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FORM 1

**Documentation of BLM Wilderness Characteristics
Inventory Findings from Previous Inventory on Record**

1. Is there existing BLM wilderness inventory information on all or part of this area?

No (go to Form 2) Yes (If yes, and if more than one area is within the area, list the unique identifiers of those areas):

- a) **Inventory Source:** N/A
- b) **Inventory Area Name(s)/Number(s):** N/A
- c) **Map Name(s)/Number(s):** N/A
- d) **BLM District(s)/Field Office(s):** N/A

2. BLM Inventory Finds on Record:

Existing inventory information regarding wilderness characteristics (if more than one BLM inventory area is associated with the area, list each area and answer each question individually for each inventory area):
Inventory Source: N/A

Area #/Name	Sufficient Size? Yes/No (acres)	Naturalness? Yes/No	Outstanding Solitude? Yes/No	Outstanding Primitive & Unconfined Recreation? Yes/No	Supplemental Values? Yes/No



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FORM 2

Current Conditions: Presence or Absence of Wilderness Characteristics

Area Number/Name: Little Snake Unit 532	Acreage: <5,000 acres
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(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 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.):

The northern boundary of the unit is a combination of Moffat County Road 23 and private property; the eastern boundary is Moffat County Road 143 and an unnamed dirt road; the southern boundary is Colorado Highway 40; and the western boundary is a combination of Moffat County Road 23 and private property. All routes in the unit are sandy, and some small areas of soft sand are present. Out of six routes surveyed, only Route 04 was found to meet the definition of a Wilderness Inventory Road.

Wilderness Inventory Road Route 04 cuts off the northwest section of the unit in a northeast/southwest direction. The piece cut by this road is less than 5,000 acres, and therefore does not meet the minimum size requirement. The remaining area of the unit is less than 5,000 acres, so it also does not meet the 5,000-acre size requirement. Unit 532 is therefore disqualified from being identified as a Land with Wilderness Characteristics.

(2) Does the area appear to be natural?

Yes No 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):

Unit 532 exists in ranchland in Moffat County north of Colorado Highway 40. The unit is located in Township 6 North, Range 96 and 97 West; and Township 7 North, Range 96 and 97

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West (Ute Meridian). The unit is wholly owned by the BLM with private land “cutouts” extending from the western and northern borders. The topography and vegetation is comprised primarily of sagebrush/grassland mix on rolling hillsides with scattered higher-relief ridgelines. The major human uses within the unit are range improvements (ranching), based on the number of two-tracks and stock tank areas observed, and possible recreational activities (hunting, camping, hiking, and wildlife observation). However, hunting would be significantly restricted due to the presence of livestock.

(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

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

Vast rolling hillsides, deep valleys, and high ridgelines invite opportunities for solitude and isolate the unit from outside human influences. It is recommended to exclude a portion of the southern section due to the unit’s adjacency to the visible and frequently used Colorado Highway 40 and the many intertwining ranch roads. This area lacks any 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

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):

Hunting opportunities exist primarily when not compromised by the presence of livestock. Other potential primitive and unconfined activities include camping, hiking, and wildlife observation.

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

Yes No N/A

Description:

Deep valleys and high hillsides offer scenic supplemental value to the unit.

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Summary of Analysis

Area Name and/or Number: Little Snake Unit 532

Summary

(Note: explain the inventory findings for the entirety of the inventory unit. When wilderness characteristics have been identified in an area that is smaller than the size of the total inventory unit, explain why certain portions of the inventory unit are not included within the lands with wilderness characteristics (e.g. the inventory found that certain parts lacked naturalness).

Results of analysis:

Unit 532 exists in ranchland in Moffat County north of Colorado Highway 40. The unit is located in Township 6 North, Range 96 and 97 West; and Township 7 North, Range 96 and 97 West (Ute Meridian). The unit is wholly owned by the BLM with private land “cutouts” extending from the western and northern borders. The topography and vegetation is comprised primarily of sagebrush/grassland mix on rolling hillsides with scattered higher-relief ridgelines. The major human uses within the unit are range improvements (ranching), based on the number of two-tracks and stock tank areas observed, and possible recreational activities (hunting, camping, hiking, and wildlife observation). However, hunting would be significantly restricted due to the presence of livestock.

