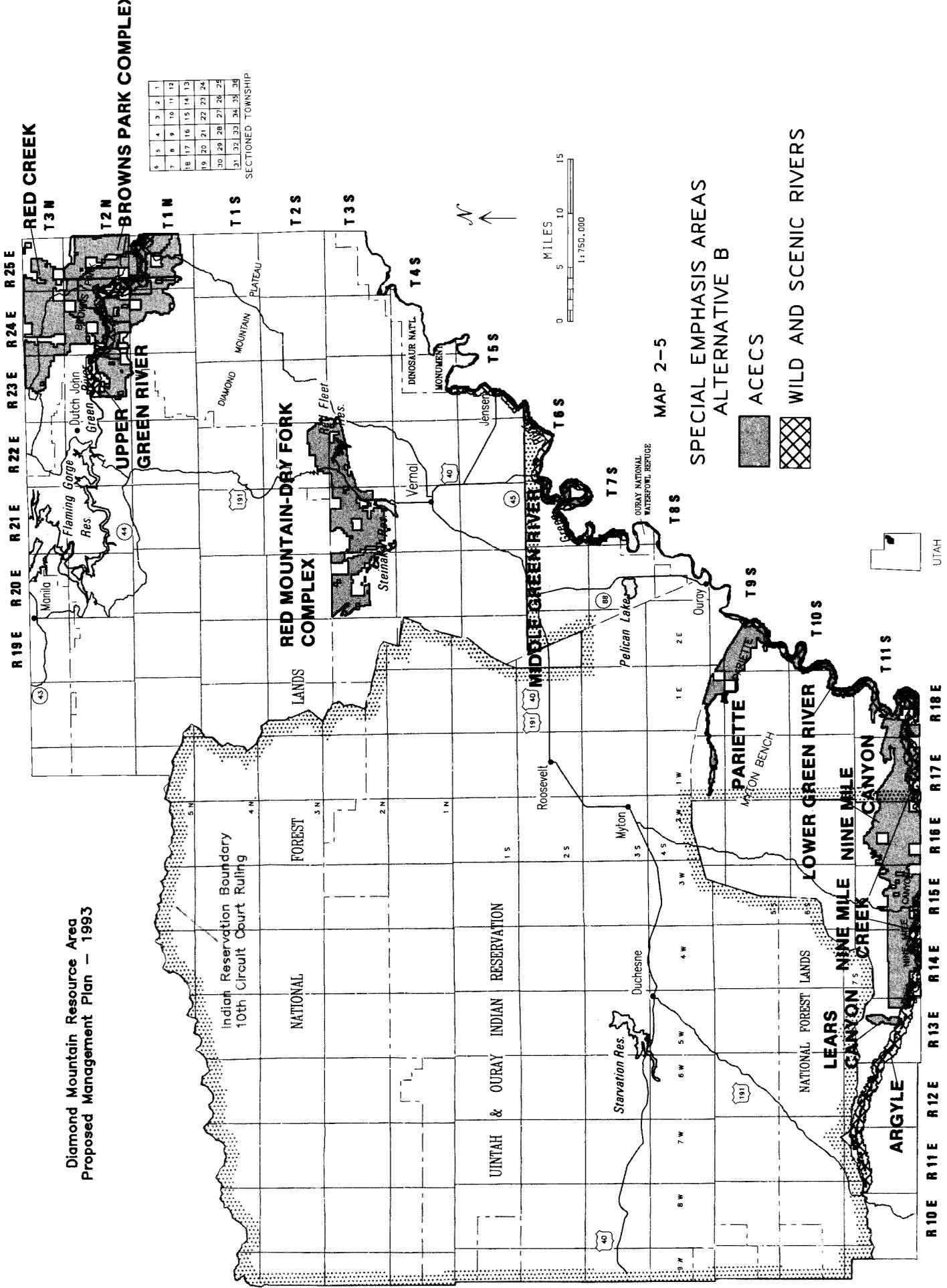


Diamond Mountain Resource Area
Proposed Management Plan — 1993



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SECTIONED TOWNSHIP



MAP 2-5

SPECIAL EMPHASIS AREAS
ALTERNATIVE B

- ACECS
- WILD AND SCENIC RIVERS



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BROWNS PARK COMPLEX

RED MOUNTAIN-DRY FORK COMPLEX

PARIETTE

LOWER GREEN RIVER

LEARS CANYON

NINE MILE CANYON

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Indian Reservation Boundary
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NATIONAL FOREST

