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Executive Summary

This report documents the public scoping process for the Bureau of Land Management's (BLM) Pinedale Field Office (FO) Resource Management Plan (RMP) and Environmental Impact Statement (EIS). The Scoping Report includes a description of the scoping process and an overview of the planning schedule; a description of the three scoping meetings; a summary of the comments submitted by the public; and an overview of the issues identified through all scoping comments.

The purpose of "scoping" is to identify issues important to the future management of public lands and resources. These issues will guide development of alternatives that will be evaluated in the EIS and will ultimately guide development of the RMP. The scoping process also provides an opportunity to educate the general public about the management of public lands and for BLM to gauge the concerns of those who have a stake in the resources of the area.

Public Scoping and Issue Identification

Upon publication in the Federal Register of the Notice of Intent (NOI) to prepare an RMP, the BLM Pinedale FO initiated the first phase of the public scoping process, including a call for resource information and the identification of issues for this planning effort. The official 60-day scoping period began February 3, 2003 with the availability of the Scoping Notice and the Management Situation Analysis (MSA) on the project website. The scoping period lasted until April 7, 2003.

Throughout the scoping process, the BLM approach has been one of open communication and dialogue. The agency solicited input above and beyond minimum regulatory requirements. A total of three scoping meetings were held – two within the resource area and one in Rock Springs, WY, the largest urban area in close proximity to the Field Office. Comments were accepted through a variety of methods (email, website, mail, fax) to ensure that those who wished to comment could do so.

Public Scoping Meetings

During the three scoping meetings, 142 people registered their attendance, with some people attending more than one meeting. The meetings were structured in an open house format, with various information tables representing issues such as Livestock Grazing, Mineral and Gas Development and other resource areas. The meetings were held from 4:00 PM until 8:00 PM, with the public arriving and departing at their leisure. Instead of formal presentations, BLM specialists manned the resource stations and were available to answer any questions the public had. This open house format allowed BLM staff to mingle with the public in a casual environment. Comments were collected at the scoping meetings both electronically (databases set up on computers and a live link to the website) and in hard copy (using preprinted comment forms).

Besides comments collected during the scoping meetings, additional comments were received through letter, email, fax, and on the interactive project website (Pinedalermp.com).



Approximately 55,769 comments were received through the various methods. For organization and analysis purposes, comments were categorized into the following 11 topic areas that were predetermined by the BLM:

- Transportation and Access
- Rangeland Health/Livestock Grazing
- Wilderness
- Special Management Areas
- Recreation/OHV
- Mining and Oil and Gas Development
- Cultural/Historic Resources
- Wildlife and Fisheries
- Forestry
- Fire Management
- General Comments/Other

Scoping Results

Mining and Oil and Gas Development and Wildlife are the two categories that received the most comments for a specific topic (60%). Almost all comments in these categories expressed a desire for preservation over continued development. A major concern identified in the comments deals with the disruption of migration corridors for big-game herd animals and the degradation of environmentally sensitive areas.

The third category receiving the most comments (30%) was the General Comments category. Air and water quality were the subjects most addressed in this category.

Although fewer in number, comments were also received dealing with Rangeland Health/Livestock Grazing, Recreation/OHV, Special Management Areas, Wilderness, Transportation and Access, and Cultural/Historic Resources.



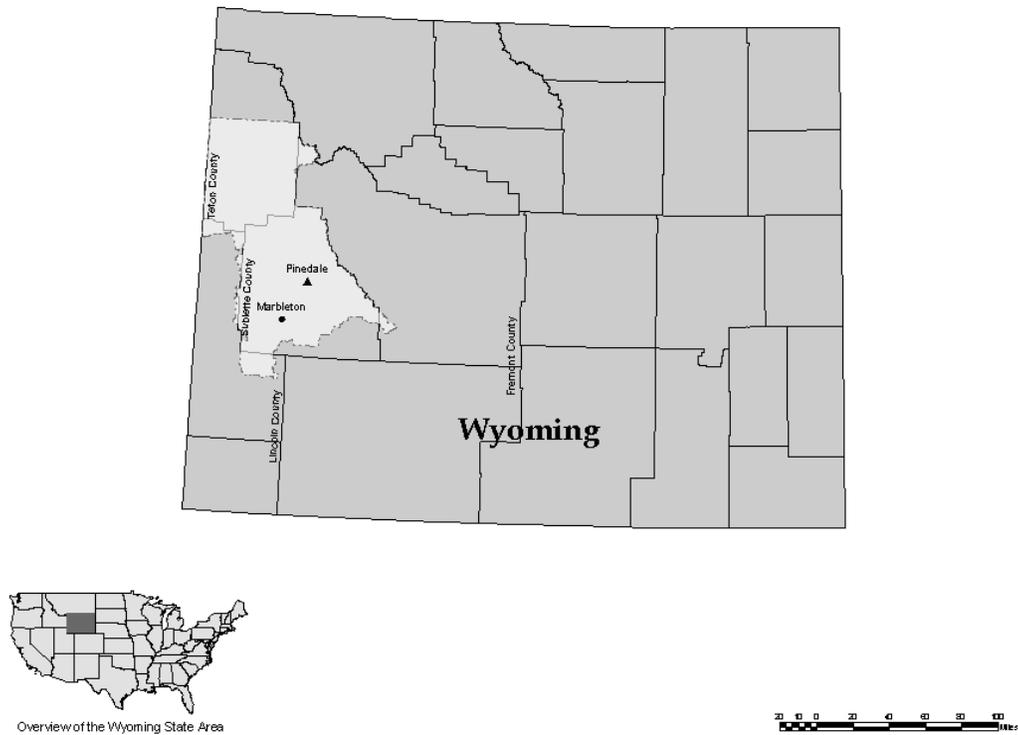
Introduction

The BLM Pinedale FO currently manages approximately 928,000 acres of public land surface and 1,144,000 acres of federal mineral estate in Sublette and Lincoln counties in western Wyoming.

The existing Resource Management Plan, developed in 1988, is out of date with respect to current resource conditions, public values, laws, regulations and policies. The Pinedale RMP revision will, pursuant with the Federal Land Policy and Management Act (FLPMA), result in a document with updated information and guidance on new and changing resource uses.

In compliance with NEPA, the Pinedale FO initiated a scoping process to determine issues related to the development of the RMP and the associated EIS. This report describes the scoping process, the methods of comment retrieval, and a summary of issues brought forward during scoping categorized by resource area.

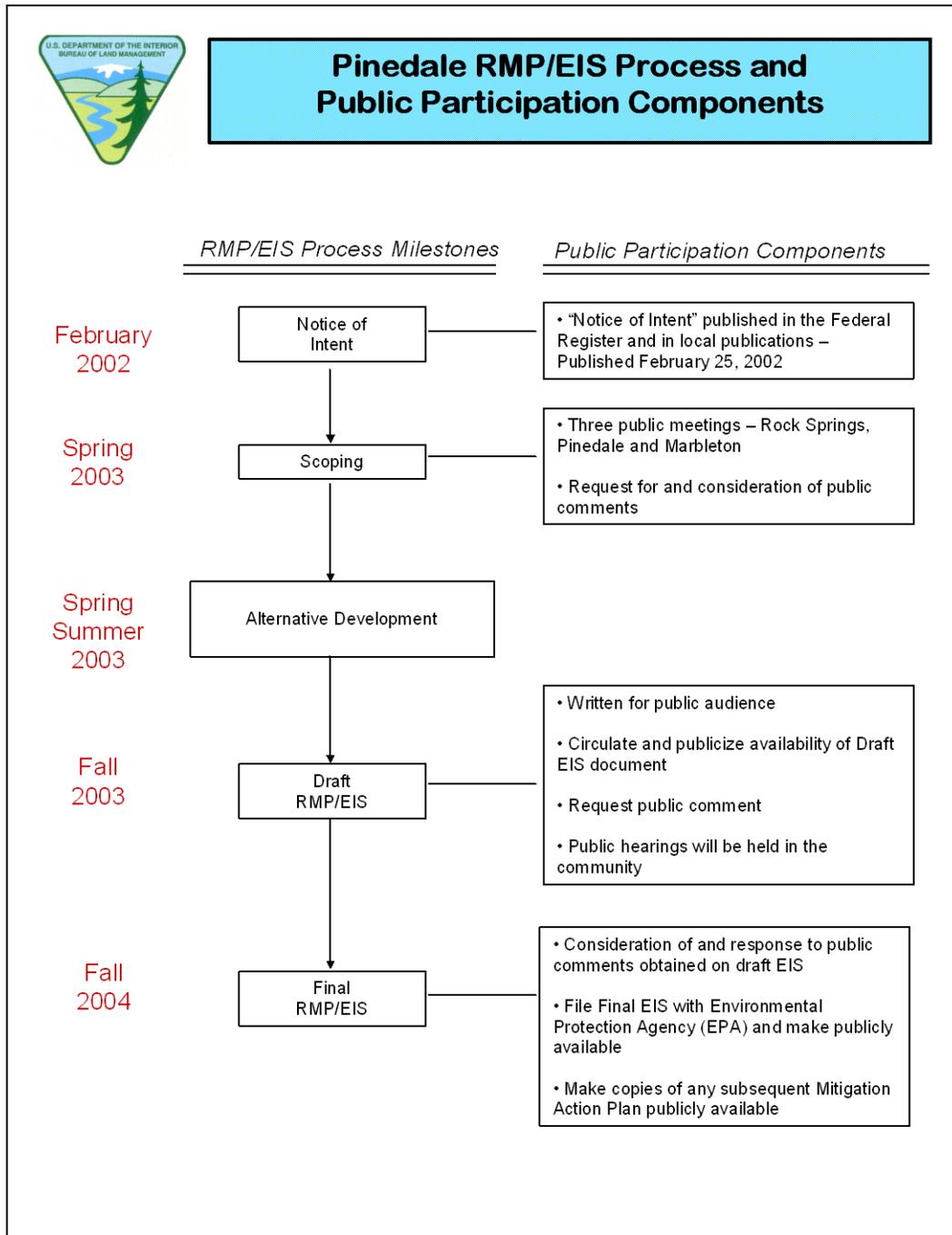
Figure 1. RMP Planning Area



Pinedale Field Office RMP/EIS Planning Schedule

The process for the Pinedale RMP revision and accompanying EIS began with the publication of the NOI in the Federal Register on February 25, 2002. The process continues through scoping, alternatives development, and the development of a Draft EIS and Final EIS.

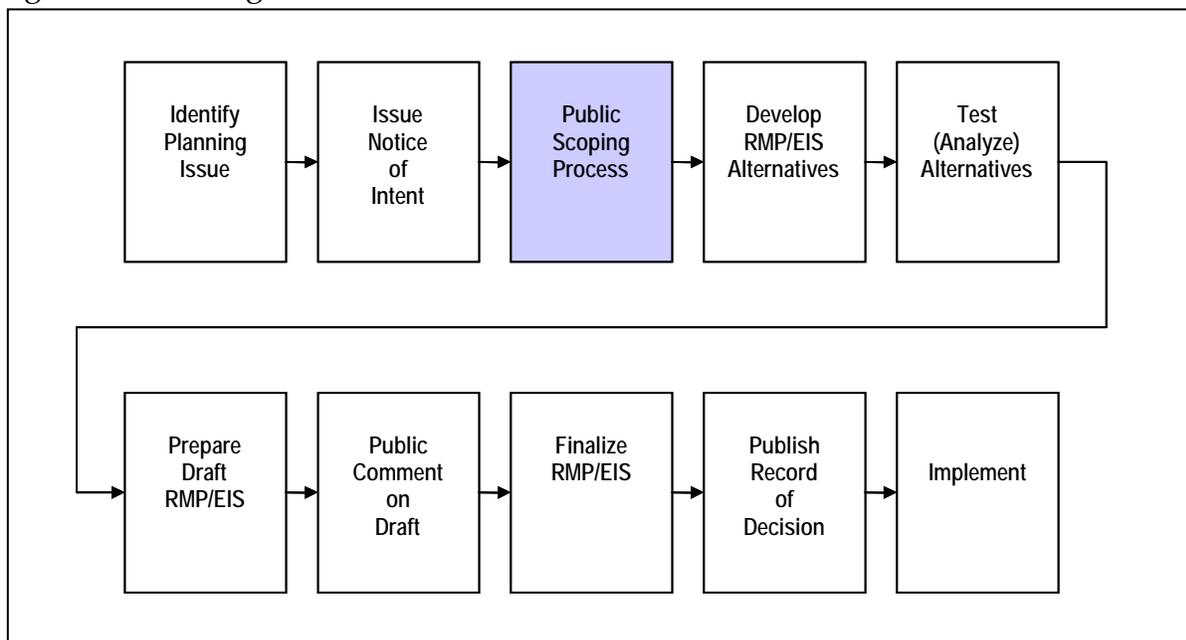
Figure 2. Pinedale Field Office RMP/EIS Planning Schedule



Scoping Process

Scoping is the process required by the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) in the early stages of developing an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to determine the scope and significance of issues related to a proposed action, in this case, the writing and implementation of a new Resource Management Plan (RMP) (40 CFR 1501.7). Knowing the scope and the significance of issues allows for an accurate and timely environmental analysis. In addition to this, scoping helps identify issues important to the management of the area, as well as issues to be examined in the planning process. The scoping process is designed to encourage public participation and to solicit public input. Although only one of the many steps in the planning process, scoping is an essential step to ensure that all issues are brought to the table.

