

NOTE: The proposed plan contains some changes from the preferred alternative (now the Proposed Plan) that was published in the Draft EIS. The changes in the Tables and Appendixes are indicated by DOUBLE UNDERSCORED type. These changes have been made in response to public comments received during the review of the DEIS.

TABLE 2-1
Objectives and Actions of the Alternatives

Current Management	Resource Protection	Commodity Production	PROPOSED PLAN Balanced Use
MINERALS			
<p><u>Objective:</u></p> <p>Oil and gas and gilsonite would continue to be leased while other resource values would be protected or impacts mitigated. Sand, gravel, and building stone would continue to be provided to meet demand.</p> <p><u>Actions:</u></p> <p>Approximately 793,000 acres would be available for lease for oil and gas under standard stipulations (Category 1), 186,000 acres would be available for lease with special stipulations (Category 2), 32,000 acres would be precluded from surface occupancy (Category 3), and 16,000 acres would not be leased (Category 4).</p>	<p><u>Objective:</u></p> <p>Lease minerals where no significant conflicts exist with other resource values.</p> <p>Renewable resource values would receive preference in land use decisions.</p> <p><u>Actions:</u></p> <p>Approximately <u>473,000</u> acres could be available for lease for oil and gas under standard stipulations (Category 1). Approximately <u>470,000</u> acres could be available for lease using special stipulations (Category 2). Surface occupancy would be precluded from <u>49,000</u> acres (Category 3). Leases would not be issued on 8,000 acres (Category 4).</p>	<p><u>Objective:</u></p> <p>Mineral resource values would receive preference in making land use decisions. Provide sufficient sand, gravel, and building stone to meet demand.</p> <p><u>Actions:</u></p> <p>Approximately 989,000 acres would be available for oil and gas lease using standard stipulations (Category 1). Approximately 35,000 acres would be available for lease using special mitigation (Category 2). Surface occupancy would be precluded on less than 3,000 acres (Category 3). No lands would be closed to leasing (Category 4).</p>	<p><u>Objective:</u></p> <p>Oil and gas, tar sands, oil shale, and gilsonite would be leased while other resource values would be protected or mitigated. Sand, gravel and building stone would be provided where compatible with other resource uses.</p> <p><u>Actions:</u></p> <p>Approximately <u>552,000</u> acres would be available for oil and gas lease using standard stipulations (Category 1). Approximately <u>460,000</u> acres would be available for lease using special mitigation (Category 2). Surface occupancy would be precluded on <u>16,000</u> acres (Category 3). No lands would be closed to leasing (Category 4).</p>

Current Management	Resource Protection	Commodity Production	PROPOSED PLAN Balanced Use
Land would be leased for gilsonite except along the Green and White Rivers.	Land would be leased for gilsonite subject to special mitigation. The special mitigation would be derived from the oil and gas category system.	Land would be leased for gilsonite subject to special mitigation. The special mitigation would be derived from the oil and gas category system.	Land would be leased for gilsonite subject to special mitigation. The special mitigation would be derived from the oil and gas category system.
No additional oil shale leasing would occur. Federal oil shale tracts U-a and U-b would continue to be leased under all alternatives.	Priority management areas totalling approximately 18,000 acres would be available for underground mining. Two tracts totaling approximately 10,500 acres could be leased in this area upon completion of the RMP. No areas would be available for in-situ development.	Priority management areas totalling approximately 84,000 acres for underground mining and 14,000 acres for in-situ development would be available for lease. Four tracts totaling approximately 21,000 acres could be located in these areas upon completion of the RMP.	Priority management areas totalling approximately 42,000 acres for underground mining and 6,000 acres for in-situ development would be available for lease. Two to four tracts totaling approximately 10,500 to 21,000 acres could be leased within these areas after implementation of the RMP.

