

- Proclamation 9682 modifies the boundaries and management of the GSENM to the smallest area compatible with the protection of important objects of historic or scientific significance..
- The scoping period will be open for 60 days or until 15 days after the last scheduled public meeting, whichever is later. The date(s) and location(s) of any scoping meetings will be announced at least 15 days in advance through local media, newspapers and the BLM website at: <https://www.blm.gov/utah>. In order to be considered in the Draft EIS, all comments must be received prior to the close of the 60 day scoping period or 15 days after the last public meeting, whichever is later.
- The BLM encourages public participation in the planning process. BLM will incorporate comments received during public scoping and work cooperatively with other Federal, State, Tribal, and local governments to formulate an appropriate range of alternatives.
- The Trump Administration is ensuring public lands are for public use and enjoyment, not to be closed off and set aside for special interests, including increasing public access to and enjoyment of public lands.
- In a continuing effort to Make America Safe Through Energy Independence, the Trump Administration also prioritizes the completion of new planning efforts to maximize lands available for energy and minerals development. The coal reserves on the Kaiparowits Plateau offer economic opportunities for local communities, and the Administration supports development of American coal resources, where feasible and appropriate. A Coal Suitability Study for lands excluded from the monument will be completed in advance of the land use planning effort.
- We will provide additional opportunities for public participation upon publication of the Draft EIS.

## COMMUNICATION GOALS

- Ensure the public is notified of the intent to develop a new land use plan and associated EIS;
- Encourage public participation in the land use planning process;
- Educate external stakeholders and media representatives about land use plan goals and processes;

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- Ensure the public is aware of how they can participate in the process and submit comments regarding the land use plan;
- Ensure BLM Utah is prepared to respond to media inquiries with one voice and a consistent message.

**COMMUNICATION TACTICS**

- Publish NOI in *Federal Register*.
- Post any relevant documents on BLM's NEPA Register (ePlanning) with instructions on how to provide comments.
- Promote information about the scoping period using various methods, such as: news releases, informational fliers, website postings, and public mailings.
- Contact, meet and/or conference with target audiences identified during the plan amendment process. See "Target Audiences" section.
- Share messages on social media.
- Mail public notification letter to stakeholders and interested individuals on project mailing list developed and updated during the Grand Staircase Escalante National Monument Management Plan Amendment for Livestock Grazing process.

**SOCIAL MEDIA**

The goal for social media will be to make people aware of opportunities to provide comments and attend scoping meetings. The social media manager will develop a series of tweets to highlight upcoming milestones in the planning process.

**QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS**

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**ADDRESSES:**

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Date	Action	Responsibility
(b)(5) DPP	Set public meeting dates, times, locations	UTSO Public Affairs/GSENM
	Week Ahead for WO	UTSO Public Affairs/GSENM
	Confirm inbox ready to receive comments	GSENM

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Finalize news release and coordinate with all appropriate State/District/Field Office and Washington Office (WO)/National Program Office managers, staff, and specialists	UTSO Public Affairs
Call or email Governor's office/PLPCO	UTSO state director
Call Congressional district and Senate staff	WO Kim Finch (DC) GSENM Manager
Call or email Kane and Garfield County representatives	GSENM Manager
Post news release to BLM Utah website	Webmaster/social media manager
Email news release to media, adjacent landowners, and stakeholders	UTSO and GSENM PAO
Share on Facebook and Twitter	Webmaster/social media manager

**TARGET AUDIENCES:**

Outreach will continue with the following stakeholders, who were identified during the GSENM Livestock Grazing Plan Amendment/EIS process. Specific contacts are provided in the following tables. Primary contacts include:

- Congressional officials
- State Agencies: Governor, Public Land Policy Coordination Office
- Local government agencies: Garfield and Kane counties
- Other federal agencies: National Park Service, US Fish and Wildlife Service, etc.
- Tribes: Hopi, Zuni, Navajo, Kaibab Paiute, Paiute Tribes of Utah, San Juan Paiute, and Ute.
- Local communities (Kanab, Escalante, Big Water, Cannonville, Boulder, Glendale)
- Recreationists (backpacking, hiking, mountain biking, rock art/archaeology/paleontology groups, OHV users)

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- Special interest groups/Nonprofit organizations: Grand Staircase Escalante Partners, Glen Canyon Natural History Association, Southern Utah Wilderness Alliance, The Grand Canyon Trust, Great Old Broads for Wilderness, etc.
- Industry energy, grazing, mining
- Local law enforcement agencies
- Cultural resources preservation organizations
- Private landowners adjacent to or near planning area boundaries
- GSENM Monument Advisory Council
- General media for Salt Lake City and Kanab/Escalante area
- General public (via project mailing list)

