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Chris,
See attached. We can discuss during tomorrow's check-in.

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Information Sheet

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What is a National Monument?

National Monuments are established by congressional legislation or presidential proclamation under the Antiquities Act of 1906. They protect objects of historic or scientific interest on public lands and encompass lands of tremendous diversity, ranging from the rugged California coastline to colorful desert canyons.

How many National Monuments does the BLM manage?

The BLM manages 27 National Monuments covering approximately 9.5 million acres of public lands.

What are National Conservation Areas and Similar Designations?

National Conservation Areas and similar designations are designated by Congress to conserve, protect, and enhance public lands featuring exceptional scientific, cultural, ecological, historical, and recreational resources and values. Similar designations are unique labels identified in the designating congressional legislation, but otherwise are like National Conservation Areas.

How many National Conservation Areas and Similar Designations does the BLM manage?

The BLM manages 16 National Conservation Areas and 5 Similar Designations, covering approximately 4.1 million acres of public lands.

How are National Monuments, National Conservation Areas, and Similar Designations managed?

National Monuments, National Conservation Areas, and Similar Designations are managed to protect the resources, objects, and values identified in their designating language in the respective congressional legislation or presidential proclamation. Each designation must follow the BLM's land use planning requirement for managing public lands, which includes public involvement (see: BLM policy 6220 – National Monuments, National Conservation Areas, and Similar Designations).

Do other federal agencies also manage these types of designations?

Other agencies including the National Park Service, U.S. Forest Service, and U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service also manage National Monuments. National Conservation Areas exist only on BLM-managed public lands.

What do National Monuments, National Conservation Areas, and Similar Designations provide to the public?

BLM National Monuments, National Conservation Areas, and Similar Designations are open to a variety of recreation opportunities including hunting, fishing, horseback riding, hiking, rafting, and camping. Some units host over one million visitors per year.

The tables below provided a breakout by state and unit type for BLM-managed public lands.

| 27 BLM National Monuments 9,451,978 total acres | | |
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| State | Unit | BLM Acres |
| Arizona | Agua Fria | 70,980 |
| | Grand Canyon-Parashant | 812,581 |
| | Ironwood Forest | 128,756 |
| | Sonoran Desert | 486,400 |
| | Vermilion Cliffs | 279,566 |
| California | Berryessa Snow Mountain | 110,000 |
| | California Coastal | 8,858 |
| | Carrizo Plain | 211,045 |
| | Fort Ord | 7,212 |
| | Mojave Trails | 1,600,000 |
| | Sand to Snow | 83,000 |
| | Santa Rosa and San Jacinto Mountains | 98,981 |
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| Colorado | Browns Canyon | 9,793 |
| | Canyons of the Ancients | 176,000 |
| Idaho | Craters of the Moon | 275,076 |
| Montana | Pompeys Pillar | 51 |
| | Upper Missouri River Breaks | 377,346 |
| New Mexico | Kasha-Katuwe Tent Rocks | 4,647 |
| | Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks | 419,532 |
| | Prehistoric Trackways | 5,280 |
| | Rio Grande del Norte | 242,710 |
| Nevada | Basin and Range | 703,585 |
| | Gold Butte | 296,937 |
| Oregon | Cascade-Siskiyou | 113,341 |
| Utah | Bears Ears | 1,063,000 |
| | Grand Staircase-Escalante | 1,866,331 |
| Washington | San Juan Islands | 970 |

| 21 BLM National Conservation Areas and Similar Designations 4,113,092 total acres | | |
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| State | Unit | BLM Acres |
| Alaska | Steese NCA | 1,208,624 |
| Arizona | Gila Box Riparian NCA | 21,767 |
| | Las Cienegas NCA | 41,972 |
| | San Pedro Riparian NCA | 56,431 |
| California | Headwaters Forest Reserve | 7,472 |
| | King Range NCA | 62,562 |
| | Piedras Blancas Historic Light Station ONA | 20 |
| Colorado | Dominguez-Escalante NCA | 210,149 |
| | Gunnison Gorge NCA | 63,201 |
| | McInnis Canyons NCA | 123,460 |
| Eastern States (Florida) | Jupiter Inlet Lighthouse ONA | 86 |
| Idaho | Morley Nelson Snake River Birds of Prey NCA | 483,700 |
| Nevada | Black Rock Desert-High Rock Canyon | 799,485 |
| | Emigrant Trails NCA | |
| | Red Rock Canyon NCA | 196,877 |
| New Mexico | Sloan Canyon NCA | 48,438 |
| | El Malpais NCA | 227,100 |
| | Fort Stanton-Snowy River Cave NCA | 24,876 |
| Oregon | Steens Mountain CMPA | 428,440 |
| | Yaquina Head ONA | 95 |
| Utah | Beaver Dam Wash NCA | 63,478 |
| | Red Cliffs NCA | 44,859 |