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Memorandum

To: State Director, UT-922
Attention: Terry Catlin and Teresa Thompson

From: Michael Stiewig, Field Manager 

Subject: March Competitive Oil and Gas Lease Sale Parcel Recommendations

The Price Field Office has 39 parcels on the list for the March 2009 competitive oil and gas lease sale. The parcels were reviewed for land use plan conformance and NEPA adequacy as documented through completion of a Documentation of Land Use Plan Conformance and NEPA Adequacy (DNA) Worksheet attached to this Memorandum. Following is a summary of the determinations and recommendations:

Parcels Recommended For Sale

UT0309-051	UT0309-061	UT0309-073	UT0309-083
UT0309-052	UT0309-062	UT0309-074	UT0309-084
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Parcel Recommended for Deferral

None

Parcels Unavailable for Consideration

None

Notices and Stipulations

The following Notices and Stipulations were derived from the Price Field Office RMP and are listed below in an abbreviated form.

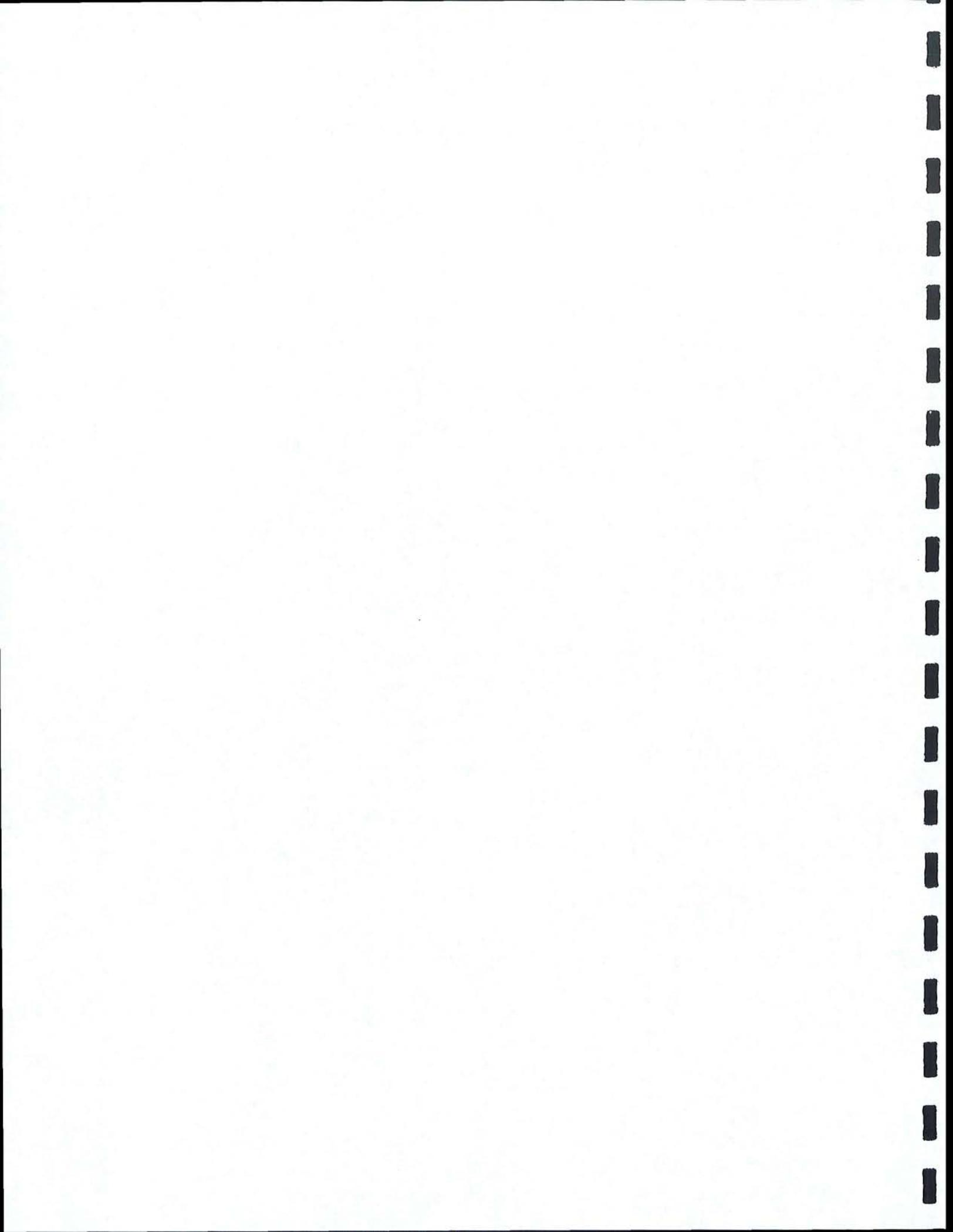
Code	Abbreviation	Stipulation	Time Limitation	Location
S-1	NSO-SGL	No Surface Occupancy (NSO) within 1/2 mile of greater sage-grouse leks.		Sage Grouse Leks
S-2	NSO-SONA	No Surface Occupancy (NSO) within 1/2 mile of known Mexican Spotted Owl (MSO) nests.		Spotted Owl Nest Areas
S-3	NSO-SG40	NSO on slopes > 40%		Slopes > 40%
S-4	NSO-Spri	No surface disturbance or occupancy would be maintained around natural springs to protect the water quality of the spring. The distance would be based on geophysical, riparian, and other factors necessary to protect the water quality of the springs. If these factors cannot be determined, a 660-foot buffer zone would be maintained.		Springs
S-5	NSO-PStr	No new surface disturbance (excluding fence lines) would be required in areas equal to the 100-year floodplain or 100-meters (330 feet) on either side from the centerline, whichever is greater, along all perennial and intermittent streams, streams with perennial reaches, and riparian areas.		Intermittent/perennial streams.
S-6	NSO-ACEC	NSO for cultural values within areas of critical environmental concern (ACEC) to retain the cultural character and context of the area.		ACEC with cultural R&I values
S-7	NSO-TSLS	NSO within Trail Springs/Lost Springs Wash segment of the Old Spanish National Historic Trail to retain the historic character of the trail.		Trail Springs/Lost Springs Wash segment
S-8	NSO-RSAS	NSO within developed recreation and administrative sites not consistent with the purpose of the site, including those authorized under a recreation and Public Purpose Act.		Developed recreation sites and administrative sites.
S-9	TL-DEWR	Mule deer and elk winter range would be closed seasonally.	December 1 to April 15	Crucial winter habitat
S-10	TL-DECA	Mule deer fawning and elk calving areas would be closed seasonally.	May 15 to July 5	Crucial fawning and calving areas. Located within the crucial summer habitat.
S-11	TL-DMSH	Desert bighorn sheep and Rocky Mountain bighorn sheep spring/lambing range would be closed seasonally.	April 15 to June 15	Desert bighorn sheep and rocky Mountain bighorn sheep crucial yearlong habitat.

S-12	TL-MWR	Moose winter range would be closed seasonally.	December 1 through April 15	Crucial yearlong moose habitat
S-13	TL-RNC	Raptor nesting complexes and known raptor nest sites would be closed seasonally.	February 1 to July 15	Known raptor nest sites (within 1.2 mile of nests occupied within the past 3 years) and raptor crucial cliff-nesting complex habitats.
S-14	TL-MBNA	Migratory bird nesting areas would be closed seasonally. Birds designated a BLM Special Status Species would have the highest priority.	April 15 to August 1	High value breeding habitat
S-15	TL- SGL	No surface disturbing or otherwise disruptive activities within 2 miles of a know greater sage-grouse lek.	March 15 to July 15	Sage-grouse leks and associated nesting/brood-rearing habitats
S-16	TL-SGWA	Sage-grouse wintering areas would be closed seasonally.	December 1 to March 14	Sage-grouse crucial winter habitat.
S-17	TL-HCWS	High-country watershed areas would be closed seasonally.	December 1 to April 15	Areas above 7,000 feet in elevation.
S-18	CSU-2040	In surface disturbing proposals regarding construction on slopes of 20 to 40% include an approved erosion control strategy and topsoil segregation/restoration plan. Such construction must be properly surveyed and designed by a certified engineer and approved by the BLM prior to project implementation, construction, or maintenance.		Slopes between 20% and 40%
S-19	CSU-VRMII	Within VRM II areas, surface disturbing activities would comply with BLM Handbook 8431-1 to retain the existing character of the landscape.		VRM II areas
S-20	CSU-CRI	Cultural resources inventories (including point, area, and linear features) would be required for all federal undertakings that could affect cultural resources or historic properties in areas of both direct and indirect impacts.		All areas
S-21a	CSU-PALE	An assessment of fossil resources would be required on a case-by-case basis, mitigating as necessary before and during surface disturbance.		All Areas
S-21b	CSU-PALE	An assessment of fossil resources would be required on a case-by-case basis, mitigating as necessary during surface disturbance.		All Areas

S-22	CSU-DCH	Any surface use or occupancy within designated critical habitat would be strictly controlled through close scrutiny of any surface use plan filled to protect habitat values and the use of the area by Mexican spotted owls. Modifications to the Surface Use Plan of Operations may be required for the protection of these resources. This limitation may apply to operation and maintenance of producing wells.	Designated critical habitat.
S-23		Follow guidelines and implement management recommendations presented in species recovery or conservation plans or alternative management strategies developed in consultation with USFWS. Use emergency actions where use threatens known communities of special status plant or animal species. Prohibit surface disturbances that may affect listed species or critical habitat of listed or candidate plants or animals without consultation or conference (ESA, Section 7) between the BLM and USFWS.	
S-24		Continue implementation of noxious weed and invasive species control actions in accordance with national guidance and local weed management plans, in cooperation with State, federal, affected counties, adjoining private land owners, and other partners or interests directly affected. Implement Standard Operating Procedures and Mitigation Measures for herbicide use as well as prevention measures for noxious and invasive plants identified in the Record of Decision Vegetation Treatments Using Herbicides on Bureau of Land Management Lands in 17 Western States PEIS and associated documents.	
WO-IM-2005-003	Cultural		
Wo-IM-2002-174	Endangered Species Act		
UT-LN-15	Historical and Cultural Resources. Old Spanish Trail. Modifications to the Surface Use Plan of Operations may be required for the protection of these resources.		
UT-LN-52	Utah Sensitive Species		
T&E-02	Black-Footed Ferret		
T&E-03	Endangered Fish of the Upper Colorado River Drainage Basin		
T&E -06	Mexican Spotted Owl		
UT-LN-102	Pronghorn Fawning Habitat (CFR Title 43, Volume 2 Part 3101.1-2)		

Attachments:

1. DNA
2. List of Offered Parcels with Stipulations and Notices
3. Deferred Parcel Table
4. Staff Reports and ID Team Analysis



Worksheet
Documentation of Land Use Plan Conformance and Determination of NEPA Adequacy (DNA)

U.S. Department of the Interior
Utah Bureau of Land Management (BLM)

The signed CONCLUSION at the end of this worksheet is part of an interim step in the BLM's internal analysis process and does not constitute an appealable decision; however, it constitutes an administrative record to be provided as evidence in protest, appeals and legal procedures.

A. BLM Office: Price Field Office (LLUTG02000)

Proposed Action Title: March, 2009 Competitive Oil and Gas Lease Sale

Location of Proposed Action: Parcels are within Carbon and Emery Counties, Utah. Attachment 2 contains the legal description for these parcels.