Figure 3. Planning Process



Rationale will be provided in the plan for each issue included. Alternatives will then be developed and analyzed incorporating the issues identified during the scoping process and the Draft EIS will be published and made available for public review.

In accordance with the planning schedule (Figure 2), the scoping process formally began with the publication of the NOI (Appendix B), documenting BLM’s intent to prepare an RMP. Throughout the scoping process, BLM officials made presentations to the County Commissioner from Sublette counties in the Pinedale FO area, user groups, and other interested parties. In addition, interested individuals and organizations, affected Federal, State, and local agencies, as well as affected Indian Tribes were invited to submit comments to the BLM.



The official 60-day scoping period began February 3, 2003 with the publication of the Scoping Notice and the availability of the MSA on the project website. Although the scoping period ended April 7, 2003, the BLM will consider issues brought forward any time during the planning process. Only comments submitted during the scoping period, however, are summarized in this report.

Pinedale RMP Website

An important vehicle used during the scoping process to solicit comments and educate the public is the Pinedale RMP Website. Located at Pinedalermp.com, the website houses the latest information on the development of the RMP/EIS, including background documents, maps, meeting announcements, published bulletins, and other documents. An interactive feature entitled “How to Get Involved” enables the user to add themselves to the Pinedale RMP mailing list or to submit scoping issues directly onto the website. In order to better analyze the comments, the user is instructed to choose from a list of twelve categories. Categories include: Cultural Resources, Livestock Grazing, Mining and Oil and Gas Development, Recreation/OHV use, Wilderness, Wildlife and Fisheries, Transportation and Access, Special Management Areas, General Comments, Other Resource Concerns, Fire Management, and Forestry. The user can choose multiple categories for submittal. The user can type their issues directly into comment fields or they can choose to upload a Microsoft Word or Wordperfect file that contains the comments they want to submit. This was done to encourage comments to be submitted electronically (to decrease the time and resources of keying in hard-copy comments for analysis).

Figure 4. Pinedale RMP Website Homepage



The site is divided into 8 main sections:

- **Home:** General Overview of the Program and details of the RMP
- **Area Photo Tour:** Photos of the Pinedale RMP Planning area
- **Contact Information:** Contact for Kellie Roadifer, Planning & Environmental Coordinator



- **Public Meeting Schedule:** Information of time/date/location of all public meetings
- **General Schedule:** Schedule of Process and Public Participation Components
- **How to Get Involved:** Functionality provided for interested users to join the mailing list or submit comments.
- **Documents and Bulletins:** Library of various RMP documents available for online viewing or download
- **Links:** Related Links, Other Planning Efforts and Agency Links.

The site has received a great number of visits from users all over the country. The pages that received the most number of hits are the “Documents and Bulletins” and “How to Get Involved” sections. All pertinent RMP documents (such as the MSA, Minerals Occurrence and Development Report, Socioeconomic Report, etc.) were split into “manageable” pieces (either .pdf or .gif) for easy download. The most downloaded file was Chapter 2 of the MSA, which was downloaded 616 times.

Users were encouraged to enter comments through the “How to Get involved” section of the website. These comments were stored in an Access Database that eventually merged with comments received from other sources. 71 comments were submitted to the project website.



Public Scoping Meetings

Public scoping meetings provide an opportunity for interested parties to submit scoping comments and may be a part of the early and open scoping process NEPA requires (40 CFR 1501.7). These meetings are especially important when there is “substantial environmental controversy concerning the proposed action or substantial interest in holding the [meeting]” (40 CFR 1506.6c1).

Meeting Logistics and Attendance

The Public Scoping Notice (Appendix C) announced three public scoping meetings. Public notice of the scoping meetings was published in the following newspapers: *Pinedale Roundup*, *Sublette Examiner*, *Casper Star*, *Jackson Hole News and Guide*, and the *Wyoming Tribune Eagle* in Cheyenne.

A press release was sent to all the above newspapers, the radio stations KMPN, KJAX, KSJT and KZJH in Jackson, KVOW, KTAK, KOVE, KDLY in Lander, KUGR (Green River), KQSW (Rock Springs), Wyoming Public Radio, KKTY in Douglas and KTRZ in Riverton, the County Commissioners of Sublette and Lincoln Counties, and to the offices of Wyoming US Senators and Congresswoman. The three public meetings were held over a two-week period in mid-March. The total registered attendance for all three meetings was 142 people, with some people attending more than one meeting. Table 1. illustrates the attendance at each scoping meeting. The number of participants in communities closest to the planning area indicates the high level of local interest in the planning and management of the area.

Table 1. Meeting Location/ Attendance

Meeting Location	Meeting Date	Attendance
Rock Springs, WY	March 3, 2003	22
Pinedale, WY	March 10, 2003	70
Marbleton, WY	March 11, 2003	50
Total		142

Attendance at each public scoping meeting was recorded using a sign-in sheet at the registration station at each meeting. An example of this sign-in sheet can be found in Appendix E. Seven resource-specific handouts were made available to the public. Copies of the handouts can also be found in Appendix E.

Comments were solicited in a manner that provided an opportunity for everyone attending the public meetings to provide input. Meeting comments were recorded in two ways. First, computer stations were available for participants to key-in their comments directly into a comment database. In addition, hard-copy forms were provided to attendees so that their individual comments could be written and handed to a BLM representative or mailed to the Pinedale FO.



Informal Meeting Comments

Individual comments were categorized by primary topic, regardless of the position of the comment towards the topic. Several comments addressed more than one comment category, or topic; these comments were categorized by the driving topic unless the associated topics were of equal importance to the issue being presented, in which case the comment was placed under both comment categories. Examples of this include comments regarding surface stipulations for oil and gas drilling in wilderness quality areas in order to preserve the wilderness qualities. There are two potential topics presented, with the driving topic being that of preserving wilderness characteristics. Comments categorized as “Other” generally discussed very broad management concepts or very specific issues.

While each public scoping meeting raised unique issues and concerns, a number of common elements materialized. When all the public meetings are viewed as a whole, the ideas and concerns relating to mining and oil and gas development were the most frequently mentioned, with Cultural/Historic Resources also a popular topic. Only “written” comments were recorded and analyzed in this report. Informal comments addressed to BLM staff during conversations at the open houses were not formally recorded, but noted in general.

There are a variety of scoping meeting comments on other topics that surfaced during informal conversations with BLM staff, including, but not limited to the following:

- The need for economic impacts on the local communities to be acknowledged and analyzed in the RMP and EIS;
- Concern for grazing and range management, both for the continuation of a historic use and improved management of range resources;
- Request for better management of and continued use for recreational OHV users, including request signage and trail maps and markers;
- Continued OHV access for permitted uses, such as livestock management and firewood gathering;
- Realty issues;
- Quality and enforceability of responsible oil and gas development;
- Write a plan that is enforceable (money, time, and manpower);
- Management of the resources through education and enforcement, rather than additional rules and regulations;
- Concern with negative impacts wildlife has on livestock and ranchers;
- Request for a diversity of recreation uses; and
- Protection of riparian areas and watersheds.



Written Scoping Comments

In addition to receiving comments during the public scoping meetings, the Pinedale FO also received comments through the mail, fax, and email. Written comments summarized in this report were received during the scoping period (February 3, 2003 through April 7, 2003), as well as comments that were received shortly after the deadline, yet postmarked by April 7th, to compensate for mail delay.

Method of Submittal

Written scoping comments were accepted via mail, e-mail, the website and fax resulting in a total of 17,362 responses, containing 55,769 comments. A response is defined as one email, fax, letter or website submittal. One person could submit more than one response. Because some responses had more than one comment, the total number of comments received is greater than the number of respondents, or individuals who submitted comments. For example, one person could submit two emails with one email containing a comment on wildlife and another on forestry. The second email could contain one comment on wilderness. Thus, this example would be calculated as two responses and three comments, all from one person.

Table 2. Comment Source Data

Method of Submittal	Comments Received
Mail/Fax	864
E-Mail	54,831
Website	68
Scoping Meetings	6
Total Comments	55,769

Several responses were received multiple times and/or in multiple formats (ex. fax and mail). If the author(s) were the same for each response and the comments in the response were identical, the earliest response with the author's original signature was retained in the public record.

A majority of the responses (16,524) are not unique to specific individuals, but instead can be attributed to three form letters (provided in Appendix F). All three form letters have mining and oil and gas development as their main issue, along with addressing concerns for wildlife.



Number and Type of Comments Received

Comments received during scoping were combined into one master database where reports could be generated. Searches were conducted to group like comments and several form letters were identified and grouped accordingly. Summaries were also written for each comment. Each comment was provided an ID # that corresponded with the appropriate Person information. Reports were created for comments and organized by comment type, source and category. Each response was read in its entirety and all distinct comments were categorized for enumeration and analysis. Comments were enumerated using standard database and spreadsheet software.

It should be noted that while the enumeration of various submittal types was performed separately, the comment analysis process considered all comments collectively.

The following table indicates the relative interest of respondents who submitted written comments towards various broad topics in a position-neutral perspective. This enumeration is not intended to show bias towards any issue; it is simply to indicate the level of interest in various issue areas. All issues will be addressed equally in the EIS and RMP.

Table 3. Comment Category Enumeration

Comment Category	Number Received	Percentage
Special Management Areas	7	Less than 1%
Transportation and Access	1	Less than 1%
Cultural / Historic Resources	6	Less than 1%
Range Mgmt / Livestock Grazing	5,176	9%
Mining and Oil and Gas Development	17,249	31%
Recreation / OHV	9	Less than 1%
Wilderness	10	Less than 1%
Wildlife and Fisheries	16,548	30%
Forestry		
Fire Mgmt		
Wild Horses	1	Less than 1%
General Comments	16,715	30%
Other Resource Concerns	47	1%
Total	55,769	100%



Comment Summaries

As previously discussed, each of the comments were categorized into one (or more than one if necessary) particular resource category. Following is a summary of the comments received, organized by such categories.

Cultural Resources

Comments directed toward cultural resources address the need for protecting historic trails that fall within the management area. Trails mentioned include portions of the Oregon - California Trails. In a comment from the National Park Service, it is suggested that these trails be protected because of possible inclusion of portions of these trails in the Oregon National Historic Trail. With respect to Native American sites, some respondents mentioned the need for continued identification and protection of sacred sites.

Fire Management

There are no comments that specifically address this issue.

Forestry

There are no comments that specifically address this issue.

Mining and Oil and Gas Development

Although a majority of comments received in this category are represented by form letters, rather than unique or personalized comments, this topic did generate a substantial amount of interest. Comments received in this category favor preservation over continued development. However, those representing the oil and gas industry, as well as some residents of the area, favor continued development and feel that new technologies and methods of production can ensure that the environment is protected while development is taking place. Respondents indicated a balanced approach to management is most desirable.

In regard to economic issues arising from oil and gas development, some feel that continued development creates jobs and supplies an increasing need for domestic sources of oil and gas. Others suggest that oil and gas development has a negative impact on local economies that depend on recreational tourism, thus indicating a need for restricting development.

A major concern identified in the comments deals with the disruption of migration corridors for big-game herd animals and the degradation of environmentally sensitive areas, these include but are not limited to sage grouse leks, migration corridors and



winter ranges of big-game herds. Also, some respondents suggest delaying new development until the RMP process is completed. Specifically, comments suggest delaying the environmental analysis of new gas projects until the revised RMP is completed, including the South Piney Gas Project. Respondents suggest clustering oil and gas development in concentrated areas and fully reclaiming them before developing any other gas fields. Protecting the air and water quality of local communities and of adjacent mountain ranges, as it pertains to oil and gas development is also a concern. Respondents suggest the BLM adopt and strictly enforce meaningful mitigation and monitoring requirements. They also suggest protecting the rights of surface owners and want the BLM to require industry to reclaim all disturbed areas and provide sufficient bonds.

Range Management and Livestock Grazing

Respondents in this category indicated that multiple use must be maintained on public lands, including the use of public land for livestock grazing. Some suggest that a voluntary monitoring program be instituted among livestock grazers.

Recreation and OHV Use

Comments received in this category focus on keeping roads and trails open to recreational OHV users, while protecting historic trails. Respondents in this area believe that oil and gas development can coexist with recreational uses, especially with respect to OHV use. Multiple use management is cited as being in favor of recreational uses of public lands.

Special Management Areas

Respondents in this area suggest that the Continental Divide National Scenic Trail (CDNST) be managed as a special management recreation area and managed in accordance with the National Trails System Act and the CDNST Comprehensive Plan.

Although wilderness is not the main topic of comments, there are those that mention wilderness in relation to other resource concerns, such as oil and gas development and recreation. Respondents are in favor of protecting current wilderness study areas and the lands surrounding these areas from further development, especially with respect to the oil and gas industry. One respondent suggested that the designation of Special Management Areas has a significant negative impact on livestock grazing and other multiple uses.

Transportation and Access

Some respondents, while addressing other resource issues, mentioned keeping existing roads and access points open for OHV and recreational uses.



Wilderness

Although wilderness issues were not raised significantly by respondents, there are those that included wilderness in conjunction with their comment on oil and gas development. Respondents in this area indicate a desire for no development within wilderness study areas. There are respondents that suggest new or expanded wilderness study areas are outside of the statutory mandate on wilderness and should not be included in the RMP.

