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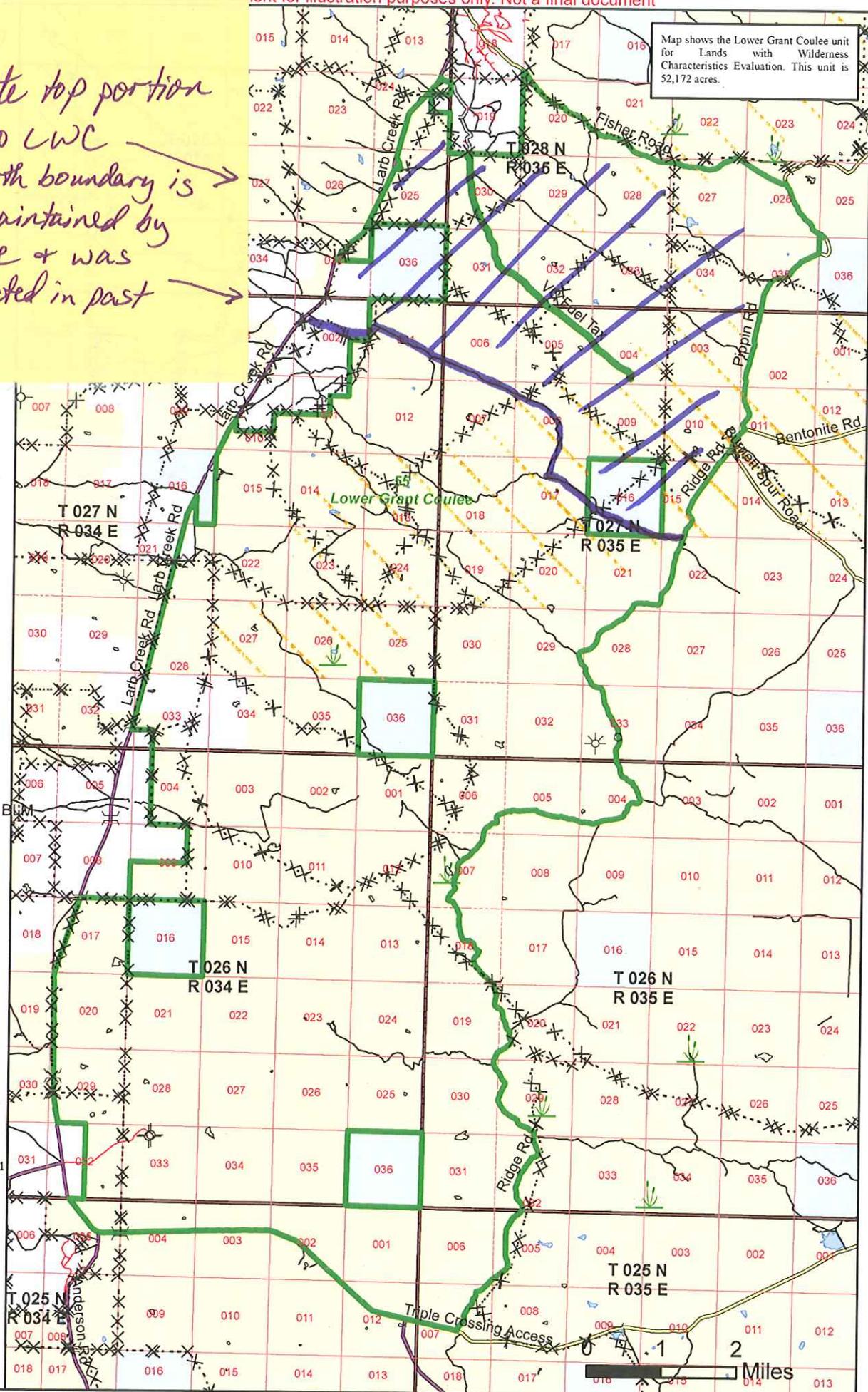


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Map shows the Lower Grant Coulees unit for Lands with Wilderness Characteristics Evaluation. This unit is 52,172 acres.

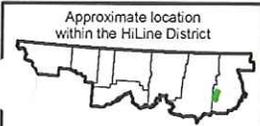
1) Eliminate top portion - no LWC
2) New north boundary is route maintained by permittee & was constructed in past

- LWC
- Uncl
- RES
- RIP_POI
- Uncl
- Type**
- CAT
- ISLANDS
- Communication Tower
- Mine
- LWC_OGwells**
- Oil and Gas Wells**
- 101
- 105
- 109
- Transmission Line
- Pasture Boundary
- Mining Claims
- Type; Maintenance**
- Unknown; Unknown
- Agreed Rd; <Null>
- Agreed Rd, County
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- Townships
- Section
- BLM - Land Utilization
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unit adjusted to
39,913 acres

Needs Visit

Grant Coulee MT-064-337 (part of)

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Wild Lands Inventory
Unit #55 - Lower Grant Coulee

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- LWC meeting Size Criteria
- Unclassified RIP
- RESERVOIR