Description of the Proposed Action: The Utah State Office proposes to offer the referenced parcels of land in Carbon and Emery Counties, Utah administered by the Price Field Office for oil and gas leasing in a competitive lease sale to be held in March 2009. These parcels were assessed for land use plan compliance and NEPA adequacy. Attachment 2 lists each parcel including special lease stipulations and lease notices. These parcels include public lands or lands in which the mineral estate is administered by the BLM. If a parcel of land is not purchased at the lease sale by competitive bidding, it may still be leased within two years after the initial offering under a current review of NEPA adequacy. A lease may be held for ten years, after which the lease expires unless oil or gas is produced in paying quantities. A producing lease can be held indefinitely by economic production.

Planning decisions place certain lands in a no leasing category. Most lands are leased with minor stipulations attached to the lease from the appropriate land use plan for the area. Some lands are leased with limited areas of no surface occupancy within the lease boundaries. Some lands are leased with no stipulations other than those found on the standard lease contract form. A lease grants the right to drill for oil and gas at some location on the lease.

A lessee must submit an Application for Permit to Drill (APD) (Form 3160-3) to the BLM for approval and must possess an approved APD prior to any surface disturbance in preparation for drilling. Any stipulations attached to the standard lease form must be complied with before an APD may be approved. Following BLM approval of an APD, a lessee may produce oil and gas from the well in a manner approved by BLM in the APD or in subsequent sundry notices. The operator must notify the appropriate authorized officer, 48 hours before starting any surface disturbing activity approved in the APD.

B. Conformance with the Land Use Plan (LUP) and Related Subordinate Implementation Plans

- Price Field Office Resource Management Plan (PRMP), 2008

The proposed action is in conformance with the applicable LUP because it is specifically provided for in the following LUP decisions:

The RMP describes specific lease stipulations (Appendix R-3 of the PRMP) that apply to a variety of different resources including raptors, greater sage-grouse, and big game habitat, as well as program-related Best Management Practices (Appendix R-14 of the PRMP) that may be applied on a case-by-case, site-specific basis to prevent, minimize, or mitigate resource impacts.

Furthermore, the PRMP states that BLM will, "Review all lease parcels prior to lease sale. If the PFO determines that new resource data information or circumstances relevant to the decision is available at the time of the lease review that warrants changing a leasing allocation or specific lease stipulation, the PFO will make appropriate changes through the plan maintenance or amendment process. The PFO may also apply appropriate conditions of approval at the permitting stage to ensure conformance with the LUP and all applicable law, regulation, and policies." (Department of the Interior, 2008).

C. Identify the applicable NEPA document(s) and other related documents that cover the proposed action.

- Price Field Office Resource Management Plan, 2008

D. NEPA Adequacy Criteria

1. Is the current proposed action substantially the same action (or is a part of that action) as previously analyzed in the RMP?

Item 1: Yes for the following parcels:

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Item 1: Rationale for Yes: The Price RMP analyzed the leasing of parcels for development of mineral resources.

Item 1: No for the following parcel:

None

2. Is the range of alternatives analyzed in the existing NEPA document(s) appropriate with respect to the current proposed action, given current environmental concerns, interests, resource values, and circumstances?

Item 2: Yes for the following parcels:

UT0309-051	UT0309-058	UT0309-065	UT0309-074
UT0309-052	UT0309-059	UT0309-066	UT0309-075
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UT0309-057	UT0309-064	UT0309-073	UT0309-080

UT0309-081	UT0309-084	UT0309-089	UT0309-093
UT0309-082	UT0309-087	UT0309-091	UT0309-094
UT0309-083	UT0309-088	UT0309-092	

Item 2: Rationale for Yes: The range of alternatives in the Price RMP are appropriate. In the RMP, BLM evaluated leasing and four other alternatives, to not allow leasing. The Record of Decision of the 2008 Price RMP states that alternatives were considered throughout the document including no action, open to leasing, leasing with special stipulations, no surface occupancy and no leasing.

Item 2: No for the following parcel:

None

3. **Is existing analysis adequate in light of any new information or circumstances (including, for example, riparian proper functioning condition [PFC] reports; rangeland health standards assessments; Unified Watershed Assessment categorizations; inventory and monitoring data; most recent U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service lists of threatened, endangered, proposed, and candidate species; most recent BLM lists of sensitive species)? Can you reasonably conclude that all new information and all new circumstances are insignificant with regard to analysis of the proposed action?**

Item 3: Yes for the following parcels:

UT0309-051	UT0309-061	UT0309-073	UT0309-083
UT0309-052	UT0309-062	UT0309-074	UT0309-084
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Item 3: Rationale for "Yes": The Price RMP is adequate. The PRMP is the culmination of over five years of research, documentation, and discussion with environmental professionals, industry, and the public.

Environmental Justice: The ethnic composition and economic situation of residents of Carbon and Emery Counties indicate that no minority or low-income populations are experiencing disproportionately high or adverse effects from current management actions (Price RMP, pg 4-402). Leasing would not adversely or disproportionately affect minority, low income or disadvantaged groups.

Groundwater: Groundwater quality for the land proposed for lease was analyzed in the original planning documents. Usable water zones would be isolated and protected under current regulations and Onshore Orders when permits are submitted and considered for approval.

Invasive, Non-native Species: Currently the Price Field office has agreements with Carbon and Emery county to treat noxious weeds on federal lands in which the county maintains roads. Furthermore, noxious weed introduction is limited by standard operating procedures and best management practices used as conditions of approval for surface use authorizations. These practices include, equipment washing,

inspections and treatments to limit the spread or introduction of invasive, not-native species. Lease notices are applied to parcels that are in areas where invasive, non-native species already occur. The parcels offered in this lease sale are not within an area known to contain invasive, non-native species.

Native American Religious Concerns: On January 14, 2009 certified consultation letters (attached to the cultural staff report in Attachment 4) were sent to the following Tribes: Pueblo of Laguna, Pueblo of Nambe, Pueblo of Santa Clara, Pueblo of Zia, Pueblo of Zuni, Navajo, Hopi, Uintah and Ouray Ute, Ute Mountain Ute, and Paiute. The letters requested comments to be provided to the PFO within 30 days upon receipt of the letter.

Cultural Resources: The area of potential effect as defined for the March 2009 Oil and Gas Lease Sale is identified by the legal descriptions provided in Attachment 2 for each lease parcel. The parcels within this lease sale were reviewed for the presence of cultural resources.

The information on previous archaeological inventories and recorded sites comes from the archaeological site files located at the BLM Field Office in Price, Utah. Additional sites are expected to exist that have not been recorded. The existing inventories and others surrounding these parcels are sufficient to determine that historic properties are likely to be present on each proposed lease parcel.

This evaluation is based on the assumption, supported by topography, perceived site density, existing access possibilities and previous inventories in the areas of the parcel, that there should be a place on each lease parcel that one five acre well pad could be developed without directly affecting a significant cultural resource. Also it is the policy of this office that with the addition of the stipulation required by WO IM 2005-003, the BLM can avoid all impacts to cultural resources. Any additional concerns would be addressed in site specific NEPA documentation.

It is submitted that this oil and gas lease undertaking falls under the purview of the Protocol negotiated between BLM and the Utah State Historic Preservation Office, a document designed to assist BLM in meeting its responsibilities under the National Historic Preservation Act, various implementing regulations, and the National Cultural Programmatic Agreement. Further, the view taken here is that the undertaking does not exceed any of the review thresholds listed in Part VII (A) of the Protocol, and that it may be viewed as a No Historic Properties Affected; eligible sites present, but not affected as defined by 36CFR800.4 [VII (A) C (4)]. This undertaking will be documented in the Protocol log and sent to the SHPO in March 2009.

To assure appropriate consideration of future effects from the March 2009 lease sale, the BLM will add the following "lease stipulation" (WO-IM-2005-003), to all parcels offered for lease.

"This lease may be found to contain historic properties and/or resources protected under the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA), American Indian Religious Freedom Act, Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act, E.O. 13007, or other statutes and executive orders. The BLM will not approve any ground disturbing activities that may affect any such properties or resources until it completes its obligations under applicable requirements of the NHPA and other authorities. The BLM may require modification to exploration, or development proposals to protect such properties, or disapprove any activity that is likely to result in adverse effects that cannot be successfully avoided, minimized or mitigated." (WO-IM 2005-03).

Special Status Species: Habitat evaluations were conducted for special status plant and wildlife species. Parcels containing potential habitat for threatened or endangered plant species have stipulations attached. Therefore there will likely be "no affect" on federally listed plant species within the Price Field Office.

The Price RMP has adequately addressed impacts which may result from oil and gas development regarding special status wildlife species. Therefore the current management guidance is sufficient to protect special status wildlife species.

Wilderness Characteristics: Several parcels are proximal to Wilderness Study Areas (WSAs); however, stipulations included for those parcels will mitigate any potential impacts for those adjacent to WSAs.

ACECs: Several parcels are in and associated with ACECs which require special efforts for protection. The stipulations assigned to these parcels would mitigate any potential impacts.

Paleontological Resources: The parcels recommended for lease are within areas where paleontological resources are known to occur in high concentrations. For those leases locating in the Green River Formation areas, pre-work surveys are not recommended; however, a qualified paleontologist is required to be on site during earth-disturbing activities. For parcels in the Morrison and Cedar Mountain Formation areas, a pre-work survey is required in addition to having a qualified paleontologist present during surface disturbing activities. These stipulations would mitigate possible impacts to paleontological resources.

Wild Horse and Burro Resources: The parcels recommended for lease are not within a Wild Horse and burro Management Area.

Item 3: No for the following parcels:

None

4. Do the methodology and analytical approach used in the existing NEPA document(s) continue to be appropriate for the current proposed action?

Item 4: Yes for the following parcels:

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Item 4: Rationale for "Yes": The methodology and approach used in the Price RMP is adequate.

Item 4: No for the following parcel:

None

5. Are the direct and indirect impacts of the current proposed action substantially unchanged from those identified in the existing NEPA document(s)? Do the existing NEPA documents analyze impacts related to the current proposed action at a level of specificity appropriate to the proposal (plan level, programmatic level, project level)?

Item 5: Yes for the following parcels:

UT0309-051	UT0309-061	UT0309-073	UT0309-083
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Item 5: Rationale for "Yes": The RMP evaluated the direct and indirect impacts of oil and gas leasing. No significant new information or circumstances have been identified which would render the existing analyses inadequate for leasing the above parcels.

Item 5: No for the following parcels:

None

6. **Can you conclude without additional analysis or information that the cumulative impacts that would result from implementation of the current proposed action are substantially unchanged from those analyzed in the existing NEPA document(s)?**

Item 6: Yes for the following parcels:

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Item 6: Rationale for "Yes": The cumulative impacts of oil and gas including coal-bed methane development have been analyzed in the Price RMP, 2008.

The Price RMP analyzed 1900 well locations, 600 of which are located on the West Tavaputs plateau. Because the reasonably foreseeable level of oil and gas activity analyzed is still appropriate and additional connected, cumulative, or similar actions are not anticipated; potential cumulative impacts are substantially unchanged from those analyzed in the Price RMP.

Item 6: No for the following parcels:

None

7. Are the public involvement and interagency review associated with existing NEPA document(s) adequate for the current proposed action?