Wildlife and Fisheries

Comments received in this category range from protection of sage grouse and migration corridors to preventing the reintroduction of wolves. Other wildlife species mentioned for continued protection include pronghorn antelope, mountain plover, burrowing owls, elk, bighorn sheep and ferruginous hawks. Some comments urge a no net loss of wildlife in the area. Respondents in this category suggest the plan should outline how new knowledge and Wildlife Management science will be integrated into day to day adaptable management operations. Critical environment and wildlife habitat should be safeguarded to meet long-term multiple use and sustainable goals for public lands.



General Comments and Other Resource Concerns

Comments that were categorized as “Other” did not have a single theme that was easily identifiable or in some cases covered many different topics. Some of the comments related to issues that were extremely focused on a specific issue, and/or received very few comments. Since a summary of the comments in this category would be impractical, a sample of some of the topics is listed below.

- Need to retain multiple use management guidelines
- Enforcement of policies and laws
- Ecosystem management
- Air and water quality
- Wild and Scenic River review
- Don't let outside environmentalists influence the process
- Streamline the RMP planning process

Additional comments categorized as “Other” are listed in Appendix A.



Person ID	Comment Category	Comment Summary	Affiliation
4989	Cultural Resources	Cultural Resources: The natural heritage of the resource area, especially the Upper Green River Valley, should be preserved for generations to come. This unique land should also be managed for big-game animals, eagles, and other familiar species that add to the natural beauty of the area.	individual
9113	Cultural Resources	Cultural Resources: One of the values of the resource area that must be preserved is the cultural value. The resource area is a place where the public and get in touch with their spirituality through nature.	individual
21548	Cultural Resources	Cultural Resources: Continue the identification and protection of sacred sites.	Medicine Wheel Alliance
9531	Cultural Resources	Cultural Resources: Portions of the Lander Road and Sublette Cutoff of the California National Historic Trail are within the Pinedale RMP Planning Area. Besides being part of the California National Historic Trail, those routes also are named in legislation now before Congress authorizing further study as possible additions to the Oregon National Historic Trail. Protect these trail corridors, including setting and prominent landmarks mentioned in emigrant journals, will continue to be a priority as you develop your preferred RMP alternative.	National Park Service
22107	Cultural Resources	Protection of Cultural Resources (prehistoric sites, historic sites, NAGPRA related items, traditional cultural properties/places).	Shoshone-Bannock Tribes
22190	Cultural Resources	The SHPO expect the BLM to adequately consider Cultural Resources in accord with the NHPA, NEPA, and other relevant laws and regulations in preparing the Pinedale RMP and EIS. We particularly expect the BLM to present an affirmative action plan to inventory and manage Cultural Resources under Section 110 of the NHPA.	WY State Historic Preservation Office

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22197	General Comments	The RMP should require more information to become available to the public on the website.	Affiliation
22177	General Comments	Protect the air and water quality of local communities and adjacent mountain ranges where pollutants can be deposited in alpine waters	Affiliation
22180	General Comments	Please hold a scoping meeting in Jackson, so that interested citizens can express their comments/concerns first-hand.	Affiliation
21556	General Comments	Protect air and water quality of local communities. and adjacent mountain ranges.	Affiliation Consulting Petroleum Engineer
22194	General Comments	The WDEQ main concern is specific to the agency's statutory mission within State government which is to protection of public health and the environment.	Affiliation Department of Environmental Quality
22078	General Comments	I am on the Executive Board for the Michigan Chapter of REP America and firmly believe in its motto, "Conservation is Conservative." We have alternatives to further exploitation and ruination of our beautiful, God-given landscapes. Please don't do it.	Affiliation First National Bank of Three Rivers

Person ID	Comment Category	Comment Summary	Affiliation
4139	General Comments	Protect the air and water quality of local communities and of adjacent mountain ranges. Adopt and strictly enforce meaningful mitigation and monitoring requirements. Protect the rights of surface owners. Require industry to reclaim all disturbed areas and provide sufficient bonds.	individual
5537	General Comments	Protect air and water quality of local communities and adjacent mountain ranges.	individual
2733	General Comments	Protect air and water quality of local communities and adjacent mountain ranges.	individual
5500	General Comments	Protect air and water quality of local communities and adjacent mountain ranges.	individual
6209	General Comments	Protect air and water quality of local communities and adjacent mountain ranges.	individual
5542	General Comments	Protect air and water quality of local communities and adjacent mountain ranges.	individual

Person ID	Comment Category	Comment Summary	Affiliation
5639	General Comments	Protect air and water quality of local communities and adjacent mountain ranges.	individual
5736	General Comments	Protect air and water quality of local communities and adjacent mountain ranges.	individual
22129	General Comments	Our hopes and dreams for the future are resting on our ability to build a home on our property in Sublette County and we do not want to see a gas well in our front yard.	individual
7116	General Comments	Protect air and water quality of local communities and adjacent mountain ranges while meeting needs for domestic energy source.	individual
7174	General Comments	Protect air and water quality of local communities and adjacent mountain ranges.	individual
7215	General Comments	Protect air and water quality of local communities and adjacent mountain ranges.	individual

Person ID	Comment Category	Comment Summary	Affiliation
7343	General Comments	Protect air and water quality of local communities and adjacent mountain ranges.	individual
15056	General Comments	Protect air and water quality of local communities and adjacent mountain ranges.	individual
15571	General Comments	Protect air and water quality of local communities and adjacent mountain ranges.	individual
5699	General Comments	Protect air and water quality of local communities and adjacent mountain ranges.	individual
22059	General Comments	If we abuse ourselves and our lands in each and every war or economic difficulty, we will end up poorer and poorer, weaker and weaker. Save something for the future. If we can not preserve a healthy environment for all living creatures, how will we ever save ourselves?	individual
19939	General Comments	This over-drilling/over-use of natural resources has to stop somewhere. People will not begin to conserve resources until they're forced to. We can't just go drilling to keep up with the public's out-of-control appetite for oil, gas, etc., we need to establish limits.	individual

Person ID	Comment Category	Comment Summary	Affiliation
22079	General Comments	Please do every thing in your power to protect the wildlife, water quality, and the land in the upper Green River Basin. That area is too pretty and too important to trash it with energy development. Any thing that is done in that area must be done as environmentally friendly as can possibly be done.	individual
22037	General Comments	The land use decisions MUST be very carefully weighed. Any revision of the RMP MUST put foremost the protection of all the natural beauty and attributes of the over one million acres of federal protected lands in the Upper Green River Valley. The further exploitation by the oil and gas industry MUST NOT be allowed to take priority in this sensitive region.	individual
22047	General Comments	I received a mailer from Linda Baker with the Upper Green Valley Coalition in Pindale regarding the BLM resource management plan for the Pindale area. Please don't let small anti-growth groups thwart Wyoming's pro-growth energy policy. Wyoming needs to develop all its resources while they are valuable. My understanding is that these gas and coal methane wells are environmentally safe, and will not impair the wildlife habitat. According to the Wyoming Wildlife Magazine, "Since 1941 the antelope, deer, elk, moose and sheep population has grown anywhere from 500 to 1,000% (March 2003 page 46 - "Didya know... good ol' days?")". The animal population of Wyoming has never been healthier. Please don't let these special interest groups skew the facts.	individual
22048	General Comments	Our nation is currently fighting a war to protect our citizens from terrorism. One of the best things we can do at home is responsibility develop our domestic natural resources -- becoming less dependent upon those nations that do not share our beliefs and values. I believe very strongly that we must develop the natural resources found in the Upper Green River Valley. In these difficult times, we all have an obligation to look very hard at finding an appropriate way to maintain our nation's security via responsibly developing our domestic energy resources.	individual
22049	General Comments	In any decision regarding BLM management plans in this region, you must give full consideration to the real values here that are important?and George Bush's scorch-the-earth energy policy ain't one of them.	individual
22052	General Comments	The revised RMP also needs to insure that all state and federal water quality and clean air standards are being met and that excess livestock grazing with the associated accelerated soil erosion is not in violation of the Clean water Act.	individual

Person ID	Comment Category	Comment Summary	Affiliation
22144	General Comments	This alternative does not allow the multiple use of public lands and will be devatating to the oil/gas/minerals industry and all forms of motorized recreation and recreational varmit hunting. I urge the BLM to consider only a Plan that best address and provides for continued multiple-use of our public lands and maintains my ability to travel on all of the routes that currently exists on BLM lands.	individual
22056	General Comments	I am NOT opposed to development under any circumstances, nor am I insensitive to the implications for my State's economy and, indeed, my Nation's economy. I only respectfully suggest that serious consideration be given to limiting the rate of development, the extent of surface disturbance, air pollutant emissions, and emphasizing significant long-term remediation efforts.	individual
19844	General Comments	Protect air and water quality of local communities and adjacent mountain ranges.	individual
22064	General Comments	I would like to see a balance between the development of oil and gas fields and the environment. I think it is crucial to maintain our air quality, clean water, and protect wildlife. I don't think you can put a price on the wonderful resources we have here. It is why I live here and I am very nervous about the fast paced oil and gas industry.	individual
22066	General Comments	We are conservatives like Teddy Roosevelt, and believe he would have agreed for the need to slow down and make sure that everything has been done right to preserve this wonderful area.	individual
22068	General Comments	There should be adequate opportunity for public comment, and that comment should be factored into subsequent decisions. These are, after all, public lands, and you manage them for the public and not just for energy companies.	individual

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22087	General Comments	<p>The need for recognition of the economic benefits of current tourism and the potential for enhancement of benefits with development of recreational and wildlife resources.</p> <p>Recognition for the need of additional management of ungulate habitat resources including surveys to determine unique and critical seasonal ranges and movement corridors. Recognition of need for increased management and monitoring of lands for archaeological and cultural heritage, and public access to view wildlife based on movement corridors and seasonal habitat use by wildlife. Recognition on the impact of roads on wildlife and potential range impacts and consequences for impacts of current and future mineral subsurface development.</p>	individual
22096	General Comments	<p>The importance of continued development of oil and gas resources to the state and nation can hardly be overstated. Natural gas is where you find it, not where you wish it might be. The citizens of the whole state of Wyoming benefit greatly from production of this valuable resource. Outside the state, the consumers of natural gas who use it to heat their homes or as fuel for electricity generation, or as feedstock for such important products as plastics and fertilizer, also benefit as supply is increased and cost is reduced.</p>	individual
22115	General Comments	<p>Based on the counties listed in the existing material would it be save to believe that this proposed will not cover BLM estate lands in Teton County or was it just an oversight?</p>	individual
22060	General Comments	<p>I urge you to use common sense in establishing a new Resource Management Plan for this area that involves the responsible use of the underground resources while remembering that we humans are not the only benefactors of these wild areas. We have been "elected" as rulers over the land only by virtue of our ability to do so. This does not give us the right to do as we please without regard for the land itself.</p>	individual
22133	General Comments	<p>I am asking you to support maximum protection of the Green River.</p>	individual
22054	General Comments	<p>No exploration and development should be permitted anywhere near big game migration corridors, critical winter range, or sage grouse leks. And once the hydrocarbons are extracted (if recoverable), the energy companies must be required to reclaim and restore the disturbed areas to their original state (with their commitment secured by sufficient bonds).</p>	individual

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21415	General Comments	Protect air and water quality of local communities.	individual
21538	General Comments	Protect air and water quality of local communities.	individual
19451	General Comments	SEE Comment_General TABLE for 148 RECORDS: Protect the air and water quality of local communities and of adjacent mountain ranges. Adopt and strictly enforce meaningful mitigation and monitoring requirements. Protect the rights of surface owners. Require industry to reclaim all disturbed areas and provide sufficient bonds.	individual
8212	General Comments	Protect air and water quality of local communities and adjacent mountain ranges.	individual
7923	General Comments	Protect air and water quality of local communities and adjacent mountain ranges.	individual
10885	General Comments	FORM LETTER SEE Comments_FL3_General_Comments TABLE for 5170 RECORDS: Provide for clean air and water, as well as recreational opportunities.	individual

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374	General Comments	Protect air and water quality of local communities and adjacent mountain ranges.	individual
21536	General Comments	Protect air and water quality of local communities.	individual
292	General Comments	FORM LETTER SEE Comments_FL2_General TABLE for 4583 RECORDS: Protect recreational opportunities, and air and water quality. Protect air and water quality of local communities and adjacent mountain ranges.	individual
21512	General Comments	Protect air and water quality of local communities.	individual
21416	General Comments	Protect air and water quality of local communities.	individual
9583	General Comments	Protect air and water quality of local communities and adjacent mountain ranges.	individual

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8008	General Comments	Protect air and water quality of local communities and adjacent mountain ranges.	Affiliation individual
16004	General Comments	FORM LETTER SEE Comments_FL1_General_Comments TABLE for 6758 RECORDS: Protect the air and water quality of local communities and of adjacent mountain ranges. Adopt and strictly enforce meaningful mitigation and monitoring requirements. Protect the rights of surface owners. Require industry to reclaim all disturbed areas and provide sufficient bonds.	Affiliation individual
21599	General Comments	Protect air and water quality of local communities. and adjacent mountain ranges.	Affiliation individual
10673	General Comments	Protect air and water quality of local communities and adjacent mountain ranges.	Affiliation individual
7401	General Comments	Protect air and water quality of local communities and adjacent mountain ranges.	Affiliation individual
15044	General Comments	Protect air and water quality of local communities and adjacent mountain ranges.	Affiliation individual

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21648	General Comments	Protect air and water quality of local communities and adjacent mountain ranges. Make the Green River wildlife range.	individual
21644	General Comments	Protect air and water quality of local communities and adjacent mountain ranges. Protect rights of land owners when federal government owns minerals underlying the lands. Limit water consumption used on gas wells and development.	individual
21547	General Comments	Protect air and water quality of local communities. Preserve migratory passages for wildlife, especially in the Green River Valley.	individual
21417	General Comments	Protect air and water quality of local communities.	individual
22126	General Comments	OCTA supports the goal as stated in the scoping notice of obtaining "a balance of allowable activities and management strategies that meet all legal mandates."	Oregon-California Trails Association
22044	General Comments	I would like to submit this slide presentation to the Rawlins and Pinedale RMP websites because it contains much information that is very pertinent to the RMP process. I would hope that it would be accessible to all who are interested in the energy situation within our country.	Tom Brown, Inc.