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TABLE 2-18: ALTERNATIVE B -

BROWNS PARK COMPLEX	LEARS CANYON	LOWER AND MIDDLE GREEN RIVER SEGMENTS	NINE MILE CANYON
<p>General Management Objective: Protect and enhance crucial deer winter range, outstanding scenic, cultural, riparian, fisheries, and special status species resource values, while enhancing recreation opportunities, and maintaining compatible uses. Include the Crouse Canyon scenic area and the two existing Wilderness Study Areas in this management complex.</p>	<p>General Management Objective: Retain the area's present natural douglas fir-mountain browse and pinyon-juniper communities as comparison or control areas, and, to provide/set aside an area in a late to climax ecological stage for research and/or educational purposes within these vegetation community types.</p>	<p>General Management Objective: Enhance and protect the delicate BLM-administered riparian community adjacent to the Green River for special status fish, bird and plant species, while maintaining the Wild and Scenic River qualities of these river segments.</p>	<p>General Management Objective: Protect and enhance the cultural and special status plant species values of the canyon; while enhancing its scenic, recreation and wildlife resource values.</p>
<p>Total Federal Acreage: 55,700</p>	<p>Total Federal Acreage: 1,400</p>	<p>Total Federal Acreage: 12,700</p>	<p>Total Federal Acreage: 50,800</p>
<p>MANAGEMENT LEVELS:</p> <p>1 - 25% - Existing recreation sites, cultural sites eligible for or listed on the <u>National Register of Historic Places</u> (NRHP), Green River floodplain, high visual (including Crouse Canyon), and critical soils resource values. 2 - 65% - Crucial deer winter habitat, raptor sites, primitive/natural areas, high sensitivity archeological and paleontological areas, sage grouse strutting areas, and potential recreation areas. 3 - 10% - Potential bighorn sheep habitat, sage grouse nesting habitat, and VRM Class II areas.</p>	<p>MANAGEMENT LEVELS:</p> <p>2 - 100% - Relict vegetation community (supporting resource values: critical soils, crucial big game habitat, cultural and primitive/natural resource values).</p>	<p>MANAGEMENT LEVELS:</p> <p>1 - 79% River viewshed, Riparian, cultural sites eligible for or listed on NRHP, special status species habitat, highly erodible soils. 2 - 12% - primitive/ natural areas, raptor habitat, critical watersheds, potential recreation areas, high salt-containing soils, high potential archeological and paleontological values, scenic qualities, and National Historic Landmark. 3 - 9% - Remaining resources.</p>	<p>MANAGEMENT LEVELS:</p> <p>1 - 10% - Cultural sites eligible or listed on NRHP, riparian habitat, special status plant habitat, potential recreation sites, highly erodible soils. 2 - 15% - Scenic and recreational values of the Green River, Nine Mile and Argyle Creeks, the existing Sand Wash Recreation Site, primitive/natural areas, raptor and crucial big game winter habitat, and high sensitivity cultural and paleontological areas. 3 - 65% - Scenic values associated with the Backcountry Byway, potential bighorn sheep habitat. 4 - 10%- Remaining resources</p>
<p>MANAGEMENT PRESCRIPTIONS:</p>	<p>MANAGEMENT PRESCRIPTIONS:</p>	<p>MANAGEMENT PRESCRIPTIONS:</p>	<p>MANAGEMENT PRESCRIPTIONS:</p>
<p>Cultural - Allocate cultural sites including ethnographic properties into three classifications: (1) information potential, (2) public values, and (3) conservation. See Appendix 1 for a listing of which types of sites would be allocated to each classification.</p>		<p>Cultural - Allocate cultural sites including ethnographic properties into three classifications: (1) information potential, (2) public values, and (3) conservation. See Appendix 1 for a listing of which types of sites would be allocated to each classification.</p> <p>Do not allow surface disturbance or OHV use on high cultural sensitivity (density) areas. Establish a 200-foot protection buffer around cultural sites eligible or listed on NRHP, and the Desolation Canyon National Historic Landmark.</p>	<p>Cultural - Allocate cultural sites including ethnographic properties into three classifications: (1) information potential, (2) public values, and (3) conservation. See Appendix 1 for a listing of which types of sites would be allocated to each classification. Establish interpretive sites and trails at selected sites.</p> <p>Do not allow surface disturbance or OHV use on high cultural sensitivity (density) areas. Establish a 200-foot protection buffer around sites eligible or listed on NRHP.</p>

MANAGEMENT PRESCRIPTIONS FOR SPECIAL EMPHASIS AREAS

PARIETTE WETLANDS	RED CREEK WATERSHED ACEC	RED MOUNTAIN-DRY FORK COMPLEX
<p>General Management Objective: Enhance and protect the wetlands community and associated habitat adjacent to Pariette and Castle Peak Washes, ensuring continued waterfowl production and no long-term deterioration of the water quality in Pariette Wash; reduce sedimentation to the Green River by stabilizing streambanks and water channels; while meeting the management objectives of the final recovery plans for the special status species associated with the area.</p>	<p>General Management Objective: Manage the watershed to continue the reduction of sedimentation into Red Creek, and the downstream Green River, by stabilizing channels and streambanks to lessen erosion, and by maintaining or increasing vegetation cover; and, enhance wildlife habitat values.</p>	<p>General Management Objective: Protect cultural sites eligible or listed on the National Register of Historic Places (NRHP), significant paleontological sites, and relict vegetation communities; enhance supporting resource values of wildlife habitat, municipal watershed, riparian and scenic values; while allowing compatible uses.</p>
<p>Total Federal Acreage: 11,600</p>	<p>Total Federal Acreage: 24,400</p>	<p>Total Federal Acreage: 25,800</p>
<p>MANAGEMENT LEVELS:</p> <p>1 - 92% - Riparian and special status species habitats, potential National Register-quality cultural sites. 2 - 8% - Floodplains, raptor habitat, high salt-containing soils, potential recreation sites, high sensitivity archeological and paleontological areas. 3 - <1% - Antelope habitat and potential black-footed ferret reintroduction areas.</p>	<p>MANAGEMENT LEVELS:</p> <p>1 - 10% - Highly erodible soils and riparian habitat. 2 - 50% - Crucial big game habitat, high salt-containing soils, sage grouse strutting grounds, high sensitivity cultural areas. 3 - 40% - Sage grouse nesting area and antelope habitat.</p>	<p>MANAGEMENT LEVELS:</p> <p>1 - 40% - Relict vegetation communities, developed recreation sites, municipal watershed, riparian, and highly erodible soils. 2 - 50% - High sensitivity (density) cultural zones and significant paleontological zones, high salt-containing soils, crucial big game habitat, and potential recreation sites. 3 - 10% - Potential bighorn sheep habitat, and VRM Class II resources.</p>
<p>MANAGEMENT PRESCRIPTIONS:</p>	<p>MANAGEMENT PRESCRIPTIONS:</p>	<p>MANAGEMENT PRESCRIPTIONS:</p>
<p>Cultural - Allocate cultural sites including ethnographic properties into three classifications: (1) information potential, (2) public values, and (3) conservation. See Appendix 1 for a listing of which types of sites would be allocated to each classification.</p> <p>Coordinate with the Ute Tribe to protect areas and items of traditional lifeways or religious significance.</p>	<p>Cultural - Allocate cultural sites including ethnographic properties into three classifications: (1) information potential, (2) public values, and (3) conservation. See Appendix 1 for a listing of which types of sites would be allocated to each classification.</p> <p>Coordinate with the Ute Tribe to protect areas and items of traditional lifeways or religious significance.</p>	<p>Cultural - Allocate cultural sites including ethnographic properties into three classifications: (1) information potential, (2) public values, and (3) conservation. See Appendix 1 for a listing of which types of sites would be allocated to each classification.</p> <p>Coordinate with the Ute Tribe to protect areas and items of traditional lifeways or religious significance.</p>

