

**FORM 1**

**Documentation of BLM Wilderness Characteristics Inventory Findings from Previous Inventory on Record <sup>1</sup>**

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

No (Go to Form 2) Yes   X   (If yes, and if more than one area is within the area, list the unique identifiers for those areas.):

**a) Inventory Sources:** Utah Initial Wilderness Inventory (1979)

**b) Inventory Area Unique Identifier(s):** UT-060-080,081,082,092,093

**c) Map Name(s)/Number(s):** same as (b)

**d) BLM District(s)/Field Office(s):** Moab Field Office

**2. BLM Inventory Findings on Record**

<b>Area Unique Identifier</b>	<b>Sufficient Size? Yes/No (acres)</b>	<b>Naturalness? Yes/No</b>	<b>Outstanding Solitude? Yes/No</b>	<b>Outstanding Primitive &amp; Unconfined Recreation? Yes/No</b>	<b>Supplemental Values? Yes/No</b>
UT-060-080	Yes	No	No	No	No
UT-060-081	Yes	No	No	No	No
UT-060-082	Yes	No	No	No	No
UT-060-092	Yes	No	No	No	No
UT-060-093	Yes	No	No	No	No

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**a) Inventory Sources:** 1999 Utah Initial Wilderness Inventory (1999, revised 2003)

**b) Inventory Area Unique Identifier(s):** Labyrinth Canyon

**c) Map Name(s)/Number(s):** same as (b)

**d) BLM District(s)/Field Office(s):** Moab Field Office

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a) **Inventory Sources:** Moab Wilderness Characteristics Review (2007)

b) **Inventory Area Unique Identifier(s):** Labyrinth Canyon, Duma Point

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Labyrinth Canyon	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
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## Summary of Analysis

**Area Unique Identifier:** Labyrinth Additions<sup>1</sup>

### Summary

Results of analysis: See discussion under 1 (a) in Form 1

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

Check one:

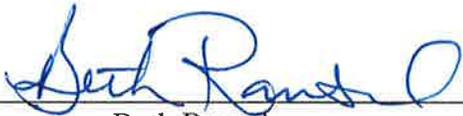
The area, or a portion of the area, has wilderness characteristics and is identified as lands with wilderness characteristics.

The area does not have wilderness characteristics.

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This form documents information that constitutes an inventory finding on wilderness characteristics. It does not represent a formal land use allocation or a final agency decision subject to administrative remedies under either 43 CFR parts 4 or 1610.5-3.

<sup>1</sup> Subunits A, B and C only-see discussion under Form 2: Current Conditions: Presence or Absence of Wilderness Characteristics

**4023+FORM 2: Current Conditions: Presence or Absence of Wilderness characteristics**

Area Unique Identifier: Labyrinth Additions

Total Acreage (all units): 12,893

Subunits:

Subunit A: 5,607 acres

(1) Is the area of sufficient size?

Yes  No

Description: On March 19, 2014, the Southern Utah Wilderness Alliance (SUWA) submitted new information to the Bureau of Land Management Moab Field Office (MFO) on the 12,893 acres encompassed in the Labyrinth Additions proposal. The information consisted of a narrative, map photographic documentation and GIS data in sufficient detail to meet the requirements of Manual 6310 (March, 2012) for three of the units (A-C)<sup>1</sup>. No photo documentation, a requirement of Manual 6310, was included for four smaller units. The acreage used designated travel plan routes and State Lands boundaries to define subunit A. In addition, SUWA excluded several roads within the subunit. SUWA's subunit A proposal totaled 5,607 acres. It consists primarily of the mesa tops and rim lands surrounding Hell Roaring Canyon, an area determined by the MFO to possess wilderness characteristics in the 1999 Utah Wilderness Inventory (2003 revision). The 2008 Moab Resource Management Plan (RMP) decided not to manage the area in question for wilderness characteristics.

The MFO travelled to the subunit in question on December 1, December 12 and December 15, 2014. In addition to the field checks undertaken by the MFO, MFO staff members familiar with the area were queried as to the presence (or lack thereof) of impediments to naturalness as defined by Manual 6310. Staff members knowledgeable with the area were queried prior to the MFO inventory field trips, as well as after completion of the trips. The information gleaned consisted primarily of information on minerals activities, as well as range and wildlife improvements present in the area. In addition to the roads excluded by SUWA, the MFO determined that an additional seven routes (and an associated OHV impacted area) either met Manual 6310's definition of a Wilderness Road, or constituted a sufficiently noticeable impact on apparent naturalness to warrant exclusion from wilderness characteristics. The additional exclusions totaled 16 acres, and reduced the size of the area to 5,594 acres.