RIP_POINT

- Unclassified RIP

Type

- CATTLEGUARD
- ISLANDS
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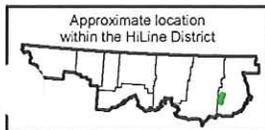
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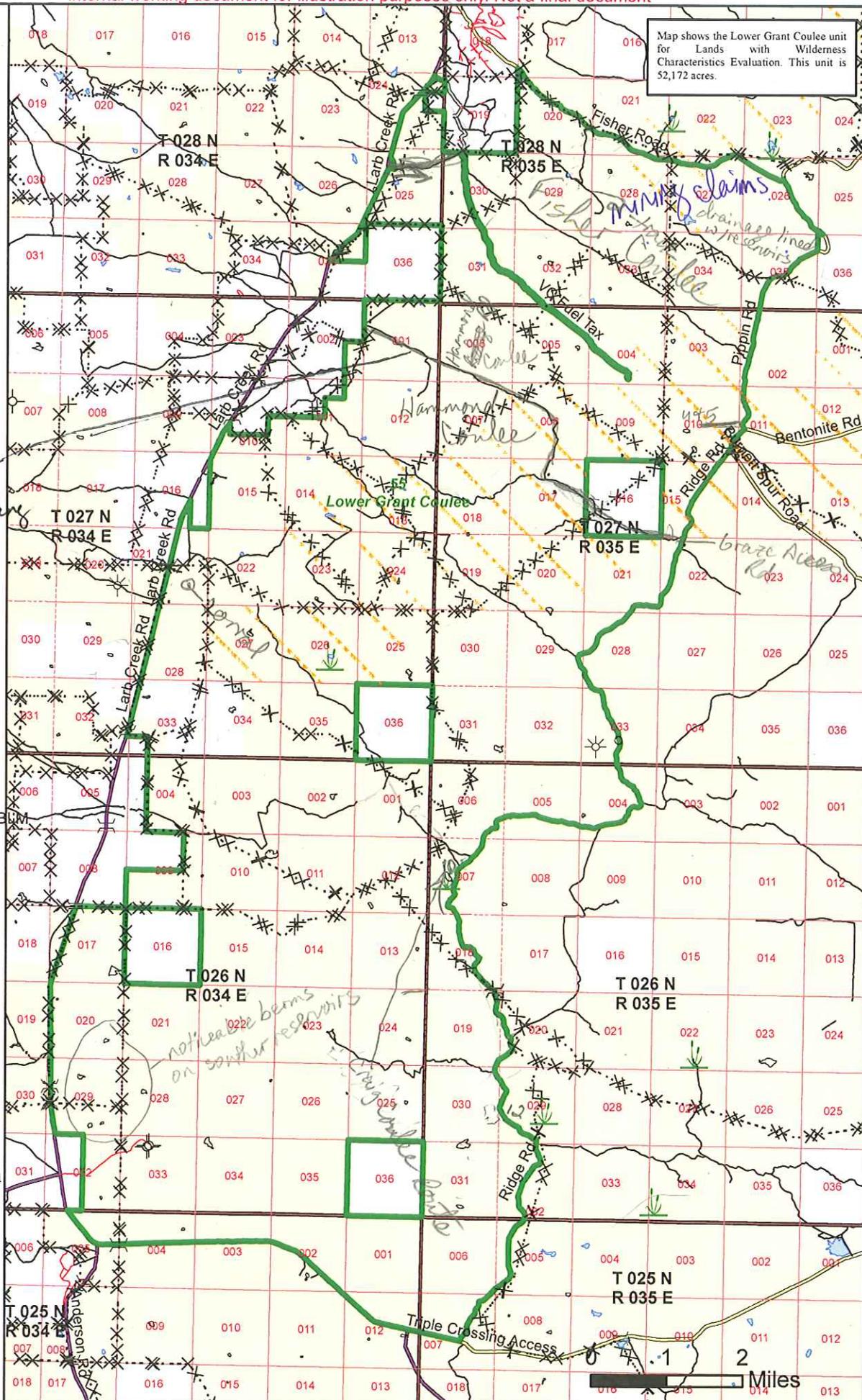
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6301-WILDERNESS CHARACTERISTICS INVENTORY

APPENDIX C – ROUTE ANALYSIS¹

(Factors to consider when determining whether a route is a road² for wilderness characteristics inventory purposes.)

Wilderness Inventory Area Unique Identifier: LOWER GRANT COULEE

Route or Route Segment³ Name and/or Identifier:

HAMMONS COULEE ROUTE

(Include Transportation Plan Identifier, if known, and include route number supplied by citizen information, when available.)

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

KATHY'S GRAZING ACCESS PHOTO

Describe:

II. ROUTE CONTEXT:

- A. Current Purpose⁴ (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:

PUBLIC ACCESS of GRAZING ADMIN.

B. Right-of-Way (ROW):

1. Is there a ROW associated with this route? Yes _____ No X 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)

1. Construction (is there evidence that the route or route segments was originally constructed using mechanical means?) Yes No _____.