It is recommended to exclude a portion of the southern section due to the unit’s adjacency to the visible and frequently used Colorado Highway 40 and the many intertwining ranch roads. This area lacks any opportunities for solitude. Wilderness Inventory Road Route 04 cuts off the northwest section of the unit in a northeast/southwest direction. The piece cut by this road is less than 5,000 acres, and therefore does not meet the minimum size requirement. The remaining area of the unit is less than 5,000 acres, so it also does not meet the 5,000-acre size requirement. With these exclusions, Unit 532 is disqualified from being identified as a Land with Wilderness Characteristics.

1. Does the area meet any of the size requirements? Yes No
2. Does the area appear to be natural? Yes No N/A
3. Does the area offer outstanding opportunities of solitude or a primitive and unconfined type of recreation? Yes No N/A



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4. Does the area have supplemental values? Yes No N/A

Check one:

The area, or a portion of the area, has wilderness characteristics and is identified as Land with Wilderness Characteristics (LWC).

The area does not have wilderness characteristics.

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WILDERNESS CHARACTERISTICS INVENTORY

ROUTE ANALYSIS

Wilderness Characteristics Inventory Area Unique Identifier: Little Snake Unit 532
 Route or Route Segment Name and/or Identifier: Route 01

I. LOCATION: Refer to attached map GIS data and BLM corporate data (GIS). List photo point references (where applicable) or reference attached photo log:

Describe: Route 01 branches off of Moffat County Road 23 in the southwest corner of the unit and curves to the north. This two-track route generally travels to the northeast and is partially reclaimed by vegetation. See attached photo log.

II. ROUTE CONTEXT

A. Current Purpose (if any) of Route: (Examples Rangeland/Livestock Improvements (stock tank, developed spring, reservoir, fence, corral), Inholdings (ranch, farmhouse), Mine Site, Concentrated Use Site (camp site), Recreation, Utilities (transmission line, telephone, pipeline), Administrative (project maintenance, communication site, vegetation treatment)).

Describe: The current usage is for access to range improvements (ranching/livestock management). The route travels past a stock tank (approximately 500 feet to the northeast) and ends in a cleared area likely used for winter range feeding of livestock.

B. Right-of-Way (ROW):

1. Is there a ROW associated with this route?

Yes No Unknown

2. If yes, what is the stated purpose of the ROW?

3. Is the ROW still being used for this purpose?

Yes No Unknown or N/A

Explain:

III. WILDERNESS INVENTORY ROAD CRITERIA

A. Evidence of construction or improvement using mechanical means?

Yes (if either A.1 *or* A.2 is checked “yes” below) No (if both A.1 *and* A.2 are checked “no” below)

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1. Construction: (Is there evidence that the route or route segment was originally constructed using mechanical means?) Yes No

Examples: Paved Bladed Graveled Roadside Berms Cut/Fill Other

Describe: No evidence of mechanical construction. The route is partially reclaimed.

2. Improvements: (Is there evidence of improvements using mechanical means to facilitate access?) Yes No If “yes”: by Hand Tools by Machine

Examples: Culverts Hardened Stream Crossings Bridges Drainage Barriers Other

Describe: No improvements observed.

B. Maintenance: (Is there evidence of maintenance that would ensure *relatively* regular and continuous use?): Yes (if either B.1 *or* B.2 is checked “yes” below) No (if both B.1 *and* B.2 are checked “no” below)

1. Is there Evidence or Documentation of Maintenance using hand tools or machinery? Yes No If “yes”: by Hand Tools by Machine

Explain: No evidence of mechanical maintenance.

