

Current Conditions: Presence or Absence of Wilderness Characteristics

Area Unique Identifier: CO-060-022

Acreage: 192.6

Is the area of sufficient size?

Yes No

Description

The unit of BLM land identified as CO-060-022 is adjacent to the Powderhorn Wilderness Study Area (WSA) along the southern boundary meeting the size requirement criteria. The northern, eastern, and western boundaries are all private land.

(1) Does the area appear to be natural?

Yes No N/A

Description

This parcel is land-locked by private land and the Powderhorn WSA. There is a closed Jeep Trail that runs through the eastern portion of the parcel. The lands topography is dominated by rolling hills and natural drainages and creek beds. There are three creeks that enter the parcel from the northern boundary. These creeks stem off from Trout Creek just north of the area. Vegetation within this area consists of riparian vegetation, sage brush, pine and aspen.

(2) Does the area (or the remainder of the area if a portion has been excluded due to unnaturalness and the remainder is of sufficient size) have outstanding opportunities for solitude?

Yes No N/A

Description

The unit is land-locked by private land and its rolling hills and dense areas of vegetation provide outstanding opportunities for solitude.

Does the area (or the remainder of the area if a portion has been excluded due to unnaturalness and the remainder is of sufficient size) have outstanding opportunities for primitive and unconfined recreation?

Yes No N/A

Description

This parcel has outstanding opportunities for unconfined and primitive recreation such as hiking, backpacking and wildlife viewing.

(3) Does the area have supplemental values (ecological, geological, or other features of scientific, educational, scenic, or historic value)?

Yes No N/A

Description

This area contains medium levels of lynx habitat and potential sage grouse habitat.

Summary of Analysis

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Result of Analysis:

1. Does the area meet any of the size requirements? Yes No
2. Does the area appear to be natural? Yes No
3. Does the area offer outstanding opportunities for solitude or a primitive or unconfined type of recreation? Yes No
4. Does the area have supplemental values? Yes No

Check one

The area, or portion of the area, has wilderness characteristics and is identified as lands with wilderness characteristics.

The area does not have wilderness characteristics.

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