Current Management	Resource Protection	Commodity Production	PROPOSED PLAN Balanced Use
<p>No leases would be issued for tar sand development.</p>	<p>Combined hydrocarbon leases (competitive and conversion) would be issued subject to stipulations indicated in this document. Approximately <u>44,000</u> acres would be available for tar sand development using standard stipulations. Approximately <u>106,000</u> would require special mitigation. Surface occupancy would be precluded from <u>67,000</u> acres. Leases would not be issued on 12,000 acres within the Naval Oil Shale Reserve.</p>	<p>Combined hydrocarbon leases (competitive and conversion) would be issued subject to stipulations indicated in this document. Approximately <u>213,000</u> acres would be available for tar sand development using standard stipulations and an additional 4,000 acres using special mitigation. No areas would be precluded from surface occupancy. Leases would not be issued on 12,000 acres within the Naval Oil Shale Reserve.</p>	<p>Combined hydrocarbon leases (competitive and conversion) would be issued subject to stipulations indicated in this document. Approximately <u>118,000</u> acres would be available for tar sand development using standard stipulations. Approximately <u>72,000</u> acres would be available for development using special mitigation. Approximately 27,000 acres would be precluded from surface occupancy. Leases would not be issued on 12,000 acres within the Naval Oil Shale Reserve.</p>
<p>When warranted, a schedule for a competitive lease program would be developed.</p>	<p>When warranted, a schedule for a competitive lease program would be developed.</p>	<p>When warranted, a schedule for a competitive lease program would be developed.</p>	<p>When warranted, a schedule for a competitive lease program would be developed.</p>
<p>Sand and gravel sites along the Green River and south of Blue Mountain could be established on a case-by-case basis. Approximately 160 acres would be available for community or free use.</p>	<p>Sand and gravel would not be sold. Current community and free use areas would be closed when permits expire.</p>	<p>Approximately 12,500 acres would be designated as potential sand and gravel locations. Community and free use areas would be maintained in their current locations.</p>	<p>Approximately 8,500 acres of land would be designated as potential sand and gravel sites. The community pit and free use areas would be retained in their present locations.</p>

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Stone would continue to be sold from three collection areas totaling 21,500 acres.	Collection areas would be eliminated.	The Nutters Hole collection area would be enlarged to include an additional 24,500 acres. Disposals would continue from Johnson Draw and Buck Canyon areas for a total of 46,000 acres.	<u>The Nutters Hole collection area would be enlarged to include an additional 24,500 acres. Disposal would continue from Johnson Draw and Buck Canyon areas for a total of 46,000 acres.</u>
Approximately 25 percent of Federal lands would remain open to entry under provisions of the Mining Law of 1872, as amended. The remaining lands are under protective withdrawal and would not be open to entry.	Approximately 25 percent of Federal lands would remain open to entry under provisions of the Mining Law of 1872, as amended. The remaining lands are under protective withdrawal and would not be open to entry.	Approximately 25 percent of Federal lands would remain open to entry under provisions of the Mining Law of 1872, as amended. The remaining lands are under protective withdrawal and would not be open to entry.	Approximately 25 percent of Federal lands would remain open to entry under provisions of the Mining Law of 1872, as amended. The remaining lands are under protective withdrawal and would not be open to entry.

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RIGHT-OF-WAY CORRIDORS

Objective:

Rights-of-way would be issued on a case-by-case basis while providing protection of other resource values. The location of rights-of-way would be encouraged within identified corridors, or adjacent to existing rights-of-way.

Actions:

Approximately 170 miles of corridors consisting of 61,500 acres previously identified in Management Framework Plans (MFP) and MFP amendments would be designated. Exclusion areas would not be identified.

Objective:

Rights-of-way would be restricted to designated corridors to the maximum extent practical. Renewable resource values would receive preferential consideration in locating additional rights-of-way and corridors.

Actions:

Approximately 150 miles of corridors consisting of 46,000 acres would be designated. No rights-of-way would be allowed in exclusion areas. Approximately 23,000 acres of land would be designated as exclusion areas.