Item 7: Yes for the following parcels:

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Item 7: Rational for "Yes": The public involvement and interagency review procedures and findings provided extensive public and other agency involvement opportunities during the scoping process in early 2002. Scoping meetings were held in Salt Lake, Green River, Price, Castle Dale, and Moab, Utah, and in Grand Junction, Colorado. The scoping period, its results, and additional agency and public participation are described in Chapter 5 of the RMP, Consultation and Coordination. The *Draft RMP/EIS* and *Notice of Availability (NOA)* was published July 2004. The *Draft EIS* considered public and agency comments received during the scoping process, described the alternatives, described the environment that would be affected, and assessed the potential impacts. The public and agencies reviewed and commented on the *Draft EIS* during a comment period that ended November 29, 2004. The BLM held public open houses for informational purposes and received comments from the public. Analysis and response to public comments are described and contained in Chapter 5 of the RMP under the heading "Comment Analysis." Additional public comment periods were held for the Draft RMP/EIS ACEC information (December 13, 2005 through February 12, 2006), the *Supplemental Information and Analysis to the Price Field Office Draft RMP/EIS for ACECs* (June 9, 2006 through September 7, 2006), and the *Supplement to the Price Field Office Draft RMP/EIS for Non-WSA Lands with Wilderness Characteristics* (September 14, 2007 through December 13, 2007). The purpose of the Proposed RMP/Final EIS was for the BLM to assess, consider, and respond to comments received on the Draft RMP/EIS and to lay out the Proposed RMP for management of public lands using the draft alternatives as a base line. A 30-day protest period followed the release of the Proposed RMP/Final EIS, along with a 60-day governor's consistency review.

Item 7: No for the following parcels:

None

E. **Interdisciplinary Analysis:** Identify those team members conducting or participating in the preparation of this worksheet. An Interdisciplinary checklist is attached to this DNA.

Name	Title	Resource Represented
Blaine Miller	Archeologist	Native American Consultation
Tom Gnojek	Outdoor Recreation Planner	Wilderness, Recreation
Floyd Johnson	Environmental Coordinator	NEPA
Karl Ivory	Natural Resource Specialist	T&E Plants/Weeds
Mike Leschin	Geologist/Paleontology	Paleontology
Blaine Miller	Archaeologist	Cultural Resource
Mike Tweddell	Range Management Specialist	Wild Horses & Burros
David Waller	Wildlife Biologist	T&E Wildlife
Chris Conrad	Geologist	Geology
Dana Truman	Range Management Specialist	Soil, Vegetation
Jeff Brower	Hydrologist	Farmlands, Floodplains, Water Quality

F. **Mitigation Measures:** The following Lease Notices and/or Lease Stipulations should be applied to the identified, subsequent parcels (these are in addition to those applied by the Utah State Office).

In addition to the Stipulations below, the Washington Office (WO-IM-2005-003), (WO-IM-2002-174) and Stipulation S-25: Air Quality should be applied to all parcels:

UT0309-051	S-13, UT-LN-52, T&E-02
UT0309-052	S-4, S-5, UT-LN-52
UT0309-053	S-4, S-5, UT-LN-52
UT0309-054	S-4, S-13, S-21a, UT-LN-52, T&E-02
UT0309-055	S-21a, UT-LN-52, T&E-02
UT0309-056	S-4, S-5, S-21a, UT-LN-102
UT0309-057	UT-LN-52, T&E-02, UT-LN-102
UT0309-058	UT-LN-52, T&E-02, UT-LN-102
UT0309-059	S-21a, UT-LN-52, T&E-02, UT-LN-102
UT0309-060	S-4, S-5, S-21a
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UT0309-062	S-21a, UT-LN-52, T&E-02, UT-LN-102
UT0309-063	S-21a, UT-LN-102
UT0309-064	S-21a, UT-LN-52, T&E-02
UT0309-065	S-13, S-21a, UT-LN-52, T&E-02, UT-LN-102
UT0309-066	S-21a, UT-LN-52, T&E-02, UT-LN-102
UT0309-067	S-21a, UT-LN-52, T&E-02, UT-LN-102
UT0309-068	S-4, TL-13, UT-LN-52, T&E-02, S-19, UT-LN-102
UT0309-069	S-24, UT-LN-52, T&E-02, S-19
UT0309-070	UT-LN-52, T&E-02, UT-LN-102
UT0309-073	S-24, UT-LN-52, T&E-02, S-19
UT0309-074	S-21a, UT-LN-102
UT0309-075	S-21a, UT-LN-102
UT0309-076	S-21a
UT0309-077	S-21a
UT0309-078	S-5, S-9, S-21a
UT0309-079	S-4, S-5, S-9, S-21a
UT0309-080	S-4, S-9, S-21a, S-24
UT0309-081	S-21a, S-24, UT-LN-102
UT0309-082	S-9, S-13, S-21a, S-24, UT-LN-52, T&E-02, UT-LN-102
UT0309-083	S-9, S-13, S-21a, S-24, UT-LN-52, T&E-02, UT-LN-102
UT0309-084	S-4, S-24, UT-LN-52, T&E-02, S-19, UT-LN-102
UT0309-087	UT-LN-52, T&E-02, UT-LN-102
UT0309-088	S-24
UT0309-089	S-4, S-21a
UT0309-091	S-4, S-21a, S-24
UT0309-092	S-13, S-21a, S-24
UT0309-093	S-4, S-24
UT0309-094	S-21a, S-24

CONCLUSIONS

Plan Conformance and Determination of NEPA Adequacy

Based on the review documented above, I conclude that the following parcels conform with the existing land use plans and have adequate NEPA:

UT0309-051	UT0309-061	UT0309-073	UT0309-083
UT0309-052	UT0309-062	UT0309-074	UT0309-084
UT0309-053	UT0309-063	UT0309-075	UT0309-087
UT0309-055	UT0309-064	UT0309-076	UT0309-088
UT0309-054	UT0309-065	UT0309-077	UT0309-089
UT0309-056	UT0309-066	UT0309-078	UT0309-091
UT0309-057	UT0309-067	UT0309-079	UT0309-092
UT0309-058	UT0309-068	UT0309-080	UT0309-093
UT0309-059	UT0309-069	UT0309-081	UT0309-094
UT0309-060	UT0309-070	UT0309-082	

Based on information identified in the 2008 Price RMP EIS, the current land management prescriptions no longer provide adequate protection of specific resource values located within the parcels listed below (refer to Attachment 3 deferred parcel table rationale).

None



Signature of the Responsible Official

2/6/09

Date

List of Offered Parcels with Stipulations and Notices

Attachment 2

Price Field Office

March 2009 Preliminary Oil and Gas Lease Sale List

- Parcels with Stipulations
- Abbreviated Stipulations
- Legal Descriptions
- Appendix G Price RMP

In addition to the Stipulations below, the Washington Office (WO-IM-2005-003) and (WO-IM-2002-174) should be applied to all parcels:

UT0309-051	S-13, UT-LN-52, T&E-02
UT0309-052	S-4, S-5, UT-LN-52
UT0309-053	S-4, S-5, UT-LN-52
UT0309-054	S-4, S-13, S-21a, UT-LN-52, T&E-02
UT0309-055	S-21a, UT-LN-52, T&E-02
UT0309-056	S-4, S-5, S-21a, UT-LN-102
UT0309-057	UT-LN-52, T&E-02, UT-LN-102
UT0309-058	UT-LN-52, T&E-02, UT-LN-102
UT0309-059	S-21a, UT-LN-52, T&E-02, UT-LN-102
UT0309-060	S-4, S-5, S-21a
UT0309-061	S-4, S-5, S-14, S-21a, UT-LN-52, T&E-02, UT-LN-102
UT0309-062	S-21a, UT-LN-52, T&E-02, UT-LN-102
UT0309-063	S-21a, UT-LN-102
UT0309-064	S-21a, UT-LN-52, T&E-02
UT0309-065	S-13, S-21a, UT-LN-52, T&E-02, UT-LN-102
UT0309-066	S-21a, UT-LN-52, T&E-02, UT-LN-102
UT0309-067	S-21a, UT-LN-52, T&E-02, UT-LN-102
UT0309-068	S-4, TL-13, UT-LN-52, T&E-02, S-19, UT-LN-102
UT0309-069	S-24, UT-LN-52, T&E-02, S-19
UT0309-070	UT-LN-52, T&E-02, UT-LN-102
UT0309-073	S-24, UT-LN-52, T&E-02, S-19
UT0309-074	S-21a, UT-LN-102
UT0309-075	S-21a, UT-LN-102
UT0309-076	S-21a
UT0309-077	S-21a
UT0309-078	S-5, S-9, S-21a
UT0309-079	S-4, S-5, S-9, S-21a
UT0309-080	S-4, S-9, S-21a, S-24
UT0309-081	S-21a, S-24, UT-LN-102
UT0309-082	S-9, S-13, S-21a, S-24, UT-LN-52, T&E-02, UT-LN-102
UT0309-083	S-9, S-13, S-21a, S-24, UT-LN-52, T&E-02, UT-LN-102
UT0309-084	S-4, S-24, UT-LN-52, T&E-02, S-19, UT-LN-102

UT0309-087	UT-LN-52, T&E-02, UT-LN-102
UT0309-088	S-24
UT0309-089	S-4, S-21a
UT0309-091	S-4, S-21a, S-24
UT0309-092	S-13, S-21a, S-24
UT0309-093	S-4, S-24
UT0309-094	S-21a, S-24

Abbreviated Notices and Stipulations are listed below. The full version (Appendix G of the RMP) is attached.

Code	Abbreviation	Stipulation	Time Limitation	Location
S-1	NSO-SGL	No Surface Occupancy (NSO) within 1/2 mile of greater sage-grouse leks.		Sage Grouse Leks
S-2	NSO-SONA	No Surface Occupancy (NSO) within 1/2 mile of known Mexican Spotted Owl (MSO) nests.		Spotted Owl Nest Areas
S-3	NSO-SG40	NSO on slopes > 40%		Slopes > 40%
S-4	NSO-Spri	No surface disturbance or occupancy would be maintained around natural springs to protect the water quality of the spring. The distance would be based on geophysical, riparian, and other factors necessary to protect the water quality of the springs. If these factors cannot be determined, a 660-foot buffer zone would be maintained.		Springs
S-5	NSO-PStr	No new surface disturbance (excluding fence lines) would be required in areas equal to the 100-year floodplain or 100-meters (330 feet) on either side from the centerline, whichever is greater, along all perennial and intermittent streams, streams with perennial reaches, and riparian areas.		Intermittent/perennial streams.
S-6	NSO-ACEC	NSO for cultural values within areas of critical environmental concern (ACEC) to retain the cultural character and context of the area.		ACEC with cultural R&I values
S-7	NSO-TSLS	NSO within Trail Springs/Lost Springs Wash segment of the Old Spanish National Historic Trail to retain the historic character of the trail.		Trail Springs/Lost Springs Wash segment
S-8	NSO-RSAS	NSO within developed recreation and administrative sites not consistent with the purpose of the site,		Developed recreation sites and administrative

		including those authorized under a recreation and Public Purpose Act.		sites.
S-9	TL-DEWR	Mule deer and elk winter range would be closed seasonally.	December 1 to April 15	Crucial winter habitat
S-10	TL-DECA	Mule deer fawning and elk calving areas would be closed seasonally.	May 15 to July 5	Crucial fawning and calving areas. Located within the crucial summer habitat.
S-11	TL-DMSH	Desert bighorn sheep and Rocky Mountain bighorn sheep spring/lambing range would be closed seasonally.	April 15 to June 15	Desert bighorn sheep and rocky Mountain bighorn sheep crucial yearlong habitat.
S-12	TL-MWR	Moose winter range would be closed seasonally.	December 1 through April 15	Crucial yearlong moose habitat
S-13	TL-RNC	Raptor nesting complexes and known raptor nest sites would be closed seasonally.	February 1 to July 15	Known raptor nest sites (within 1.2 mile of nests occupied within the past 3 years) and raptor crucial cliff-nesting complex habitats.
S-14	TL-MBNA	Migratory bird nesting areas would be closed seasonally. Birds designated a BLM Special Status Species would have the highest priority.	April 15 to August 1	High value breeding habitat
S-15	TL- SGL	No surface disturbing or otherwise disruptive activities within 2 miles of a known greater sage-grouse lek.	March 15 to July 15	Sage-grouse leks and associated nesting/brood-rearing habitats
S-16	TL-SGWA	Sage-grouse wintering areas would be closed seasonally.	December 1 to March 14	Sage-grouse crucial winter habitat.
S-17	TL-HCWS	High-country watershed areas would be closed seasonally.	December 1 to April 15	Areas above 7,000 feet in elevation.