(2) Does the area appear to be natural?

Yes  No  N/A  (after exclusions described in Part 1, above)

To the average visitor, subunit A appears in a natural state. Most of the unit consists of mesa tops and rim lands bordering Hell Roaring Canyon. In addition to the SUWA and the MFO exclusions described above, the unit contains several barely visible primitive routes. None of these would be detriments to apparent naturalness from the perspective of the average visitor.

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<sup>1</sup> Units A-C, as discussed here, are the labels assigned by SUWA in the GIS files submitted to MFO. SUWA's narrative and printed maps refer to these units as A, B and D, respectively.

Based on these three field trips and staff knowledge of the area, the MFO determined that 5,594 acres of subunit A possessed naturalness.

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

Yes  No  N/A

Subunit A possesses outstanding opportunities for solitude in association with the adjoining acreage which it surrounds (Labyrinth Canyon) found to possess wilderness characteristics by the MFO in the 1999 Utah Wilderness Inventory.

(4) Does the area (or the remainder of the area if a portion has been excluded due to unnaturalness and the remainder is of sufficient size) have outstanding opportunities for primitive and unconfined recreation?

Yes  No  N/A

Subunit A possesses outstanding opportunities for primitive and unconfined recreation in association with the adjoining acreage which it surrounds (Labyrinth Canyon) found to possess wilderness characteristics by the MFO in the 1999 Utah Wilderness Inventory.

(5) Does the area have supplemental values (ecological, geological, or other features of scientific, educational, scenic or historical value)?

Yes  No  N/A

Subunit A possesses supplemental values in association with the adjoining acreage which it surrounds (Labyrinth Canyon) found to possess wilderness characteristics by the MFO in the 1999 Utah Wilderness Inventory. Those values include cultural sites and wildlife habitats.

## **FORM 2: Current Conditions: Presence or Absence of Wilderness Characteristics**

Area Unique Identifier: Labyrinth Additions

Total Acreage (all units): 12,893

Subunits:

Unit B: 4,028

(1) Is the area of sufficient size?

Yes  No

Description: On March 19, 2014, the Southern Utah Wilderness Alliance (SUWA) submitted new information to the Bureau of Land Management Moab Field Office (MFO) on the 12,893 acres encompassed in the Labyrinth Additions proposal. The information consisted of a narrative, map photographic documentation and GIS data in sufficient detail to meet the requirements of Manual 6310 (March, 2012) for three of the units (A-C)<sup>2</sup>. No photo documentation, a requirement of Manual 6310, was included for four smaller units. The acreage used designated travel plan routes to define subunit B. In addition, SUWA excluded several roads within the subunit. SUWA's subunit B proposal totaled 4,028 acres. It consists primarily of the canyon rims and drainages to the south of Ten Mile Wash, an area determined by the MFO to lack wilderness characteristics in the 1999 Utah Wilderness Inventory (2003 revision) and the 2007 MFO wilderness characteristics review. Subunit B lacks sufficient size to stand on its own as a separate unit, but connects on its western end to lands found to possess wilderness characteristics (Labyrinth Canyon) in earlier inventories. The 2008 Moab Resource Management Plan (RMP) decided not to manage the area in question for wilderness characteristics.

The MFO travelled to subunit B on February 4, 2015. The visit on February 4 was along the southern end of the proposed unit, which also afforded good views into the entire canyon basin. The subunit possessed sufficient size only in association with the adjoining acreage found to possess wilderness characteristics by the MFO in earlier inventories. In addition to the field checks undertaken by the MFO, MFO staff members familiar with the area were queried as to the presence (or lack thereof) of impediments to naturalness as defined by Manual 6310. Staff members knowledgeable with the area were queried prior to the MFO inventory field trips, as well as after completion of the trips. The information gleaned consisted primarily of information on range and wildlife improvements present in the area.

(2) Does the area appear to be natural?

Yes  No  N/A  (after exclusions described in Part 1, above)

To the average visitor, subunit B appears in a natural state. Most of the unit consists of the canyon rims, mesa tops and several deep canyons intersecting Ten Mile Canyon, itself a deep canyon basin surrounded by high cliffs. The canyon basin lying to the south and east of subunit B consist of lands determined to possess wilderness characteristics in the 1999 Utah Wilderness

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Inventory (Labyrinth Canyon).

Based on the February 4, 2015 field trip, the MFO determined that approximately 4,023 acres of subunit B possessed naturalness. The MFO excluded several routes (Routes A, D and E on the accompanying field map) which either met the definition of Wilderness Road, or constituted sufficient impacts on apparent naturalness to the average visitor to warrant exclusion.

