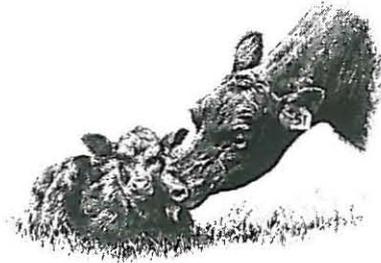


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Re: Lander Draft Resource Management Plan (RMP) Time Frame for Comment

Mr. VanderVoet,

The Fremont County Cattleman's Association would like you to consider extending the comment period on the RMP. Currently, it's open for 90 days, starting on September 9th through December 7th, 2011. By the time I got involved in this process and received the CD Rom with the plan on it, the first three public meetings, held on September 19th through the 21st, were over.

This is a very critical and busy time for ranchers and permittees to read 1,700 pages and try to comment. For most ranchers, this is the busiest time of the year. It took 4 years for the BLM to prepare this draft RMP, and the EIS. I personally started to read this document and there are 12 pages of acronyms, 4 alternatives, 4 chapters, and hundreds of maps.

With the massive amount of information that needs to be absorbed with this plan and the changes that may come to our community because of all the alternatives, we feel that extending the comment time would be beneficial to both the BLM and ranchers and permittees affected by these potential changes. Extending the comment period would allow permittees and multiple users of the resources adequate time to evaluate and study these plans so we can make the right decisions for our future.

Mr. Vander Voet, thank you for your consideration of extending the timeframe of the RMP for those whose lives are most affected by it.

Ride on,

Joe P. Crofts
Joseph Crofts, President