2. If the route or route segment is in good condition, but there is no evidence of maintenance, would mechanical maintenance with hand tools or machines be approved by BLM to meet the purpose(s) of the route in the event this route became impassable? Yes No

Explain: The route travels across open topography and requires minimal maintenance. Minor maintenance to facilitate access to stock tank would be approved.

C. Relatively regular and continuous use: (Does the route or route segment ensure relatively regular and continuous use?) Yes No

Describe evidence (e.g., direct, vehicles or vehicle tracks observed, or indirect, evidence of use associated with purpose of the route such as maintenance of facility that route accesses) and other rationale for whether use has occurred and will continue to occur on a *relatively* regular basis (i.e., regular and continuous use relative to the purpose(s) of the route).



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No tire tracks were observed; however, the soil is extremely sandy and tire tracks will disappear during rain events. The route provides access to livestock and stock management facilities (nearby stock tank). Ruts are clear of vegetation. The route is likely used greater than three times per year.

IV. CONCLUSION:

Does the route or route segment meet the definition of a wilderness inventory road (i.e., are items III.A and III.B and III.C all checked yes)?

Yes = Wilderness Inventory Road inventory purposes

No = Not a road for wilderness

Explanation: Criteria not met as described above.

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WILDERNESS CHARACTERISTICS INVENTORY

ROUTE ANALYSIS

Wilderness Characteristics Inventory Area Unique Identifier: Little Snake Unit 532
 Route or Route Segment Name and/or Identifier: Route 02

I. LOCATION: Refer to attached map GIS data and BLM corporate data (GIS). List photo point references (where applicable) or reference attached photo log:

Describe: Route 02 branches off of Route 01 to the southeast across sage-dominated rolling hills and turns to the northeast. This two-track route terminates at a stock tank, feed trough, and fence line. See attached photo log.

II. ROUTE CONTEXT

A. Current Purpose (if any) of Route: (Examples Rangeland/Livestock Improvements (stock tank, developed spring, reservoir, fence, corral), Inholdings (ranch, farmhouse), Mine Site, Concentrated Use Site (camp site), Recreation, Utilities (transmission line, telephone, pipeline), Administrative (project maintenance, communication site, vegetation treatment)).

Describe: The current purpose of the route is for access to range improvements (livestock management; stock tank and feed trough observed) and some recreational activities (predominantly hunting).

B. Right-of-Way (ROW):

1. Is there a ROW associated with this route?

Yes No Unknown

2. If yes, what is the stated purpose of the ROW?

3. Is the ROW still being used for this purpose?

Yes No Unknown or N/A

Explain:

III. WILDERNESS INVENTORY ROAD CRITERIA

A. Evidence of construction or improvement using mechanical means?

Yes (if either A.1 *or* A.2 is checked “yes” below) No (if both A.1 *and* A.2 are checked “no” below)

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1. Construction: (Is there evidence that the route or route segment was originally constructed using mechanical means?) Yes No

Examples: Paved Bladed Graveled Roadside Berms Cut/Fill Other

Describe: No evidence of mechanical construction. The route is partially reclaimed in the center.

2. Improvements: (Is there evidence of improvements using mechanical means to facilitate access?) Yes No If “yes”: by Hand Tools by Machine

Examples: Culverts Hardened Stream Crossings Bridges Drainage Barriers Other

Describe: No improvements observed.

B. Maintenance: (Is there evidence of maintenance that would ensure *relatively* regular and continuous use?): Yes (if either B.1 *or* B.2 is checked “yes” below) No (if both B.1 *and* B.2 are checked “no” below)

1. Is there Evidence or Documentation of Maintenance using hand tools or machinery? Yes No If “yes”: by Hand Tools by Machine

Explain: No evidence of mechanical maintenance.

2. If the route or route segment is in good condition, but there is no evidence of maintenance, would mechanical maintenance with hand tools or machines be approved by BLM to meet the purpose(s) of the route in the event this route became impassable? Yes No

Explain: The two-track route travels across flat terrain and requires minimal maintenance. Minor maintenance to facilitate access to a stock tank and feed trough seems reasonable.