Objective:

The development of resources would be facilitated through development of a network to allow maximum flexibility in establishing rights-of-way and corridors. Additional corridors could be established in response to future rights-of-way applications. Resources producing the greatest revenue and providing for human needs would receive preference in locating corridors and rights-of-way.

Actions:

Approximately 330 miles of corridors consisting of 174,000 acres would be designated. Exclusion areas would not be identified.

Objective:

Rights-of-way would be encouraged within identified corridors while protecting or mitigating other resource values. Additional corridors could be established if compatible with other resource uses.

Actions:

Approximately 235 miles of corridors consisting of 93,000 acres would be designated. Rights-of-way and corridors could be allowed in exclusion areas only if adequate mitigation, reclamation, or habitat enhancement could be accomplished. Approximately 23,000 acres of land would be designated as exclusion areas.

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FORAGE

Objective:

- Manage forage to:
- A. Maintain current stocking levels and grazing practices.
 - B. Maintain current level and trend of wildlife numbers.
 - C. Maintain present wild horse numbers.

Maintain existing forage and livestock facilities.

Objective:

- Manage forage for:
- A. Livestock numbers which allow fair and poor ecological condition areas to improve to good or excellent.
 - B. Prior stable wildlife numbers.
 - C. Maintenance of desired wild horse numbers for Bonanza and Hill Creek herds and eliminate the wild horse herd at Winter Ridge.

Maintain or improve the existing forage resource through range management techniques and restrictions on livestock grazing.

Objective:

- Manage forage to:
- A. Support full livestock grazing preference* where potential exists for improvement.
 - B. Maintain present or reduced wildlife numbers.
 - C. Reduce wild horse numbers at Hill Creek and eliminate wild horse herds at Winter Ridge and Bonanza.

Improve and increase forage through range management techniques.

Objective:

- Manage forage for:
- A. A level between average livestock use (of three representative years from 1975 to 1982) and active preference.
 - B. Optimum wildlife numbers with minimum wildlife conflicts with livestock.
 - C. Desired wild horse numbers at Hill Creek only.

Maintain or improve the total forage resource using management techniques which are compatible with the use and development of other resources.

*(Full livestock grazing preference is active grazing preference plus suspended nonuse.)

Current Management	Resource Protection	Commodity Production	PROPOSED PLAN Balanced Use
<u>Actions:</u>	<u>Actions:</u>	<u>Actions:</u>	<u>Actions:</u>
The following AUMs would be authorized.	The following AUMs would be authorized.	The following AUMs would be authorized.	The following AUMs would be authorized.
A. BLUE MOUNTAIN LOCALITY Livestock Average Use 5,835 AUMs Active Pref. 5,787 AUMs Wildlife Average Use 1,768 AUMs Allocated Use 1,000 AUMs	A. BLUE MOUNTAIN LOCALITY Livestock 3,725 AUMs Wildlife 2,413 AUMs	A. BLUE MOUNTAIN LOCALITY Livestock 6,425 AUMs Wildlife 934 AUMs	A. BLUE MOUNTAIN LOCALITY Livestock <u>5,943 AUMs</u> *** Wildlife 1,768 AUMs
B. BONANZA-RAINBOW LOCALITY Livestock Average Use 37,352 AUMs Active Pref. 61,323 AUMs Wildlife Antelope Average Use 762 AUMs Antelope Allocated Use 312 AUMs *Deer Average Use ^a AUMs Deer Allocated Use 2,959 AUMs Wild horses Average Use 480 AUMs Allocated Use 0 AUMs	B. BONANZA-RAINBOW LOCALITY Livestock <u>29,277</u> AUMs Wildlife Antelope 1,390 AUMs *Deer ^b AUMs Wild horses 600 AUMs	B. BONANZA-RAINBOW LOCALITY Livestock 62,026 AUMs Wildlife Antelope 377 AUMs *Deer ^c AUMs Wild horses 0 AUMs	B. BONANZA-RAINBOW LOCALITY Livestock <u>45,249</u> AUMs Wildlife Antelope 1,123 AUMs *Deer ^d AUMs Wild horses 0 AUMs