Examples:

Paved _____ Bladed Graveled _____ Roadside Berms _____

Cut/Fill _____ Other _____

Describe:

ORIGINALLY CONSTRUCTED w/ BLADE for CAT

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:

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: ?

2. If the route or route segment is in good⁵ 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: *BLM WOULD AUTHORIZE GRAZING PERMITTEE TO MAINTAIN ROUTE*

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(s) 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 use relative to the purpose(s) of the route).⁶

PERMITTEE & HUNTERS

IV. CONCLUSION:

Does the route or route segment⁷ 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 No =Not a road for wilderness inventory purposes

Explanation⁸:

Evaluator(s):

Name	Title	Date
<i>RAY</i>		<i>July 12, 2011</i>
<i>JORDAN</i>		
<i>KATHY</i>		
<i>BRITAN</i>		

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² Road: An access route which has been improved and maintained by mechanical means to insure relatively regular and continuous use. A way maintained solely by the passage of vehicles does not constitute a road.

a. Improved and maintained – Actions taken physically by people to keep the road open to vehicle traffic. “Improved” does not necessarily mean formal construction. “Maintained” does not necessarily mean annual maintenance.

b. Mechanical means – Use of hand or power machinery or tools.

c. Relatively regular and continuous use – Vehicular use that has occurred and will continue to occur on a relatively regular basis. Examples are: access roads for equipment to maintain a stock water tank or other established water sources, access roads to maintained recreation sites or facilities, or access roads to mining claims.

³ If a portion of a route is found to meet the wilderness inventory road criteria (see Part III) and the remainder does not meet these criteria (e.g., a cherrystem road with a primitive route continuing beyond a certain point), identify each segment and explain the rationale for the separate findings under pertinent criteria

⁴ The purpose of a route is not a deciding factor in determining whether a route is a road for wilderness characteristics inventory purposes. The purpose of a route does provide context for factors on which such a determination may be based, particularly the question of whether maintenance of the route ensures relatively regular and continuous use. The purpose also helps to determine whether maintenance that may so far have been unnecessary to ensure such use would be approved by BLM when the need arises.

⁵ Good condition would be a condition that ensures regular and continuous use relative to the purposes of the route. Consider whether the route can be clearly followed in the field over its entire course and whether all or any portion of the route contains any impediments to travel.

⁶ Include estimate of travel rates for the stated purposes, e.g., trips/day or week or month or season or year or even multiple years in some facility maintenance cases.

⁷ If part of the route meets the wilderness inventory road definition and the remainder does not, describe the segment meeting the definition and any remaining portion not meeting the definition and why.

⁸ Describe and explain rationale for any discrepancies with citizen proposals.

6301-WILDERNESS CHARACTERISTICS INVENTORY

APPENDIX C – ROUTE ANALYSIS¹

(Factors to consider when determining whether a route is a road² for wilderness characteristics inventory purposes.)

Wilderness Inventory Area Unique Identifier: Lower Grant Coulee

Route or Route Segment³ Name and/or Identifier:

Craig Coulee Route
(Include Transportation Plan Identifier, if known, and include route number supplied by citizen information, when available.)

I. LOCATION: refer to attached map _____ and BLM corporate data (GIS). List photo point references (where applicable) or reference attached photo log: 10

Describe:

II. ROUTE CONTEXT:

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Describe:

Reservoir

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?
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Explain:

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A. Evidence of construction or improvement using mechanical means:

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Examples:

Culverts _____ Hardened Stream Crossings _____ Bridges _____ Drainage _____

Barriers _____ Other _____

Describe:

- 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:

2. If the route or route segment is in good⁵ 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:

- C. Relatively regular and continuous use (*does the route or route segment ensure relatively regular and continuous use?*) Yes _____ No

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hunting season use

IV. CONCLUSION:

Does the route or route segment⁷ 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 No =Not a road for wilderness inventory purposes

Explanation⁸:

Evaluator(s):

Name	Title	Date
<i>Kathy Tobler</i>		
<i>Brian Hockett</i>		
<i>Raj Neumiller</i>		
<i>Jordan Thompson</i>		

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APPENDIX D - PHOTO LOG

Photographer(s): K. Tribby

Inventory Area Unique Identifier: Lower Grant Coulee

Date	Frame #	Camera Direction	Description	GPS/UTM Location	Township	Range	Sec.	Photo Point #
7/12	1	SE	view from Fisher Rd	48°09.093 107°15.557	28 N	35E	30	
	2	S	↓	↓				
	3	S	N→S crossfence on east side	48°08.039 107°12.681	28 N	35E	33	
	4	W	view from NE ridge	48°06.408 107°11.614	27 N	35E	10	
	5	E	Graze Access Rd Hammond Coulee	48°05.860 107°14.392	27 N	35E	17	
	6	W	view from Ridge Rd	48°04.550 107°12.642	27 N	35E	22	
	7		View from Ridge Rd	48°02.151 107°13.097				
	8							
	9		↓					
	10	SW	trail to s. res	48°01.984 107°15.384	26 N	35E	6	
	11	W	Craig Reservoir					
	12	W	S. End limit from Ridge Rd				29	

Fisher unit out