C. Relatively regular and continuous use: (Does the route or route segment ensure relatively regular and continuous use?) Yes No

Describe evidence (e.g., direct, vehicles or vehicle tracks observed, or indirect, evidence of use associated with purpose of the route such as maintenance of facility that route accesses) and other rationale for whether use has occurred and will continue to occur on a *relatively* regular basis (i.e., regular and continuous use relative to the purpose(s) of the route).



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Sandy soils erase tire tracks during rain events, so no tire tracks were observed. However, no vegetation exists in ruts, which indicates some regular use (likely greater than three times per year). The purpose of route is for access to range improvements (currently dry stock tank).

IV. CONCLUSION:

Does the route or route segment meet the definition of a wilderness inventory road (i.e., are items III.A and III.B and III.C all checked yes)?

Yes = Wilderness Inventory Road
inventory purposes

No = Not a road for wilderness

Explanation: Criteria not met as described above.

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ROUTE ANALYSIS

Wilderness Characteristics Inventory Area Unique Identifier: Little Snake Unit 532
 Route or Route Segment Name and/or Identifier: Route 03

I. LOCATION: Refer to attached map GIS data and BLM corporate data (GIS). List photo point references (where applicable) or reference attached photo log:

Describe: Route 03 is located on the south and central portion of Unit 532. The route begins from Colorado Highway 40 on the southern boundary and angles in a north/northwestern direction. The two-track route is partially reclaimed in the center. See attached photo log.

II. ROUTE CONTEXT

A. Current Purpose (if any) of Route: (Examples Rangeland/Livestock Improvements (stock tank, developed spring, reservoir, fence, corral), Inholdings (ranch, farmhouse), Mine Site, Concentrated Use Site (camp site), Recreation, Utilities (transmission line, telephone, pipeline), Administrative (project maintenance, communication site, vegetation treatment)).

Describe: The current purpose of the route is for recreational uses, (OHV use and hunting). The route may also be used to access livestock and range improvements (stock tank, stock pond, fencing, and a well and pump were observed).

B. Right-of-Way (ROW):

1. Is there a ROW associated with this route?

Yes No Unknown

2. If yes, what is the stated purpose of the ROW?

3. Is the ROW still being used for this purpose?

Yes No Unknown or N/A

Explain:

III. WILDERNESS INVENTORY ROAD CRITERIA

A. Evidence of construction or improvement using mechanical means?

Yes (if either A.1 *or* A.2 is checked “yes” below) No (if both A.1 *and* A.2 are checked “no” below)

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1. Construction: (Is there evidence that the route or route segment was originally constructed using mechanical means?) Yes No

Examples: Paved Bladed Graveled Roadside Berms Cut/Fill Other

Describe: No evidence of mechanical construction. The route is partially reclaimed in the center of the tire ruts.

2. Improvements: (Is there evidence of improvements using mechanical means to facilitate access?) Yes No If “yes”: by Hand Tools by Machine

Examples: Culverts Hardened Stream Crossings Bridges Drainage Barriers Other

Describe: No improvements observed.

B. Maintenance: (Is there evidence of maintenance that would ensure *relatively* regular and continuous use?): Yes (if either B.1 *or* B.2 is checked “yes” below) No (if both B.1 *and* B.2 are checked “no” below)

1. Is there Evidence or Documentation of Maintenance using hand tools or machinery? Yes No If “yes”: by Hand Tools by Machine

Explain: No evidence of mechanical maintenance.

2. If the route or route segment is in good condition, but there is no evidence of maintenance, would mechanical maintenance with hand tools or machines be approved by BLM to meet the purpose(s) of the route in the event this route became impassable? Yes No

Explain: Route serves as access to range improvements and a potential pipeline.

C. Relatively regular and continuous use: (Does the route or route segment ensure relatively regular and continuous use?) Yes No

Describe evidence (e.g., direct, vehicles or vehicle tracks observed, or indirect, evidence of use associated with purpose of the route such as maintenance of facility that route accesses) and other rationale for whether use has occurred and will continue to occur on a *relatively* regular basis (i.e., regular and continuous use relative to the purpose(s) of the route).



