



WILDERNESS

DOMINGUEZ-ESCALANTE NATIONAL CONSERVATION AREA

What wilderness management decisions will be made in the Plan?

- As part of the Resource Management Plan for the Dominguez-Escalante National Conservation Area (D-E NCA), BLM will develop a wilderness management plan for the Dominguez Canyon Wilderness.
- BLM manages wilderness areas to preserve their 'wilderness character'. The primary qualities of wilderness character are:
 - Untrammeled - a wilderness should be essentially free of human control and manipulation
 - Natural - a wilderness should be substantially free from the effects of modern civilization
 - Undeveloped - a wilderness retains its primeval character and is essentially without permanent improvements
 - Outstanding opportunities for solitude or a primitive and unconfined type of recreation
- The Dominguez Canyon Wilderness Management Plan will identify and describe desired conditions and setting characteristics. It will also identify indicators and standards to track changes in the area's overall condition and determine if and when management actions should be taken.

Submit information and comments by September 30, 2010.

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How You Can Help

- Tell us what components of wilderness character are most important to you? For example, should BLM take actions in the wilderness (reducing its untrammeled nature) in order to improve the naturalness of the area?
- What are your desired conditions for the Dominguez Canyon Wilderness? For example, what size groups should be allowed in the wilderness? How many groups are too many? What regulations should be established for the wilderness?
- What standards should be established to determine minimally acceptable conditions? For example, at what point should use be limited, or campsites be closed?