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22197	Livestock Grazing	The RMP should require that individual grazing leases list all the stipulations that apply to the management of the referenced grazing allotments. The RMP should pin down the percentage of forage allocated to wildlife and livestock respectively with some percent left for plant survival for perennials and the erosion prevention provided by annuals.	Affiliation
22175	Livestock Grazing	Upper Green River Valley area has substantial impact from grazing activities; concerned with associated impacts to wildlife.	Affiliation individual
10885	Livestock Grazing	FORM LETTER SEE Comments_FL3_Livestock TABLE for 5170 RECORDS: Protect livestock grazing from oil and gas development.	Affiliation individual
22136	Livestock Grazing	We feel that it would be beneficial to the resource and allotment, and to grazing permittees if a voluntary monitoring program would be instituted.	Affiliation V Cross Cattle Company
22193	Livestock Grazing	We encourage the BLM officials to work closely with all grazing permittees and agriculture producers affected by the RMP to learn of their concerns and recommendations about the proposed policies and actions developed in the RMP.	Affiliation Wyoming Department of Agricultural
22140	Livestock Grazing	Multiple use must be balanced.	Affiliation Wyoming Stock Growers Association

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22168	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Mining and Oil and Gas Development: During the RMP Revision Process and the environmental analysis of the South Piney Gas/CBM Project please ensure that any plans for future energy development are compatible with the protection of the Upper Green Valley's other natural values including Greater Yellowstone's big-game herds, recreational opportunities, ranching operations, and clean air and water.	Affiliation
22167	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Mining and Oil and Gas Development: During the RMP Revision Process and the environmental analysis of the South Piney Gas/CBM Project please ensure that any plans for future energy development are compatible with the protection of the Upper Green Valley's other natural values including Greater Yellowstone's big-game herds, recreational opportunities, ranching operations, and clean air and water.	Affiliation
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22177	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Areas closed to oil and gas development, should remain closed. Delay environmental analysis of new gas projects (ie South Piney Gas). Cluster oil and gas development in concentrated areas and fully reclaim them prior to developing new gas fields or CBM wells.	Affiliation
22176	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Would like to see oil and gas development restricted to unpopulated areas (at least five miles from residential areas). Does not want the BLM to reactuate the leases to oil companies.	Affiliation

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22156	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Mining and Oil and Gas Development: During the RMP Revision Process and the environmental analysis of the South Piney Gas/CBM Project please ensure that any plans for future energy development are compatible with the protection of the Upper Green Valley's other natural values including Greater Yellowstone's big-game herds, recreational opportunities, ranching operations, and clean air and water.	Affiliation
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22183	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Upgrade the VRM ratings in the Green River Ranch area to a Class II. Consider not reauctioning lands leased to oil companies in the area. No oil and gas development within five miles of residential areas.	Affiliation
22159	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Mining and Oil and Gas Development: During the RMP Revision Process and the environmental analysis of the South Piney Gas/CBM Project please ensure that any plans for future energy development are compatible with the protection of the Upper Green Valley's other natural values including Greater Yellowstone's big-game herds, recreational opportunities, ranching operations, and clean air and water.	Affiliation
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22180	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Please stop all additional leasing until the RMP is complete. How can one effectively comment on a proposed plan when the factors continue to change?	Affiliation
22182	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	I believe that it is important that the potential effects on our unique wildlife resource be fully considered before a plan is undertaken that may irreparably change the habitat needed for the long term survival of our wildlife. Requests a scoping meeting be held in Jackson.	Affiliation
22172	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Keep all oil and gas developments at least 5 miles from all residential areas	Affiliation

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22197	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	The RMP should assert that mineral lease holders will be expected to respect wildlife and establish adequate requirements to protect the public's resources during mineral exploration and development.	Affiliation
22187	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Don't renew any oil and gas leases in the Upper Green River area, keep all oil and gas development at least 5 miles from residential areas.	Affiliation
22178	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Prohibit oil and gas leasing and development in environmentally sensitive areas. Delay the environmental analysis of new gas projects until the revised RMP is completed, including the South Piney Gas Project. Cluster oil and Gas development in concentrated areas and fully reclaim them before developing any other gas fields. Protect the air and water quality of local communities and of the adjacent mountain ranges. Adopt and strictly enforce meaningful mitigation and monitoring requirements. Protect the rights of surface owners. Require industry to reclaim all disturbed areas and provide sufficient bonds.	Affiliation
22186	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Prohibit oil and gas leasing and development in environmentally sensitive areas. Cluster oil and Gas development in concentrated areas and restore them before developing any other fields. Protect air and water quality. Protect the rights of property owners. Require industry to restore all disturbed areas and provide sufficient bonds. Postpone review of new coalbed methane projects, including the South Piney Project, until the RMP is completed.	Affiliation
21995	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Lands in the Pinedale Field Office management area are significant in their potential for development of oil and gas resources. In addition, oil and gas activities are highly important factors in local and Wyoming state economies. BLM must ensure that a thorough examination of the opportunities for future development of oil and gas occurs and that any restrictions placed on development are fully warranted.	Affiliation Anadarko Petroleum Corporation
21558	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Mining and Oil and Gas Development: Please refer to provided document titled Drilling Smarter: Using Directional Drilling to Reduce Oil and Gas Impacts in the Intermountain West. Wildlife and Fisheries: Protect crucial winter ranges, by keeping them off-limits to drilling. Prevent drilling activities on winter ranges between November 15 to April 30th, or within 3 miles of sage grouse leks.	Affiliation Biodiversity Conservation Alliance

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21647	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Mining and Oil and Gas: Exempt mineral leases that are within 3-5 miles of proven production or shut in wells from the drilling restrictions that are currently in place.	Carney Ranch Co.
22001	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	ChevronTexaco Upstream Comments: ChevronTexaco appreciates the opportunity to provide comments supporting your planning efforts for future oil and gas development in the Pinedale Field Office area. Chevron USA operates the Birch Creek Unit and the La Barge Field, both located in the Pinedale Area. We support your planning efforts based on the principles of multiple-use, sustained yield and protection of critical environmental areas and resources under Section 202 of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act. Chevron is a member of Public Lands Advocacy and the Petroleum Association of Wyoming; we have participated in development of and support the detailed RMP scoping comments provided by these organizations. We offer the following emphasis on certain oil and gas related issues raised by PLA and PAW, and additional scoping comments.	ChevronTexaco North American Upstream
22116	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Please exercise extreme caution in allowing energy extraction from this wilderness area. A civilized intelligent forward thinking society is dependent on you having the courage to face down the developers.	citizen
21556	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Mining and Oil and Gas Development: Allow for innovative technology and leasing scenarios, implementing modern seismic, drilling and development technologies. Evaluate impacts of coalbed methane before proceeding with development.	Consulting Petroleum Engineer
22200	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	A recent study and analysis of linear feature density and infrastructure effect zone of the Big Piney-LaBarge oil and gas field indicates that oil and gas development fragments the landscape. Among the impacts noted by this analysis is fragmentation of connected habitats and interruption or interference with wildlife life-history functions, including courtship, nesting and parturition, migration and winter survival. When considering impacts to wildlife, the BLM must do more than consider just the area actually impacted by natural gas drilling and development.	Defenders of Wildlife
22194	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	The discharge and handling of produced water from the oil and gas industry is a specific concern of the WDEQ. The WDEQ and its staff would like to assist the BLM in assessing water resource concerns and developing mitigative measures as needed.	Department of Environmental Quality

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22121	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	I am in favor of allowing Oil and Gas Industry to further develop this area. The shortage of gas reserves in our country necessitates aggressive measures to seek and develop new areas.	Affiliation EOG RESOURCES, INC
21695	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Mining and Oil and Gas Development: Streamline and simplify RMP process. The information presented can be confusing and may be inaccurate/incomplete. Use of alternative drilling technologies should be considered on a well-specific basis. The EIS should use the most recent studies conducted within the project area or from areas similar to that of the management area. Adaptive environmental management is not a viable management strategy. WSAs and WIAs should not be allowed to impair existing lease rights.	Affiliation EOG Resources, Inc.
22198	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	The RMP should not modify existing lease and right-of-ways because they held by production and are in compliance with all requirements. Special designations should be carefully considered because of the effects it would have on future natural gas production.	Affiliation Exxon/Mobile Production
22131	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	I am concerned that development of the BLM land adjacent to the Ranch for natural gas will have a detrimental effect to my property and the property of my neighbors.	Affiliation Green River Ranch Homeowners Assoc.
22106	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	There is nothing sustainable about gas/oil/coal/mineral mining. Once gone, the material is gone forever. Most of the worst impacts are also forever.	Affiliation Indiana Izaak Walton League
21673	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Mining and Oil and Gas Development: Oil and gas development should be conducted in an environmentally responsible manner. If development continues as it did in Jonah, multiple use will not be possible in this area.	Affiliation individual

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21788	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Mining and Oil and Gas Development: During the RMP Revision Process and the environmental analysis of the South Piney Gas/CBM Project please ensure that any plans for future energy development are compatible with the protection of the Upper Green River Valley's other natural values including Greater Yellowstone's big-game herds, recreational opportunities, ranching operations, and clean air and water.	Affiliation individual
21784	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Mining and Oil and Gas Development: During the RMP Revision Process and the environmental analysis of the South Piney Gas/CBM Project please ensure that any plans for future energy development are compatible with the protection of the Upper Green River Valley's other natural values including Greater Yellowstone's big-game herds, recreational opportunities, ranching operations, and clean air and water.	Affiliation individual
21780	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Mining and Oil and Gas Development: During the RMP Revision Process and the environmental analysis of the South Piney Gas/CBM Project please ensure that any plans for future energy development are compatible with the protection of the Upper Green River Valley's other natural values including Greater Yellowstone's big-game herds, recreational opportunities, ranching operations, and clean air and water.	Affiliation individual
21767	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Mining and Oil and Gas Development: During the RMP Revision Process and the environmental analysis of the South Piney Gas/CBM Project please ensure that any plans for future energy development are compatible with the protection of the Upper Green River Valley's other natural values including Greater Yellowstone's big-game herds, recreational opportunities, ranching operations, and clean air and water.	Affiliation individual
21761	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Mining and Oil and Gas Development: During the RMP Revision Process and the environmental analysis of the South Piney Gas/CBM Project please ensure that any plans for future energy development are compatible with the protection of the Upper Green River Valley's other natural values including Greater Yellowstone's big-game herds, recreational opportunities, ranching operations, and clean air and water.	Affiliation individual
21669	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Mining and Oil and Gas Development: Permit oil and gas development because it is beneficial to the economy. Timber should be harvested because it will eventually be burned in a wild fire anyway.	Affiliation individual

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21722	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Mining and Oil and Gas Development: During the RMP Revision Process and the environmental analysis of the South Piney Gas/CBM Project please ensure that any plans for future energy development are compatible with the protection of the Upper Green River Valley's other natural values including Greater Yellowstone's big-game herds, recreational opportunities, ranching operations, and clean air and water.	individual
21670	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Mining and Oil and Gas Development: Allow environmentally responsible oil and gas development. Evaluate impacts of coalbed methane before proceeding with development. Protect air and water quality of local communities and adjacent mountain ranges.	individual
21727	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Mining and Oil and Gas Development: During the RMP Revision Process and the environmental analysis of the South Piney Gas/CBM Project please ensure that any plans for future energy development are compatible with the protection of the Upper Green River Valley's other natural values including Greater Yellowstone's big-game herds, recreational opportunities, ranching operations, and clean air and water.	individual
21672	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Mining and Oil and Gas Development: Stop all oil and gas development in Sublette County and Green River. This development is destroying the land.	individual
21696	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Mining and Oil and Gas Development: The Upper Green River Valley presents a skewed view of the area. The oil and gas industry take reclamation actions and reseed the area. Domestic oil and gas development is very beneficial.	individual
21684	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Mining and Oil and Gas Development: Prohibit oil and gas leasing in the resource area. Evaluate impacts of coalbed methane before proceeding with development. Protect air and water quality of local communities and adjacent mountain ranges.	individual

