

Current Conditions: Presence or Absence of Wilderness Characteristics

Area Unique Identifier: CO-060-033

Acreage: 3,186.5

Is the area of sufficient size?

Yes No

Description

The unit of BLM land identified as CO-060-033 is less than 5,000 acres and with no adjoining Wilderness or WSA this parcel does not meet any of the size requirement criteria. The northern and western boundaries are private land. The eastern and southern boundaries are Forest Service land.

(1) Does the area appear to be natural?

Yes No N/A

Description

This unit consists of rolling hills with dense vegetation. South Beaver Creek flows from south to north where it joins with Spring Hill Creek near the center of the unit. Deer Beaver Creek flows through the southeastern section of the unit. There is no road access into the area. There are closed roads within the parcel and these all appear to be slightly visible or overgrown. There is illegal motorized access occurring within this area and this is most likely being performed by neighboring land owners who also use the parcel for hunting. This human activity results in ±150 visitors annually.

(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

This unit has outstanding opportunities for solitude due to the absence of road access and the rolling hills and dense tree vegetation.

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 area has outstanding opportunities for unconfined and primitive recreation such as hiking, backpacking and wildlife viewing. A neighboring land owner uses the parcel for hunting.

(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 parcel contains medium levels of lynx habitat and potential occupied sage grouse habitat, and a high level of 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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