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Route is most likely heavily used due to its access to range improvements. It is likely used greater than three times per year.

IV. CONCLUSION:

Does the route or route segment meet the definition of a wilderness inventory road (i.e., are items III.A and III.B and III.C all checked yes)?

Yes = Wilderness Inventory Road
inventory purposes

No = Not a road for wilderness

Explanation: Criteria not met as described above.

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WILDERNESS CHARACTERISTICS INVENTORY

ROUTE ANALYSIS

Wilderness Characteristics Inventory Area Unique Identifier: Little Snake Unit 532
Route or Route Segment Name and/or Identifier: Route 04

I. LOCATION: Refer to attached map GIS data and BLM corporate data (GIS). List photo point references (where applicable) or reference attached photo log:

Describe: Route 04 travels through the center of the unit, transecting it in a southwest/northeast direction beginning at Moffat County Road 23. The route travels northeast through private land before transecting the unit and exits the unit at the northeast corner where it crosses Moffat County Road 23 again. It is a two-track route travelling through short vegetation in a fairly straight manner. See attached photo log.

II. ROUTE CONTEXT

A. Current Purpose (if any) of Route: (Examples Rangeland/Livestock Improvements (stock tank, developed spring, reservoir, fence, corral), Inholdings (ranch, farmhouse), Mine Site, Concentrated Use Site (camp site), Recreation, Utilities (transmission line, telephone, pipeline), Administrative (project maintenance, communication site, vegetation treatment)).

Describe: The current purpose is for recreational activities (hunting and wildlife observation) and range improvements/activities, including livestock movement and stock tank maintenance. The route is also associated with a petroleum pipeline ROW.

B. Right-of-Way (ROW):

1. Is there a ROW associated with this route?

Yes No Unknown

2. If yes, what is the stated purpose of the ROW? Petroleum pipeline ROW (Amoco-Petroleum Pipeline).

3. Is the ROW still being used for this purpose?

Yes No Unknown or N/A

Explain: Frequent travel in the central and northern portions from ranching purposes is evident; significantly less travel exists in the southern portion from the private land boundary and the first fence line.

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A. Evidence of construction or improvement using mechanical means?

Yes (if either A.1 *or* A.2 is checked “yes” below) No (if both A.1 *and* A.2 are checked “no” below)

1. Construction: (Is there evidence that the route or route segment was originally constructed using mechanical means?) Yes No

Examples: Paved Bladed Graveled Roadside Berms Cut/Fill Other

Describe: The route was originally bladed. Vegetation is currently growing in the center of the tire ruts.

2. Improvements: (Is there evidence of improvements using mechanical means to facilitate access?) Yes No If “yes”: by Hand Tools by Machine

Examples: Culverts Hardened Stream Crossings Bridges Drainage Barriers Other

Describe: No improvements observed.

B. Maintenance: (Is there evidence of maintenance that would ensure *relatively* regular and continuous use?): Yes (if either B.1 *or* B.2 is checked “yes” below) No (if both B.1 *and* B.2 are checked “no” below)

1. Is there Evidence or Documentation of Maintenance using hand tools or machinery? Yes No If “yes”: by Hand Tools by Machine

Explain: No evidence of mechanical maintenance.

2. If the route or route segment is in good condition, but there is no evidence of maintenance, would mechanical maintenance with hand tools or machines be approved by BLM to meet the purpose(s) of the route in the event this route became impassable? Yes No

Explain: The route serves as access to range improvements and a petroleum pipeline ROW, so BLM would likely approve maintenance.

C. Relatively regular and continuous use: (Does the route or route segment ensure relatively regular and continuous use?) Yes No



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Describe evidence (e.g., direct, vehicles or vehicle tracks observed, or indirect, evidence of use associated with purpose of the route such as maintenance of facility that route accesses) and other rationale for whether use has occurred and will continue to occur on a *relatively* regular basis (i.e., regular and continuous use relative to the purpose(s) of the route).