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Current Management		Resource Protection		Commodity Production		Balanced Use	
C.	BOOK CLIFFS LOCALITY	C.	BOOK CLIFFS LOCALITY	C.	BOOK CLIFFS LOCALITY	C.	BOOK CLIFFS LOCALITY
	Livestock		Livestock 15,412 AUMs		Livestock 28,385 AUMs		Livestock <u>22,137</u> AUMs
	Average Use 17,351 AUMs						
	Active Pref. 23,174 AUMs						
	Wildlife	**Wildlife b&f	AUMs	**Wildlife c&g	AUMs	**Wildlife d&h	AUMs
	**Average Use a&e AUMs						
	Allocated Use 38,867 AUMs						
	Wild-horses	Wild horses	0 AUMs	Wild horses	0 AUMs	Wild horses	0 AUMs
	Average Use 108 AUMs						
	Allocated Use 0 AUMs						
D.	HILL CREEK LOCALITY	D.	HILL CREEK LOCALITY	D.	HILL CREEK LOCALITY	D.	HILL CREEK LOCALITY
	Livestock		Livestock 5,045 AUMs		Livestock 12,649 AUMs		Livestock <u>7,987</u> AUMs
	Average Use 6,442 AUMs						
	Active Pref. 12,631 AUMs						
	Wildlife	**Wildlife b&f	AUMs	**Wildlife c&g	AUMs	**Wildlife d&h	AUMs
	**Average Use a&e AUMs						
	Allocated Use 500 AUMs						
	Wild horses	Wild horses	2,340 AUMs	Wild horses	710 AUMs	Wild horses	2,340 AUMs
	Average Use 1,881 AUMs						
	Allocated Use 0 AUMs						
Totals							
	Livestock	Livestock	<u>53,459</u> AUMs	Livestock	109,485 AUMs	Livestock	<u>81,316</u> AUMs
	Average Use 66,980 AUMs						
	Active Pref. 102,915 AUMs						
	Wildlife	Wildlife	55,597 AUMs	Wildlife	17,287 AUMs	Wildlife	47,596 AUMs
	Average Use 18,506 AUMs						
	Allocated Use 43,638 AUMs						
	Wild horses	Wild horses	2,940 AUMs	Wild horses	710 AUMs	Wild horses	2,340 AUMs
	Average Use 2,469 AUMs						
	Allocated Use 0 AUMs						

LEGEND

*Deer herd unit 28A contains all of the land area included within the Bonanza-Rainbow, Book Cliffs, and Hill Creek localities. Data are not available to allocate the deer use on a locality basis, hence the proposed deer use is presented for each alternative by herd unit only. Each locality would receive an unknown percentage of the total herd use. BLM observations indicate that deer use would be heaviest in the Book Cliff locality and lightest in the Hill Creek locality.

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**Elk herd unit 21 contains all of the land area included within the Book Cliffs and Hill Creek localities. Data are not available to allocate the elk use on a locality basis, hence the proposed elk use is presented for each alternative by herd unit only. Each locality would receive an unknown percentage of the total herd use. BLM observations indicate that elk use would be heaviest in the Book Cliff locality and lightest in the Hill Creek locality.

***This includes 157 AUMs Temporary Non-Renewable (TNR) previously authorized because of land treatments in an Allotment Management Plan. Refer to Appendix 5, Blue Mountain AMP.