TABLE 2-18 (CONTINUED): ALTERNATIVE B -

BROWNS PARK COMPLEX	LEARS CANYON	LOWER AND MIDDLE GREEN RIVER SEGMENTS	NINE MILE CANYON
<p>Cultural (Cont) - Continue to manage, interpret, stabilize and protect the historic properties at the John Jarvie National Historic District under the existing cultural resource management plan. Develop facilities at the Old Rock Saloon. Develop a self-guided tour of important historic structures and locations in the Complex.</p> <p>Coordinate with the Ute Tribe to protect areas and items of traditional lifeways and religious significance.</p> <p>Do not allow surface disturbance or OHV use on high sensitivity (density) areas. Establish a 200-foot protection buffer around sites eligible or listed on NRHP and the John Jarvie National Historic District.</p> <p>Paleontological - Allow fossil collection by permit only.</p> <p>Paleontological clearances will be required on a case-by-case basis.</p>	<p>Coordinate with the Ute Tribe to protect areas and items of traditional lifeways and religious significance.</p>	<p>Coordinate with the Ute Tribe to protect areas and items of traditional lifeways and religious significance.</p> <p>Paleontological - Allow fossil collection by permit only.</p> <p>Paleontological clearances will be required on a case-by-case basis.</p>	<p>Cultural (cont) - Develop facilities as needed to protect the natural systems on approximately 5 miles of hiking, horseback and mountain bicycle trails in primitive recreation use areas. Include a facility to interpret and manage use.</p>
<p>Fire - Pinyon-juniper woodlands would be allowed to burn under prescribed conditions in level 2 and 3 areas to enhance or expand big game habitat. Wildfires within the sagebrush and riparian zones would be fully suppressed.</p>	<p>Fire - Prescribed burning may be allowed in the pinyon-juniper community to maintain a vigorous, healthy condition of the existing native vegetation community, or to support critical soil or crucial big game habitat management objectives. No more than 50% of the pinyon-juniper community or 40% of the douglas fir-mountain browse community would be allowed to burn during the life of this plan.</p>		
<p>Fish and Wildlife - Do not allow activities resulting in adverse impacts to wintering deer from December 1 through June 15 on crucial deer winter range.</p> <p>Do not allow livestock grazing, OHV use, and surface-disturbing activities within 1/2 mile of sage grouse strutting grounds or known nesting sites year-round. Within 6 miles of strutting grounds (nesting areas) allow no surface-disturbing activities from March 1 through June 30.</p> <p>Construct bald eagle perch sites within level 1 areas as necessary, while maintaining the scenic integrity of the Green River.</p>	<p>Fish and Wildlife - Do not allow activities that would result in adverse impacts to wintering deer from December 1 through June 15 on crucial big game winter range.</p>	<p>Fish and Wildlife - Establish raptor protection zones in which no construction, OHV use or disturbing activities (including noise) would be allowed within 1/2 mile of active golden eagle nests.</p> <p>Establish raptor protection zones in which no construction, OHV use or disturbing activities (including noise) would be allowed within 1 mile of active ferruginous hawk nests.</p> <p>Establish raptor protection zones in which no construction or disturbing activities (including noise) would be allowed within 1 mile of active peregrine falcon nests.</p>	<p>Fish and Wildlife - Do not allow activities that would result in adverse impacts to wildlife from December 1 through June 15 on crucial big game winter habitat.</p> <p>Establish raptor protection zones in which no construction, OHV use or disturbing activities, including noise, would be allowed within 1/2 mile of active golden eagle nests.</p> <p>Establish raptor protection zones in which no construction or disturbing activities would be allowed within 1 mile of active peregrine falcon or ferruginous hawk nests.</p>

TABLE 2-18 (CONTINUED): ALTERNATIVE B -

BROWNS PARK COMPLEX	LEARS CANYON	LOWER AND MIDDLE GREEN RIVER SEGMENTS	NINE MILE CANYON
<p>Fish and Wildlife (Cont) - Establish raptor protection zones in which no construction, OHV use or disturbing activities (including noise) will be allowed within 1/2 mile of active golden eagle nests.</p> <p>Establish raptor protection zones in which no construction or disturbing activities (including noise) would be allowed within 1 mile of active peregrine falcon and ferruginous hawk nests.</p> <p>Provide habitat and allow for reintroductions of Colorado cutthroat, bighorn sheep, river otter and upland game birds.</p>		<p>Fish and Wildlife (Cont) - Implement the management guidelines to the extent possible as outlined in the existing recovery plans for the federally-listed fish species occurring within this area.</p> <p>Construct as needed, eagle roost sites along the river with restrictions designed to blend with the visual resources.</p>	<p>Fish and Wildlife (Cont) - Provide habitat and allow for reintroductions of Colorado cutthroat, bighorn sheep, moose and upland game birds.</p>
<p>Lands - Establish a right-of-way exclusion area on level 1 lands and a right-of-way avoidance area on level 2 areas of the complex. Make level 3 lands available to support permitted activities with special restrictions designed to maintain the wildlife and scenic values.</p> <p>Priority would be given for the resolution of the existing airport trespasses at Willow Creek and Taylor Flat by removal and restoration or cooperative agreement only.</p> <p>Recommend protective withdrawals on level 1 and 2 areas within the complex to preclude entry under the 1872 General Mining Law or agricultural entry.</p>	<p>Lands - Establish a rights-of-way exclusion area covering the entire area.</p> <p>Recommend a protective withdrawal precluding mineral or agricultural entry on the entire area.</p>	<p>Lands - Establish a right-of-way exclusion area on level 1 lands and a right-of-way avoidance area within Level 2 lands.</p> <p>Recommend protective withdrawals on level 1 and 2 lands to preclude entry under the 1872 General Mining Law.</p> <p>Acquire, where possible, fee title or interest in lands (e.g., water rights) within or adjacent to level 1 lands.</p>	<p>Lands - Establish a right-of-way exclusion area on level 1 areas and a right-of-way avoidance area on Level 2 lands. Make Level 3 lands available to support permitted activities with special restrictions designed to protect the stated resource values.</p> <p>Recommend protective withdrawals on level 1 and 2 lands to preclude mineral or agricultural entry.</p> <p>Acquire fee title or interest in lands (e.g., water rights) within or adjacent to level 1 lands as opportunities become available.</p>

