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BLM Southwest Resource Advisory Council Subgroup Hosting Meetings to Discuss Wild and Scenic River Suitability Study

MONTROSE, Colo. - The Bureau of Land Management Southwest Resource Advisory Council subgroup will hold a series of public meetings in Placerville, Naturita, Telluride and Norwood Dec. 6-7 and 14-15 to discuss Wild and Scenic River suitability studies.

The Dec. 6-7 meetings will address the relationship between endangered fish and the Wild and Scenic River Act. The discussions will focus on the eligible segments of the Dolores River and tributaries in the Uncompahgre Field Office.

The Dec. 14-15 meetings will address fish and riparian outstanding and remarkable values. The discussions will focus on the upper eligible segments of the San Miguel River.

Meeting Details:

Monday, Dec. 6, 2010

6:30-8:30 p.m.

Placerville Fire Department

24400 Colorado 145

Placerville, CO 81430

Tuesday, Dec. 7, 2010

6:30-8:30 p.m.

Naturita Community Building

411 W 2nd Ave

Naturita, CO 81422

Tuesday, Dec. 14, 2010

6:30-8:30 p.m.

Telluride Community Room

231 E. Pacific Ave.

Telluride, CO 81435

Wednesday, Dec. 15, 2010
6:30-8:30 p.m.
Norwood Community Center
1670 Naturita Street
Norwood, CO 81423

Public input is a vital part of the Wild and Scenic River suitability process. The Wild and Scenic Rivers Act seeks to preserve certain rivers and their immediate environments, maintain free-flowing conditions, protect water quality and fulfill other conservation purposes. Based on various criteria, river segments may be designated wild, scenic, recreational or remain undesignated. For more information on the Wild and Scenic River designation process visit www.blm.gov/co/st/en/fo/ufo/wild_and_scenic_river.html.

The Southwest Colorado RAC subgroup is composed of area residents representing diverse interests within the Uncompahgre Field Office. The eight-member subgroup is responsible for forwarding consensus-based recommendations regarding Wild and Scenic River suitability on several river segments by February 2011 to the Southwest Colorado RAC.

The Southwest Colorado RAC is one of three advisory councils in BLM Colorado. Composed of 15 members appointed by the Secretary of the Interior, individuals serving in each RAC represent a broad range of public interests, ranging from environmental to local government to commercial activity. For more information on Colorado's RACs, go to www.blm.gov/co and select Get Involved, then Advisory Councils.

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