^aUnknown part of deer herd unit 28A
Average Herd Use = 12,784 AUMs

^bUnknown part of deer herd unit 28A
Proposed Herd Use = 37,113 AUMs

^cUnknown part of deer herd unit 28A
Proposed Herd Use = 12,784 AUMs

^dUnknown part of deer herd unit 28A
Proposed Herd Use = 32,577 AUMs

^eUnknown part of elk herd unit 21
Average Herd Use = 3,192 AUMs

^fUnknown part of elk herd unit 21
Proposed Herd Use = 14,681 AUMs

^gUnknown part of elk herd unit 21
Proposed Herd Use = 3,192 AUMs

^hUnknown part of elk herd unit 21
Proposed Herd Use = 12,128 AUMs

Current Management	Resource Protection	Commodity Production	PROPOSED PLAN Balanced Use
No new land treatments would be developed for livestock.	Approximately 15,000 acres would be prescribed burned to improve forage, and an additional 600 acres clear cut, resulting in an increase of 1,700 AUMs.	Approximately 13,000 acres would be prescribed burned, 15,500 acres chemically treated or burned, and 1,700 acres chained or clear cut to improve forage, resulting in an increase of approximately 2,700 livestock AUMs.	Approximately 8,050 acres would be prescribed burned, 10,900 acres chemically treated or burned, and 300 acres of pinyon-juniper clear cut to improve wildlife and livestock forage, resulting in an increase of approximately 2,000 AUMs.
Season of use would not change.	Spring livestock grazing would be eliminated or restricted through grazing systems or livestock decreases on 50 allotments.	Season of use would be changed in connection with grazing systems on approximately 13 allotments.	Spring grazing would be eliminated or restricted through grazing systems on approximately <u>28</u> allotments.
No new water projects would be developed for livestock.	Approximately 31 reservoirs, 14 seeps and springs, 6 guzzlers and 3 miles of pipeline would be developed for livestock. Water rights would be acquired from the State of Utah for all water projects.	Approximately 62 reservoirs, 16 seeps and springs, and 21 guzzlers and 4 miles of pipeline would be developed for livestock. Water rights would be acquired from the State of Utah for all water projects.	Approximately 64 reservoirs, 20 seeps or springs, 32 guzzlers and 3 miles of pipeline would be developed for livestock. Water rights would be acquired from the State of Utah for all water projects.
No new fences would be built.	Approximately 10 miles of new fence would be built <u>with about 5 miles being built and maintained by BLM in order to protect critical floodplains.</u>	Approximately 18 miles of new fence would be built.	Approximately 18 miles of new fence would be built.

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Floodplains would be protected as required by Executive Order 11988, but no floodplains would be improved.	Livestock would be limited or restricted from 5,950 acres of floodplains to improve the sites.	Floodplains would be protected as required by Executive Order 11988, but no floodplains would be improved.	Livestock would be limited or restricted from 470 acres of floodplain to improve the sites.
Livestock would not be excluded from wildlife habitat.	Livestock would be limited from 14,000 acres of deer and elk crucial winter habitat on McCook Ridge (751 AUMs). A reduction of 2,110 livestock AUMs would provide additional wildlife forage for deer herd 26, Blue Mountain.	Livestock would not be excluded from wildlife habitat.	Livestock would not be excluded from wildlife habitat.
Continue management on 13 current AMPs. No new AMPs would be developed.	Continue current management of 3 AMPs, evaluate and revise 10 AMPs to incorporate changes in season of use, livestock limitations or restrictions, wild horse use levels and mineral development. Develop no new AMPs.	Continue current management on 6 AMPs, evaluate and revise 7 AMPs, develop new AMPs on 11 allotments.	Continue current management on 6 AMPs, evaluate and revise 7 AMPs and develop new AMPs on 11 allotments.

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WILDLIFE AND WILD HORSES

Objective:

Wildlife habitats would continue to be managed to maintain wildlife populations at their current, yet increasing, trend. Wild horse habitat would be managed to maintain current wild horse populations.

Objective:

Wildlife habitats would be managed at prior-stable wildlife population levels. Wild horse habitat would be managed to support desired wild horse population levels at two herd locations, by removing one herd.

Objective:

Wildlife habitats would be managed to sustain wildlife populations near or at current levels. Wild horse habitat would be managed at reduced wild horse population levels, at one herd location, by removing two herds.

Objective:

Wildlife habitats would be managed for optimum wildlife levels where conflicts with livestock do not exist. Wild horse habitat would be managed to support desired population levels at one herd location, by removing two herds.