MANAGEMENT PRESCRIPTIONS FOR SPECIAL EMPHASIS AREAS

PARIETTE WETLANDS	RED CREEK WATERSHED ACEC	RED MOUNTAIN-DRY FORK COMPLEX
<p>Fish and Wildlife (Cont) - Establish raptor protection zones in which no construction or disturbing activities (including noise) would be allowed within 1 mile of active peregrine falcon and ferruginous hawk nests.</p> <p>Maintain existing habitat in Eight-Mile Flat identified for black-footed ferret reintroduction by avoiding surface disturbance. Do not allow any activities that would render the habitat unsuitable of future reintroductions.</p> <p>Establish raptor protection zones in which no construction or disturbing activities (does not apply to rafting) would be allowed within 1 mile of occupied peregrine falcon nests from February 1 through August 31. Would not apply if impacts could be mitigated through other management actions.</p>	<p>Fish and Wildlife (Cont) - Do not allow grazing, OHV use and surface-disturbing activities within 6 miles of sage grouse strutting grounds (nesting habitat) between March 1 and June 30.</p> <p>Provide habitat and allow for the reintroduction of bighorn sheep, and upland game.</p>	
<p>Lands - Establish a right-of-way exclusion area on level 1 lands and an avoidance area on level 2 lands. Make level 3 lands available to placement of rights-of-way with special restrictions designed to protect the stated resource values in the area.</p> <p>Recommend protective withdrawals on level 1 and 2 lands to preclude entry under the 1872 General Mining Law or agricultural entry.</p> <p>Acquire fee title or interest in lands (e.g., water rights) within or effecting the Pariette drainage as opportunities develop.</p>	<p>Lands - Establish a right-of-way exclusion area on level 1 lands and an avoidance area on level 2 lands. Make level 3 lands available to placement of rights-of-way with special restrictions designed to protect the stated resource values in the area.</p> <p>Recommend protective withdrawals on level 1 and 2 lands to preclude entry under the 1872 General Mining Law or agricultural entry.</p>	<p>Lands - Acquire public nonmotorized access across established roads and trails to enhance recreational opportunities along Ashley Creek. Acquire legal motorized access to Red Mountain.</p> <p>Establish a right-of-way exclusion area on level 1 lands and an avoidance area on level 2 lands. Make level 3 lands available to placement of rights-of-way with special restrictions designed to protect the stated resource values in the area.</p> <p>Recommend protective withdrawals on level 1 and 2 lands to preclude entry under the 1872 General Mining Law or agricultural entry.</p>

TABLE 2-18 (CONTINUED): ALTERNATIVE B -

BROWNS PARK COMPLEX	LEARS CANYON	LOWER AND MIDDLE GREEN RIVER SEGMENTS	NINE MILE CANYON
<p>Livestock - Level 2 and 3 lands would be open to grazing under improved grazing strategies to maintain or enhance the wildlife, riparian, and vegetation values. Level 1 lands would be closed to grazing.</p> <p>No domestic sheep grazing would be allowed. Cattle grazing may be allowed only in areas outside identified bighorn sheep habitat.</p> <p>Allow rangeland improvements only to maintain or improve the level 1 and 2 resources values of the complex. Develop rangeland improvements and grazing prescriptions on level 3 lands to enhance wildlife habitat.</p> <p>Fence to restrict or prevent livestock from moving into the Green River floodplain or bighorn sheep habitat areas.</p>	<p>Livestock - Do not allow livestock grazing within the area.</p>	<p>Livestock - Level 3 lands would be open to grazing. Level 2 lands would be open to livestock grazing with number or seasonal restrictions designed to maintain or enhance the stated resource values. Grazing within level 1 lands would be limited to those areas in late or climax ecological condition where grazing is currently taking place. No grazing would be allowed in the Sand Wash Recreation Site. Develop rangeland improvements only to maintain or improve the values present in level 1 and 2 lands.</p> <p>No domestic sheep grazing would be allowed within 10 miles of identified bighorn sheep reintroduction areas.</p>	<p>Livestock - Level 2 and 3 lands would be open to grazing under improved grazing strategies to enhance or maintain the identified values. Grazing within level 1 lands would be limited to those areas in late or climax ecological condition where grazing is already taking place. No grazing would be allowed in the Sand Wash Recreation Site and cultural sites eligible for or listed on NRHP.</p> <p>Develop rangeland improvements only to maintain or improve the stated values within level 1 and 2 areas.</p> <p>No domestic sheep grazing would be allowed within 10 miles of identified bighorn sheep reintroduction areas.</p>
<p>MINERALS</p> <p>Leasables - Level 3 lands would be open to leasing with special conditions designed to protect the visual, wildlife, and soils resource values, all level 1 and 2 lands, except for 100 acres, would be open to leasing with no-surface-occupancy stipulations; the remaining 100 acres would be closed to leasing.</p>	<p>MINERALS</p> <p>Leasables - The area would be open to mineral leasing with a no-surface-occupancy stipulation.</p>	<p>MINERALS</p> <p>Leasables - Level 1 and 2 areas would be open to leasing with a no-surface-occupancy stipulation.</p>	<p>MINERALS</p> <p>Leasables - Level 3 lands would be open to leasing with special conditions designed to protect the stated resource values; level 1 and 2 lands would be open to leasing with a no-surface-occupancy stipulation.</p>
<p>Geophysical Activities - Level 2 and 3 areas would be open to geophysical exploration with special conditions designed to enhance and/or protect the values of the complex. Level 1 lands would be open to nonsurface-disturbing geophysical activities.</p>	<p>Geophysical Activities - The area would be open to nonsurface-disturbing geophysical activities.</p>	<p>Geophysical Activities - Level 2 would be open to geophysical activities with restrictions designed to protect those stated resource values. Level 1 lands would be open to nonsurface-disturbing geophysical activities.</p>	<p>Geophysical Activities - Level 3 and level 2 would be open to geophysical exploration with special conditions designed to maintain the resource values; level 1 lands would be open to nonsurface-disturbing geophysical activity.</p>