S-18	CSU-2040	In surface disturbing proposals regarding construction on slopes of 20 to 40% include an approved erosion control strategy and topsoil segregation/restoration plan. Such construction must be properly surveyed and designed by a certified engineer and approved by the BLM prior to project implementation, construction, or maintenance.	Slopes between 20% and 40%
S-19	CSU-VRMII	Within VRM II areas, surface disturbing activities would comply with BLM Handbook 8431-1 to retain the existing character of the landscape.	VRM II areas
S-20	CSU-CRI	Cultural resources inventories (including point, area, and linear features) would be required for all federal undertakings that could affect cultural resources or historic properties in areas of both direct and indirect impacts.	All areas
S-21a	CSU-PALE	An assessment of fossil resources would be required on a case-by-case basis, mitigating as necessary before and during surface disturbance.	All Areas
S-21b	CSU-PALE	An assessment of fossil resources would be required on a case-by-case basis, mitigating as necessary during surface disturbance.	All Areas
S-22	CSU-DCH	Any surface use or occupancy within designated critical habitat would be strictly controlled through close scrutiny of any surface use plan filled to protect habitat values and the use of the area by Mexican spotted owls. Modifications to the Surface Use Plan of Operations may be required for the protection of these resources. This limitation may apply to operation and maintenance of producing wells.	Designated critical habitat.
S-23		Follow guidelines and implement management recommendations presented in species recovery or conservation plans or alternative management strategies developed in consultation with USFWS. Use emergency actions where use threatens known communities of special status plant or animal species. Prohibit surface disturbances that may affect listed species or critical habitat of listed or candidate plants or animals without consultation or conference (ESA, Section 7) between the BLM and USFWS.	

S-24 Continue implementation of noxious weed and invasive species control actions in accordance with national guidance and local weed management plans, in cooperation with State, federal, affected counties, adjoining private land owners, and other partners or interests directly affected. Implement Standard Operating Procedures and Mitigation Measures for herbicide use as well as prevention measures for noxious and invasive plants identified in the Record of Decision Vegetation Treatments Using Herbicides on Bureau of Land Management Lands in 17 Western States PEIS and associated documents.

S-25 **Air Quality:** All new and replacement internal combustion gas field engines of less than or equal to 300 design-rated horsepower must not emit more than 2 gms of NO_x per horsepower-hour. **Exception:** This requirement does not apply to gas field engines of less than or equal to 40 design-rated horsepower. **Modification:** None **Waiver:** None **Air Quality:** All and replacement internal combustion gas field engines of greater than 300 design rated horsepower must not emit more than 1.0 gms of NO_x per horsepower-hour. **Exception:** None. **Modification:** None

WO-IM-2005-003	Cultural	
Wo-IM-2002-174	Endangered Species Act	
UT-LN-15	Historical and Cultural Resources. Old Spanish Trail. Modifications to the Surface Use Plan of Operations may be required for the protection of these resources.	
UT-LN-52	Utah Sensitive Species	
T&E-02	Black-Footed Ferret	
T&E-03	Endangered Fish of the Upper Colorado River Drainage Basin	
T&E -06	Mexican Spotted Owl	
UT-LN-102	Pronghorn Fawning Habitat	(CFR Title 43, Volume 2 Part 3101.1-2)

UT0309-051

T. 18 S., R. 9 E., Salt Lake
Sec. 1: All;
Sec. 3: Lots 1, 2, SWNE, NWNE;
Sec. 10: E2NE;
Sec. 11: E2E2, SWSE;
Secs. 12 and 13: All.
2,364.42 Acres
Emery County, Utah
Price Field Office

UT0309-052

T. 18 S., R. 9 E., Salt Lake
Sec. 6: NWSE;
Sec. 7: Lot 3, NENE, E2SW, SWSE;
Sec. 9: E2SW, SE;
Sec. 17: SENW;
Sec. 18: Lot 3, N2NE, SWSE;
Sec. 19: SESE;
Sec. 20: S2SW, SWSE;
Sec. 28: W2SW;
Sec. 29: W2NE, SENE, W2, SE;
Sec. 30: Lots 3, 4, NENE, S2NE,
W2SW, SE;
Sec. 31: Lots 1, 2, 4, E2, E2NW.
2,482.09 Acres
Emery County, Utah
Price Field Office

UT0309-053

T. 18 S., R. 9 E., Salt Lake
Sec. 14: All;
Sec. 15: NENE, S2NE, SENW, S2;
Sec. 21: E2, NESW, S2SW;
Sec. 22: All;
Sec. 28: N2NE, SENE, NENW.
2,360.00 Acres
Emery County, Utah
Price Field Office

UT0309-054

T. 18 S., R. 9 E., Salt Lake
Secs. 23, 24 and 25: All;
Sec. 26: Lots 1-8, N2N2, SENE,
S2S2, NESE.
2,504.86 Acres
Emery County, Utah
Price Field Office

UT0309-055

T. 18 S., R. 9 E., Salt Lake
Sec. 27: All;
Sec. 28: SESE;
Sec. 33: E2E2;
Secs. 34 and 35: All.
2,120.00 Acres
Emery County, Utah
Price Field Office

UT0309-056

T. 18 S., R. 10 E., Salt Lake
Secs. 1, 11 and 12: All.
1,949.52 Acres
Emery County, Utah
Price Field Office

UT0309-057

T. 18 S., R. 10 E., Salt Lake
Secs. 3, 4 and 5: All.
2,046.43 Acres
Emery County, Utah
Price Field Office

UT0309-058

T. 18 S., R. 10 E., Salt Lake
Secs. 6, 7 and 18: All.
1,986.60 Acres
Emery County, Utah
Price Field Office

UT0309-059

T. 18 S., R. 10 E., Salt Lake
Secs. 8, 9, 10 and 15: All.
2,560.00 Acres
Emery County, Utah
Price Field Office

UT0309-060

T. 18 S., R. 10 E., Salt Lake
Secs. 13, 14, 23 and 24: All.
2,560.00 Acres
Emery County, Utah
Price Field Office

UT0309-061

T. 18 S., R. 10 E., Salt Lake
Secs. 17, 20, 21 and 29: All.
2,560.00 Acres
Emery County, Utah
Price Field Office

UT0309-062

T. 18 S., R. 10 E., Salt Lake
Secs. 19, 30 and 31: All.
1,942.66 Acres
Emery County, Utah
Price Field Office

UT0309-063

T. 18 S., R. 10 E., Salt Lake
Secs. 22, 25, 26 and 27: All.
2,560.00 Acres
Emery County, Utah
Price Field Office

UT0309-064

T. 18 S., R. 10 E., Salt Lake
Secs. 28, 33, 34 and 35: All.
2,560.00 Acres
Emery County, Utah
Price Field Office

UT0309-065

T. 19 S., R. 10 E., Salt Lake
Secs. 1, 11 and 12: All.
1,959.12 Acres
Emery County, Utah
Price Field Office

UT0309-066

T. 19 S., R. 10 E., Salt Lake
Secs. 3, 4 and 5: All.
2,038.36 Acres
Emery County, Utah
Price Field Office

UT0309-067

T. 19 S., R. 10 E., Salt Lake
Secs. 6, 7 and 18: All.
1,984.45 Acres
Emery County, Utah
Price Field Office

UT0309-068

T. 19 S., R. 10 E., Salt Lake
Secs. 8, 9 and 10: All;
Sec. 15: N2, SE.
2,400.00 Acres
Emery County, Utah
Price Field Office

UT0309-069

T. 19 S., R. 10 E., Salt Lake
Sec. 13: N2;
Sec. 14: All;
Sec. 23: N2, SE;
Sec. 24: SW.
1,600.00 Acres
Emery County, Utah
Price Field Office

UT0309-070

T. 19 S., R. 10 E., Salt Lake
Secs. 17 and 19: All;
Sec. 20: N2, SW, N2SE;
Sec. 21: N2NW.
1,929.56 Acres
Emery County, Utah
Price Field Office

UT0309-073

T. 19 S., R. 10 E., Salt Lake
Sec. 25: W2W2;
Sec. 26: E2;
Sec. 34: SE;
Sec. 35: All.
1,280.00 Acres
Emery County, Utah
Price Field Office

UT0309-074

T. 18 S., R. 11 E., Salt Lake
Sec. 5: Lots 2-4, SWNE, S2NW,
SW, W2SE;
Sec. 8: W2NE, SENE, W2, SE;
Sec. 9: SW, S2SE.
1,359.14 Acres
Emery County, Utah
Price Field Office

UT0309-075

T. 18 S., R. 11 E., Salt Lake
 Secs. 6, 7 and 18: All.
 1,945.23 Acres
 Emery County, Utah
 Price Field Office

UT0309-076

T. 18 S., R. 11 E., Salt Lake
 Sec. 14: SWNE, S2NW, SW, W2SE;
 Sec. 15: S2N2, SE;
 Sec. 23: W2.
 1,000.00 Acres
 Emery County, Utah
 Price Field Office

UT0309-077

T. 18 S., R. 11 E., Salt Lake
 Secs. 17, 19 and 20: All;
 Sec. 21: W2NE, W2, SE.
 2,472.00 Acres
 Emery County, Utah
 Price Field Office

UT0309-078

T. 18 S., R. 11 E., Salt Lake
 Sec. 25: S2NW, SW;
 Sec. 26: W2, SE;
 Secs. 34 and 35: All.
 2,000.00 Acres
 Emery County, Utah
 Price Field Office

UT0309-079

T. 18 S., R. 11 E., Salt Lake
 Sec. 27: S2N2, S2;
 Secs. 28 and 33: All.
 1,760.00 Acres
 Emery County, Utah
 Price Field Office

UT0309-080

T. 18 S., R. 11 E., Salt Lake
 Secs. 29, 30 and 31: All.
 1,901.20 Acres
 Emery County, Utah
 Price Field Office

UT0309-081

T. 19 S., R. 11 E., Salt Lake
 Sec. 1: Lots 3, 4, SWNE, S2NW,
 SW, W2SE, SESE;
 Secs. 12 and 13: All;
 Sec. 14: W2NE, SENE, NW, NESW,
 N2SE;
 Sec. 24: NE, NENW.
 2,379.42 Acres
 Emery County, Utah
 Price Field Office

UT0309-082

T. 19 S., R. 11 E., Salt Lake
 Sec. 3: Lots 1-3, S2NE, S2;
 Sec. 9: N2, NESW, N2SE, SESE;
 Secs. 10 and 11: All;
 Sec. 15: NENW.
 2,349.32 Acres
 Emery County, Utah
 Price Field Office

