

## Description

The Bureau of Land Management's Little Yampa Canyon Special Recreation Management Area includes public lands on Duffy Mountain and Iles Mountain. Portions of the Yampa River, Yampa Valley Trail and the "65 Million Years in 65 Miles" Interpretive Drive are located in Little Yampa Canyon. The area is popular for hunting, fishing, off-highway vehicle activities, wildlife viewing, sightseeing and geocaching. Motorized and mechanized vehicles are allowed on designated routes only.

The Yampa Valley Trail extends from Steamboat Springs, Colorado to Dinosaur National Monument, and connects with other regional trails on either end. Approximately 23 miles of the Yampa Valley Trail within the area include multiple-use and non-motorized, single track segments.

The 38-mile flatwater float trip through the Little Yampa Canyon may be accessed from the South Beach River Access site off of State Highway 13 south of Craig. The take-out at West Duffy Mountain River Access site is off of Moffat County Road 17. The trip usually requires an overnight camp along the river on public lands. Users must be aware that there are private lands along the upper and lower segments of the river; do not trespass without permission from the landowner. A user fee is charged at developed river access sites. River maps are available from the BLM or Yampa River State Park. Colorado Parks and Wildlife and the BLM cooperatively enforce all applicable laws and regulations on public lands within the Yampa River Corridor. Permits are required for commercial guides and outfitters.

The "65 Million Years in 65 Miles" Interpretive Drive begins and ends in Craig. This self-guided tour provides opportunities



to see paleontology, geology, wildlife, historical buildings and much more. The section of the tour through the Little Yampa Canyon offers a short hike highlighting features that resulted from the area's history as a shallow sea more than 65 million years ago.

Little Yampa Canyon is listed as a Wildlife Viewing Area. The pinyon-juniper, sagebrush, cottonwoods, willow and other riparian vegetation provide habitat for elk, mule deer, pronghorn, and occasionally other inhabitants such as coyote, badger, fox and marmot. Many species of birds inhabit the area including golden and bald eagles, turkey vultures and sagegrouse.

## Access

From Highway 40 on the west end of Craig, take Moffat County Road 13 south. When you reach Moffat County Road 17, proceed west until you reach the BLM entrance road 1596 to Duffy Mountain. Motorized vehicles are limited to designated roads. Designated roads are marked with signs.

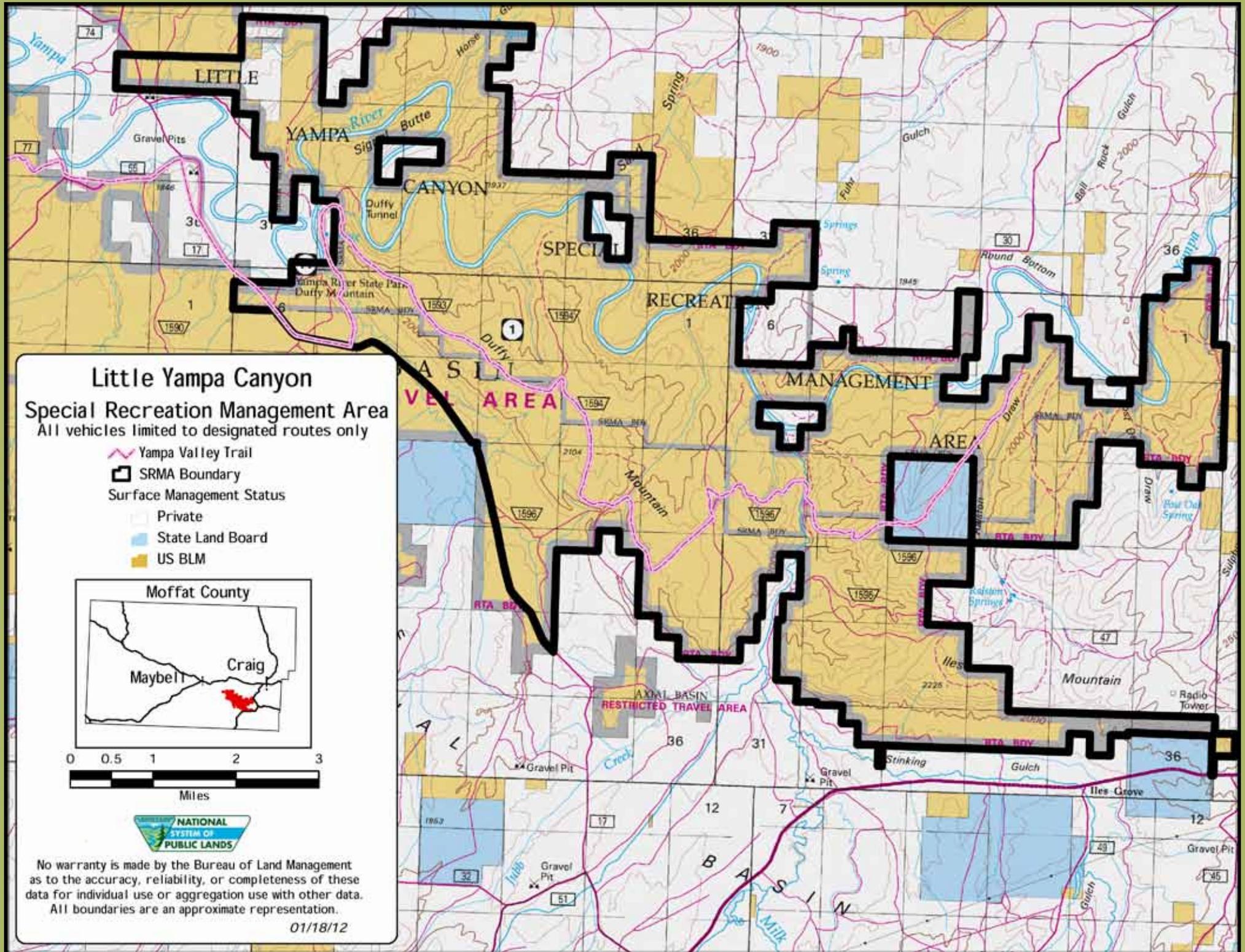
## Maps

BLM Meeker and Craig Color Quads (scale = 1:100,000).  
USGS Topographic Maps (scale = 1:24,000) – Castor Gulch (south of Craig), Round Bottom, Horse Gulch and Juniper Hot Springs are available from USGS, Box 25046, Denver Federal Center, Denver, Colorado 80225, phone (303) 236-5900 or at <http://store.usgs.gov>.

For more information contact the  
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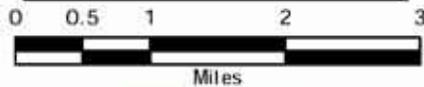
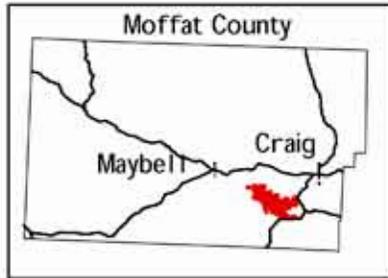


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#### Special Recreation Management Area

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- Yampa Valley Trail
- SRMA Boundary
- Surface Management Status
  - Private
  - State Land Board
  - US BLM



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