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21728	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Mining and Oil and Gas Development: During the RMP Revision Process and the environmental analysis of the South Piney Gas/CBM Project please ensure that any plans for future energy development are compatible with the protection of the Upper Green River Valley's other natural values including Greater Yellowstone's big-game herds, recreational opportunities, ranching operations, and clean air and water.	Affiliation individual
21732	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Mining and Oil and Gas Development: During the RMP Revision Process and the environmental analysis of the South Piney Gas/CBM Project please ensure that any plans for future energy development are compatible with the protection of the Upper Green River Valley's other natural values including Greater Yellowstone's big-game herds, recreational opportunities, ranching operations, and clean air and water.	Affiliation individual
21686	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Mining and Oil and Gas Development: Prohibit oil and gas leasing and development in environmentally sensitive areas. Evaluate impacts of coalbed methane before proceeding with development. Protect the rights of property owners and prohibit oil and gas development close to residential property.	Affiliation individual
21719	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Mining and Oil and Gas Development: During the RMP Revision Process and the environmental analysis of the South Piney Gas/CBM Project please ensure that any plans for future energy development are compatible with the protection of the Upper Green River Valley's other natural values including Greater Yellowstone's big-game herds, recreational opportunities, ranching operations, and clean air and water.	Affiliation individual
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21701	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Mining and Oil and Gas Development: During the RMP Revision Process and the environmental analysis of the South Piney Gas/CBM Project please ensure that any plans for future energy development are compatible with the protection of the Upper Green River Valley's other natural values including Greater Yellowstone's big-game herds, recreational opportunities, ranching operations, and clean air and water.	Affiliation individual
21714	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Mining and Oil and Gas Development: During the RMP Revision Process and the environmental analysis of the South Piney Gas/CBM Project please ensure that any plans for future energy development are compatible with the protection of the Upper Green River Valley's other natural values including Greater Yellowstone's big-game herds, recreational opportunities, ranching operations, and clean air and water.	Affiliation individual
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21955	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Mining and Oil and Gas Development: During the RMP Revision Process and the environmental analysis of the South Piney Gas/CBM Project please ensure that any plans for future energy development are compatible with the protection of the Upper Green River Valley's other natural values including Greater Yellowstone's big-game herds, recreational opportunities, ranching operations, and clean air and water.	Affiliation individual
21961	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Mining and Oil and Gas Development: During the RMP Revision Process and the environmental analysis of the South Piney Gas/CBM Project please ensure that any plans for future energy development are compatible with the protection of the Upper Green River Valley's other natural values including Greater Yellowstone's big-game herds, recreational opportunities, ranching operations, and clean air and water.	Affiliation individual
21963	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Mining and Oil and Gas Development: During the RMP Revision Process and the environmental analysis of the South Piney Gas/CBM Project please ensure that any plans for future energy development are compatible with the protection of the Upper Green River Valley's other natural values including Greater Yellowstone's big-game herds, recreational opportunities, ranching operations, and clean air and water.	Affiliation individual
21816	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Mining and Oil and Gas Development: During the RMP Revision Process and the environmental analysis of the South Piney Gas/CBM Project please ensure that any plans for future energy development are compatible with the protection of the Upper Green River Valley's other natural values including Greater Yellowstone's big-game herds, recreational opportunities, ranching operations, and clean air and water.	Affiliation individual
21968	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Mining and Oil and Gas Development: During the RMP Revision Process and the environmental analysis of the South Piney Gas/CBM Project please ensure that any plans for future energy development are compatible with the protection of the Upper Green River Valley's other natural values including Greater Yellowstone's big-game herds, recreational opportunities, ranching operations, and clean air and water.	Affiliation individual

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21907	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Mining and Oil and Gas Development: During the RMP Revision Process and the environmental analysis of the South Piney Gas/CBM Project please ensure that any plans for future energy development are compatible with the protection of the Upper Green River Valley's other natural values including Greater Yellowstone's big-game herds, recreational opportunities, ranching operations, and clean air and water.	Affiliation individual
21978	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Mining and Oil and Gas Development: During the RMP Revision Process and the environmental analysis of the South Piney Gas/CBM Project please ensure that any plans for future energy development are compatible with the protection of the Upper Green River Valley's other natural values including Greater Yellowstone's big-game herds, recreational opportunities, ranching operations, and clean air and water.	Affiliation individual
21988	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Mining and Oil and Gas Development: During the RMP Revision Process and the environmental analysis of the South Piney Gas/CBM Project please ensure that any plans for future energy development are compatible with the protection of the Upper Green River Valley's other natural values including Greater Yellowstone's big-game herds, recreational opportunities, ranching operations, and clean air and water.	Affiliation individual
21989	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Mining and Oil and Gas Development: IDuring the RMP Revision Process and the environmental analysis of the South Piney Gas/CBM Project please ensure that any plans for future energy development are compatible with the protection of the Upper Green River Valley's other natural values including Greater Yellowstone's big-game herds, recreational opportunities, ranching operations, and clean air and water.	Affiliation individual
21997	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	I believe the RMP should prohibit oil and gas leasing and development in environmentally sensitive areas such as migration corridors, bottlenecks, and crucial winter range, as well as in sage grouse nesting and courtship areas.	Affiliation individual
22006	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	I urge you to prohibit oil and gas leasing and development in big-game migration routes, the Green and New Fork river corridors, and the Wind River and Wyoming ranges. BLM should also require the clustering of oil and gas development in concentrated areas and the restoration of existing sites before developing other fields.	Affiliation individual

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22011	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	<p>Mining and Oil and Gas Development: Burlington Resources Oil and Gas Company L.P. (BR) appreciates the opportunity to provide comments:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ·BLM adherence to 1624 Manual Supplemental Program Guidance (SPG) for fluid minerals: ·Statement of adverse energy impact: BLM's Instruction Memorandum (IM) #2002-053 ·Socio-economic analysis: A comprehensive analysis of the socio-economic benefits of oil and gas development activities in the area should be included in the plan amendment. ·Adaptive Environmental Management (AEM): BLM must agree upon and utilize a single template so that interested parties have an understanding of what the process entails. We recommend making the following changes to the "work group" concept- individuals have both a scientific and working knowledge of issues being addressed; representation of project proponents; monitoring costs are considered; using a balanced approach managing resources; open dialog with the public. -Valid existing rights: BLM must ensure that these are not abrogated by the plan amendment. -Directional drilling: BLM must not make assumptions that industry can directionally drill in any situation; it is extremely costly and risky. -Wildlife Management: Use sound science principles and data from current project-level NEPA documents in determining areas of concern and species-specific mitigation. □ -Interim development: Follow the IM 2001-191 during the planning process. -Effects of other resources: Consider the impacts of management decisions may have on future subsurface opportunities and activities. -National historic trails: Protection measures should remain "avoidance area of ¼ mile on either side of the trail or visual horizon, whichever is less" until the WY Trail Plan is finalized. 	individual
21964	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	<p>Mining and Oil and Gas Development: During the RMP Revision Process and the environmental analysis of the South Piney Gas/CBM Project please ensure that any plans for future energy development are compatible with the protection of the Upper Green River Valley's other natural values including Greater Yellowstone's big-game herds, recreational opportunities, ranching operations, and clean air and water.</p>	individual
21850	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	<p>Mining and Oil and Gas Development: During the RMP Revision Process and the environmental analysis of the South Piney Gas/CBM Project please ensure that any plans for future energy development are compatible with the protection of the Upper Green River Valley's other natural values including Greater Yellowstone's big-game herds, recreational opportunities, ranching operations, and clean air and water.</p>	individual
21797	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	<p>Mining and Oil and Gas Development: During the RMP Revision Process and the environmental analysis of the South Piney Gas/CBM Project please ensure that any plans for future energy development are compatible with the protection of the Upper Green River Valley's other natural values including Greater Yellowstone's big-game herds, recreational opportunities, ranching operations, and clean air and water.</p>	individual
21798	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	<p>Mining and Oil and Gas Development: During the RMP Revision Process and the environmental analysis of the South Piney Gas/CBM Project please ensure that any plans for future energy development are compatible with the protection of the Upper Green River Valley's other natural values including Greater Yellowstone's big-game herds, recreational opportunities, ranching operations, and clean air and water.</p>	individual
21801	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	<p>Mining and Oil and Gas Development: During the RMP Revision Process and the environmental analysis of the South Piney Gas/CBM Project please ensure that any plans for future energy development are compatible with the protection of the Upper Green River Valley's other natural values including Greater Yellowstone's big-game herds, recreational opportunities, ranching operations, and clean air and water.</p>	individual

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21804	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Mining and Oil and Gas Development: During the RMP Revision Process and the environmental analysis of the South Piney Gas/CBM Project please ensure that any plans for future energy development are compatible with the protection of the Upper Green River Valley's other natural values including Greater Yellowstone's big-game herds, recreational opportunities, ranching operations, and clean air and water.	Affiliation individual
21667	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Mining and Oil and Gas Development: Prohibit oil and gas leasing and development in environmentally sensitive areas. Explore alternative energy sources in place of mining and oil and gas development. Evaluate impacts of coalbed methane before proceeding with development.	Affiliation individual
21821	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Mining and Oil and Gas Development: During the RMP Revision Process and the environmental analysis of the South Piney Gas/CBM Project please ensure that any plans for future energy development are compatible with the protection of the Upper Green River Valley's other natural values including Greater Yellowstone's big-game herds, recreational opportunities, ranching operations, and clean air and water.	Affiliation individual
21920	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Mining and Oil and Gas Development: During the RMP Revision Process and the environmental analysis of the South Piney Gas/CBM Project please ensure that any plans for future energy development are compatible with the protection of the Upper Green River Valley's other natural values including Greater Yellowstone's big-game herds, recreational opportunities, ranching operations, and clean air and water.	Affiliation individual
21842	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Mining and Oil and Gas Development: During the RMP Revision Process and the environmental analysis of the South Piney Gas/CBM Project please ensure that any plans for future energy development are compatible with the protection of the Upper Green River Valley's other natural values including Greater Yellowstone's big-game herds, recreational opportunities, ranching operations, and clean air and water.	Affiliation individual
21917	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Mining and Oil and Gas Development: During the RMP Revision Process and the environmental analysis of the South Piney Gas/CBM Project please ensure that any plans for future energy development are compatible with the protection of the Upper Green River Valley's other natural values including Greater Yellowstone's big-game herds, recreational opportunities, ranching operations, and clean air and water.	Affiliation individual

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21861	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Mining and Oil and Gas Development: During the RMP Revision Process and the environmental analysis of the South Piney Gas/CBM Project please ensure that any plans for future energy development are compatible with the protection of the Upper Green River Valley's other natural values including Greater Yellowstone's big-game herds, recreational opportunities, ranching operations, and clean air and water.	Affiliation individual
21868	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Mining and Oil and Gas Development: During the RMP Revision Process and the environmental analysis of the South Piney Gas/CBM Project please ensure that any plans for future energy development are compatible with the protection of the Upper Green River Valley's other natural values including Greater Yellowstone's big-game herds, recreational opportunities, ranching operations, and clean air and water.	Affiliation individual
21874	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Mining and Oil and Gas Development: During the RMP Revision Process and the environmental analysis of the South Piney Gas/CBM Project please ensure that any plans for future energy development are compatible with the protection of the Upper Green River Valley's other natural values including Greater Yellowstone's big-game herds, recreational opportunities, ranching operations, and clean air and water.	Affiliation individual
21875	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Mining and Oil and Gas Development: During the RMP Revision Process and the environmental analysis of the South Piney Gas/CBM Project please ensure that any plans for future energy development are compatible with the protection of the Upper Green River Valley's other natural values including Greater Yellowstone's big-game herds, recreational opportunities, ranching operations, and clean air and water.	Affiliation individual
21888	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Mining and Oil and Gas Development: During the RMP Revision Process and the environmental analysis of the South Piney Gas/CBM Project please ensure that any plans for future energy development are compatible with the protection of the Upper Green River Valley's other natural values including Greater Yellowstone's big-game herds, recreational opportunities, ranching operations, and clean air and water.	Affiliation individual
21900	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Mining and Oil and Gas Development: During the RMP Revision Process and the environmental analysis of the South Piney Gas/CBM Project please ensure that any plans for future energy development are compatible with the protection of the Upper Green River Valley's other natural values including Greater Yellowstone's big-game herds, recreational opportunities, ranching operations, and clean air and water.	Affiliation individual

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21791	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Mining and Oil and Gas Development: During the RMP Revision Process and the environmental analysis of the South Piney Gas/CBM Project please ensure that any plans for future energy development are compatible with the protection of the Upper Green River Valley's other natural values including Greater Yellowstone's big-game herds, recreational opportunities, ranching operations, and clean air and water.	individual
19773	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Mining and Oil and Gas Development: Prohibit oil and gas leasing and development in environmentally sensitive areas. Evaluate impacts of coalbed methane before proceeding with development. Protect air and water quality of local communities and adjacent mountain ranges. Protect recreational resources and preserve jobs in the resource area.	individual
11375	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Mining and Oil and Gas Development: Prohibit oil and gas leasing and development. Evaluate impacts of coalbed methane before proceeding with development. Protect air and water quality of local communities and adjacent mountain ranges.	individual
15044	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Mining and Oil and Gas Development: Permit oil and gas leasing and development. Evaluate impacts of coalbed methane before proceeding with development. Protect air and water quality of local communities and adjacent mountain ranges.	individual
8097	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Mining and Oil and Gas Development: Conduct oil and gas leasing and development in environmentally responsible manner. Evaluate impacts of coalbed methane before proceeding with development. Protect air and water quality of local communities and adjacent mountain ranges.	individual
8212	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Mining and Oil and Gas Development: Prohibit oil and gas leasing and development in environmentally sensitive areas. Explore alternative energy in place of mining and oil and gas development. Evaluate impacts of coalbed methane before proceeding with development.	individual

