

5 CONSULTATION, COORDINATION, AND THE LIST OF PREPARERS FOR PREPARATION OF EIS

5.1 Public Participation

The scoping period was initiated by publication in the Federal Register of a NOI to prepare an EIS for the Project (Volume 72, No. 41, Friday, March 2, 2007, Page 9579). In addition, the BLM prepared and distributed news releases to the Elko Daily Free Press, Battle Mountain Bugle, and Reno Gazette Journal. A scoping letter was also distributed to government agencies, organizations, and individuals. The formal scoping period officially began on March 2, 2007, when the NOI was published and closed on Friday, April 2, 2007. The NOI invited scoping comments to be sent to the BLM through April 6, 2007. Public scoping meetings for the Project were held on March 27 and 28, 2007.

The meeting on March 27, 2007, was held in Eureka, Nevada, at the Eureka Opera House. A total of five members of the public attended this meeting, and no written comments were received.

The meeting on March 28, 2007, was held in Battle Mountain, Nevada, at the BLM MLFO. A total of 30 members of the public attended this meeting, and one written comment was provided.

A total of six written public comments or letters were received by the BLM during the 30 day public scoping period. In addition, three letters were received three months after the close of the public comment period. A summary of the issues that were identified during scoping are summarized in Section 1.8 of this EIS.

5.2 Environmental Impact Statement Preparation

In preparing the EIS, the BLM communicated with and received input from federal, state, and local agencies, as well as private organizations and individuals. The following is a list of the agencies and private organizations that provided input:

Federal Government Agencies

United States Environmental Protection Agency
National Park Service
United States Fish and Wildlife Service

State Government Agencies/Universities

Nevada Division of Forestry
Nevada Department of Wildlife
Nevada Natural Heritage Program
Nevada Department of Environmental Protection

Local Governments

Eureka County

Private Organizations

None currently identified.

5.3 Draft Environmental Impact Statement Distribution

First Name	Last Name	Company
		American Horse Protection Assoc.
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Craig	Roa, Vice Chair	Battle Mountain Band Council
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Athena	Brown, Superintendent	Bureau of Indian Affairs, Western NV Agency
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Mark & Martin	Etcheverry	Diamond Cattle Co.
Maurice	Frank Churchill	Duckwater Shoshone Tribe
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Alfreda	Jake	Elko Band Council
Gerald	Temoke, Chair	Elko Band Council
Alvin	Marques, Chair	Ely Shoshone Tribe
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Jessop	Carter	US EPA Region IX
Alfreda	Jake	Elko Band Council
Gerald	Temoke, Chair	Elko Band Council
Mark	Richards	Ely Shoshone Tribe
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Senator Harry Reid	Reid	

5.4 List of Preparers

5.4.1 Bureau of Land Management EIS Team

Resource/Responsibility	BLM Team Member	Degree and Experience	BLM Office Location
BLM Project Lead, NEPA Compliance, Environmental Justice	Angelica Rose	A.S. General Studies B.S. Environmental Studies emphasis Geography 8 years experience	Battle Mountain District Office
Cultural Resources, Paleontology	Teresa Dixon	B. A. Archaeology 11 years of experience	Battle Mountain District Office
Native American Traditional Values, Consultation	Gerald Dixon	B.S. Cultural Anthropology 13 years experience	Battle Mountain District Office
Floodplains, Migratory Birds, Sensitive Status Species, Air Quality	Duane Crimmins	B.S. Wildlife Biology 30 years experience	Battle Mountain District Office
Lands and Realty	Charles Lane	M.S. Geology B.S. Geology 31 years experience	Battle Mountain District Office
Recreation, Wilderness, Visual Resources	Todd Neville	B.S. Psychology, Minor Recreation M.B.A. Business Administration 11 years experience	Battle Mountain District Office
Fire Management	Lisa Walker	A.S. Forestry 15 years experience	Battle Mountain District Office
Rangeland Resources, Vegetation, Soils	Thomas Darrington	B.S. Rangeland Ecosystem Science 3+ years experience	Battle Mountain District Office
Rangeland Resources, Vegetation, Soils	Jason Spence	B.S. Rangeland Resources emphasis in Management; Minor in Crop and Soil Science 12 years of experience	Battle Mountain District Office
Hydrology	Jon Sherve	M.S. Hydrology/Hydrogeology B.A. Biological Sciences 15 years experience	Battle Mountain District Office
Hydrology	Tom Olsen	Ph.D. Geology, Engineering 27 years experience	Nevada State Office
Surface Water Hydrology	Robert Hassmiller	B.S. in Resource Conservation emphasis in Hydrology 5 years experience	Battle Mountain District Office
Forestry, Migratory Birds, Threatened and Endangered Species, Wildlife	Ryan Sandefur	M.S. Applied Natural Science B.S. Biology 10 years experience	Battle Mountain District Office
Wild Horses	Shawna Richardson	B.S. Natural Resource Science with emphasis in Range Management 18 years experience	Battle Mountain District Office
Air Resources	Craig Nicholls	B.S. in Atmospheric Sciences and an M.S. in Atmospheric Sciences	National Operations Center

