



## NEWS RELEASE

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### **BLM to Host Open House in Craig to discuss roads and trails**

CRAIG, Colo - The Bureau of Land Management is hosting an open house Feb. 23 in Craig to discuss public access, routes and trails on specific BLM managed land in Moffat County.

The BLM is preparing a Travel Management Plan that will address current and foreseeable needs and uses related to roads and trails within the Little Snake Field Office. The public is encouraged to stop by the open house between 11:30 a.m. - 6:30 p.m. at Memorial Hospital, 750 Hospital Loop, Craig, to talk to BLM specialists, learn more about planning efforts and provide comments about their specific transportation needs. Travel route maps will be available for review.

“Public input is key to developing a well-conceived Travel Plan that balances resource and public needs,” said Dario Archuleta, outdoor recreation planner of the BLM Little Snake Field Office. “Public access is very important to this agency. We need people to comment on existing routes on the ground and their public land travel needs for the future. We need people engaged in this process and to give us suggestions that would enhance public access and complement the existing trail system.”

This is the first stage of a field office-wide travel management plan. BLM needs input regarding public access, routes and trails located northwest of Craig in Hiawatha, Vermillion Basin, Sand Wash and the Little Bears Ears combined referred to as Travel Management Area 1. Maps outlining travel routes are available at the BLM office in Craig and online at: [http://www.blm.gov/co/st/en/fo/lso/plans/travel\\_\\_transportation.html](http://www.blm.gov/co/st/en/fo/lso/plans/travel__transportation.html).

Written comments may be mailed to the BLM Little Snake Field Office, ATTN: Travel Management, 455 Emerson Street, Craig, CO 81625 or emailed to [darchule@blm.gov](mailto:darchule@blm.gov). Written comments will be most helpful to the BLM if received by March 11, 2016.

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