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8750	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Mining and Oil and Gas Development: Prohibit oil and gas leasing and development in environmentally sensitive areas. Evaluate impacts of coalbed methane before proceeding with development. Protect wildlife as well as air and water quality of local communities and adjacent mountain ranges.	individual
9254	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Mining and Oil and Gas Development: Conduct oil and gas leasing and development in environmentally responsible manner. Evaluate impacts of coalbed methane before proceeding with development. Protect air and water quality of local communities and adjacent mountain ranges.	individual
21414	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	SEE Comments_Mining&Oil TABLE for 357 RECORDS: Mining and Oil and Gas Development: During the RMP Revision Process and the environmental analysis of the South Piney Gas/CBM Project please ensure that any plans for future energy development are compatible with the protection of the Upper Green River Valley's other natural values including Greater Yellowstone's big game herds, recreational opportunities, ranching operations, and clean air and water.	individual
7923	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Mining and Oil and Gas Development: Prohibit oil and gas leasing and development in environmentally sensitive areas. Explore alternative energy in place of mining and oil and gas development. Evaluate impacts of coalbed methane before proceeding with development.	individual
10673	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Mining and Oil and Gas Development: Prohibit oil and gas leasing and development in environmentally sensitive areas.	individual
7401	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Mining and Oil and Gas Development: Prohibit oil and gas leasing and development in environmentally sensitive areas.	individual

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11437	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Mining and Oil and Gas Development: Permitt oil and gas leasing and development. Evaluate impacts of coalbed methane before proceeding with development. Protect air and water quality of local communities and adjacent mountain ranges.	individual
11783	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Mining and Oil and Gas Development: Prohibit oil and gas leasing and development. Evaluate impacts of coalbed methane before proceeding with development. Protect air and water quality of local communities and adjacent mountain ranges.	individual
11784	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Mining and Oil and Gas Development: Prohibit oil and gas leasing and development. Evaluate impacts of coalbed methane before proceeding with development. Protect air and water quality of local communities and adjacent mountain ranges.	individual
12047	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Mining and Oil and Gas Development: Permit oil and gas leasing and development. Evaluate impacts of coalbed methane before proceeding with development. Protect air and water quality of local communities and adjacent mountain ranges.	individual
12851	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Mining and Oil and Gas Development: Permit oil and gas leasing and development in environmentally responsible manner. Evaluate impacts of coalbed methane before proceeding with development. Protect air and water quality of local communities and adjacent mountain ranges. Protect aesthetic resources of project area from industrial equipment and development operations.	individual
19844	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Mining and Oil and Gas Development: Prohibit oil and gas leasing and development in environmentally sensitive areas. Explore alternative energy sources in place of mining and oil and gas development. Evaluate impacts of coalbed methane before proceeding with development.	individual

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9583	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Mining and Oil and Gas Development: Prohibit oil and gas leasing and development in environmentally sensitive areas. Explore alternative energy in place of mining and oil and gas development. Evaluate impacts of coalbed methane before proceeding with development.	individual
5699	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Mining and Oil and Gas Development: Prohibit oil and gas leasing and development in environmentally sensitive areas. Limit impacts of coalbed methane before proceeding with development in order to protect the National Park.	individual
681	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Mining and Oil and Gas Development: Prohibit delay of oil and gas exploration in order to supply energy within America.	individual
1131	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Upper Green River Valley Energy Development	individual
3985	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	public comment on current/potential oil/gas exploration/development	individual
19451	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	SEE Comment_Mining&Oil TABLE for 145 RECORDS: Mining and Oil and Gas Development Prohibit oil and gas leasing and development in environmentally sensitive areas. Delay the environmental analysis of new gas projects until the revised RMP is completed, including the South Piney Gas Project. Cluster oil and gas development in concentrated areas and fully reclaim them before developing any other gas fields.	individual

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5135	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Mining and Oil and Gas Development: Proceed with development of the area in a responsible way because the oil and gas industry is beneficial to the economy.	individual
5537	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Mining and Oil and Gas Development: Prohibit oil and gas leasing and development in environmentally sensitive areas. Limit impacts of coalbed methane before proceeding with development in order to protect the National Park.	individual
8008	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Mining and Oil and Gas Development: Prohibit oil and gas leasing and development in environmentally sensitive areas. Explore alternative energy in place of mining and oil and gas development. Evaluate impacts of coalbed methane before proceeding with development.	individual
5639	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Mining and Oil and Gas Development: Prohibit oil and gas leasing and development in environmentally sensitive areas. Limit impacts of coalbed methane before proceeding with development in order to protect the National Park.	individual
15056	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Mining and Oil and Gas Development: Prohibit oil and gas leasing and development in environmentally sensitive areas. Explore alternative energy sources in place of mining and oil and gas development. Evaluate impacts of coalbed methane before proceeding with development.	individual
5736	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Mining and Oil and Gas Development: Prohibit oil and gas leasing and development in environmentally sensitive areas. Limit impacts of coalbed methane before proceeding with development in order to protect the National Park.	individual

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6209	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Mining and Oil and Gas Development: Prohibit oil and gas leasing and development in environmentally sensitive areas. Minimize fragmentation of wildlife habitat and human intrusion caused by development. Evaluate impacts of coalbed methane before proceeding with development.	individual
7116	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Mining and Oil and Gas Development: Support oil and gas leasing and development in environmentally responsible manner.	individual
7174	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Mining and Oil and Gas Development: Prohibit oil and gas leasing and development in environmentally sensitive areas. Explore alternative energy sources in place of mining and oil and gas development. Evaluate impacts of coalbed methane before proceeding with development.	individual
7215	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Mining and Oil and Gas Development: Prohibit oil and gas leasing and development in environmentally sensitive areas. Explore alternative energy sources in place of mining and oil and gas development. Evaluate impacts of coalbed methane before proceeding with development.	individual
7343	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Mining and Oil and Gas Development: Prohibit oil and gas leasing and development in environmentally sensitive areas. Explore alternative energy sources in place of mining and oil and gas development. Evaluate impacts of coalbed methane before proceeding with development.	individual
5542	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Mining and Oil and Gas Development: Prohibit oil and gas leasing and development in environmentally sensitive areas. Limit impacts of coalbed methane before proceeding with development in order to protect the National Park.	individual

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21599	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Mining and Oil and Gas Development: Allow for innovative technology and leasing scenarios, implementing modern seismic, drilling and development technologies. Evaluate impacts of coalbed methane before proceeding with development.	individual
14712	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Mining and Oil and Gas Development: Prohibit oil and gas leasing and development. Evaluate impacts of coalbed methane before proceeding with development. Protect air and water quality of local communities and adjacent mountain ranges.	individual
21512	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Mining and Oil and Gas Development: Prohibit oil and gas leasing and development in environmentally sensitive areas. Evaluate impacts of coalbed methane before proceeding with development.	individual
21536	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Mining and Oil and Gas Development: Prohibit oil and gas leasing and development in environmentally sensitive areas. Evaluate impacts of coalbed methane before proceeding with development.	individual
21538	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Mining and Oil and Gas Development: Prohibit oil and gas leasing and development in environmentally sensitive areas. Explore alternative energy sources in place of mining and oil and gas development. Evaluate impacts of coalbed methane before proceeding with development.	individual
21546	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Mining and Oil and Gas Development: Prohibit oil and gas leasing and development in environmentally sensitive areas. Explore alternative energy sources in place of mining and oil and gas development. Evaluate impacts of coalbed methane before proceeding with development. Protect air and water quality of local communities.	individual

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21547	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Mining and Oil and Gas Development: Prohibit oil and gas leasing and development in environmentally sensitive areas. Explore alternative energy sources in place of mining and oil and gas development. Evaluate impacts of coalbed methane before proceeding with development.	individual
21491	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Mining and Oil and Gas Development: Prohibit oil and gas leasing and development in environmentally sensitive areas. Evaluate impacts of coalbed methane before proceeding with development. Protect air and water quality of local communities.	individual
21593	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Mining and Oil and Gas Development: Allow oil and gas leasing and development in environmentally responsible manner. Evaluate impacts of coalbed methane before proceeding with development. Protect air and water quality of local communities and adjacent mountain ranges.	individual
21417	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Mining and Oil and Gas Development: Prohibit oil and gas leasing and development in environmentally sensitive areas. Evaluate impacts of coalbed methane before proceeding with development.	individual
21615	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Mining and Oil and Gas Development: Prohibit oil and gas leasing and development in environmentally sensitive areas. Evaluate impacts of coalbed methane before proceeding with development. Protect air and water quality of local communities and adjacent mountain ranges. Protect migration routes for big game.	individual
21641	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Mining and Oil and Gas Development: Prohibit oil and gas leasing and development in the resource area. Evaluate impacts of coalbed methane before proceeding with development. Protect air and water quality of local communities and adjacent mountain ranges. Explore alternative energy sources in place of further mining and oil and gas development. Protect wildlife and natural landscape. Preserve natural resources because they are a valuable commodity for tourism. Photos of resource area provided.	individual

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21644	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Mining and Oil and Gas Development: Prohibit oil and gas leasing and development in environmentally sensitive areas. Explore alternative energy sources in place of mining and oil and gas development. Evaluate impacts of coalbed methane before proceeding with development.	individual
21645	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Mining and Oil and Gas Development: Prohibit oil and gas leasing and development in environmentally sensitive areas, especially near wildlife migration corridors and critical seasonal range. Explore alternative energy sources in place of mining and oil and gas development. Evaluate impacts of coalbed methane before proceeding with development. Protect air and water quality of local communities and adjacent mountain ranges.	individual
21648	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Mining and Oil and Gas Development: Prohibit oil and gas leasing and development in environmentally sensitive areas. Explore alternative energy sources in place of mining and oil and gas development. Evaluate impacts of coalbed methane before proceeding with development.	individual
21655	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Mining and Oil and Gas Development: Continue drilling in Johah field. Drillers observed herds of elk in the vicinity of their work and the animals did not seem bothered. The drilling and development contribute to the local economy.	individual
21560	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	please ensure that any plans for future energy development are compatible with the protection of the Upper Green River Valley's other natural values including Greater Yellowstone's big game herds, recreational opportunities, ranching operations, and clean air and water.	individual
22023	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Any development would mar the values of these public lands, and I am opposed to any oil and gas development or other industrial and urban land uses that would replace the open space and wildlife habitat. Environmentally sensitive areas should be off-limits to the oil and gas exploration; therefore, any developments should be concentrated and reclaimed before developing more natural areas.	individual

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15571	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Mining and Oil and Gas Development: Prohibit oil and gas leasing and development in environmentally sensitive areas. Explore alternative energy sources in place of mining and oil and gas development. Evaluate impacts of coalbed methane before proceeding with development.	individual
15986	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Mining and Oil and Gas Development: Prohibit oil and gas leasing and development. Protect air and water quality of local communities and adjacent mountain ranges.	individual
19451	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Mining and Oil and Gas Development Prohibit oil and gas leasing and development in environmentally sensitive areas. Delay the environmental analysis of new gas projects until the revised RMP is completed, including the South Piney Gas Project. Cluster oil and gas development in concentrated areas and fully reclaim them before developing any other gas fields. Protect the air and water quality of local communities and of adjacent mountain ranges. Adopt and strictly enforce meaningful mitigation and monitoring requirements. Protect the rights of surface owners. Require industry to reclaim all disturbed areas and provide sufficient bonds.	individual
19504	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Mining and Oil and Gas Development Prohibit oil and gas leasing and development in environmentally sensitive areas. Delay the environmental analysis of new gas projects until the revised RMP is completed, including the South Piney Gas Project. Cluster oil and gas development in concentrated areas and fully reclaim them before developing any other gas fields. Protect the air and water quality of local communities and of adjacent mountain ranges. Adopt and strictly enforce meaningful mitigation and monitoring requirements. Protect the rights of surface owners. Require industry to reclaim all disturbed areas and provide sufficient bonds.	individual
19711	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Mining and Oil and Gas Development: Permit oil and gas leasing and development in environmentally responsible manner. Evaluate impacts of coalbed methane before proceeding with development. Protect air and water quality of local communities and adjacent mountain ranges.	individual
19765	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Mining and Oil and Gas Development: Prohibit oil and gas leasing and development in environmentally sensitive areas. Evaluate impacts of coalbed methane before proceeding with development. Protect air and water quality of local communities and adjacent mountain ranges. Protect recreational resources and preserve jobs of outfitters in the resource area.	individual

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21496	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Mining and Oil and Gas Development Prohibit oil and gas leasing and development in environmentally sensitive areas. Evaluate impacts of coalbed methane before proceeding with development. Protect air and water quality of local communities.	individual
19770	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Please prohibit oil & Gas leasing n sensitive areas of critical environmental concern.	individual
21664	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Mining and Oil and Gas: Permit oil and gas development because it is beneficial to the economy.	individual
19831	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Mining and Oil and Gas Development: Prohibit oil and gas leasing and development in environmentally sensitive areas. Delay the environmental analysis of new gas projects until the revised RMP is completed, including the South Piney Gas Project. Cluster oil and gas development in concentrated areas and fully reclaim them before developing any other gas fields. Protect the air and water quality of local communities and of adjacent mountain ranges. Adopt and strictly enforce meaningful mitigation and monitoring requirements. Protect the rights of surface owners. Require industry to reclaim all disturbed areas and provide sufficient bonds.	individual
22019	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Wildlife and Special Status Species: Reliable population and distribution data I don't believe that oil and gas development should occur in any environmentally sensitive area and I don't want to purchase oil and gas that has resulted in polluted water, disrupted migration routes, or degraded habitat. Coal bed Methane production is particularly destructive and it must not be allowed until industry can put up the bonds to cover all subsequent environmental consequences 100%. It is not fair that local communities should have to bear longterm impacts of industrialization in this magnificent land.	individual
19850	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Mining and Oil and Gas Development: Prohibit oil and gas leasing and development in environmentally sensitive areas. Limit negative affects on wildlife and recreational resources. Explore alternative energy sources in place of mining and oil and gas development. Evaluate impacts of coalbed methane before proceeding with development. Protect air and water quality of local communities and adjacent mountain ranges.	individual