Resource/Responsibility	BLM Team Member	Degree and Experience	BLM Office Location
		22 years of experience	
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Geographic Information System	Kathy Graham	B.S. Wildlife Management 14 years experience	Battle Mountain District Office
Environmental Coordinator	Christopher Worthington	B.S. Forestry 23 years experience	Battle Mountain District Office
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Mining Engineer	Larry Turner	B.S. Mining Engineering 30 years experience	Battle Mountain District Office

5.4.2 Third Party EIS Contractor - Enviroscientists, Inc.

Resource/Responsibility	Enviroscientists, Inc. Team Member	Degree and Experience
Project Manager, Land Use Authorizations and Access, Hazardous Materials, Historic Trails, Hydrology, Geochemistry, Native American Traditional Values, Environmental Justice, Cumulative analysis	Richard DeLong	M.S. Geology M.S. Resource Management B.A. Geology 25 years experience
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Vegetation Resources, Invasive Nonnative Species, Wetlands and Riparian Zones, Livestock Grazing and Production, Wild Horses, Wildlife, Forestry Products	Michele Lefebvre	Ph.D. Biology 7 years experience
Soils	Kaitlin Sweet	B.S. Hydrogeology 2 years experience
Geographic Information Systems	Gail Liebler	M.S. Geosciences B.A. Geology 15 years experience
Editor	Lynne Volpi	M.B.A. B.S. Geology 35 years experience
Auditory Resources (Subconsultant – Brown Bunton Association)	Jim Bunton	B.A. Zoology Board Certification – Noise Control Engineering 38 years experience
Hydrology (Subconsultant – Hydrologic Consultants, Inc.)	Dan Stone	Ph.D. Geophysics B.A. Geology and Physics 21 years experience
Geochemistry (Subconsultant – Integral Consulting, Inc.)	Andrew Nicholson	Ph.D. Geochemistry B.S. Geology 22 years of experience
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Resource/Responsibility	Enviroscientists, Inc. Team Member	Degree and Experience
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Cultural Resources (Subconsultant – Western Cultural Resource Management)	Ed Stoner	M.A. Anthropology 26 years experience
Cultural Resources (Subconsultant – Western Cultural Resource Management)	Collette Chambellan	M.A. Anthropology 35 years experience
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5.4.3 Cooperating Agencies

The following table lists the Cooperating Agencies, the associated individuals if applicable, and their qualifications.

Agency	Name	Degree and Experience
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Eureka County	Eureka County Board of Commissioners Lenny Fiorenzi, Jim Ithurrealde, and Mike Page) Eureka County elected and appointed officials. Eureka County Community NEPA Committee (Jim Gallagher, Christine Smith, Andy Marshall, Lloyd Morrison, Lee Raine, Ken Conley, Tim Bailey, J.J. Goicoechea, and Bob Burnham Jake Tibbitts	M.S. Geographic Information Science- Geospatial Rangeland B.S. Biology 7 years experience
National Park Service	Lee Kreutzer	Ph.D. Archaeology M.A. Archaeology B.A. Anthropology B.A. Communications 28 years experience

5.4.4 Other Information Contributors

The following table lists the organizations, the associated individuals, and their qualifications that assisted Eureka County in their review of the EIS.

Organization	Name	Degree and Experience
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RCS, Inc. (socioeconomics)	Rex Massy	B.A. Mathematics B.A. Economics MBA 24 years experience
Dale C. Bugenig Consulting Hydrogeologist, LLC (hydrogeology and water modeling)	Dale Bugenig	M.S. Hydrology and Hydrogeology B.A. Geology 32 years experience
Lahontan Geosciences, Inc. (hydrogeology and water modeling)	Carol Oberholtzer	M.S. Hydrogeology B.A. Earth Sciences 20 years experience
Hanlon Engineering (mine engineering and water use)	Randy Powell (currently employed by Tetra Tech)	B.S. Metallurgical Engineering 36 years experience
Walker & Associates (natural resources)	Steve Walker	B.S. Agriculture and Range Management 33 years experience
Tri Sage Consulting (fisheries biology and natural resources)	Lori Williams	B.S. Chemical Engineering 30 years experience
Chinook Engineering (fisheries biology)	Jay Kidder	B.S. Fisheries Biology B.S. Civil Engineering 27 years experience
Environ (air quality)	Kirk Wings	M.S. Chemical Engineering B.S. Earth and Planetary Science 30 years experience