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Thanks, Rich

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Okay, Rich, thanks for getting these to me so quickly.

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**BUREAU:** Bureau of Land Management  
**MEMBER:** Multiple Members  
**ISSUE:** Bears Ears National Monument

### **Key Points**

- On December 28, 2016, the 1,351,849 acre Bears Ears National Monument in San Juan County, Utah, was designated by presidential proclamation and is jointly managed by the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) and the U.S. Forest Service (USFS).
- The new monument includes 1.063 million acres managed by the BLM and 290,000 acres managed by the USFS within the boundaries of the Manti-La Sal National Forest.
- Over 380,000 acres of the federal lands within the boundaries are currently managed by the BLM as 11 Wilderness Study Areas. The BLM-managed part of the monument also contains nine Special Recreation Management Areas, which are managed for their recreation opportunities. The USFS administers the 46,000-acre Dark Canyon Wilderness just north of the Bears Ears formation, as well as the Cliff Dwellers Pasture Research Natural Area.
- To date, Secretary Zinke has received 48 unique letters supporting the designation of Bears Ears National Monument and 3 letters opposing the designation, according to the BLM's Data Tracking System.

### **Background**

- The idea of a national monument in this area is not new: calls for protection of the Bears Ears began over 80 years ago. The land that is now the Bears Ears National Monument was part of a larger area proposed for designation as early as 1936 by then-Interior Secretary Ickes.
- The monument protects some of the most significant cultural, desert landscapes in the U.S., including abundant rock art, ancient cliff dwellings, ceremonial sites, and other places important to Native American tribes.
- Recognizing the importance of the area, tribes with ties to the region began working on a specific proposal six years ago to protect this area under the Antiquities Act. To reflect tribal expertise, the Bears Ears Commission has been created to enable tribes to share insight with federal land managers.
- The proclamation for the Bears Ears National Monument also establishes a local advisory committee made up of interested stakeholders including state and local governments, tribes, recreational users, local business owners, and private landowners.

### **Current Status**

- The BLM and USFS will undertake a monument planning process for Bear Ears National Monument, including the opportunity for public input, according to the requirements of the NEPA and agency regulations and policy.
- The BLM will manage the monument according to the Bureau's relevant manual (BLM Manual 6220–National Monuments, National Conservation Areas, and Similar Designations, 7/13/2012).