A significant portion of the route receives regular use from rangeland activities (likely greater than three times per year); infrequent usage was observed from where the ROW enters the unit from the private property to the first fence line (approximately 0.5 miles).

IV. CONCLUSION:

Does the route or route segment meet the definition of a wilderness inventory road (i.e., are items III.A and III.B and III.C all checked yes)?

Yes = Wilderness Inventory Road
inventory purposes

No = Not a road for wilderness

Explanation: Criteria met as described above.

Evaluator(s):

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ROUTE ANALYSIS

Wilderness Characteristics Inventory Area Unique Identifier: Little Snake Unit 532
Route or Route Segment Name and/or Identifier: Route 05

I. LOCATION: Refer to attached map GIS data and BLM corporate data (GIS). List photo point references (where applicable) or reference attached photo log:

Describe: Route 05 branches off of Route 04 at a section line near the western boundary of the unit. The route is located along the top of a ridge on a rolling hill running north/northwest to south/southeast. This two-track route terminates at a heavily-grazed clearing approximately 150 feet south of a fence line. See attached photo log.

II. ROUTE CONTEXT

A. Current Purpose (if any) of Route: (Examples Rangeland/Livestock Improvements (stock tank, developed spring, reservoir, fence, corral), Inholdings (ranch, farmhouse), Mine Site, Concentrated Use Site (camp site), Recreation, Utilities (transmission line, telephone, pipeline), Administrative (project maintenance, communication site, vegetation treatment)).

Describe: The current (and frequent) use of this route is for access range improvements and livestock management. Recreational activities (hunting and wildlife observation) are also likely possible in the northwest corner of the unit.

B. Right-of-Way (ROW):

1. Is there a ROW associated with this route?

Yes No Unknown

2. If yes, what is the stated purpose of the ROW?

3. Is the ROW still being used for this purpose?

Yes No Unknown or N/A

Explain:

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Yes (if either A.1 *or* A.2 is checked “yes” below) No (if both A.1 *and* A.2 are checked “no” below)

1. Construction: (Is there evidence that the route or route segment was originally constructed using mechanical means?) Yes No

Examples: Paved Bladed Graveled Roadside Berms Cut/Fill Other

Describe: No evidence of mechanical construction. The route is a two-track being partially reclaimed in the center.

2. Improvements: (Is there evidence of improvements using mechanical means to facilitate access?) Yes No If “yes”: by Hand Tools by Machine

Examples: Culverts Hardened Stream Crossings Bridges Drainage Barriers Other

Describe: No improvements observed.

B. Maintenance: (Is there evidence of maintenance that would ensure *relatively* regular and continuous use?): Yes (if either B.1 *or* B.2 is checked “yes” below) No (if both B.1 *and* B.2 are checked “no” below)

1. Is there Evidence or Documentation of Maintenance using hand tools or machinery? Yes No If “yes”: by Hand Tools by Machine

Explain: No evidence of mechanical maintenance.

2. If the route or route segment is in good condition, but there is no evidence of maintenance, would mechanical maintenance with hand tools or machines be approved by BLM to meet the purpose(s) of the route in the event this route became impassable? Yes No

Explain: The route is generally used for rangeland management but has no clear destination.

C. Relatively regular and continuous use: (Does the route or route segment ensure relatively regular and continuous use?) Yes No

Describe evidence (e.g., direct, vehicles or vehicle tracks observed, or indirect, evidence of use associated with purpose of the route such as maintenance of facility that route accesses) and other rationale for whether use has occurred and will continue to occur on a *relatively* regular basis (i.e., regular and continuous use relative to the purpose(s) of the route).



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No tire-tracks (since last precipitation event on 9/14/12) were observed; however, the vegetation in the center of the two-track is low and the ruts are clear. The northern section of the route shows less usage. Overall, the route is likely used greater than three times per year.

IV. CONCLUSION:

Does the route or route segment meet the definition of a wilderness inventory road (i.e., are items III.A and III.B and III.C all checked yes)?