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21235	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Mining and Oil and Gas Development: Prohibit oil and gas leasing and development in resource area. Evaluate impacts of coalbed methane before proceeding with development. Protect air and water quality of local communities and adjacent mountain ranges.	individual
21415	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Mining and Oil and Gas Development: Prohibit oil and gas leasing and development in environmentally sensitive areas. Evaluate impacts of coalbed methane before proceeding with development.	individual
21416	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Mining and Oil and Gas Development: Prohibit oil and gas leasing and development in environmentally sensitive areas. Evaluate impacts of coalbed methane before proceeding with development.	individual
19768	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Mining and Oil and Gas Development: The exploration for oil and gas is to be at the expense of other resources and resource values, but at an equal rank and footing with adequate measures taken to protect or mitigate the impact the other resources. 1. The exploration and production of hydrocarbons needs to be equal to other resource values and the BLM must provide and not just “consider the potential” for access and leasing for resource development and be consistent with the President’s National Energy Policy. 2. The mineral resources must be considered to an equal level with other resource values 3. In the environmental consequences section of the RMP the following types of	individual
22072	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	I am asking that you prohibit oil and gas leasing and development in the environmentally sensitive areas such as big game migration corridors, migration bottlenecks, and important transition and wintering areas for big game. I strongly feel that the Green River Corridor into the Gros Ventre River area absolutely has to be protected. I feel this is the only long term solution to allow the huge number of wintering elk in the Jackson Hole and Gros Ventre Area access to the federally owned and managed winter ranges in the Upper Green River Valley. I can foresee that disease issues on the National Elk Refuge and State elk feed grounds will mandate allowing the elk to seek these wide open federal winter ranges. Cluster oil and gas development, and all areas be totally reclaimed, including all roads and trails, before other major fields are developed. I suggest you delay the environmental analysis of new gas projects, such as the South Piney Gas/CBM Project until the RMP is complete. The current RMP fails to evaluate the impacts of CBM and thus the BLM cannot properly complete an impacts analysis or adopt mitigation measures.	individual
22053	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	I am asking or begging you to stop any gas and oil activity in the Upper Green River and South Piney areas.	individual

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22110	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	It is with great concern that we have become aware that in revising the BLM management plan, the BLM has identified southwest WY for full-scale energy development. This is outrageous! We urge the BLM to use its unique position of importance to protect rather than destroy our clear skies, clean water, pristine views, wildlife habitat, open space and recreation oppourtunities.	individual
22108	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	My concern is that the oil and gas development may move westward, and impair Little Cottonwood and Red Castle Creeks westward from the confluence of Little Cottonwood and Red Castle Creeks to their headwaters, if it is not done carefully.	individual
22105	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	I am particularly concerned about proposed oil and gas development in the Upper Green River Valley. I am strongly against any oil or gas development in this region. We need to protect this area as a critical winter wildlife corridor.	individual
22104	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	As a Jackson, Wyoming resident I am very concerned about plans to develop drilling in our backyard. We depend on tourism dollars that will dwindle as wildlife corridors are dirupted from roads to access drills and pipelines. This is not the middle east, lets keep Wyoming wild and pristine.	individual
22103	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Oil and gas development benefit a very few people to whom our beautiful country is nothing but a big piggy bank they are happy to smash for their own benefit. A large percentage of people want to keep our wonderful country healthy and natural	individual
22100	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Prohibit oil and gas leasing and development in environmentally sensitive areas. Such areas include big-game migration corridors, bottlenecks, and winter and transitional ranges; sage grouse nesting habitat; the Green and New Fork River corridors; the scenic Wind River and Wyoming Ranges; and areas of critical environmental concern.	individual

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22097	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	The oil and gas development in the Jonah and Pinedale Anticline is appalling. All oil and gas should be kept away from crucial winter ranges and migration corridors.	individual
22112	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	For the sake of future generations, it is my sincere hope that the BLM will be more proactive in protecting the unique environment of the Upper Green from the current, excessively rapid development of oil and gas. We protect this unique environment and still have oil and gas development, but only if the BLM reassesses the pace and tightens the operating requirements they place on the oil and gas operators and service companies.	individual
22090	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Any plans for energy development in the region must adequately protect the Upper Green River Valley's outstanding wildlife and recreation values, and take into consideration the continuation of the area's ranching operations. With that in mind, I specifically urge you to: Prohibit oil and gas leasing and development in environmentally sensitive areas. These include big-game migration corridors, bottlenecks, winter and transitional ranges, sage grouse nesting habitat, the Green and New Fork River corridors, the scenic Wind River and Wyoming Fronts and areas of critical environmental concern; -Delay the environmental analysis of new gas projects, such as the South Piney Gas/CBM Project until the RMP is complete; -Cluster oil and gas development in concentrated areas and fully reclaim them before developing any other gas fields such as new CBM wells in the foothills of the Wyoming Range; -Protect the air and water quality of local communities and of adjacent mountain ranges, where pollutants can be deposited in alpine waters; -Adopt and strictly enforce meaningful mitigation and monitoring requirements; -Protect the rights of surface owners where the federal government owns the mineral rights underlying private lands; and -Require industry to reclaim all disturbed areas and provide sufficient bonds to protect taxpayers from cleanup and restoration costs.	individual
22085	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	I strongly disagree with the boom mentality of "get all the oil and gas developed now!" There needs to be more regulation and quotas on how many wells can be drilled. Explore alternative energy sources in place of increased drilling. Developers should restore all land used.	individual
22069	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	As a real estate owner that lives in central Arkansas in the winter time and intend to live in the Pinedale area in the summer time we it is my right to have a say about what is happening on our land. Because of Oil and Gas Development Antelope and Elk and other wildlife in the area can't live in their natural habitat. Not just the animals would die but the land would be worthless, the soil's content would be too low and nasty for it to grow anything again. Again as a real estate owner we don't want the rigs on our land, our animals hurt, and our land ruined.	individual
22109	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Mining and Oil and Gas Development: Prohibit oil and gas development in inappropriate and sensitive parts of this area (critical wildlife habitats, potential wilderness areas, etc.). Require oil companies to utilize the best available technology to minimize environmental harm.	individual

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22109	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Mining and Oil and Gas Development: Prohibit oil and gas development in inappropriate and sensitive parts of this area (critical wildlife habitats, potential wilderness areas, etc.). Require oil companies to utilize the best available technology to minimize environmental harm.	individual
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22003	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Mining and Oil and Gas Development: Prohibit oil and gas development in inappropriate and sensitive parts of this area (critical wildlife habitats, potential wilderness areas, etc.). Require oil companies to utilize the best available technology to minimize environmental harm.	individual
374	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Mining and Oil and Gas Development: Permitt oil and gas leasing and development in environmentally responsible manner. Evaluate impacts of coalbed methane before proceeding with development.	individual
22058	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	It is hard for me to believe that the nonrenewable hydrocarbons in the ground are more valuable than the spectacular scenery and wildlife on top of the ground. However, if you feel compelled to lease this area to energy companies, please do two things: 1) make certain the exploration and development does not materially adversely impact the environment, and 2) get paid appropriately. No exploration and development should be permitted anywhere near big game migration corridors, critical winter range, or sage grouse leks. And once the hydrocarbons are extracted (if recoverable), the energy companies must be required to reclaim and restore the disturbed areas to their original state (with their commitment secured by sufficient bonds).	individual
22109	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Mining and Oil and Gas Development: Prohibit oil and gas development in inappropriate and sensitive parts of this area (critical wildlife habitats, potential wilderness areas, etc.). Require oil companies to utilize the best available technology to minimize environmental harm.	individual

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22096	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	In view of the currently developing shortage of natural gas, it is critically important that oil and gas development be allowed and encouraged. The industry already works under numerous constraints to accommodate wildlife, archeology, and various other interests. We have a long record of coexistence with these other resources and are more than willing to make REASONABLE accommodations. We need to recognize that the vast majority of wildlife can and does habituate to human presence and activity and plan strategies to facilitate this habituation for coexistence rather than spend so much effort to maintain separation between humans and wildlife.	individual
22138	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	The protection of our environment and cultural resources is a must!	individual
21667	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Protect air and water quality of local communities and adjacent mountain ranges. Continue the moratorium on mineral leasing on the important wildlife habitat and scenic area on the southeast side of the Hoback Rim.	individual
21679	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Mining and Oil and Gas Development: During the RMP Revision Process and the environmental analysis of the South Piney Gas/CBM Project please ensure that any plans for future energy development are compatible with the protection of the Upper Green River Valley's other natural values including Greater Yellowstone's big game herds, recreational opportunities, ranching operations, and clean air and water. Give special attention to excess water generated in CBM developments.	individual
5500	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Mining and Oil and Gas Development: Prohibit oil and gas leasing and development in environmentally sensitive areas. Limit impacts of coalbed methane before proceeding with development in order to protect the National Park.	individual
2733	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Mining and Oil and Gas Development: Explore alternative energy sources. Prohibit oil and gas leasing and development in environmentally sensitive areas. Evaluate impacts of coalbed methane before proceeding with development.	individual

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4139	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Mining and Oil and Gas Development: Explore alternative energy sources. Prohibit oil and gas leasing and development in environmentally sensitive areas. Delay the environmental analysis of new gas projects until the revised RMP is completed, including the South Piney Gas Project. Cluster oil and gas development in concentrated areas and fully reclaim them before developing any other gas fields.	individual
22000	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Mining and Oil and Gas Development: Prohibit oil and gas development in inappropriate and sensitive parts of this area (critical wildlife habitats, potential wilderness areas, etc.). Require oil companies to utilize the best available technology to minimize environmental harm.	individual
22175	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Opposition to drilling in the Upper Green River Valley area. Impact to wildlife would be to severe.	individual
22145	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Request you consider not auctioning the existing leases to oil companies near the Green River Ranch Subdivision in preparing the RMP for this area.	individual
22111	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	I am writing to respectfully urge protection of southwest Wyoming, a wonderful wild area. I urge support of the WOC points. This is a fine opportunity to preserve a part of the American West.	individual
22144	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	YES, CONTINUE MINERALS, OIL and GAS DEVELOPMENT -- PROVIDE JOBS AND INCOME TO WYOMING!	individual

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22114	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	request for job	individual
22132	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Delay environmental anal. of new projects until the management plan is complete.	individual
22130	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	I don't want to see this area look like the Little Colorado Desert to the south. This area has lost a lot of it's beauty due to development of oil and gas.	individual
22127	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Keep all oil and gas development at least ten (10) miles from any and all residential areas.	individual
22123	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	I recomend that a simultaneous closure of Highway 191 South to Farson and north to Hoback Juction, 189 thru Kemmerer to Interstate 80, and 351 be undertaken with WYO. DOT.. This would eliminate all stress and death to biggame during winter months.	individual
22123	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Restrictions on oil and gas development for view shed concerns should not be an issue. after initial drilling and completion work is done the remaining production facilites are no more of a view shed issue than someones yard, barns buildings or junk cars and trucks.	individual

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22122	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	We feel that the wildlife is being affected by all the development and do not want what free range the wildlife has to be occupied by oil wells and road ways.	Affiliation individual
22119	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Having been here and having dealt with some of the extreme enviromental groups, I get concerned with the propoganda against oil and gas companies.	Affiliation individual
22117	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	I WISH TO SUPPORT CONTINUED OIL AND GAS DEVELOPMENT AS PART OF THE PINEDALE RESOURCE MANAGEMENT PLAN. I FIND NO CONFLICT BETWEEN THESE INTERESTS AND FEEL CONTINUED MINERAL DEVELOPMENT CAN BE ACHIEVED WITHOUT HARM TO THE ENVIRONMENT, WHILE STILL PROVIDING ECONOMIC BENEFIT TO SUBLETTE COUNTY, THE STATE AND THE COUNTRY AS WELL AS NATIONAL SECURITY FROM FUTURE LOW GAS SUPPLIES.	Affiliation individual
22144	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	The current road and "Route" system must remain intact.	Affiliation individual
22036	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	prohibit oil and gas leasing AND development in environmentally sensitive areas. Areas such as migration corridors, bottlenecks, and winter transitional ranges. Also most specifically to prohibit such exploration activities in areas such as the Green and New Fork River corridors, and the beautiful and scenic foothills of Wind River and Wyoming Ranges, or any other areas of critical environmental concern.	Affiliation individual
22081	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Please do not develop this area for natural gas exploration. The Overthrust area is full of natural gas. Why don't you go to some of the less scenic places.	Affiliation individual