UT0309-083

T. 19 S., R. 11 E., Salt Lake
 Sec. 4: Lot 4, SWNE, S2NW, S2;
 Secs. 5 and 6: All;
 Sec. 8: NE, W2W2;
 Sec. 17: NENW.
 2,198.52 Acres
 Emery County, Utah
 Price Field Office

UT0309-084

T. 19 S., R. 11 E., Salt Lake
 Secs. 7 and 18: All.
 1,264.16 Acres
 Emery County, Utah
 Price Field Office

UT0309-087

T. 15 S., R. 12 E., Salt Lake
 Sec. 7: N2NE.
 80.00 Acres
 Carbon County, Utah
 Price Field Office

UT0309-088

T. 18 S., R. 12 E., Salt Lake
Sec. 24: Lot 2;
Sec. 25: Lot 1, NENE, S2NE,
SESW, SE.
386.58 Acres
Emery County, Utah
Price Field Office

UT0309-089

T. 18 S., R. 12 E., Salt Lake
Sec. 30: Lots 5, 8, E2SW, SE;
Sec. 31: All.
1,083.68 Acres
Emery County, Utah
Price Field Office

UT0309-091

T. 19 S., R. 12 E., Salt Lake
Sec. 5: Lot 4, S2NW, N2SW, SWSW
Sec. 6: All.
1,056.94 Acres
Emery County, Utah
Price Field Office

UT0309-092

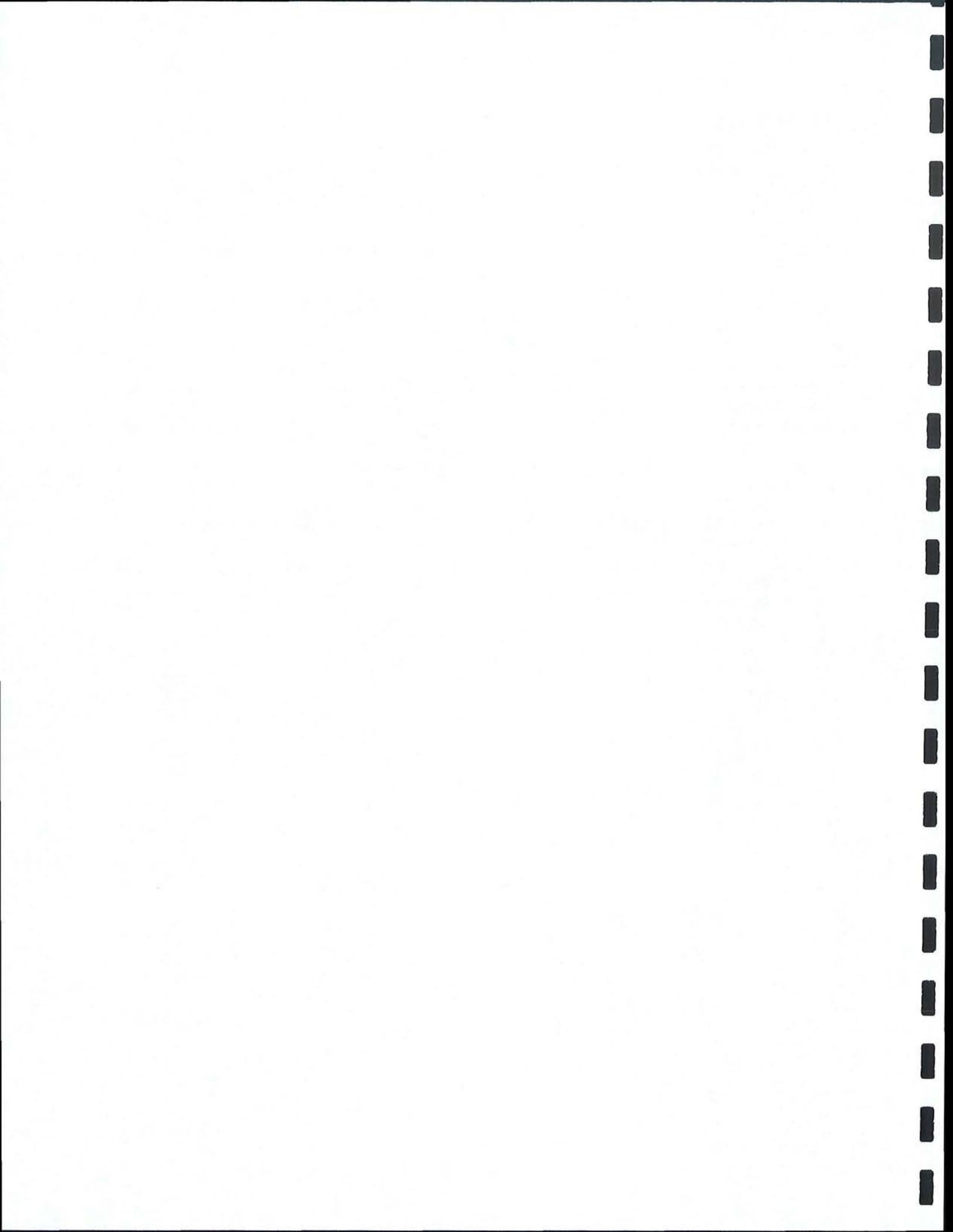
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Sec. 7: Lots 1-8, NE, E2W2.
606.64 Acres
Emery County, Utah
Price Field Office

UT0309-093

T. 19 S., R. 12 E., Salt Lake
Sec. 12: W2NE, SENE, W2, SE;
Secs. 13, 14 and 15: All.
2,520.00 Acres
Emery County, Utah
Price Field Office

UT0309-094

T. 19 S., R. 12 E., Salt Lake
Sec. 18: Lots 1-8;
Sec. 19: Lots 1, 4, NE, E2NW.
610.80 Acres
Emery County, Utah
Price Field Office



Deferred Parcel Table

Attachment 3

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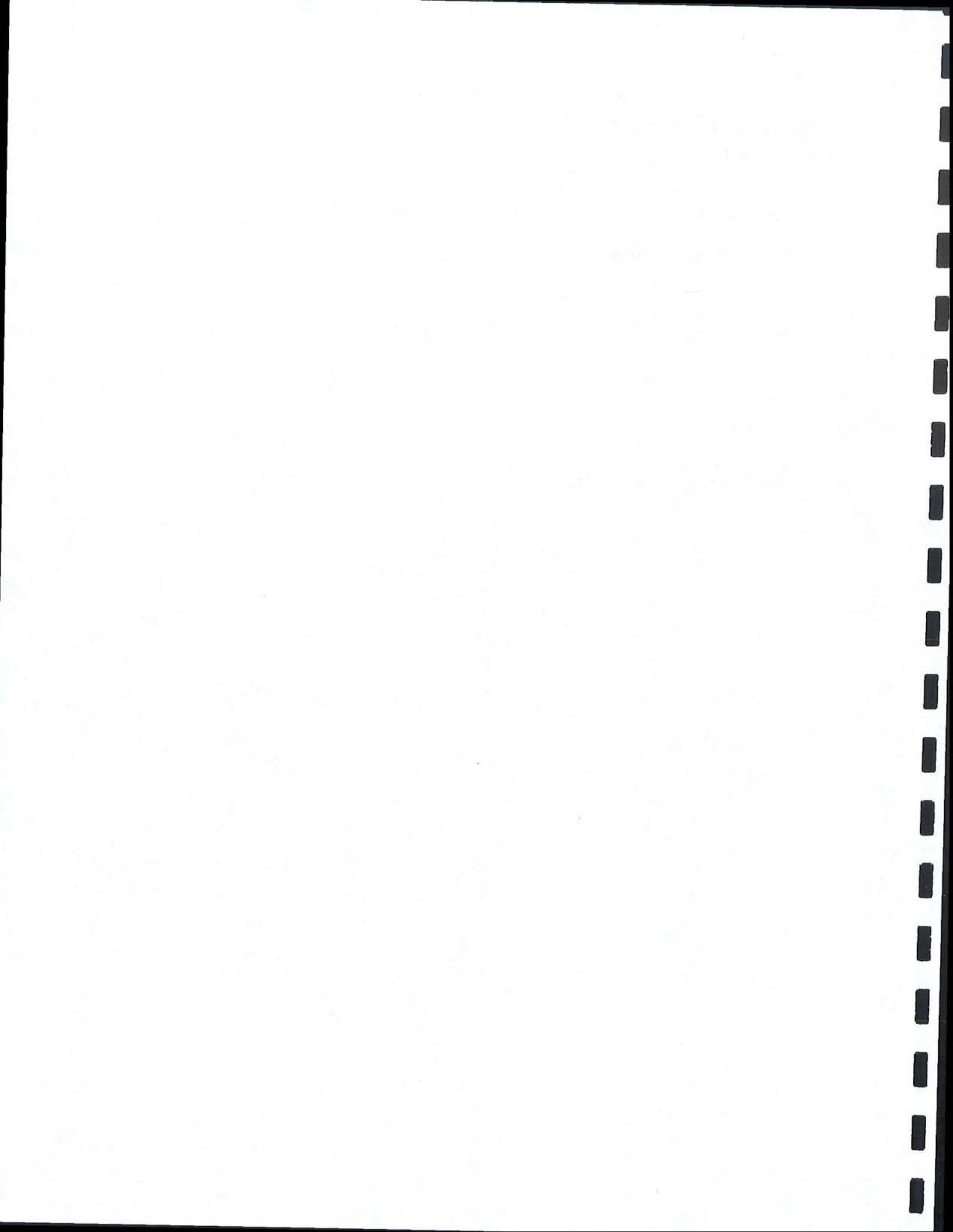
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Parcel Recommended for Deferral

None

Parcels Unavailable for Consideration

None



Staff Reports and ID Team Analysis

Attachment 4

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- 1) Wildlife; Threatened and Endangered Species
- 2) Vegetation; Threatened and Endangered Species
- 3) Cultural Resources
- 4) Paleontological Resources
- 5) Wild Horse and Burro Resources
- 6) Range Resources
- 7) Outdoor Recreation and Planning
- 8) Coal
- 9) Geology
- 10) Hydrology
- 11) Native American Consultation with letters and attachments
- 12) ID Team Checklist

Wildlife, Threatened and Endangered Species

Checklist for Wildlife Lease Notices and Stipulations - Oil and Gas Leasing

David L. Waller – PFO

For 2009 March sale

Monday, 2009-Jan-17

Resource	Status	No	Yes	Where – Lease Sale ID	Lease Notice/Stipulation to be added to the parcel	Comments
Bald Eagle	Sensitive	X				
Whooping Crane	Endangered	X				
Mexican Spotted Owl	Threatened and Critical Habitat	X				
Southwestern Willow Flycatcher	Endangered	X				
Yellow-billed Cuckoo	Candidate	X				
Greater Sage Grouse – leks	Sensitive	X				
Greater Sage Grouse – nesting	Sensitive	X				
Greater Sage Grouse – wintering	Sensitive	X				
Long-Billed Curlew	Sensitive	X				
Northern Goshawk	Sensitive	X				
Swainson's Hawk	Sensitive	X				
Ferruginous Hawk	Sensitive		X	UT0309-068 & 092	TL-RNC	
Burrowing Owl	Sensitive		X	UT0309-068 & 069	UT-LN-52 (LEASE NOTICE-UTAH SENSITIVE SPECIES)	
Short-eared Owl	Sensitive	X				
Peregrine Falcon	Sensitive	X				