MANAGEMENT PRESCRIPTIONS FOR SPECIAL EMPHASIS AREAS

PARIETTE WETLANDS	RED CREEK WATERSHED ACEC	RED MOUNTAIN-DRY FORK COMPLEX
<p>Livestock - Allow grazing within level 2 and 3 lands with number and/or seasonal restrictions. Grazing within level 1 would be limited to those areas in late or climax ecological condition where grazing is currently taking place.</p> <p>Allow rangeland improvements only to maintain or improve the values present on level 1 and 2 lands. Develop rangeland improvements and grazing prescriptions on level 3 lands to enhance vegetation production.</p>	<p>Livestock - Allow grazing within level 2 and 3 lands with number and/or seasonal restrictions designed to maintain or enhance the watershed and wildlife habitat values. Grazing within level 1 lands would be limited to those areas in late or climax ecological condition where grazing is currently taking place.</p> <p>Develop rangeland improvements only to maintain or improve the values identified in the level 1 and 2 areas. Develop rangeland improvements and grazing prescriptions on level 3 lands designed to enhance watershed and wildlife habitat values.</p>	<p>Livestock - Allow grazing within level 2 and 3 areas with number and/or seasonal restrictions designed to maintain or enhance the stated resource values for those levels. Grazing within level 1 lands would be limited to those areas in late or climax condition where grazing is actively taking place.</p> <p>Develop rangeland improvements only to maintain or improve the values identified in the level 1 and 2 areas. Develop rangeland improvements and grazing prescriptions on level 3 lands designed to enhance watershed and wildlife habitat values.</p> <p>No domestic sheep grazing would be allowed within 10 miles of identified bighorn sheep reintroduction areas.</p>
<p>MINERALS</p> <p>Leasables - Level 3 lands would be open to leasing with special conditions designed to protect the stated resource values; level 1 and 2 lands would be open to leasing with a no-surface-occupancy stipulation.</p>	<p>MINERALS</p> <p>Leasables - Level 3 lands would be open to leasing with special conditions designed to protect or enhance the watershed and wild-life habitat values. All level 1 and 2 lands, except for approximately 100 acres, would be open to leasing with a no-surface-occupancy stipulation; the remaining 100 acres would be closed to leasing.</p>	<p>MINERALS</p> <p>Leasables - Level 3 lands would be open to leasing with special conditions designed to protect or enhance the stated resource values of the area; all level 1 and 2 lands, except for 100 acres, would be open to leasing with a no-surface-occupancy stipulation; the remaining 100 acres would be closed to leasing.</p> <p>Exploration and development of phosphate within crucial deer and elk winter range would be allowed year round, but would require management actions designed to mitigate both short- and long-term loss of habitat.</p>
<p>Geophysical Activities - Level 2 and 3 areas would be open to geophysical exploration with special conditions designed to enhance and/or protect the values of the area. Level 1 lands would be open to nonsurface-disturbing geophysical activities.</p>	<p>Geophysical Activities - Level 2 and 3 lands, would be open to geophysical exploration with special conditions, designed to maintain or enhance the stated watershed and wildlife habitat values. Level 1 lands would be open to nonsurface-disturbing geophysical activities.</p>	<p>Geophysical Activities - Level 2 and 3 lands, would be open to geophysical exploration with special conditions designed to protect or enhance the identified resource values; level 1 lands would be open to nonsurface-disturbing geophysical activities.</p>

TABLE 2-18 (CONTINUED): ALTERNATIVE B -

BROWNS PARK COMPLEX	LEARS CANYON	LOWER AND MIDDLE GREEN RIVER SEGMENTS	NINE MILE CANYON
<p>Mineral Materials - Allow mineral material disposal on level 3 lands with special restrictions designed to protect/enhance the stated values of the complex. Level 1 and 2 lands would be closed to mineral material disposals.</p>	<p>Mineral Materials - Do not allow mineral material disposal.</p>	<p>Mineral Materials - Do not allow mineral material disposals on the area.</p>	<p>Mineral Material - Allow mineral material disposals on level 3 lands with special restrictions designed to protect those stated resource values; do not allow mineral material disposals on level 1 and 2 lands.</p>
<p>Locatables - Any mining activity other than casual use would require a mining plan of operations. Development would be restricted by stipulations designed to protect the natural values of the area within the parameters of the 1872 General Mining Law. For the level 1 areas, the preceding would be applied until a protective withdrawal is obtained.</p>	<p>Locatables - Until a protective withdrawal is in place and in force, any mining activity other than casual use would require a mining plan of operations. Development would be restricted by stipulations designed to protect the vegetation community in the area within the parameters of the 1872 General Mining Law.</p>	<p>Locatables - Until a protective withdrawal is in place and in force, any mining activity other than casual use would require a mining plan of operations. Development would be restricted by stipulations designed to protect the vegetation community in the area within the parameters of the 1872 General Mining Law.</p>	<p>Locatables - Any mining activity other than casual use would require a mining plan of operations. Development would be restricted by stipulations designed to protect the natural and primitive values of the area within the parameters of the 1872 General Mining Law.</p>
<p>Recreation - Level 3 lands would be open to OHV use; Level 2 except for the semi-primitive non-motorized areas and the developed recreation sites in level 1 would be open to OHV use on designated roads and trails with seasonal restrictions designed to protect wildlife and soil resource values. Semi-primitive nonmotorized areas within level 2 and the remaining level 1 lands would be closed to OHV use. Such restrictions would not apply to permitted BLM activities or authorized administrative uses.</p> <p>Continue Special Recreation Management Area (SRMA) status along 17,000 acres of the Green River Scenic Corridor. Revise existing SRMA management plan to include recommendations of the 1991 study of recreation use capacity of the Green River (Pratt et.al.).</p> <p>Maintain the high quality recreation experience along the Green River by limiting the number of float boaters on the river through establishment of a reservation type system of use.</p>	<p>Recreation - The area would be closed to OHV use due to the clear dominance of the primitive/natural qualities (90%) of the area. This would not apply to permitted BLM activities or authorized administrative uses.</p> <p>Maintain the primitive-natural character and values of this area by closing it to motorized surface-disturbing activities.</p>	<p>Recreation - Level 2 lands, excluding the primitive/natural area, would be open to OHV use on designated roads and trails and/or seasonal stipulations. Level 1 and the primitive/natural area would be closed to OHV use. This would not apply to permitted BLM activities or authorized administrative uses.</p> <p>Develop facilities to protect natural systems along non-motorized trails on the Green River segments.</p> <p>Maintain the character and value of the primitive/natural area within this area by closing it to OHV use and motorized surface-disturbing activities.</p>	<p>Recreation - Level 3 lands would be open to OHV use. Level 2 (except for the primitive/natural area) would be open to OHV use on designated roads and trails with seasonal restrictions designed to protect the watershed, soils and wildlife resource values. The primitive/natural areas, within level 2 and the level 1 lands, would be closed to OHV use. This would not apply to permitted BLM activities or authorized administrative uses.</p> <p>Recreation sites would be closed to grazing and surface-disturbing activities not related to recreational development.</p> <p>Maintain the character and values of the identified primitive/natural area by closing the area to OHV use and motorized surface-disturbing activities.</p> <p>Establish an SRMA that would cover the subject area.</p>