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

Yes  No  N/A

Subunit B possesses outstanding opportunities for solitude in association with the adjoining acreage to the west and south (Labyrinth Canyon) found to possess wilderness characteristics by the MFO in the 1999 Utah Wilderness Inventory. Additionally, several of the drainages intersecting Ten Mile Wash (Freckles Canyon, Rock Canyon and Trough Canyon) possess these opportunities.

(4) Does the area (or the remainder of the area if a portion has been excluded due to unnaturalness and the remainder is of sufficient size) have outstanding opportunities for primitive and unconfined recreation?

Yes  No  N/A

Subunit B possesses outstanding opportunities for solitude in association with the adjoining acreage to the west and south (Labyrinth Canyon) found to possess wilderness characteristics by the MFO in the 1999 Utah Wilderness Inventory. Additionally, several of the drainages intersecting Ten Mile Wash (Freckles Canyon, Rock Canyon and Trough Canyon) possess these opportunities.

(5) Does the area have supplemental values (ecological, geological, or other features of scientific, educational, scenic or historical value)?

Yes  No  N/A

Subunit B possesses supplemental values in association with the adjoining acreage to the south and east (Labyrinth Canyon) found to possess wilderness characteristics by the MFO in the 1999 Utah Wilderness Inventory. Additionally, Ten Mile Canyon contains significant cultural resources, substantial riparian habitat and a population of Desert Big Horn sheep.

**FORM 2: Current Conditions: Presence or Absence of Wilderness Characteristics**

Area Unique Identifier: Labyrinth Additions

Total Acreage (all units): 12,893

Subunits:

Unit C: 1,843

(1) Is the area of sufficient size?

Yes  No

Description: On March 19, 2014, the Southern Utah Wilderness Alliance (SUWA) submitted new information to the Bureau of Land Management Moab Field Office (MFO) on the 12,893 acres encompassed in the Labyrinth Additions proposal. The information consisted of a narrative, map photographic documentation and GIS data in sufficient detail to meet the requirements of Manual 6310 (March, 2012) for three of the units (A-C)<sup>3</sup>. No photo documentation, a requirement of Manual 6310, was included for four smaller units. The acreage used designated travel plan routes and State Lands boundaries to define subunit C. In addition, SUWA excluded several roads within the subunit. SUWA's subunit C proposal totaled 1,843 acres. It consists primarily of the canyon rims and mesa tops to the east of Labyrinth Canyon, an area determined by the MFO to possess wilderness characteristics in the 1999 Utah Wilderness Inventory (2003 revision) and 2007 MFO wilderness characteristics review. Subunit C lacks sufficient size to stand on its own as a separate unit, but connects on its western end to lands found to possess wilderness characteristics (Labyrinth Canyon) in earlier inventories. The 2008 Moab Resource Management Plan (RMP) decided not to manage the area in question for wilderness characteristics.

MFO staff visited Unit C on February 2, 2015. During this visit, MFO documented all impacts to apparent naturalness. As documented in the accompanying field map, most of the inventoried, but undesignated travel routes have all but disappeared since the 2008 Moab RMP. Several routes (Routes B, E, F, G, H, J, and K) are identified as open to motorized travel by the 2008 Moab RMP, and constitute either Wilderness Roads or substantial impacts to naturalness from the perspective of the average visitor. These routes accordingly have been excluded from lands identified as possessing wilderness characteristics. Additionally, Route H cuts off a small amount of acreage from the northern boundary of Unit C, and has been excluded. Three heavily used camping areas and overlooks at the ends of Routes B, J and K have been excluded due to their resultant loss of naturalness. These exclusions total 17.2 acres and reduce the area of Unit C possessing naturalness to 1825.8 acres.

(2) Does the area appear to be natural?

Yes  No  N/A

The area consists primarily of the mesa lands at the tops of the cliffs of Labyrinth Canyon, found

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to possess wilderness characteristics in earlier inventories. The southern portion has several routes that have been excluded from wilderness characteristics, but none connect to routes lying below the rim. The northern portion contains several short routes leading to viewpoints/camping areas, but most of the area retains apparent naturalness from the perspective of the average visitor.

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

Yes  No  N/A

Subunit C possesses outstanding opportunities for solitude in association with the adjoining acreage to the west (Labyrinth Canyon) found to possess wilderness characteristics by the MFO in the 1999 Utah Wilderness Inventory.

(4) Does the area (or the remainder of the area if a portion has been excluded due to unnaturalness and the remainder is of sufficient size) have outstanding opportunities for primitive and unconfined recreation?

Yes  No  N/A

Subunit C possesses outstanding opportunities for primitive and unconfined recreation in association with the adjoining acreage to the west (Labyrinth Canyon) found to possess wilderness characteristics by the MFO in the 1999 Utah Wilderness Inventory.