Checklist for Wildlife Lease Notices and Stipulations - Oil and Gas Leasing
 David L. Waller – PFO
 For 2009 March sale

Monday, 2009-Jan-11

Resource	Status	No	Yes	Where – Lease Sale ID	Lease Notice/Stipulation to be added to the parcel	Comments
White-Tailed Prairie-Dog	Sensitive		X	UT0309-051; 054; 055; 057; 058; 059; 061; 062; 064; 065; 066; 067; 068; 069; 070; 073; 082; 083; 084; and 087	UT-LN-52 (LEASE NOTICE-UTAH SENSITIVE SPECIES)	
Black-Footed Ferret	Endangered		X	UT0309-051; 054; 055; 057; 058; 059; 061; 062; 064; 065; 066; 067; 068; 069; 070; 073; 082; 083; 084; & 087	T&E-02 Lease Notice – Black-Footed Ferret & the Endangered Species Act Section 7 Consultation Stipulation	Based on White Tailed Prairie dog towns & Past reports
Canada Lynx	Sensitive	X				
Kit Fox	Sensitive	X				
Townsend's Big-Eared Bat	Sensitive	X				
Western Red Bat						
Bonytail Chub Colorado Pikeminnow Humpback Chub Razorback Sucker	Endangered and Critical Habitat	X				
Bluehead Sucker Flannelmouth Sucker Roundtail Chub Colorado River Cutthroat Trout	Sensitive		X	UT0309-052 & 053	UT-LN-52 (LEASE NOTICE-UTAH SENSITIVE SPECIES)	
Smooth Greensnake Utah Milk Snake	Sensitive	X				

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Monday, 2009-Jan-11

Resource	Status	No	Yes	Where – Lease Sale ID	Lease Notice/Stipulation to be added to the parcel	Comments
Western Toad Great Plains Toad	Sensitive	X				
Elk – winter	-	X				
Elk – calving	-	X				
Mule deer – winter	-		X	UT0309-078; 079; 080; 082; & 083	TL-DEWR	
Mule deer – fawning	-	X				
Antelope – winter	-	X				
Antelope – fawning	-	X				
RM Bighorn – winter	-	X				
RM Bighorn – lambing	-	X				
D Bighorn – winter	-	X				
D Bighorn – lambing	-	X				
Raptor – nests	-		X	UT0309-051; 054; 065; 082; & 083	TL-RNC	
Raptor – crucial cliff nesting complexes	-	X				
Migratory birds (that are BLM Sensitive)	-	X				
Waterfowl	-		X	UT0309-061	TL-MBNA	
Natural springs	-		X	UT0309-054; 056; 060; 061; 068; 079; 080; 084; 089; 091 & 093	NSO-Spri	(springs designated on topo maps)
Perennial streams	-		X	UT0309-052; & 053	NSO-PStr	

Vegetation, Threatened and Endangered Species

Stipulations for springs and riparian/wetlands are found in Appendix G of the RMP and are referred to as S-04 and S-05.

- S-04 No surface disturbance or occupancy would be maintained around natural springs to protect the water quality of the spring. The distance would be based on geophysical, riparian, and other factors necessary to protect the water quality of the springs. If these factors cannot be determined, a 660-foot buffer zone would be maintained.
- S-05 No new surface disturbance (excluding fence lines) would be required in areas equal to the 100-year floodplain or 100 meters (330 feet) on either side from the centerline, whichever is greater, along all perennial and intermittent streams, streams with perennial reaches, and riparian areas.

Stipulations for special status species are found on pages 2-29 and 2-30 in the RMP and are referred to as S-23.

- S-23 Follow guidelines and implement management recommendations presented in species recovery or conservation plans or alternative management strategies developed in consultation with USFWS.

Use emergency actions where use threatens known communities of special status plant or animal species.

Prohibit surface disturbances that may affect listed species or critical habitat of listed or candidate plants or animals without consultation or conference (ESA, Section 7) between the BLM and USFWS.

Stipulations for noxious/invasive weed management are found on pages 2-21 in the RMP and are referred to as S-24.

- S-24 Continue implementation of noxious weed and invasive species control actions in accordance with national guidance and local weed management plans, in cooperation with State, federal, affected counties, adjoining private land owners, and other partners or interests directly affected.

Implement Standard Operating Procedures and Mitigation Measures for herbicide use as well as prevention measures for noxious and invasive plants identified in the Record of Decision Vegetation Treatments Using Herbicides on Bureau of Land Management Lands in 17 Western States PEIS and associated documents.

UT0309-052

T. 18 S., R. 9 E., Salt Lake

- Sec. 6: NWSE;
- Sec. 7: Lot 3, NENE, E2SW, SWSE;
- Sec. 9: E2SW, SE;
- Sec. 17: SENW;
- Sec. 18: Lot 3, N2NE, SWSE;
- Sec. 19: SESE;
- Sec. 20: S2SW, SWSE;
- Sec. 28: W2SW;
- Sec. 29: W2NE, SENE, W2, SE;
- Sec. 30: Lots 3, 4, NENE, S2NE,

W2SW, SE;

Sec. 31: Lots 1, 2, 4, E2, E2NW.

2,482.09 Acres

Emery County, Utah

Price Field Office

S-04 Huntington Creek (sec 20 and 28)

S-04 Dutchmans Wash (sec 31)

UT0309-053

T. 18 S., R. 9 E., Salt Lake
 Sec. 14: All;
 Sec. 15: NENE, S2NE, SENW, S2;
 Sec. 21: E2, NESW, S2SW;
 Sec. 22: All;
 Sec. 28: N2NE, SENE, NENW.

2,360.00 Acres
 Emery County, Utah
 Price Field Office

S-04 Huntington Creek (sec 21)

UT0309-056

T. 18 S., R. 10 E., Salt Lake
 Secs. 1, 11 and 12: All.

1,949.52 Acres
 Emery County, Utah
 Price Field Office

S-05 Goat Spring (sec 1)

S-05 Bull Hollow Spring (sec 11)

UT0309-060

T. 18 S., R. 10 E., Salt Lake
 Secs. 13, 14, 23 and 24: All.

2,560.00 Acres
 Emery County, Utah
 Price Field Office

S-05 Staker Spring sec 13

UT0309-061

T. 18 S., R. 10 E., Salt Lake
 Secs. 17, 20, 21 and 29: All.

2,560.00 Acres
 Emery County, Utah
 Price Field Office

S-04 Buckhorn Reservoir (sec 20)

UT0309-069

T. 19 S., R. 10 E., Salt Lake
 Sec. 13: N2;
 Sec. 14: All;
 Sec. 23: N2, SE;
 Sec. 24: SW.

1,600.00 Acres
 Emery County, Utah
 Price Field Office

S-24 *Pediocactus despainii*

UT0309-073

T. 19 S., R. 10 E., Salt Lake
 Sec. 25: W2W2;
 Sec. 26: E2;
 Sec. 34: SE;
 Sec. 35: All.

1,280.00 Acres
 Emery County, Utah
 Price Field Office

S-24 *Pediocactus despainii*

UT0309-076

T. 18 S., R. 11 E., Salt Lake
 Sec. 14: SWNE, S2NW, SW, W2SE;
 Sec. 15: S2N2, SE;
 Sec. 23: W2.

1,000.00 Acres
 Emery County, Utah
 Price Field Office

UT0309-078

T. 18 S., R. 11 E., Salt Lake
 Sec. 25: S2NW, SW;
 Sec. 26: W2, SE;
 Secs. 34 and 35: All.

2,000.00 Acres
 Emery County, Utah
 Price Field Office

S-05 Bob Hill Spring (sec 34)

UT0309-079

T. 18 S., R. 11 E., Salt Lake
 Sec. 27: S2N2, S2;
 Secs. 28 and 33: All.

1,760.00 Acres
 Emery County, Utah
 Price Field Office

S-05 Joe Jensen Spring (sec 33)

UT0309-080

T. 18 S., R. 11 E., Salt Lake
 Secs. 29, 30 and 31: All.

1,901.20 Acres
 Emery County, Utah
 Price Field Office

S-24 *Talinum thompsonii*

UT0309-081

T. 19 S., R. 11 E., Salt Lake
 Sec. 1: Lots 3, 4, SWNE, S2NW,
 SW, W2SE, SESE;
 Secs. 12 and 13: All;
 Sec. 14: W2NE, SENE, NW, NESW,
 N2SE;
 Sec. 24: NE, NENW.
 2,379.42 Acres
 Emery County, Utah
 Price Field Office
S-24 Pediocactus despainii and Talinum thompsonii

UT0309-082

T. 19 S., R. 11 E., Salt Lake
 Sec. 3: Lots 1-3, S2NE, S2;
 Sec. 9: N2, NESW, N2SE, SESE;
 Secs. 10 and 11: All;
 Sec. 15: NENW.
 2,349.32 Acres
 Emery County, Utah
 Price Field Office
S-24 Pediocactus despainii and Talinum thompsonii

UT0309-083

T. 19 S., R. 11 E., Salt Lake
 Sec. 4: Lot 4, SWNE, S2NW, S2;
 Secs. 5 and 6: All;
 Sec. 8: NE, W2W2;
 Sec. 17: NENW.
 2,198.52 Acres
 Emery County, Utah
 Price Field Office
S-24 Pediocactus despainii

UT0309-084

T. 19 S., R. 11 E., Salt Lake
 Secs. 7 and 18: All.
 1,264.16 Acres
 Emery County, Utah
 Price Field Office
S-24 Pediocactus despainii

UT0309-088

T. 18 S., R. 12 E., Salt Lake
 Sec. 24: Lot 2;
 Sec. 25: Lot 1, NENE, S2NE,
 SESW, SE.
 386.58 Acres
 Emery County, Utah

Price Field Office

*S-24 Pediocactus despainii***UT0309-089**

T. 18 S., R. 12 E., Salt Lake
 Sec. 30: Lots 5, 8, E2SW, SE;
 Sec. 31: All.
 1,083.68 Acres
 Emery County, Utah
 Price Field Office
 Not accurate with map overlay, other
 sections marked on map
 Birch Spring (sec 31) pvt land
 Wiregrass Spring (sec 20) pvt land

UT0309-091

T. 19 S., R. 12 E., Salt Lake
 Sec. 5: Lot 4, S2NW, N2SW, SWSW
 Sec. 6: All.
 1,056.94 Acres
 Emery County, Utah
 Price Field Office
S-24 Talinum thompsonii

UT0309-092

T. 19 S., R. 12 E., Salt Lake
 Sec. 7: Lots 1-8, NE, E2W2.
 606.64 Acres
 Emery County, Utah
 Price Field Office
S-24 Talinum thompsonii

UT0309-093

T. 19 S., R. 12 E., Salt Lake
 Sec. 12: W2NE, SENE, W2, SE;
 Secs. 13, 14 and 15: All.
 2,520.00 Acres
 Emery County, Utah
 Price Field Office
S-24 Pediocactus despainii (State Land)

UT0309-094

T. 19 S., R. 12 E., Salt Lake
 Sec. 18: Lots 1-8;
 Sec. 19: Lots 1, 4, NE, E2NW.
 610.80 Acres
 Emery County, Utah
 Price Field Office
S-24 Talinum thompsonii

Cultural Resources

Cultural Resource Assessment of March 2009 Oil & Gas Lease Sale

Public land parcels identified by the BLM for its scheduled March 2009 O&G lease sale have been assessed relative to potential impacts to cultural resources. Thirty nine parcels were reviewed.

