



**United States Department of the Interior**  
**BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT**

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Montrose, Colorado 81401  
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IN REPLY REFER TO:  
8340(CO-S05)

May 10, 2013

Dear Ridgway Planning Participant:

The BLM Uncompahgre Field Office (UFO) completed an environmental assessment (EA) for the Ridgway Travel Management Plan. The EA analyzed impacts of road and trail designations on public lands in Ouray County, Colorado. The EA evaluated implementation of route designations along with other associated travel management actions.

On May 10, 2013, I signed a Decision Record which approves implementation of travel management actions and route designations contained in the EA for the Ridgway Travel Management Plan. The decision will implement the Proposed Action and two routes from Alternative 1.

The EA and decision record can be viewed and downloaded at:  
[http://www.blm.gov/co/st/en/fo/ufo/travel\\_management.html](http://www.blm.gov/co/st/en/fo/ufo/travel_management.html).

Paper and CD copies of the EA and decision record are available upon request. If you need additional information, please contact the Uncompahgre Field Office, 2505 South Townsend Ave., Montrose, CO, phone (970)240-5300, or by email at [cotmpufo@blm.gov](mailto:cotmpufo@blm.gov).

Within 30 days of the date on this letter, you have the right of appeal to the Board of Land Appeals, Office of the Secretary, in accordance with the regulations at 43 CFR 4.400. Appeal and stay procedures are outlined in Form CO-1840. Specifically, 43 CFR part 4.410 describes who may appeal. In general, a party that may file an appeal is one that "... is the object of that decision, or has otherwise participated in the process leading to the decision under appeal, e.g., ... by commenting on an environmental assessment, or by filing a protest to the proposed action." Subpart c of part 4.410 describes the issues a party may raise on appeal.

Sincerely yours,

Barbara Sharrow  
Field Manager, BLM Uncompahgre Field Office

Enclosure: Appeal Procedures

UNITED STATES  
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INFORMATION ON TAKING APPEALS TO THE BOARD OF LAND APPEALS

***DO NOT APPEAL UNLESS***

1. This decision is adverse to you,  
***AND***
2. You believe it is incorrect.

***IF YOU APPEAL, THE FOLLOWING PROCEDURES MUST BE FOLLOWED***

1. NOTICE OF APPEAL  
Within 30 days file a Notice of Appeal in the office that issued this decision (see 43 CFR 4.411 and 4.413). You may state your reasons for appealing, if you desire.
2. WHERE TO FILE NOTICE OF APPEAL  
BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT  
UNCOMPAHGRE FIELD OFFICE  
2505 SOUTH TOWNSEND AVENUE  
MONTROSE, COLORADO 81401  
  
WITH COPY TO SOLICITOR  
REGIONAL SOLICITOR  
ROCKY MOUNTAIN REGION  
755 PARFET STREET, SUITE 151  
LAKEWOOD, COLORADO 80215  
  
WITH COPY TO BOARD OF LAND APPEALS  
INTERIOR BOARD OF LAND APPEALS  
OFFICE OF HEARINGS AND APPEALS  
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
801 NORTH QUINCY ST., SUITE 300  
ARLINGTON, VIRGINIA 22203
3. STATEMENT OF REASONS  
Within 30 days after filing the Notice of Appeal, file a complete statement of the reasons why you are appealing. This must be filed with the Interior Board of Land Appeals, at the above address (see 43 CFR 4.412 and 4.413). If you fully stated your reasons for appealing when filing the Notice of Appeal, no additional statement is necessary. Copies of your statement of reasons must be filed with the Solicitor at the above address.
4. ADVERSE PARTIES  
Within 15 days after each document is filed, each adverse party named in the decision and the Regional Solicitor or Field Solicitor having jurisdiction over the State in which the appeal arose must be served with a copy of: (a) the Notice of Appeal, (b) the Statement of Reasons, and (c) any other documents filed (see 43 CFR 4.413).
5. PROOF OF SERVICE  
Within 15 days after any document is served on an adverse party, file proof of that service with the Interior Board of Land

Appeals, this may consist of a certified or registered mail "Return Receipt Card" signed by the adverse party (see 43 CFR 4.401(c)).

## 6. REQUEST FOR STAY

Except where program-specific regulations place this decision in full force and effect or provide for an automatic stay, the decision becomes effective upon the expiration of the time allowed for filing an appeal unless a petition for stay is timely filed (see 43 CFR 4.21). If you wish to file a petition for a stay of the effectiveness of this decision during the time that your appeal is being reviewed by the Board, the petition for a stay must accompany your notice of appeal. A petition for a stay is required to show sufficient justification based on the standards listed below. Copies of the notice of appeal and petition for a stay must also be submitted to each party named in this decision and to the Interior Board of Land Appeals and the appropriate Office of the Solicitor (see 43 CFR 4.413) at the same time the original documents are filed with this office. If you request a stay, you have the burden of proof to demonstrate that a stay should be granted.

### **STANDARDS FOR OBTAINING A STAY**

Except as otherwise provided by law or other pertinent regulation, a petition for a stay of a decision pending appeal shall show sufficient justification based on the following standards:

- (1) The relative harm to the parties if the stay is granted or denied,
- (2) The likelihood of the appellant's success on the merits,
- (3) The likelihood of immediate and irreparable harm if the stay is not granted, and
- (4) Whether the public interest favors granting the stay.

Unless these procedures are followed, your appeal will be subject to dismissal (see 43 CFR 4.402). Be certain that all communications are identified by serial number of the case being appealed.

SUBPART 1821.2--OFFICE HOURS; PLACE FOR FILING; TIME LIMIT

**Sec. 1821.2-1 (a)** *Office hours; place for filing.* Field Offices of the Bureau of Land Management are open to the public for the filing of documents and the inspection of records during the hours specified below, Monday through Friday of each week with the exception of those days where the office may be closed because of a national holiday or Presidential or other administrative order. The hours during which the Field Offices are open to the public for the filing of documents and inspection of records are from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Mountain Standard Time or Daylight Saving Time, whichever is in effect.

**Sec. 1821.2-2(d)** Any document required or permitted to be filed under the regulations of this chapter, which is received in the Field Office, either in the mail or by personal delivery when the office is not open to the public, shall be deemed to be filed as of the day and hour the office next opens to the public.

(e) Any document required by law, regulation, or decision to be filed within a stated period, the last day of which falls on a day the Field Office is officially closed, shall be deemed to be timely filed if it is received in the proper office on the next day the office is open to the public.

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