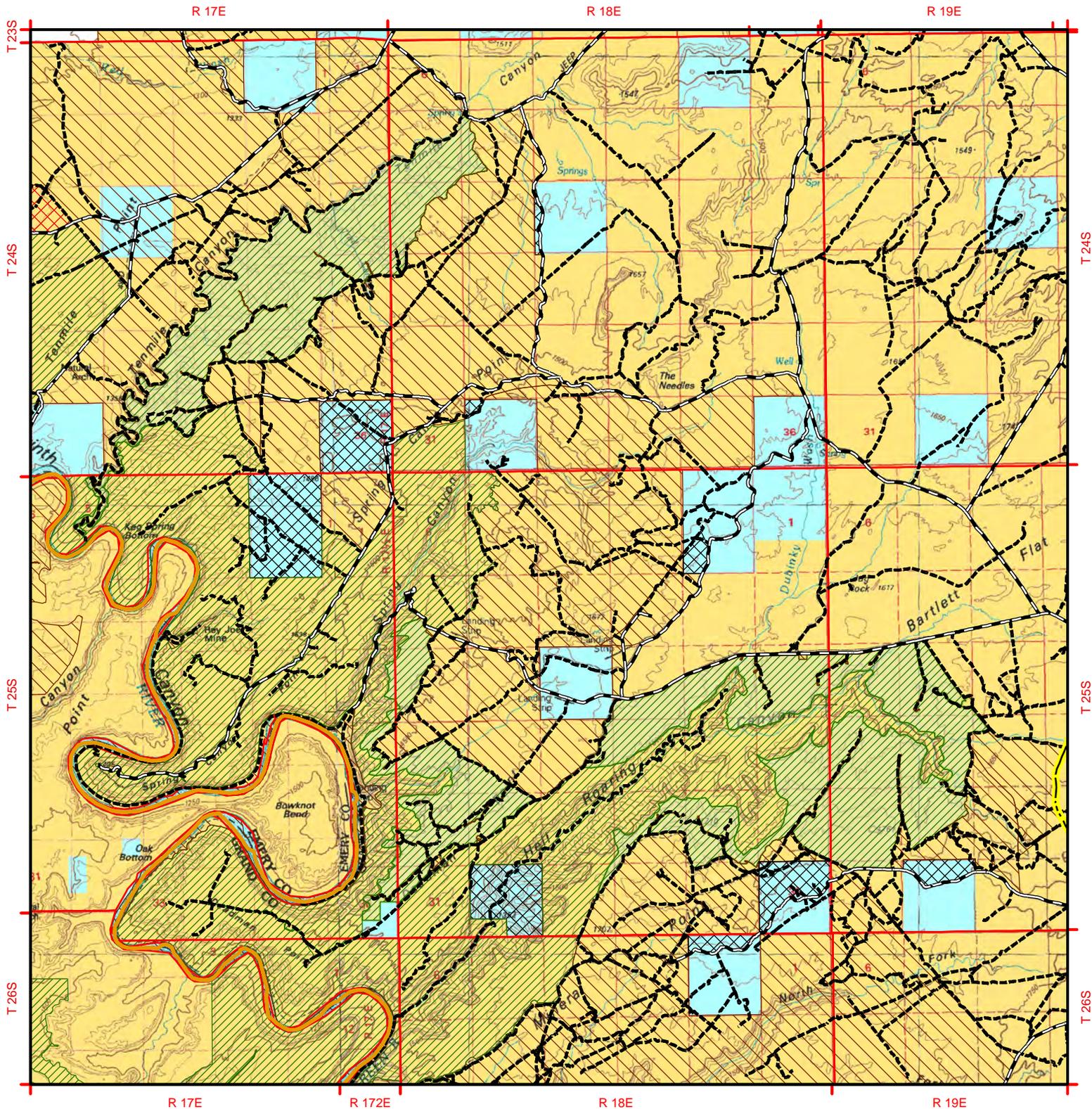
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Yes  No  N/A

# Labyrinth Additions Wilderness Characteristic Review - 2015

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Moab Field Office



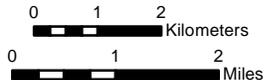
Location Map  
Utah BLM Field Office Boundaries



Date: 2/12/2016

## 2015 Wilderness Character Review Findings

- Wilderness Characteristics
- May 2015 Additions
- No Wilderness Characteristics



- B Roads (Maintained)
- D Roads (Unmaintained)
- Township and Range
- Field Office Boundary
- Land Status**
- Bureau of Land Management (BLM)
- State



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