UT0309-051 to 070, 073 to 084, 088 to 089, and 091 to 094-These parcels are located in the area of Cedar Mountain and surrounding lands. The parcels are mainly a contiguous block surrounding Cedar Mountain. Areas with greater topography diversity such as Cedar Mountain, Little Cedar Mountain and the Hadden Hills, have a high site density, while the area in the middle of Cow Flats, Buckhorn Flats and Hadden Flats have fewer sites. Non contiguous parcels include isolated scattered tracts of land in the Huntington Creek drainage that is adjacent to the blocked parcels, and two parcels in the Chimney Rock Flat area at the southeast base of Cedar Mountain. Thirty nine archaeological inventories, covering about 3040 acres, have previously been made within these parcels. Seventy eight archaeological sites have been recorded. It is likely there are areas for development of a well pad without affecting a historic property.

UT0309-87- This parcel is located along Highway 6 between Wellington and Sunnyside Junction. Four archaeological inventories, covering about 10 acres, have previously been made within this parcel. One archaeological site has been recorded. It is likely there are areas for development of a well pad without affecting a historic property.

As per WO IM 2005-003 the following stipulation should be applied to each parcel: "This lease may be found to contain historic properties and/or resources protected under the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA), American Indian Religious Freedom Act, Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act, E.O. 13007, or other statutes and executive orders. The BLM will not approve any ground disturbing activities that may affect any such properties or resources until it completes its obligations under applicable requirements of the NHPA and other authorities. The BLM may require modification to exploration or development proposals to protect such properties, or disapprove any activity that is likely to result in adverse effects that cannot be successfully avoided, minimized or mitigated."

The area of potential effect for this undertaking is generally the entire lease parcel as defined in Appendix 1.

The information on previous archaeological inventories and recorded sites comes from the archaeological site files located at the BLM Field Office in Price, Utah. Many of the previous inventories are over twenty years old and were made at a different standard than today. Sites are expected to exist that have not been recorded. The inventories surrounding these parcels are sufficient to determine that historic properties are likely to be present on the proposed lease parcel.

This evaluation is based on the assumption, supported by topography, perceived site density, existing access possibilities and previous inventories in the areas of the parcels, there should be a place on each lease parcel that one five acre well pad could be developed

It is submitted that this oil and gas lease undertaking falls under the purview of the Protocol negotiated between BLM and the Utah State Historic Preservation Office, a document designed to assist BLM in meeting its responsibilities under the National Historic Preservation Act, various implementing regulations, and the National Cultural Programmatic Agreement. Further, the view taken here is that the undertaking does not exceed any of the review thresholds listed in Part VII (A) of the Protocol, and that it may be viewed as a No Historic Properties Affected; eligible sites present, but not affected as defined by 36CFR800.4 [VII (A) C (4)].

Paleontological Resources

There is a classification system in the BLM that is used to make decisions easier for managers as far as paleontological resources are concerned. It is called the Potential Fossil Yield Classification System (PFYC). It assigns values on a scale of 1 to 5 to each geologic formation with 1 being the least likely to have fossils and 5 having the greatest likelihood of encountering fossil resources. Anything that has a PFYC value of 4 or 5 means that a paleontological survey is going to be recommended by me. The 26 O & G lease parcels that are listed below have surface outcrops of Morrison Formation and/or Cedar Mountain Formation both of which fall into the PFYC 4 and 5 category. So a lease notice should be included making bidders aware that paleontological surveys will likely be required prior and during any surface disturbances. Please let me know if this has made things clear like clean air or like mud. ttyl,

Michael Leschin

054, 055, 056, 059 – 067, 074 – 083, 089, 091, 092, 094

Wild Horse and Burro Resources

I don't have any concerns, No WH&B present in area.

Michael Tweddell

Range Resources

We do not have many pressing issues. Just that this lease sale is in active grazing allotments so any activities will need to consider livestock such as gates, fence removal, seed mixes.....

Dana Truman

Outdoor Recreation and Planning

Tom Gnojek's Comments in **Red**

UT0309-068

T. 19 S., R. 10 E., Salt Lake
Secs. 8, 9 and 10: All;
Sec. 15: N2, SE.
2,400.00 Acres
Emery County, Utah
Price Field Office

PFO-CSU-19 – portions of this parcel (south of the Buckhorn Road) are within the VRM Class II area of the San Rafael Canyon ACEC.

UT0309-069

T. 19 S., R. 10 E., Salt Lake
Sec. 13: N2;
Sec. 14: All;
Sec. 23: N2, SE;
Sec. 24: SW.
1,600.00 Acres
Emery County, Utah
Price Field Office

PFO-CSU-19 – portions of this parcel (south of the Buckhorn Road) are within the VRM Class II area of the San Rafael Canyon ACEC.

UT0309-073

T. 19 S., R. 10 E., Salt Lake
Sec. 25: W2W2;
Sec. 26: E2;
Sec. 34: SE;
Sec. 35: All.
1,280.00 Acres
Emery County, Utah
Price Field Office

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UT0309-084

T. 19 S., R. 11 E., Salt Lake
Secs. 7 and 18: All.
1,264.16 Acres
Emery County, Utah
Price Field Office

PFO-CSU-19 – portions of this parcel (south of the Buckhorn Road) are within the VRM Class II area of the San Rafael Canyon ACEC.

Coal

I have reviewed the parcels in the March 2009 Oil and Gas lease sale which are specific to the PFO as well as a few in Sevier County which might have represented a conflict with either SUFCO and/or Consol. Parcels 52 through 94 (inclusive) located in the San Rafael desert in Emery County (PFO), do not represent conflicts with respect to coal development in the next 10 years, or ever. Parcels 47 through 51, while being located over the top of deeply buried Emery coals in Sevier County, do not represent conflicts for coal mine development in at least the next 10 years.

I have not specifically plotted parcels 1 through 46 or 95 through 198, but these do not represent conflicts with near term coal mine development.

Mike G.

Geology

As far as Locatable minerals go, there are no issues or stipulations that need to be added to the DNA.

Chris Conrad

Hydrology

No concerns at this time.

Jeffrey Brower



United States Department of the Interior

BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

PRICE FIELD OFFICE

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In Reply Refer to:
8100
(U-010)

January 21, 2009

CERTIFIED MAIL # _____
RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Mary Felter, Tribal Secretary
Hopi Tribal Council
P.O. Box 123
Kykotsmovi, AZ 86039

Re: March 2009 Oil and Gas Competitive Lease Sale

Dear. Ms. Felter:

The Price Field Office (PFO) is seeking your tribe's comments, concerns, or recommendations regarding the following Federal Action by the Department of the Interior (DOI), Bureau of Land Management (BLM).

The BLM/PFO proposes to offer 39 parcels (approximately 72,721 acres) for bid during the March 2009 Oil and Gas Lease Offering. The majority of these parcels are located in Emery County with one parcel located in Carbon County, Utah. Attached is a map that shows the parcel locations.

If a parcel is not taken by competitive bidding, it may be leased by non-competitive sale for the two years following the competitive offer. A lease may be held for ten years (43 CFR 3120.2-1), after which the lease would expire unless oil or gas is produced in paying quantities. A producing lease would be held indefinitely by paying production of oil or gas.

A lessee's right to explore and drill for oil and gas, at some location on the lease, is implied by issuance of the lease, unless the lease has a non-surface occupancy stipulation. A lessee must submit an application for permit to drill (APD) to the BLM for approval and must possess a BLM approved APD prior to drilling. Following BLM approval of an APD, a lessee may produce oil and gas from a lease without additional approval.

These lands would be offered subject to applicable laws and standard lease conditions. In addition, lease operations would be subject to stipulations for surface disturbing activities prescribed in the Price Field Office Resource Management Plan. The PFO will ensure that all of the requirements for the protection of cultural resources are met. That would include cultural resource survey, Native American consultation, and other measures BLM has legal responsibility to carry out.

The PFO Archaeologist has completed a literature and inventory review of the PFO cultural data. The PFO recommends a finding of No Historic Properties Affected; eligible site present but not affected as defined by 36CFR800.4. This is based on the determination that at least one well could be located within each parcel without affecting cultural resources.

The Price Field Office welcomes your comments relating to cultural, environmental or any other issues regarding this project proposal in accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act, the National Historic Preservation Act, and the American Indian Religious Freedom Act to ensure that any concerns you may have about the proposed project are fully considered and incorporated into the environmental analysis. The BLM is requesting your assistance in identifying properties of traditional, religious, or cultural importance which may be affected by the proposed project. The BLM would also like to consult, if possible, with traditional or religious leaders who may have information about places of cultural significance. Your assistance in recommending such leaders would help us in determining the effects to such areas.

If you would like additional information or wish to discuss the project further, please contact Kyle Beagley, Natural Resource Specialist at (435) 636-3668. We would very much appreciate receiving your comments or questions; however, we will conclude that you have no concerns if we receive no response from you within 30 days of receipt of this letter.

Sincerely,

Michael Stiewig
Field Office Manager

Enclosures:

1. Location Map
2. Parcel List

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INTERDISCIPLINARY TEAM ANALYSIS RECORD CHECKLIST

Project Title: March 2009 Competitive Oil and Gas Lease Sale

NEPA Log Number:

File/Serial Number: 1310

Project Leader: Kyle Beagley

DETERMINATION OF STAFF: (Choose one of the following abbreviated options for the left column)

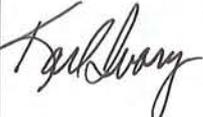
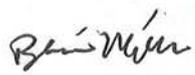
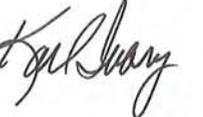
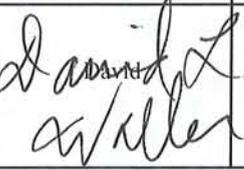
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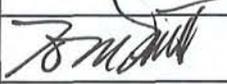
NI = present, but not affected to a degree that detailed analysis is required

PI = present with potential for significant impact analyzed in detail in the EA; or identified in a DNA as requiring further analysis

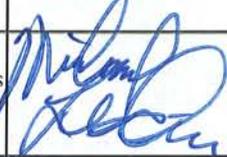
NC = (DNAs only) actions and impacts not changed from those disclosed in the existing NEPA documents cited in Section C of the DNA form.

