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As I was saying.... Attached is what I hope is a good start to the motorized SRP EA. I have completed chapter 1 and Chapter 2, with the exception of Alternative C, which will be based on information gathered during internal and external scoping.

I have built an "IDT checklist" (Appendix B) specific for this project, which will allow us to look at issues on a route-by-route basis. We discussed this approach. Hopefully the IDT will understand what needs to be done. You can call me if you have any questions about the direction I am proposing. I believe that this is a reasonable approach to illustrate that we are taking the requisite "hard look."

I have also completed Appendix A and C. Appendix C includes standard stipulations that would be attached to the proposed action.

A few other notes:

I have pre-formatted the entire EA. Therefore, if and when you are ready to have specialists write sections, they can just drop in text.

We received word that Vernal just got an EIS sent back to them from the WO because it did not meet guidance included in recent executive or secretarial orders regarding simplifying the NEPA process. In an attempt to be compliant with that guidance, I have tried to eliminate some extraneous sections and move information to appendices where possible. I have also changed the format to include a combined chapter 3/4- which reduces the size of the outline.

Please, look this over and let me know if you have any questions.

Hopefully you have sufficient information to present this project to the IDT at the next NEPA meeting. If you need changes prior to then, please let me know and I can make it a priority. My recommendation would be to have the team fill out the table in Appendix B during the meeting, and then allow them to have some time to complete the text portion individually.

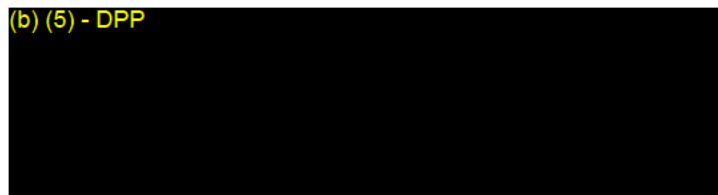
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3 **AFFECTED ENVIRONMENT AND ENVIRONMENTAL CONSEQUENCES**

3.1 **Introduction**

This chapter includes a description of the affected environment and discloses environmental consequences of each alternative. The following resource issues were brought forward for analysis.

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3.2 Resource 1

3.2.1 Affected Environment

3.2.2 Direct, Indirect, and Cumulative Effects

3.2.3 Proposed Action

3.2.4 No Action

3.2.5 Alternative C

3.3 Resource 2

3.3.1 Affected Environment

3.3.2 Direct, Indirect, and Cumulative Effects

3.3.3 Proposed Action

3.3.4 No Action

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3.4 Resource 3

3.4.1 Affected Environment

3.4.2 Direct, Indirect, and Cumulative Effects

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3.4.4 No Action

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3.5 Resource 4

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3.5.2 Direct, Indirect, and Cumulative Effects

3.5.3 Proposed Action

3.5.4 No Action

3.5.5 Alternative C

3.6 Resource 5

3.6.1 Affected Environment

3.6.2 Direct, Indirect, and Cumulative Effects

3.6.3 Proposed Action

3.6.4 No Action

3.6.5 Alternative C

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3.7.1 Affected Environment

3.7.2 Direct, Indirect, and Cumulative Effects

3.7.3 Proposed Action

3.7.4 No Action

3.7.5 Alternative C

3.8 Resource 7

3.8.1 Affected Environment

3.8.2 Direct, Indirect, and Cumulative Effects

3.8.3 Proposed Action

3.8.4 No Action

3.8.5 Alternative C

3.9 Resource 8

3.9.1 Affected Environment

3.9.2 Direct, Indirect, and Cumulative Effects

3.9.3 Proposed Action

3.9.4 No Action

3.9.5 Alternative C

4 CONSULTATION AND COORDINATION

| Name | Purpose & Authorities for Consultation or Coordination | Findings & Conclusions |
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| U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service (US FWS) | Information on Consultation, under Section 7 of the Endangered Species Act (16 USC 1531) | |
| Utah State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) | Consultation for undertakings, as required by the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA) (16 USC 470) | |
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| Table X.X- List of Preparers | | |
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APPENDIX B- Interdisciplinary Team Checklist

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Special Status Fish and Wildlife

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Cultural Resources

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Native American Concerns

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Paleontology

Issues

Recommended Mitigation

Vegetation/Invasive Species

Issues

Recommended Mitigation

Wetlands/Riparian

Issues

Recommended Mitigation

Water Resources

Issues

Recommended Mitigation

Soils

Issues

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Recreation

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