**Congressional**

<b>Group</b>	<b>Contact</b>	<b>Contact phone/email</b>	<b>Responsible Party</b>
Sen. Orrin Hatch	Romel Nicholas	romel_nicholas@hatch.senate.gov	WO Legislative Affairs
Sen. Orrin Hatch	Ron Dean, Utah Office	ron_dean@hatch.senate.gov	UTSO Public Affairs
Sen. Mike Lee	Heath Hansen	heath_hansen@lee.senate.gov	WO Legislative Affairs
Sen. Mike Lee	Robert Axson, Utah Office	robert_axson@lee.senate.gov	UTSO Public Affairs
Rep. Rob Bishop	Adam Stewart	adam.stewart@mail.house.gov	WO Legislative Affairs
Rep. Chris Stewart	Cam Madsen	cam.madsen@mail.house.gov	WO Legislative Affairs
Rep. John Curtis	Ryan Leavitt	ryan.leavitt@mail.house.gov	WO Legislative Affairs
Rep. Mia Love	Joshua Satterfield	joshua.satterfield@mail.house.gov	WO Legislative Affairs
Rep. Mia Love	Laurel Price, Utah Office	laurel.price@mail.house.gov	UTSO Public Affairs

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**Media**

<b>Group</b>	<b>Contact</b>	<b>Contact Info</b>	<b>Responsible</b>
Statewide media list	Various	Various	UTSO Public Affairs email statewide media list

**Utah State Government**

<b>Group</b>	<b>Contact</b>	<b>Contact Info</b>	<b>Responsible</b>
Utah State Government	Cody Stewart	Phone: (801) 538 8802 Email: codystewart@utah.gov	
Liaison to BLM	Carmen Bailey	Email: carmenbailey@utah.gov	UTSO Public Affairs
PLPCO	Kathleen Clarke	Phone: (801) 538 7107 Email: kathleenclarke@utah.gov	UTSO Public Affairs
State Historic Preservation Office	Chris Merritt	Email: cmerritt@utah.gov	UTSO Public Affairs

**Local Government/Representatives**

<b>Group</b>	<b>Contact</b>	<b>Contact Info</b>	<b>Responsible</b>
Garfield County	Commissioner Leland Pollock	Phone: 435-676-2718 Email: (b) (6) @hotmail.com	GSENM
Kane County	Commissioner Dirk Clayson	Phone: 435 616 1234 Email: dirk@kanab.net	
Utah State Legislature	Rep. Mike Noel	Phone: 801 647 8853 Email: mnoel@kanab.net	

**Tribes**

<b>Group</b>	<b>Contact</b>	<b>Contact Info</b>	<b>Responsible</b>
Paiute Indian Tribe of Utah Cultural	Ms. Dorens Martineau	440 North Paiute Drive Cedar City, UT 84720	

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Resources Department			
Ute Cultural Rights and Protection	Ms. Betsy Chapoose	PO Box 190 Fort Duchesne, UT 84026	
Kaibab Pauite	Roland Maldonado	HC 65 Box 2 Pipe Spring, AZ 86022	
Hopi Cultural Rights and Protection	Mr. Leigh Kuwanwisiwma	PO Box 123 Kykotsmovi, AZ 86039	
Zuni Cultural Resources Pueblo of Zuni	Johathan Damp	P.O. Box 339 Zuni, NM 87327	
Navajo Nation	Tamara Billie, Tribal Historic Preservation Officer	P.O. Box 4950 Window Rock, AZ 86515	

**National Park Service**

Group	Contact	Contact Info	Responsible Party
NPS, Glen Canyon National Recreation Area	Billy Shott Superintendent	Phone: 928 608 6205 Fax: 928 608 6204 Email: billy_shott@nps.gov	GSENM
NPS, Glen Canyon National Recreation Area	Erin Janicki Chief of Planning and Compliance	Phone: 928 608 6205 Fax: 928 608 6204 Email: erin_janicki@nps.gov	GSENM

**Environmental/Conservation**

Group	Contact	Contact Info	Responsible
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Western Watersheds Project	Jonathan Ratner	Phone: 877 746 3628 Office: 801 328 3550 Email: jonathan@westernwatersheds.org	GSENM
Western Watersheds Project	Laura Welp	Phone: 435 644 8129 Email: laura@westernwatersheds.org	GSENM
Wild Utah	Jim Catlin	Phone: 801 389 1639 Email: jim@wildutahproject.org	GSENM
Grand Staircase Escalante Partners	Sherry Robinson	310 S. 100 E. #7 Kanab UT 84741 435 644 3734 nicole@gsenm.org	
Great Old Broads for Wilderness		P.O. Box 2924 Durango, CO 81302	

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