Determination	Resource	Rationale for Determination*	Signature	Date
CRITICAL ELEMENTS				
NI	Air Quality	The proposed action would not exceed the level of activity projected in the RMP. Given the low level of drilling and related activity, only minimal emissions are anticipated. There would be no significant changes in circumstances or conditions that warrant further analysis relative to leasing.	<i>[Signature]</i>	2/4/09
NI	Areas of Critical Environmental Concern	Given the degree of anticipated exploration and development and application of standard operating procedures, best management practices and site specific mitigation applied at the APD stage as conditions of approval, it is concluded that Areas of Critical Environmental Concern would not be affected in a way not already analyzed in the Price RMP	<i>[Signature]</i>	2/5/09
NI	Cultural Resources	A cultural resource records search was completed for lands involved with the subject lease sale parcels. Cultural resources are or could be present in all lease areas; but, there is room on each lease parcel to locate at least one well pad, ancillary facilities and afford reasonable access and still avoid any cultural resources that may be present. The Utah Protocol Part VII.A.C. was applied to this cultural resource review for the August 2008 lease sale and the PFO determination under the Protocol review threshold (Part VII.A.C(4)) is: "No Historic Properties Affected; Eligible Sites Present But Not Affected As Defined By 36 CFR 800.4." A cultural inventory is done prior to all surface disturbing activities and a Section 106 consultation will be done to ensure that cultural and historic properties are avoided or are not	<i>[Signature]</i>	2-5-09

Determination	Resource	Rationale for Determination*	Signature	Date
		adversely affected. See attached Cultural Resources Specialist report.		
NI	Environmental Justice	The ethnic composition and economic situation of residents of Carbon and Emery Counties indicate that no minority or low-income populations are experiencing disproportionately high or adverse effects from current management actions (RMP EIS, pg 3-62). Leasing would not adversely or disproportionately affect minority, low income or disadvantaged groups.		2/5/09
NP	Farmlands (Prime or Unique)	The parcels do not contain lands that meet the criteria for prime, state important, or unique farmlands.		2/5/09
NP	Floodplains	The parcel does not contain lands that meet the criteria for floodplain or riparian/aquatic habitat.		2/4/09
NI	Invasive, Non-native Species	Given the degree of anticipated exploration and development and application of standard operating procedures, best management practices and site specific mitigation applied at the APD stage as conditions of approval, it is concluded that Invasive species resources would not be affected in a way not already analyzed in the Price RMP.		2/6/09
NI	Native American Religious Concerns	Letters containing notification of this lease sale and the results of a cultural resources records search were sent to the Tribes on January 14, 2009 to the tribes listed in an attachment. The letters detailed the leasing proposal and requested comments and concerns. All responses are disclosed in the DNA; however, no concerns were raised by the tribes to date. Consultation will be considered complete if tribal response presents no objections or if response is not received prior to the date of the proposed sale. Additional consultation will be conducted should site-specific use authorization requests be received. As the proposal becomes more site-specific, tribes will again be notified and given further opportunity for comment.		2-5-09
NI	Threatened, Endangered or Candidate Plant Species	Given the degree of anticipated exploration and development and application of standard operating procedures, best management practices and site specific mitigation applied at the APD stage as conditions of approval, it is concluded that Threatened, Endangered or Candidate Species resources would not be affected in a way not already analyzed in the Price RMP.		2/6/09
NI	Threatened, Endangered or Candidate Animal Species	Lease Notices and stipulations have been attached to parcels that are known to contain threatened, endangered or candidate animal species or their habitat and site-specific surveys will determine whether T&E animal species are present. Should T&E animal species be found, the surface use plan of operations		2009- Feb-5

Determination	Resource	Rationale for Determination*	Signature	Date
		may be amended to protect or avoid these species. As such there will likely be no adverse impacts to T&E animal species		
NI	Wastes (hazardous or solid)	Drilling fluids, produced waters, and other wastes associated with the exploration, development or production of crude or natural gas are excluded as a hazardous waste under 40 CFR 261.4(b)(4). Application of standard operating procedures, best management practices and conditions of approval (COA) at the APD stage would be sufficient to ensure proper containment, transport and disposal of solid or toxic waste if any are required or generated. Additionally, all hazardous materials used or produced must be reported to the PFO. They must be removed and disposed in an appropriately permitted disposal facility. Solid waste must be removed and properly disposed		01/05/09
NI	Water Quality (drinking/ground)	Standard operating procedures (including the requirements for disposal of produced water contained in Onshore Oil and Gas Order (OOGO) #7 and the requirements for drilling operations contained in OOGO #2) and site specific drilling requirements applied as conditions of approval at the APD stage would be sufficient to isolate and protect all usable water zones.		01/05/09
NI	Wetlands/Riparian Zones	Wetlands/riparian zones are indirectly but adequately addressed in discussions of drainages, streams, rivers, lakes, ponds, waterholes, seeps, marshes, and wildlife habitat in the Price RMP. In conformance with the RMP, parcels or portions of parcels having wetlands and riparian/aquatic areas would be leased with NSO and/or CSU stipulations to protect those areas. Additionally, application of standard lease terms and the "200 meter" rule of 43 CFR 3101.1-2 prior to any surface disturbing activities would afford additional protection.		2/6/09
NI	Wild and Scenic Rivers	There are no parcels recommended for lease that contain river segments which have been designated, or found to be suitable for possible designation, as a Wild and Scenic Rivers		2/5/09
NP	Wilderness	There are no lands designated as Wilderness present.		2/5/09
NI	Rangeland Health Standards and Guidelines	<i>Water quality, vegetation, Threatened & Endangered Species habitat and other components of ecological conditions that are considered in Rangeland Health Standards and Guides have been analyzed in the Price RMP. Given the degree of anticipated exploration and development and application of standard operating procedures, best management practices and mitigation applied at the APD stage as conditions of approval it is concluded that Rangeland Health Standards would be met.</i>		2/5/09
NI	Livestock Grazing	<i>Given the degree of anticipated exploration and development and application of standard operating procedures, best</i>		2/5/09

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		management practices and site specific mitigation applied at the APD stage as conditions of approval, it is concluded that existing analysis is adequate and that livestock grazing operation would not be affected. Any facilities such as fences and cattle-guards that would be affected would be replaced or restored and disturbed areas would be reclaimed		
NI	Woodland / Forestry	<i>Given the degree of anticipated exploration and development and application of standard operating procedures, best management practices and site specific mitigation applied at the APD stage as conditions of approval, it is concluded that woodland or forest resources would not be affected in a way not already analyzed in existing NEPA documents.</i>	<i>Karl Wang</i>	<i>2/6/09</i>
NP	Vegetation including Special Status Plant Species other than FWS candidate or listed species	<i>Given the degree of anticipated exploration and development and application of standard operating procedures, best management practices and site specific mitigation applied at the APD stage as conditions of approval, it is concluded that Vegetation and Special Status Species resources would not be affected in a way not already analyzed in the Price RMP.</i>	<i>Karl Wang</i>	<i>2/6/09</i>
NI	Fish and Wildlife Including Special Status Species other than FWS candidate or listed species e.g. Migratory birds.	This parcel contains crucial wildlife habitat. (See attached specialist report). In conformance with the Price RMP, parcels or portions of parcels within crucial wildlife habitat would be leased with a special stipulation that prevents drilling operations during the crucial period. Therefore, no impacts to Special Status Species are expected from the proposed action.	<i>David L. Waller</i>	<i>2009-Feb-4</i>
NI	Soils	<i>Given the low degree of anticipated exploration and application of standard operating procedures, best management practices and site specific mitigation applied at the APD stage including reclamation, as conditions of approval it is concluded that existing analysis is adequate and potential impacts on soils have been adequately addressed.</i>	<i>Dana Hansen</i>	<i>2/5/2009</i>
NI	Recreation	In addition to minor amounts of dispersed recreation, there are existing recreation resources (e.g., Price Canyon Recreation Site, the access road leading to that facility, Indian Canyon Utah State Scenic Byway / Dinosaur Diamond Prehistoric Highway National Scenic Byway, Nine Mile Canyon Scenic Backway and the view shed surrounding these facilities). Given the degree of anticipated exploration and development identified in the land use plans cited in the DNA, application of standard operating procedures, best management practices and the provisions of 43CFR 3101.1-2 would mitigate, impacts to recreation. Additionally, site specific mitigation applied at the APD stage as conditions of approval, including reclamation, would mitigate impacts to recreation opportunities.	<i>Joel C. Smith</i>	<i>2/5/09</i>

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NI	Visual Resources	Given the degree of anticipated exploration and development identified in the land use plans cited in the DNA, application of standard operating procedures, best management practices and the provisions of 43CFR 3101.1-2 would mitigate, impacts to recreation. Additionally, site specific mitigation applied at the APD stage as conditions of approval, including reclamation, would mitigate impacts to recreation opportunities.		2/5/09
NI	Geology / Mineral Resources/Energy Production	The existing NEPA documents cited in the DNA adequately address the impacts of oil and gas leasing. Oil and gas exploration could lead to an increased understanding of the geologic setting, as subsurface data obtained through lease operations may become public record. This information promotes an understanding of mineral resources as well as geologic interpretation. Conflicts could arise between oil and gas operations and other mineral operations. These could generally be mitigated under the regulations 3101.1-2, where proposed oil and gas operations may be moved up to 200 meters or delayed by 60 days and also under the standard lease terms (Sec. 6) where siting and design of facilities may be modified to protect other resources. Mineral claims are present in the lease areas; however, the proposed actions can accommodate these pre-existing claims.	 Chris	2/16/09
NI	Paleontology	Paleontological resources are known to exist within the parcels recommended for leasing. The stipulations attached to the leases will mitigate the potential losses.		2/6/09
NI	Lands / Access	As described, the proposed action would not affect access to public land. No roads providing access to public land would be closed on a long term basis. Any proposed project would be subject to valid prior existing rights and any operations would be coordinated with right-of-way (ROW) Holders and adjacent non-federal landowners (See attached MTP pages). Off-lease ancillary facilities that cross public land, if any, may require a separate authorization. Existing ROW in proposed operation areas would not be affected because site specific mitigation applied at the APD stage, including the ability to move operations up to 200 meters, would ensure that communication sites, water projects, power lines, etc. would be avoided, restored or replaced. The described parcels are not located within an identified ROW corridor. Potential issues include but are not limited to surface disturbance within and outside described project areas and generated trash/debris should be removed from public land and discarded at an authorized facility.		2/5/09
NI	Fuels / Fire Management	Impacts analyzed in the Price RMP are consistent with the proposed action. Application of standard operating procedures		2/10/09

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		(SOPs), and site specific mitigation and safety measures applied at the APD stage would minimize the risk of inadvertent ignition. Impacts to fire or fuels management are not expected.		
NI	Socio-economics	Socio-economic conditions are adequately addressed in the existing NEPA record. Given the level of development analyzed and documented in the NEPA documents referenced in this DNA, no further socio-economic analysis is required for the parcels recommended for leasing. No impacts to socio-economics are expected to occur as a result of the proposed action.		2/6/09
NP	Wild Horses and Burros	The parcel does not contain any lands managed for wild horses and burros.		2/5/09
NI	Wilderness characteristics	There are lands under study by Congress for possible designation as Wilderness (WSA status) adjacent to the parcels recommended for lease. (Desolation Canyon WSA and Jack Canyon WSA). Stipulations for locating WSA boundaries next to lease areas would mitigate any impacts.		2/5/09

Reviewer Title	Signature	Date	Comments
NEPA / Environmental Coordinator		2/6/09	
Authorized Officer		2/6/09	

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PART I. Project Description

The following undertaking is located in Emery and Carbon Counties. This undertaking involves the March 2009 Oil & Gas Lease Sale which in the Price Field Office includes 39 Parcels. For descriptions and assessment of parcels see enclosures.

	(1) is a non-routine interstate and/or interagency project or program
	(2) directly affects a National Register eligible or listed property
	(3) has been determined by BLM, the SHPO or the Council to be highly controversial
	(4) is one of the following: a land exchange, land sale, Recreation and Public Purpose lease, or transfer
X	(5) is one which we wish to bring to your attention

PART II. Determination of Eligibility to the National Register of Historic Places

BLM requests your concurrence on the following determination of effect:
No Historic Properties Affected; eligible sites present, but not affected.

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Please review the enclosed documentation, then sign and return this letter with your comments.

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Wayne Rudolph
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Enclosures

1. Cultural Resource Assessment of March 2009 Oil & Gas Lease Sale 10pp
2. Maps CD disk