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PARIETTE WETLANDS	RED CREEK WATERSHED ACEC	RED MOUNTAIN-DRY FORK COMPLEX
<p>Mineral Materials - Allow mineral material disposals on level 3 lands with special restrictions designed to protect watershed values. Do not allow mineral material disposals on level 1 and 2 areas.</p>	<p>Mineral Materials - Allow mineral material disposals on Level 3 lands with special restrictions designed to maintain or enhance the stated resources values; do not allow mineral material disposals on level 1 and 2 lands.</p>	<p>Mineral Materials - Allow mineral material disposal on level 3 lands with special restrictions designed to protect or enhance the resource values of the level; do not allow mineral material disposals on level 1 and 2 lands.</p>
<p>Locatables - Until a protective withdrawal is in place and in force, any mining activity other than casual use would require a mining plan of operations. Development would be restricted by stipulations designed to protect the vegetation community in the area within the parameters of the 1872 General Mining Law.</p>	<p>Locatables - Until a protective withdrawal is in place and in force, any mining activity other than casual use would require a mining plan of operations. Development would be restricted by stipulations designed to protect the vegetation community in the area within the parameters of the 1872 General Mining Law.</p>	<p>Locatables - Until a protective withdrawal is in place and in force, any mining activity other than casual use would require a mining plan of operations. Development would be restricted by stipulations designed to protect the vegetation community in the area within the parameters of the 1872 General Mining Law.</p>
<p>Recreation - Level 3 lands, except critical soils, would be open to OHV use with seasonal restrictions designed to protect the watershed and soils values, level 2 lands and the critical soils within level 3 would be open to OHV use on designated roads and trails. This restriction would not be applied to permitted BLM activities or authorized administrative uses.</p> <p>Provide recreation facilities and interpretive trails at Pariette Wetlands.</p> <p>Recreation sites would be closed to livestock grazing and surface-disturbing activities not related to recreation development.</p>	<p>Recreation - Level 3 lands, excluding highly erodible soils, would be open to OHV use with seasonal restrictions for the watershed and wildlife protection; level 2 lands and the soils in level 3 would be open to OHV use on designated roads and trails.</p> <p>Develop interpretive trails and/or facilities in the Clay Basin Gas field.</p>	<p>Recreation - Level 3 lands, except highly erodible soils, would be open to OHV use with seasonal restrictions; level 1 and 2 lands and highly erodible soils within level 3 would be open to OHV use on designated roads and trails.</p> <p>Develop recreation facilities on Red Mountain outside the relict vegetation community; expand recreation facilities at Dry Fork Canyon.</p> <p>Recreation sites would be closed to grazing and surface-disturbing activities not related to recreation development.</p> <p>Develop an interpretive trail and/or facilities along Brush Creek.</p> <p>Develop 3 miles of nonmotorized trails along Dry Fork and Ashley Creeks. Establish 12 miles of mountain bicycle trails using existing rural roads and trails.</p> <p>Maintain existing trail on Red Mountain. If, however, OHV use occurs off trail after a reasonable program of signing and public education, close trail. Close trail to Moonshine Arch to OHV use.</p> <p>Establish a Special Recreation Management Area (SRMA) that would cover the subject area.</p>

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<p>Recreation (Cont) - Maintain existing facilities at Bridge Hollow, Jackson Creek, Indian Crossing, Pugmire Pocket, Red Creek and Swallow Canyon at their present size (all within Level I). Develop facilities to protect natural systems on non-motorized (i.e., hiking, horseback, and mountain bicycle) trails along the Green River and other primitive recreation use areas within the complex.</p> <p>Recreation sites would be closed to grazing and surface-disturbing activities not related to recreation development.</p> <p>Develop 15 miles of hiking and/or horseback trails along the Green River, Sears Canyon, Beaver and Willow Creeks and other creeks with conditions to protect the riparian values.</p> <p>Maintain the character and values of identified primitive-natural areas within level 2 areas by closing the areas to OHV use and motorized surface-disturbing activities.</p>			
<p>Riparian - Construct rangeland improvements and design grazing prescriptions to enhance riparian values within the complex. The improvements would be designed to minimize adverse impacts to the visual and wildlife resource values.</p>		<p>Riparian - Riparian habitat in early and mid ecological stages would be protected by closure to grazing and OHV use. Construct rangeland improvements designed to enhance riparian values and to minimize visual and recreational disturbance.</p> <p>Do not allow livestock grazing, OHV use, and new surface-disturbing activities within the 700-foot riparian buffer.</p>	<p>Riparian - Riparian habitat in early and mid ecological stages would be protected by closure to livestock grazing and OHV use. Construct rangeland improvements designed to enhance riparian values.</p> <p>Allow no surface-disturbing activities, OHV use or grazing within the established 700-foot riparian buffer.</p>