Yes = Wilderness Inventory Road inventory purposes

No = Not a road for wilderness

Explanation: Criteria not met as described above.

Evaluator(s):

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ROUTE ANALYSIS

Wilderness Characteristics Inventory Area Unique Identifier: Little Snake Unit 532
 Route or Route Segment Name and/or Identifier: Route 06

I. LOCATION: Refer to attached map GIS data and BLM corporate data (GIS). List photo point references (where applicable) or reference attached photo log:

Describe: Route 06 branches off of the eastern boundary of unit (southern third of unit) and travels west to edge of ridgeline before continuing north/northwest to connect to a pipeline ROW (Route 04) past a stock tank. The two-track route travels in a fairly straight manner and is partially reclaimed in the center of the tire ruts. See attached photo log.

II. ROUTE CONTEXT

A. Current Purpose (if any) of Route: (Examples Rangeland/Livestock Improvements (stock tank, developed spring, reservoir, fence, corral), Inholdings (ranch, farmhouse), Mine Site, Concentrated Use Site (camp site), Recreation, Utilities (transmission line, telephone, pipeline), Administrative (project maintenance, communication site, vegetation treatment)).

Describe: The current use of this route is for access to range improvements (stock tank) and recreational activities (hunting and wildlife observation). Numerous antelope were observed.

B. Right-of-Way (ROW):

1. Is there a ROW associated with this route?

Yes No Unknown

2. If yes, what is the stated purpose of the ROW?

3. Is the ROW still being used for this purpose?

Yes No Unknown or N/A

Explain:

III. WILDERNESS INVENTORY ROAD CRITERIA

A. Evidence of construction or improvement using mechanical means?

Yes (if either A.1 *or* A.2 is checked “yes” below) No (if both A.1 *and* A.2 are checked “no” below)

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1. Construction: (Is there evidence that the route or route segment was originally constructed using mechanical means?) Yes No

Examples: Paved Bladed Graveled Roadside Berms Cut/Fill Other

Describe: No evidence of mechanical construction. The route is partially reclaimed in the center.

2. Improvements: (Is there evidence of improvements using mechanical means to facilitate access?) Yes No If “yes”: by Hand Tools by Machine

Examples: Culverts Hardened Stream Crossings Bridges Drainage Barriers Other

Describe: No improvements observed.

B. Maintenance: (Is there evidence of maintenance that would ensure *relatively* regular and continuous use?): Yes (if either B.1 *or* B.2 is checked “yes” below) No (if both B.1 *and* B.2 are checked “no” below)

1. Is there Evidence or Documentation of Maintenance using hand tools or machinery? Yes No If “yes”: by Hand Tools by Machine

Explain: No evidence mechanical maintenance.

2. If the route or route segment is in good condition, but there is no evidence of maintenance, would mechanical maintenance with hand tools or machines be approved by BLM to meet the purpose(s) of the route in the event this route became impassable? Yes No

Explain: This two-track route travels across fairly flat terrain likely requiring minimal maintenance. Minor maintenance to access stock tank and pipeline ROW seems reasonable.

C. Relatively regular and continuous use: (Does the route or route segment ensure relatively regular and continuous use?) Yes No

Describe evidence (e.g., direct, vehicles or vehicle tracks observed, or indirect, evidence of use associated with purpose of the route such as maintenance of facility that route accesses) and other rationale for whether use has occurred and will continue to occur on a *relatively* regular basis (i.e., regular and continuous use relative to the purpose(s) of the route).



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Multiple sets of vehicle tracks were observed on this route, and very little low vegetation is growing in the center of this two-track. The stock tank was full of fresh water and cattle tracks were visible everywhere at stock tank. This route is likely used greater than five times per year.

IV. CONCLUSION:

Does the route or route segment meet the definition of a wilderness inventory road (i.e., are items III.A and III.B and III.C all checked yes)?

Yes = Wilderness Inventory Road
inventory purposes

No = Not a road for wilderness

Explanation: Criteria not met as described above.

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