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Skye,

Just a follow-up from our conversation and Britta's follow-up email. I'm reviewing the DTS documents to surname and wanted to contrast two uses of the word "balance."

From the GSENM NOA Communications Plan:

"• and the preferred alternative that seeks to balance livestock grazing use with the other uses within the Monument and the protection of Monument objects and resources (Alternative E)."

From GSENM NOA Briefing Paper:

"Given that the Proclamation provides the BLM with the discretion to continue livestock grazing in balance with managing objects identified in the Proclamation, Alternative E provides a balance of livestock grazing that recognizes the importance of ranching to the local custom and culture with management of Monument objects and resources."

The use in the Communications Plan is fine because the alternative seeks to balance livestock grazing use with other uses...and...protects Monuments objects and resources.

The use in the briefing paper is what I have a concern with, implying that livestock grazing is balanced against managing Monument objects.

Whichever alternative is selected, it needs to ensure that other uses are consistent with the protection of monument objects identified in the GSENM proclamation.

Thanks so much for addressing this nuisance in the use of the word "balance." And let me know if you have questions.

Sally

On Wed, Apr 12, 2017 at 5:21 PM, Nelson, Britta <[bknelson@blm.gov](mailto:bknelson@blm.gov)> wrote:

Hi Skye, Sally asked me to follow up on the discussion you and Sally had earlier today. Based on that conversation, the language in the GSENM draft MMP-A briefing paper and Alt E of the draft MMP-A will be updated to remove the "in balance" language and will use language that stays true to the language of the proclamation.

The GSENM proclamation language: *Nothing in this proclamation shall be deemed to affect existing permits or leases for, or levels of, livestock grazing on Federal lands within the monument; existing grazing uses shall continue to be governed by applicable laws and regulations other than this proclamation.*

"In balance" language to be removed (p. 2-38 and as needed throughout MMP-A): *Given that the Proclamation provides the BLM with the discretion to continue livestock grazing in balance with managing objects identified in the Proclamation, Alternative E provides a balance of livestock grazing that recognizes the importance of ranching to the local custom and culture with management of Monument objects.*

Thanks!

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