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<p>Riparian - Construct rangeland improvements designed to enhance riparian values.</p> <p>Allow no livestock grazing, OHV use and new surface-disturbing activities within a 700-foot buffer of riparian zones.</p>	<p>Riparian - Riparian habitat in early and mid ecological stages would be protected by closure to grazing and OHV use. Construct rangeland improvements designed to enhance riparian values.</p> <p>Allow no livestock grazing, OHV use and new surface-disturbing activities within a 700-foot buffer of riparian zones.</p>	<p>Riparian - Riparian habitat in early and mid ecological stages would be protected by closure to livestock grazing and OHV use. Construct rangeland improvements designed to enhance riparian values.</p> <p>Allow no livestock grazing, OHV use and new surface-disturbing activities within a 700-foot buffer of riparian zones.</p>

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BROWNS PARK COMPLEX	LEARS CANYON	LOWER AND MIDDLE GREEN RIVER SEGMENTS	NINE MILE CANYON
<p>Soils & Water - Allow surface-disturbing activities on critical soils within Level 3 areas of the complex if watershed values are maintained. Surface-disturbing activities could be allowed only to enhance soil or water values on level 1 and 2 areas.</p> <p>Preclude OHV use and surface-disturbing activities in areas of highly erodible soils. Preclude OHV use and surface-disturbing activities in floodplains during times of saturated soils (usually spring runoff and fall rains).</p>		<p>Soils & Water - Activities designed to enhance or improve soil or water values would be allowed on the area with restrictions designed to minimize adverse impacts to the recreational and scenic values.</p> <p>Preclude OHV use and surface-disturbing activities in areas of critical soils and floodplains within the area during periods of saturated soils (usually spring runoff and fall rains).</p>	<p>Soils & Water - Allow surface-disturbing activities on level 3 lands if watershed values would be maintained. Activities designed to enhance or maintain soil or water values would be allowed on level 1 and 2 areas.</p> <p>Preclude OHV use and surface-disturbing activities in areas of highly erodible soils and floodplains during times of saturated soils (usually spring runoff and fall rains).</p> <p>Level 3 lands would be available for major (>1 acre foot capacity) water developments with special restrictions designed to maintain the existing resource values. Outside of these areas, major water developments could be permitted if the project is consistent with the area's prescriptions.</p> <p>Slopes less than 40% would be open to surface disturbance.</p>
<p>Special Emphasis Areas - Wild and Scenic River - Continue to recommend for designation the Green River, between Little Hole and the Colorado state line for inclusion in the system.</p> <p>Wilderness Study Areas - Continue to manage the Diamond Breaks WSA and the West Cold Springs WSA under the Interim Management Policy until formal designation has been made by Congress. Should either one or both not be designated as wilderness manage them as semi-primitive, nonmotorized areas within the complex.</p> <p>Develop a coordinated activity plan for the complex.</p>	<p>Special Emphasis Areas - Develop an activity plan for the area.</p>	<p>Special Emphasis Areas - Recommend the lower Green River segment as a scenic river and the middle Green River segment as a recreational river under the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act.</p> <p>Develop activity plans for these river segments.</p>	<p>Special Emphasis Areas - Recommend Argyle Creek and Nine Mile Creek (segment between Argyle Creek and the Carbon County border) as recreational rivers under the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act. Recommend the Gate Canyon to the boundary with the Lower Green River ACEC nomination segment of Nine Mile Creek as scenic river under the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act.</p> <p>Develop a coordinated activity plan for the area.</p>

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<p>Soil & Water - Allow surface-disturbing activities on level 3 lands if watershed protection is maintained.</p> <p>Activities specifically designed to maintain or improve soil or water values would be allowed on level 1 and 2 areas.</p> <p>Preclude OHV use and surface-disturbing activities in areas of critical soils and floodplains during times of saturated soils (usually spring runoff and fall rains).</p>	<p>Soil & Water - Allow surface-disturbing activities on level 3 lands if watershed protection is maintained.</p> <p>Activities specifically designed to maintain or improve soil or water values would be allowed on level 1 and 2 areas.</p> <p>Preclude OHV use and surface-disturbing activities in areas of critical soils and floodplains during times of saturated soils (usually spring runoff and fall rains).</p>	<p>Soil & Water - Allow surface-disturbing activities on level 3 lands if watershed protection is maintained.</p> <p>Activities specifically designed to maintain or improve soil or water values would be allowed on level 1 and 2 areas, excluding the relict vegetation community within level 1.</p> <p>Preclude OHV use and surface-disturbing activities in areas of critical soils and floodplains during times of saturated soils (usually spring runoff and fall rains).</p>
<p>Special Emphasis Areas - Update the existing activity plan as necessary to incorporate new decisions.</p>	<p>Special Emphasis Areas - Update the existing activity plan as necessary to incorporate new decisions.</p>	<p>Special Emphasis Areas - Develop a coordinated activity plan for the area.</p>