Actions:

Provide forage to support 7,700 mule deer, 500 elk, 611 antelope, and 206 wild horses.

Actions:

Provide forage to support 19,800 mule deer, 2,300 elk, 1,114 antelope and 245 wild horses.

Actions:

Provide forage to support approximately 7,300 mule deer, 500 elk, 302 antelope, and 60 wild horses.

Actions:

Provide forage to support approximately 17,300 deer, 1,900 elk, 900 antelope, and 195 wild horses.

A total of 18,506 AUMs would be utilized by big game and 2,469 AUMs by wild horses.

A total of 55,597 AUMs would be utilized by big game and 2,940 AUMs by wild horses.

A total of 17,287 AUMs would be utilized by big game and 710 AUMs by wild horses.

Approximately 47,596 AUMs would be utilized by big game and 2,340 AUMs by wild horses.

Current Management	Resource Protection	Commodity Production	PROPOSED PLAN Balanced Use
Habitat for deer herd unit 26 (Blue Mountain) would be managed to support current levels. Habitat for deer herd unit 28A (Book Cliffs) would be managed to support increasing levels.	Habitat for deer herd unit 26 (Blue Mountain) would be managed to support slightly increased levels. Habitat for deer herd unit 28A (Book Cliffs) would be managed to support prior-stable levels.	Habitat for deer herd unit 26 (Blue Mountain) would be managed to support a significantly reduced level. Habitat for deer herd unit 28A (Book Cliffs) would be managed to support current levels.	Habitat for deer herd unit 26 (Blue Mountain) would be managed to support current levels. Habitat for deer herd unit 28A (Book Cliffs) would be managed to support significantly increased levels.
Antelope habitat would be managed to support slowly increasing levels at both the Bonanza and East Bench herd locations.	Antelope habitat would be managed to support objective (prior-stable) levels at both the Bonanza and East Bench herd locations.	Antelope habitat would be managed to support the current level at the East Bench herd location, and at a reduced level at the Bonanza location.	Antelope habitat would be managed to support increased levels at both the Bonanza and East Bench herd locations.
Approximately 5,000 to 10,000 acres of browse would be burned, but no acreage of pinyon/juniper chained or clearcut. Over the next decade, approximately 10 to 30 water projects would be developed for wildlife.	Approximately 15,000 acres of browse would be burned, and 1,000 acres of pinyon/juniper chained or clearcut. Over the next decade, approximately 70 to 150 water projects would be developed for wildlife.	No habitat would be burned or chained for wildlife. Over the next decade, approximately 1 to 20 water projects would be developed for wildlife.	Approximately 9,000 acres of browse would be burned, and 2,000 acres of pinyon/juniper chained or clearcut. Over the next decade, approximately 50 to 100 water projects would be developed for wildlife.
No habitat management plans (HMPs) would be developed.	Four HMPs would be prepared.	Four HMPs would be prepared.	Four HMPs would be prepared.
No wild horse management plans would be developed.	Two wild horse management plans would be prepared.	One wild horse management plan would be prepared.	One wild horse management plan would be prepared.

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WOODLANDS

Objective:

Provide woodland products to meet demand. Preserve forest species to benefit other resource values.

Objective:

Provide woodland products on a sustained yield basis where compatible with protection of other resource values. Preserve forest species to benefit other resource values.

Objective:

Maximize utilization of woodland products. Practice sustained yield on those areas where woodland management is determined to be the most economical use of the land.

Objective:

Provide woodland products where minimal conflicts with other resources exist. Encourage utilization of woodland products from lands that would be converted to other resource uses.

Actions:

Approximately 35,300 acres of productive woodland would be available for harvest. Amount harvested would depend on demand.

Actions:

Approximately 32,700 acres would be maintained on a sustained yield basis, with an allowable cut of 3,470 cords/year.

Actions:

Approximately 31,100 acres would be managed on a sustained yield basis, with an allowable cut of 3,730 cords/year.

