



Lands with Wilderness Characteristics

Polygon 026



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WILDERNESS CHARACTERISTICS INVENTORY
APPENDIX B – INVENTORY AREA EVALUATION

Evaluation of Current Conditions:

1) Document and review any existing BLM wilderness characteristics inventory findings on file regarding the presence or absence of individual wilderness characteristics, using Form 1, below.

2) Consider relevant information regarding current conditions available in the office. Identify and describe any changes to the existing inventory information. Use interdisciplinary team knowledge, aerial photographs, field observations, maps, etc. and document the findings on Form 2, below. Document current conditions regarding wilderness characteristics, as opposed to potential future conditions.

Conduct field reviews as necessary to verify information and to ascertain current conditions. Reach conclusions on current conditions including boundaries, size of areas and presence or absence of wilderness characteristics. Fully explain the basis for each conclusion on Form 2, including any critical differences between BLM and citizen information.

Document the findings regarding current conditions for each inventoried area. Describe how the present conditions are similar to, or have changed from, the conditions documented in the original wilderness characteristics inventory. Document the findings on Form 2 for each inventory area. Cite to or attach data considered, including photographs, maps, GIS layers, field trip notes, project files, etc.

FORM 2

Current Conditions: Presence or Absence of Wilderness Characteristics

Area Unique Identifier: **CO-010-026**

Acreage

(If the inventory area consists of subunits, list the acreage of each and evaluate each separately).

In completing steps (1)-(5), use additional space as necessary.

(1) Is the area of sufficient size? (If the area meets one of the exceptions to the size criterion, check "Yes" and describe the exception in the space provided below),

Yes **X** No

Note: If "No" is checked the area does not have wilderness characteristics; check "NA" for the remaining questions below.

Description (describe the boundaries of the area--wilderness inventory roads, property lines, etc.):

Polygon 26 is border to the north by BLM Road 2048 from its western junction with Moffat County Road 48, to its eastern junction with Moffat County Road 67. The eastern boundary of the polygon is Moffat County Road 67 form its northern junction with BLM Road 2048 to its southern junction with Moffat County Road 48. The southern boundary of the polygon is Moffat County Road 48 from its eastern junction with Moffat County Road 67 to its north western junction with BLM Road 2048.

(2) Does the area appear to be natural?

Yes No **X** N/A

Note: If "No" is checked the area does not have wilderness characteristics; check "NA" for the remaining questions below.

Description (include land ownership, location, topography, vegetation, and summary of major human uses/activities):

The polygon is located adjacent to an open motorized area, the people recreating in the open motorized area have developed many ATV trails through the polygon. Due to the high volume of primitive routes and the surrounding area's open motorized space the natural integrity of the polygon has become compromised.

(3) 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 **X**

Description (describe the area's outstanding opportunities for solitude):

(4) 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 **X**

Note: If "No" is checked for both 3 and 4 the area does not have wilderness characteristics; check "NA" for question 5.

Description (describe the area's outstanding opportunities for primitive and unconfined recreation):

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

Yes

No

N/A **X**

Description:

26-01 N



26-03 E



26-02 S



26-04 E



26-05 W



26-005
7/1/133 W

26-06 N



26-006
7/1/133 N

26-05 E



26-005
7/1/133 E

26-07 NE



26-007
7/1/13 NE

26-08 NE



26-008
7/1/13 NE

26-10 N



26-010
7/1/13 N

26-09 N



26-009
7/1/13 N

26-11 S



26-011
7/1/13 S

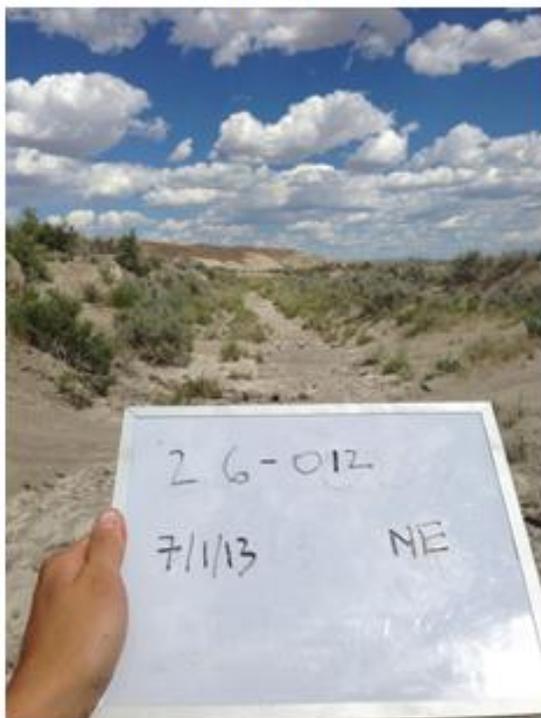
26-11 W



26-12 SE



26-12 NE



26 Scenic



26 ATV Trail



26 Watering Hole



26 Wild Horses

