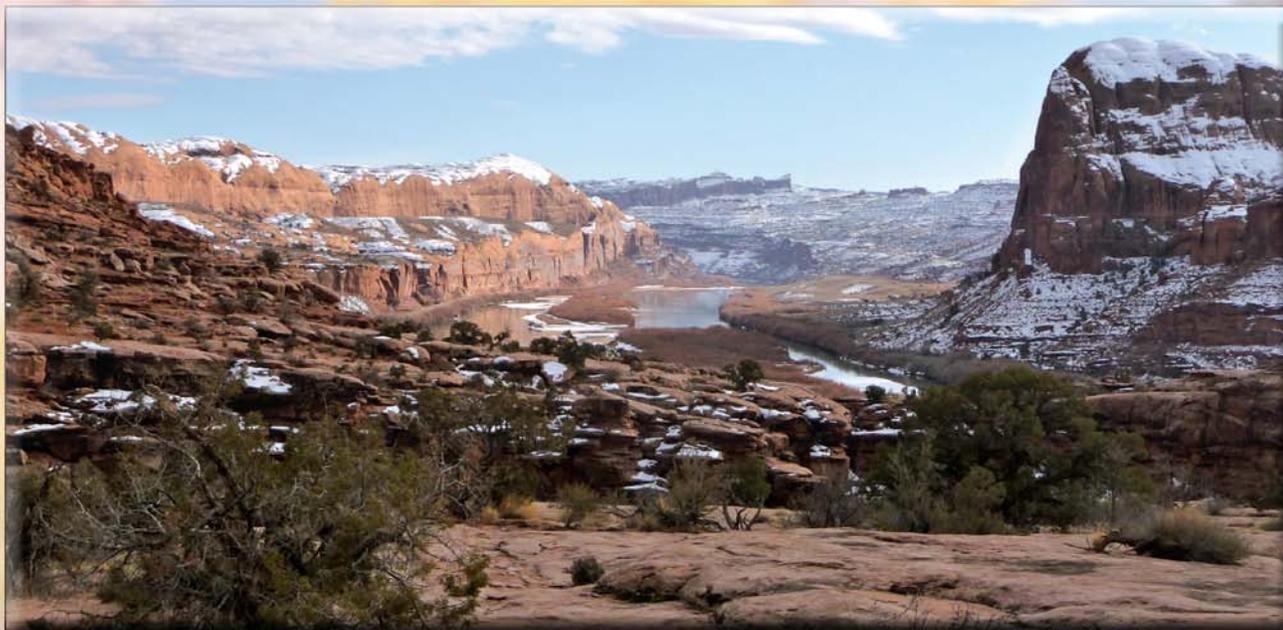


MOAB MASTER LEASING PLAN

INTRODUCTION

In accordance with Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Washington Office Instruction Memorandum No. 2010-117, the BLM Canyon Country District Office is initiating a planning effort to prepare the Moab Master Leasing Plan (MLP), possible amendments to the Moab and Monticello Resource Management Plans (RMPs), and a single environmental impact statement (EIS). The scope of the MLP is limited to new oil, gas, and potash leasing within the MLP area. The MLP process will provide additional planning and analysis prior to new leasing of oil, gas, and potash within the planning area (783,000 acres of public lands).



The planning area has high potential for the development of oil, gas, and potash. In addition, the planning area is adjacent to Canyonlands and Arches National Parks and contains lands identified by the BLM as having outstanding visual resources, high value recreation areas, lands with wilderness characteristics, and high quality air resources.

The outcome of the MLP process may result in new mineral leasing stipulations and development constraints accomplished through amendments to the land use plans (Moab and Monticello RMPs). The EIS will analyze likely development scenarios and land use plan alternatives with varying mitigation levels for mineral leasing.



Scenic Dome Plateau



Potash Evaporation Ponds



Oil and Gas Well in the Big Flat Area