Actions:

Approximately 39,600 acres would be managed on a sustained yield basis, with an allowable cut of 4,270 cords/year.

<u>Species</u>	<u>Acres</u>
Pinyon/juniper	35,300
Cottonwood	0
Douglas fir	0

<u>Species</u>	<u>Acres</u>
Pinyon/juniper	32,700
Cottonwood	0
Douglas fir	0

<u>Species</u>	<u>Acres</u>
Pinyon/juniper	26,800
Cottonwood	300
Douglas fir	4,000

<u>Species</u>	<u>Acres</u>
Pinyon/juniper	37,300
Cottonwood	300
Douglas fir	2,000

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RECREATION

Objective:

Protect all currently identified recreation sites, scenic overlooks, travel corridors having recreational values, and recreational qualities of the river corridors, while allowing continued ORV use without immediate designation.

Actions:

No ORV designations would be made until 1987. RMP would be amended to accommodate ORV designation.

Continue protection of 15 campsites (895 acres), 6 scenic overlooks (730 acres), and 1 geologic feature (60 acres).

Objective:

Protect all currently identified recreation sites, scenic overlooks, travel corridors having recreational values, and scenic and recreational qualities of the river corridors, by limiting or prohibiting ORV use.

Actions:

The following ORV designations would be made:

Open 369,900 acres
 Limited 643,200 acres
 Closed 67,200 acres

Continue protection of 13 campsites (785 acres), 6 scenic overlooks (730 acres), and 1 geologic feature. Add protection of one new geologic feature and expand 1 existing scenic overlook by 160 acres.

Objective:

Protect the highest quality recreation sites, scenic overlooks and portions of the Green River corridor, where compatible with resource development. Allow open ORV use except where conflicts occur with resource development.

Actions:

The following ORV designations would be made:

Open 931,840 acres
 Limited 147,200 acres
 Closed 960 acres

Continue protection of 4 camp sites (280 acres), 1 scenic overlook (320 acres), and 1 geologic feature (60 acres).

Objective:

Protect the high quality recreation sites, overlooks, and scenic corridors. Protect or mitigate recreational values of the Green and White River corridors. Designate as much land as possible open for ORV use, while protecting areas where damage to resource values would occur.

Actions:

The following ORV designations would be made:

Open 526,000 acres
 Limited 547,600 acres
 Closed 6,400 acres

Continue protection of 5 camp sites (320 acres), 2 scenic overlooks (330 acres), and 1 geologic feature (60 acres). Add protection of 1 new geologic feature (10 acres) and expand 1 existing scenic overlook by 160 acres.

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Maintain the Highway 40 scenic corridor (5,440 acres).	Expand the Highway 40 scenic travel corridor by 4,760 acres. Add 2 additional scenic travel corridors: Book Cliffs Divide (4,100 acres) and new Bonanza Highway (3,300 acres).	There would not be any scenic corridors.	Same as Resource Protection Alternative.
The White River Canyon would be protected excluding the approved dam and 2 utility corridors (5,250 acres).	Same as Current Management Alternative.	The White River Canyon would not be a recreation corridor.	Same as Current Management Alternative.
Segments of the Green River would be protected or partially protected as follows:	Segments of the Green River would be protected or partially protected as follows:	Segments of the Green River would be protected or partially protected as follows:	Segments of the Green River would be protected or partially protected as follows:
Partially Protected - 5,250 Protected - 9,150	Partially Protected - 3,500 Protected - 10,900	Partially Protected - 12,500 Protected - 1,900	Partially Protected - 4,930 Protected - 9,470
The Book Cliffs Mountain Browse Natural Area would be managed to protect and maintain the vegetation in a natural condition.	Same as Current Management Alternative.	The natural area designation would be dropped and the area opened to livestock grazing and mineral development.	Same as Current Management Alternative.

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FIRE MANAGEMENT

Objective:

Extinguish all wildfires and utilize a limited prescribed burn programs to benefit other resources.

