FORM 1

Documentation of BLM Wilderness Inventory Findings on Record

1. Is there existing BLM wilderness inventory information on all or part of this area?
No (Go to Form 2)_____ **Yes** __X _____ (If yes, and if more than one area is within the area, list the names of those areas.):
a) Inventory Source: Montana BLM's Initial Inventory (November 1978 – August 1979)
Montana BLM's Intensive Inventory (August 1979 - November 1980)
b) Inventory Area Name(s)/Number(s): Coyote Coulee MT-064-342, Pearson Coulee MT-064-338

c) Map Name(s)/Number(s): BLM Montana Wilderness Inventory Maps:
Final Initial Inventory Map (August 1979)
Proposed Wilderness Study Decision Map Lewistown & Miles City Districts (March 1980)
Final Inventory Decision Map Lewistown & Miles City Districts (November 1980)

d) BLM District(s)/Field Office(s): Lewistown / Valley Resource Area

2. BLM Inventory Findings on Record:
Existing inventory information regarding wilderness characteristics (if more than one BLM inventory area is associated with the area, list each area and answer each question individually for each inventory area):

Inventory source: Montana BLM's Initial Inventory (November 1978 – August 1979)					
Area Unique Identifier	**Sufficient Size? (acres)**	**Naturalness?**	**Outstanding Solitude?**	**Outstanding Primitive & Unconfined Recreation?**	**Supplemental Values?**
MT-064-342					
Comments	Original evaluation/inventory file could not be found				
MT-064-338					
Comments	Original evaluation/inventory file could not be found				
Inventory source: Montana BLM's Intensive Inventory (August 1979 - November 1980)					
MT-064-342	YES (22,430)	YES	NO	NO	--
Comments	The unit will not be studied for wilderness. Although the area appears natural, it's flat topography and lack of ecological diversity allows for neither an outstanding opportunity for solitude nor a primitive and unconfined type of recreation.				
MT-064-338	YES (23,840)	YES	NO	NO	--
Comments	The unit is not considered suitable for future wilderness study. Although the area appears natural, the lack of topographic diversity allows for neither an outstanding opportunity for solitude nor a primitive and unconfined type of recreation.				

FORM 2

Current Conditions: Presence or Absence of Wilderness Characteristics

a. Area Unique Identifier__Coyote Creek_- 71_____ Acreage__52,953_____
(If the inventory area consists of subunits, list the acreage of each and evaluate each separately).

(1) Is the area of sufficient size? *(If the area meets one of the exceptions to the size criterion, check "Yes" and describe the exception in the space provided below),* Yes_X_____ No _____
(Note: If "No" is checked the area does not have wilderness characteristics; check "NA" for the remaining questions below.)

This area contains over 5,000 acres of contiguous BLM-administered lands.

Description *(describe the boundaries of the area – wilderness inventory roads, property lines, etc.):*

The area is bordered by Willow Creek South Road on the south, then north along the Cactus Flats Road continuing north on the I-19 Road continuing North on the Wilderness Road and then east along the Little Beaver road. It then continues around BLM until it meets with Willow Creek South Road. There are 6 private and State inholdings and over 15 miles of cherry-stemmed roads within the unit.

(2) Does the area appear to be natural? Yes _____No ___X_____ N/A_____
(Note: If "No" is checked the area does not have wilderness characteristics; check "NA" for the remaining questions below.)

Description *(include land ownership, location, topography, vegetation, and summary of major human uses/activities):*

The northeast portion of this unit has several large water developments and a well with above ground pipe. The hills to the west of Willow Creek contain numerous and extensive OHV trails. The part boundaried by the Beaver Branch Road and Cactus Flat Road contains 2 separate water pipelines with wells and 50,000 gallon butyl rubber bags surrounded by 12 foot tall fences. There is a visible structure on deeded ground along Little Beaver Creek. The southern portion to the north of the Cactus Flat Road contains several large washed-out Retention Reservoirs with water spreader systems below them. These water spreaders have old vertical water gauging pipes in them. There are some old but visibly apparent contour furrowing projects also to the north of the Cactus Flat Road. The Cacus Flat Road connects to the Wilderness Ridge Road and both have been maintained and have cattle guards on them.

There are portions of 13 grazing units within the area with over 30 miles of interior fence and many miles of vehicle routes mostly associated with the water pipelines and stock tanks.

A power transmission line runs through the northeast portion of the unit.

During team review, the inventory unit was determined to not meet the apparent naturalness criteria of wilderness characteristics for the above reasons.

(3) Does the area (or the remainder of the area if a portion has been excluded due to unnaturalness and the remainder is of sufficient size) have outstanding opportunities for solitude?
Yes_____ No_____ N/A__X____

Description *(describe the area's outstanding opportunities for solitude):*

(4) Does the area (or the remainder of the area if a portion has been excluded due to unnaturalness and the remainder is of sufficient size) have outstanding opportunities for primitive and unconfined recreation? Yes_____ No_____ N/A__X____
(Note: If "No" is checked for both 3 and 4 the areas does not have wilderness characteristics; check "NA" for question 5.)

Description *(describe the area's outstanding opportunities for primitive and unconfined recreation):*

(5) Does the area have supplemental values (ecological, geological, or other features of scientific, educational, scenic or historical value)? Yes_____ No_____ N/A__X____
Description:

Summary of Analysis*

Area Unique Identifier: _ ___Coyote Creek_- 71_____

Summary
Results of analysis: *(Note: explain the inventory findings for the entirety of the inventory unit. When wilderness characteristics have been identified in an area that is smaller than the size of the total inventory unit, explain why certain portions of the inventory unit are not included in the lands with wilderness characteristics (e.g. the inventory found that certain parts lacked naturalness).)*

1. Does the area meet any of the size requirements? Yes___X_____ No_____

2. Does the area appear to be natural? Yes_____ No___X_____N/A_____

3. Does the area offer outstanding opportunities for solitude or a primitive and unconfined type of recreation? Yes_____ No_____N/A__X_____

4. Does the area have supplemental values? Yes_____ No_____N/A_____X
Check one:

_____ The area, or a portion of the area, has wilderness characteristics.

_____ The area does not have wilderness characteristics.

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