

**6301 -Wilderness Characteristics Inventory (public)**

**FORM 1**

**Documentation of BLM Wilderness Characteristics Inventory Findings on Record**

**1. Is there existing BLM wilderness characteristics inventory information on all or part of this area?**

**No** (Go to Form 2) Yes

**(If yes, and if more than one area is within the area, list the unique identifiers for those areas.):**

- a) Inventory Source:** GIS, Specialist’s Field Knowledge, Yellowstone Floaters Guide – Captain Clark to Forsyth
- b) Inventory Area Unique Identifier(s):** Hammond Valley Island; MT-020-033
- c) Map Name(s)/Number(s):** Hammond Valley Island; MT-020-033; T6N R40E
- d) BLM District(s)/Field Office(s):** MCFO

**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:** GIS

<b>Area Unique Identifier</b>	<b>Sufficient Size? Yes/No (acres)</b>	<b>Naturalness? Yes/No</b>	<b>Outstanding Solitude? Yes/No</b>	<b>Outstanding Primitive &amp; Unconfined Recreation? Yes/No</b>	<b>Supplemental Values? Yes/No</b>
MT-020-033	N/ approx. 75				

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**FORM 2**

**Current Conditions: Presence or Absence of Wilderness Characteristics**

Area Unique Identifier: Hammond Valley Island; MT-020-033

Acreage: Approximately 100 acres

**(If the inventory area consists of subunits, list the acreage of each and evaluate each separately).**

**In completing steps (1 )-( 5), use additional space as necessary.**

**(1) Is the area of sufficient size? (If the area meets one of the exceptions to the size criterion, highlight "Yes" and describe the exception in the space provided below),**

Yes

**No**

**Note: If "No" is highlighted the area does not have wilderness characteristics; check "NA" for the remaining questions below.**

**Description (describe the boundaries of the area--wilderness inventory roads, property lines, etc.):** This area is an island within the Yellowstone River, however the island needs to be surveyed as it may not be in existence as the river has changed course.

**(2) Does the area appear to be natural?**

Yes

No

**N/A:**

**Note: If "No" is highlighted the area does not have wilderness characteristics; highlight "NA" for the remaining questions below.**

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

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**(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

**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

**Note: If "No" is highlighted for both 3 and 4 the area does not have wilderness characteristics; highlight "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

**Description:**

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Summary of Analysis \*

Area Unique Identifier: Hammond Valley

Summary

Results of analysis:

This island is not recommended as a LWC as the island is very small and may no longer be in existence as the river has changed course due to recent flooding. The area would need re-surveyed.

(Note: explain the inventory findings for the entirety of the inventory unit. When an LWC has been identified that is smaller than the size of the total inventory unit, explain why certain portions of the inventory unit are not included in the LWC (e.g. the inventory found that certain parts lacked naturalness).

- 1. Does the area meet any of the size requirements? Yes **No**
- 2. Does the area appear to be natural? Yes No **N/A**
- 3. Does the area offer outstanding opportunities for solitude or a primitive and unconfined type of recreation? Yes No **N/A**
- 4. Does the area have supplemental values? Yes No **N/A**

Highlight one:

The area, or a portion of the area, has wilderness characteristics and is identified as Land with Wilderness Characteristics (L WC).

**The area does not have wilderness characteristics.**

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• This form documents information that constitutes an inventory finding on wilderness characteristics. It does not represent a formal land use allocation or a final agency decision subject to administrative remedies under either