Objective:

Extinguish all wildfires where they conflict with other resource values. Allow other areas to burn where no conflicts exist.

Objective:

Utilize all fire management techniques to maximize commodity production throughout the BCRA. Employ prescribed burning to benefit other resource values.

Objective:

Utilize fire as a resource management tool, employing prescribed burning, modified, and full suppression techniques. Resource trade-offs would be made.

Actions:

Full suppression would be employed on 1,070,000 to 1,075,000 acres.

Actions:

Full suppression would be employed on 84,500 acres.

Actions:

Full suppression would be employed on 84,500 acres.

Actions:

Full suppression would be employed on 84,500 acres.

A modified suppression program would not be utilized.

Modified suppression would be employed on 965,500 acres.

Modified suppression would be employed on 967,000 to 982,500 acres.

Modified suppression would be employed on 967,600 to 978,500 acres.

PROPOSED PLAN

Current Management

Resource Protection

Commodity Production

Balanced Use

WATERSHED

Objective:

Protect floodplains, severe and critical erosion areas, the watershed study area, public water reserves, water rights, and water quality from adverse impacts through mitigation allowing development of other resources.

Objective:

Protect floodplains, public water reserves, and water quality by restricting or eliminating critical surface disturbing activities in those areas. Protect the watershed study area. Mitigate adverse impacts to severe and critical erosion areas. Restore degraded water quality, floodplains, and severe and critical erosion areas.

Objective:

Mitigate adverse impacts to floodplains, public water reserves, water quality, and severe and critical erosion areas. Restore only those degraded areas that would improve forage and water production and not conflict with mineral development.

Objective:

Protect floodplains, public water reserves, water quality, severe and critical erosion areas, and the watershed study area, by restricting or mitigating surface disturbance. Restore degraded areas compatible with other resource uses.

Actions:

Maintain Boulevard Ridge Watershed Study Area.

Actions:

Maintain Boulevard Ridge Watershed Study Area for 10 years.

Actions:

Discontinue Boulevard Ridge Watershed Study Area.

Actions:

Maintain Boulevard Ridge Watershed Study Area as long as it serves a scientific purpose.

Implement watershed treatment measures on small areas up to a total of 10,000 acres.

Implement watershed treatment measures on areas up to a total of 111,100 acres.

Implement watershed treatment measures on small areas up to a total of 6,400 acres.

Implement watershed treatment measures on areas up to a total of 78,900 acres.

Current Management	Resource Protection	Commodity Production	PROPOSED PLAN Balanced Use
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LAND TENURE ADJUSTMENTS

Objective:

Land disposal actions would be considered on a case-by-case basis where such actions would not conflict with existing resource management programs. Exchanges and land acquisitions that would improve management opportunities for resource protection, resource development, or administration of public lands, would be considered.

Actions:

Approximately 1,360 acres of land would be made available for disposal through exchange or sale.

No land would be delineated for potential acquisition.

Objective:

The land disposal program would be managed with overall emphasis on retention of public lands. Exchanges and land acquisitions, that would provide protection of renewable resources, would be considered.

Actions:

No land would be identified for disposal.

Approximately 8,700 acres of land (important wildlife habitat) could be acquired if opportunities become available.

Objective:

Land would be made available for community, economic, and agricultural needs. Disposal of isolated tracts that are difficult to manage would be considered. Exchanges and land acquisitions that benefit development of oil shale and tar sand resources, would be considered.

Actions:

Approximately 16,000 acres of land could be made available for disposal through exchange or sale.

Approximately 10,000 acres of land could be acquired if opportunities become available.

Objective:

Land disposals would be provided on a limited basis where community, economic, and agricultural needs outweigh retaining the land in public ownership. Exchanges and land acquisitions would be considered which would improve management opportunities for resource protection, resource development, or administration of public lands.

Actions:

Approximately 16,570 acres of land could be made available for disposal through exchange or sale.

Approximately 18,700 acres of land could be acquired for wildlife habitat and recreation management if opportunities become available.