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BROWNS PARK COMPLEX	LEARS CANYON	LOWER AND MIDDLE GREEN RIVER SEGMENTS	NINE MILE CANYON
<p>Vegetation - Allow only biological control of noxious weeds and insect infestations within the area with restrictions designed to protect ground cover, special status species habitat, water quality and the scenic values of the area.</p> <p>Manage the vegetation in the complex to attain the ecological stage which results in the highest species diversity to meet the habitat needs of wildlife and protects the critical soils values of the complex.</p> <p>Do not allow the removal of sagebrush in level 2 areas unless fully mitigated.</p> <p>Allow for the vegetation treatment of pinyon-juniper within level 2 and level 3 areas for the expansion of big game habitat. Do not allow for the use of chaining as a vegetation treatment method in primitive/natural areas.</p> <p>Develop an activity plan for the federally listed plant species <u>Spiranthes diluvialis</u>. Should the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service develop a recovery plan, implement the objectives of that plan.</p> <p>Manipulate 900 acres of pinyon-juniper woodlands for forage production and habitat enhancement.</p>	<p>Vegetation - Retain the vegetation compositions in their present late to climax ecological stages.</p> <p>Allow only biological control of noxious weeds and insect infestation within the area to protect watershed values. In the event revegetation following a major surface disturbance, such as a wildfire, is deemed necessary to protect watershed and visual resource values, only site-adapted native species would be used. On small surface-disturbed areas (less than five acres) within the pinyon-juniper community, where other resource values would not be adversely affected, allow natural revegetation to monitor the vegetation community's natural recovery.</p>	<p>Vegetation - Allow only biological control of noxious weeds and insect infestations within the area with restrictions designed to protect ground cover, special status species habitat, water quality and the scenic values of the area.</p> <p>Manage the vegetation to attain the ecological stage that would result in the highest vegetation species diversity for the riparian, special status species, and visual resource values of the area.</p> <p>The <u>Sclerocactus glaucus</u> recovery plan as developed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (1990) would be implemented, where necessary.</p>	<p>Vegetation - Allow only biological control of noxious weeds and insect infestations within the area with restrictions designed to protect ground cover, special status species habitat, water quality and the scenic values of the area.</p> <p>Manage the vegetation to attain the ecological stage that would result in the highest vegetation species diversity for the riparian, special status species, and visual resource values of the area.</p> <p>The <u>Sclerocactus glaucus</u> recovery plan as developed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (1990) would be implemented, where necessary. Specific activity plans for the remaining special status plant species would be developed. Should the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service develop recovery plans, their objectives would be implemented to the extent possible.</p> <p>Manipulate 100 acres of pinyon-juniper woodlands for forage production and habitat enhancement.</p>
<p>Visual - Protect natural/ primitive qualities of the VRM Class II areas. Allow only mitigable visual intrusions within 1/2 mile or line-of-sight of the Green River.</p> <p>All management actions would be designed to maintain or enhance the scenic qualities of the complex.</p>	<p>Visual - Protect the natural-primitive qualities of the VRM Class II areas by allowing only mitigable visual intrusions.</p>	<p>Visual - Protect primitive/ natural qualities and other VRM Class II areas within the area by allowing only mitigable visual intrusions within 1/2 mile or line-of-sight of the Green River.</p>	<p>Visual - Maintain the natural and primitive qualities of the Lower Green River, the identified segments along the Argyle and Nine Mile Creeks and VRM Class II areas. Allow only mitigable visual intrusions on these lands and within line-of-sight, up to 1/2 mile, of state or federally-listed scenic/backcountry byways.</p>

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<p>Vegetation - Allow only biological control of noxious weed and insect infestations within the area with restrictions designed to protect special status plant species habitat, desired ground cover and water quality.</p> <p>Manage the vegetation to attain the ecological stage which results in the highest vegetation species diversity for wetlands, waterfowl, soils, special status plant species, and watershed resource values.</p> <p>The <u>Sclerocactus glaucus</u> recovery plan as developed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (1990) would be implemented where necessary.</p>	<p>Vegetation - Allow only biological control of noxious weed and insect infestations within the area with restrictions to protect the watershed and water quality resources.</p> <p>Manage the vegetation to attain the ecological stage which results in the highest vegetation species diversity for watershed and wildlife values.</p> <p>Manipulate 100 acres of pinyon-juniper woodlands for forage production and habitat enhancement.</p>	<p>Vegetation - Allow only biological control of noxious weed and insect infestations within the riparian area and the relict vegetation community (level 1) with restrictions to protect the relict vegetation, riparian ground cover and water quality.</p> <p>Outside of the relict vegetation community, manage the vegetation to attain the ecological stage which results in the highest vegetation species diversity for wildlife and scenic values. Within the relict vegetation community, allow the area to maintain its late to climax ecological stages.</p> <p>In the event revegetation following a major surface disturbance, such as fire, is deemed necessary to protect watershed and/or visual resource values within the relict vegetation community, only site-adapted native species would be used.</p> <p>Manipulate 250 acres of pinyon-juniper woodlands for forage production and habitat enhancement.</p>
		<p>Visual - Protect natural/ primitive qualities of the VRM Class II areas by allowing only mitigable visual intrusions.</p>

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BROWNS PARK COMPLEX	LEARS CANYON	LOWER AND MIDDLE GREEN RIVER SEGMENTS	NINE MILE CANYON
<p>Woodlands - Level 3 lands would be open to sale and/or harvest of woodland products with restrictions designed to maintain the stated resource values. Level 1 and 2 areas would be closed.</p>	<p>Woodlands - The area would be closed to the sale and/or harvest of woodland products.</p>	<p>Woodlands - The entire area would be closed to the sale and/or harvest of woodland products.</p>	<p>Woodlands - Level 3 lands would be open to the sale and/or harvest of woodland products except aspen, ponderosa pine, and other large conifers with restrictions designed to protect the stated resource values. Level 1 and 2 lands would be closed.</p>

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PARIETTE WETLANDS	RED CREEK WATERSHED ACEC	RED MOUNTAIN-DRY FORK COMPLEX
<p>Woodlands - Level 3 lands would be open to the sale and/or harvest of woodland products, except for barrel cactus species. Level 1 and 2 lands would be closed to the sale and/or harvest of woodland products.</p>	<p>Woodlands - Level 3 lands would be open to the sale and/or harvest of woodland products. Level 1 and 2 lands would be closed.</p>	<p>Woodlands - Level 3 lands would be open to sale and/or harvest of woodland products. Level 1 and 2 lands would be closed.</p>