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22022	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	I write to object to further gas and oil leasing in the Wind River and Wyoming ranges, and Green River Valley. Having fished, hiked and hunted through these areas, I do not want to see additional degradation of big game corridors, sage grouse habitat and trout streams.	individual
22062	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Oil and gas development should be restricted in already concentrated areas and these fields should be required to be reclaimed before developing other gas fields. Please delay the environmental analysis of new gas projects such as the South Piney Gas/CBM Project until the RMP is complete in order to properly evaluate all impacts and adopt adequate mitigation.	individual
22030	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Please save our ground from all the control and pollution that the gas companies cause. Once they enter a area they never leave nor do they restore it they just keep wanting more. Then the BLM gives them more of our rights and ground for profits for their higher wages instead of protecting our outdoors and we see less and less of the animals, fish, habitat, new trees, water, etc.	individual
22080	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Prohibit oil and gas leasing and development in environmentally sensitive areas. Such areas include big-game migration corridors, bottlenecks, and winter and transitional ranges; sage grouse nesting habitat; the Green and New Fork River corridors; the scenic Wind River and Wyoming Ranges; and areas of critical environmental concern.	individual
22031	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	With regard to the current process, I am writing to oppose oil and gas leasing in areas of environmental significance or in environmentally sensitive areas. I am quite aware of the extent to which oil and gas operations have impacted this area in the recent past, and I think the impact is significantly negative. Environmental analysis of new projects should be delayed until the RMP has been completed.	individual
22035	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	as a real estate owner we don't want the rigs on our land, our animals hurt, and our land ruined.	individual

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22083	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	I am totally against drilling for natural gas in any area of wildlife habitat. The Upper Green River Valley, and all wildlife habitats, should remain undisturbed by man's development. The short term profits obtained from drilling in these areas is not worth the damage it would cause. The area would never be the same.	individual
22042	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	I am also a user of natural gas and certainly don't expect there to be no drilling activity in the area. I do ask, however, that it proceed in a deliberate step-wise fashion. Drilling should be concentrated in a cluster in a limited number of fields, fields should be depleted and reclaimed before additional fields are allowed to open.	individual
22076	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	I and every person I have spoken with is strongly opposed to any additional drilling in the Upper Green River Valley. Please keep drill rigs out of this critical wildlife habitat. Please look at the long term irreprehensible costs compared to such a short term dollar and gain. Drilling in this sensitive area is not only a direct loss to our wildlife and scenic corridors but also a long term loss to our tourism \$ dollars for many generations to come.	individual
16004	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	FORM LETTER SEE Comments_FL1_Mining&Oil TABLE for 6758 RECORDS: Mining and Oil and Gas Development: Prohibit oil and gas leasing and development in environmentally sensitive areas. Delay the environmental analysis of new gas projects until the revised RMP is completed, including the South Piney Gas Project. Cluster oil and gas development in concentrated areas and fully reclaim them before developing any other gas fields.	individual
22046	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	I suggest you delay the environmental analysis of new gas projects, such as the South Piney Gas / CBM Project until the RMP is complete. The current RMP fails to evaluate the impacts of CBM and thus the BLM cannot properly complete an impacts analysis or adopt mitigation measures.	individual
10885	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	FORM LETTER SEE Comments_FL3_Mining&Oil TABLE for 5170 RECORDS: Mining and Oil and Gas Development Prohibit oil and gas leasing and development in environmentally sensitive areas. Cluster oil and gas development in concentrated areas and restore them before developing other fields. Protect air and water quality. Protect the rights of property owners. Require industry to restore all disturbed areas and provide sufficient bonds. Postpone review of new coalbed methane projects, including the South Piney Gas Project, until the new RMP is completed.	individual

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292	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	FORM LETTER SEE Comments_FL2_Mining&Oil TABLE for 4583 RECORDS: Mining and Oil and Gas Development: Prohibit oil and gas leasing and development in environmentally sensitive areas. Evaluate impacts of coalbed methane before proceeding with development.	individual
22051	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	I have watched the Oil and Gas development in Southwest Wyoming in the last thirteen years and have not seen any impact on the wild life. There have been far larger impacts on the wild life from the wild life management techniques implemented in Southwest Wyoming.	individual
22032	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Please prohibit oil and gas leasing and development in environmentally sensitive areas such as big-game migration corridors, bottlenecks, and winter and transitional ranges, sage grouse nesting habitat, the Green and New Fork River corridors, the scenic foothills of the Wind River and Wyoming Ranges, and areas of critical environmental concern.	individual
22077	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	I am strongly opposed to any additional drilling in the Upper Green River Valley. Please keep drill rigs out of this critical wildlife habitat.	Jackson Hole Resident
22009	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Mining and Oil and Gas Development: These comments are submitted on behalf of the Independent Petroleum Association of Mountain States (IPAMS). IPAMS strongly supports revisions to the Pinedale RMP that provide the fullest development of natural gas and oil resources in the resource area.	Manager of Government and Public Affairs
22084	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	We of the 250-member Mouton Cadet Sunset Society implore you to NOT allow any oil development in the Upper Green River area. It is an important wildlife corridor, and our country needs to develop alternative fuels and energy solutions, not upset this fragile area.	Mouton Cadet Sunset Society

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22120	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	I realize oil and gas exploration will be increasing. However, I would like to state that my hopes are the areas being drilled and the number of roads be kept to the minimum in order to preserve open space and the tranquility of the areas.	none
22191	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	We ask that the BLM be sensitive to maintaining access to State trust lands isolated by lands under the BLM's jurisdiction and would welcome a balanced approach to the use of the area's resources with minimal regulation when appropriate.	Affiliation Office of State Lands and Investments
21541	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Mining and Oil and Gas: Review the validity of the present moratorium on BLM leasing within the Gros Ventre Anticlinorium. This area has possibility of major reserves.	Affiliation Oil Properties
22199	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Paw is concerned that the cumulative impacts of stipulations and mitigation measures implemented for oil and gas leasing and development to protect other resources is cumbersome and in some instances excessive.	Affiliation Petroleum Assoc of Wyoming
22189	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Questar believes that once scientific evidence indicates that restrictions being imposed on oil and gas industry projects are more stringent than necessary, specific stipulations should be relaxed. In addition, Questar would like to emphasize that the BLM must balance impacts to wildlife and other resource values with the impacts on oil and gas development. We believe that oil and gas activities, with reasonable mitigation based on scientific evidence, can co-exist with other resource values without negative effect, and therefore, leasing and site specific projects should not be restricted or eliminated in any area.	Affiliation Questar Exploration and Production Co.
22118	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	I feel that there is a great need to continue to develop the oil and gas in the area that is being studied.	Affiliation Self

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22179	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Shell supports the use of the Adaptive Environmental Management (AEM) for mineral and energy resource exploration and development, but the planning process should include performance-based decisions and standards, not just a checklist of prescribed actions. Shell believes that ongoing oil and gas development under the terms of the existing leases and EIS should not be altered or delayed during the RMP review process. Strongly support the comments submitted by the PLA concerning Valid Existing Rights. Concur with the PLA's proposed approach for determining the cumulative impacts of reasonably foreseeable development for oil and gas.	Shell Rocky Mountain Production, LLC
22143	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Please ensure that any plans for future energy development are compatible with the protection of water quality, water quantity, big game herds, other wildlife, recreational opportunities and clean air.	Trout Unlimited
21492	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Mining and Oil and Gas Development: Opportunities to enhance oil and gas leasing and development should be encouraged as a resource as well as its economic value. Turn the development access to recreation sites or added wildlife habitat manipulation for example.	Ultra Petroleum, Operations Engineer
21658	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Mining and Oil and Gas Development: During the RMP Revision Process and the environmental analysis of the South Piney Gas/CBM Project please ensure that any plans for future energy development are compatible with the protection of the Upper Green River Valley's other natural values including Greater Yellowstone's big game herds, recreational opportunities, ranching operations, and clean air and water. Give special attention to excess water generated in CBM developments.	Wildlife Management Institute
21658	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Mining and Oil and Gas Development: During the RMP Revision Process and the environmental analysis of the South Piney Gas/CBM Project please ensure that any plans for future energy development are compatible with the protection of the Upper Green River Valley's other natural values including Greater Yellowstone's big game herds, recreational opportunities, ranching operations, and clean air and water. Give special attention to excess water generated in CBM developments.	Wildlife Management Institute
22012	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	The Williams Companies, Inc. ("Williams") is involved in the exploration, production, gathering, processing, or transporting of natural gas in the states of Wyoming and other Western states. The RMP should provide for reasonable access for the development of mineral and energy resources at an equal priority with other land uses	Williams Companies, Inc.

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22128	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	The beauty here cannot be matched, and once it is destroyed, cannot be replaced.	Wind River View Campground
21653	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Mining and Oil and Gas: No leasing on U.S. Forest land east of Highways 189/191. Protect wildlife migration routes from summer to winter routes. Require directional drilling to allow multiple wells to be drilled from one well pad. Protect clean water and air, wildlife, and mountains views.	Wood Law Office
21699	Mining and Oil and Gas Development	Mining and Oil and Gas Development: The Wyoming Business Alliance recognizes the economic importance of reliable and affordable energy. Wyoming has managed to both protect the environment and develop its natural resources.	Wyoming Business Alliance
22173	Other Resource Concerns	Primary emphasis should be placed on clean air and water protection and open space protection.	Affiliation
22174	Other Resource Concerns	Concerned with the inclusion of the East Fork in the Wild and Scenic river program with other surrounding water sources.	Affiliation
22176	Other Resource Concerns	Would like to see the lands surrounding the Green River Ranch area upgraded to a VRM class II	Affiliation

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22197	Other Resource Concerns	Riparian areas must be protected and actions should be taken to restore them back to original conditions.	Affiliation
22181	Other Resource Concerns	In regard to the Green River and Kendall Valley region: these areas should be protected from development due to the great national treasure. Strongly urge the BLM to give these resources the maximum protection from human impact.	Affiliation
21698	Other Resource Concerns	Other resources: Detachment 489, Pinedale Seismic Research Facility, requests BLM continue to include the 10-mile exclusion zone surrounding our seismic array.	Affiliation Department of Air Force
21497	Other Resource Concerns	Other Resources: Protect the block of land about 20 miles north of Pinedale in T's 36, 37N R's 110, 111W for Geological research purposes. This area is under leasing moratorium until 2005, please allow for continued protection of this area in the EIS.	Affiliation Independent Geologist
22020	Other Resource Concerns	I am very concerned about the level of gas development on the public lands in the Green River Resource Area.	Affiliation individual
22139	Other Resource Concerns	Although I'm excited about the few rivers that have been found to be worthy of wild and scenic river status, I would actively encourage others to be dedicated as well.	Affiliation individual

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21413	Other Resource Concerns	Other Resources: Improve the energy efficiency of the customers house and business. The Green River Valley is a natural wonder wich cannot be replaced.	individual
22008	Other Resource Concerns	Please adopt and strictly enforce meaningful mitigation and monitoring requirements; protect the rights of surface owners where the federal government owns the mineral rights underlying private lands (this is critical to maintain the social fabric of the community); and require industry to reclaim all disturbed areas and provide sufficient bonds to protect taxpayer from cleanup and restoration costs (it's a cost of doing business -- they get the profits, they should pay the cost).	individual
4612	Other Resource Concerns	Scoping of the Upper Green River Valley	individual
21595	Other Resource Concerns	Other resource: The RMP must be based on sound science. Grazing allotments should be addressed seperately and should have baseline data. Wild and scenic designations go against Water Development Commisions 30 year planning process.	individual
5066	Other Resource Concerns	Scoping of the Upper Green River Valley	individual
22017	Other Resource Concerns	I wish to remind you that government land-use policy demands multiple-use management. This means that all lands must not be considered viable for energy development. Unfortunately, it seems to me the BLM currently is ignoring all uses other than energy extraction. I wish to submit that some lands must be kept natural and free of extractive development. I ask that the BLM decide to protect the wildness and wildlife habitat values of this region for use by wildlife, and for the use of those of us who want to visit a natural landscape and pursue non-motorized, non-destructive pursuits. These lands belong to us as well.	individual

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22029	Other Resource Concerns	These precious wilderness areas need to be guarded to protect them from short sighted energy companies who only see profit and loss statements without regard to the permanent scars left in their wakes. Future generations deserve to be able to view these wilderness regions in actuality and not in some film clips of the way it used to be..... Mother Nature deserves to live undisturbed and unaltered. Please consider the potential harm to the land, water, and air and recommend this precious resource be preserved and left pristine and unaltered for future generations.	individual
22014	Other Resource Concerns	RECREATIONIST OF THE BOW STRONGLY opposes the Citizen's Heritage Alternative that is being pushed by members of regional and national environmental organizations. This alternative does not allow the multiple use of public lands and will be devatating to the oil/gas/minerals industry and all forms of motorized recreation and recreational varmit hunting. I urge the BLM to consider only a Plan that best address and provides for continued multiple-use of our	individual
22027	Other Resource Concerns	I don't want it to become another Jonah. The priceless experience of spending our free time together on our public lands so close to home is something that can't be measured against methane exploration. It seems like everywhere we turn we are surrounded by oil and gas expansion, the only refuge from this which is in close proximity to our home is up Middle Piney and South Piney Creeks. Black's Canyon, South Cottonwood, and North Cottonwood Creeks are already laden with natural gas development. Where is the multiple use? Where is the ecosystem management? Where can my family escape the industrial traffic and fumes of dehydration units so prevalent on our federal lands here in western Wyoming?	individual
22045	Other Resource Concerns	The BLM needs to cluster the development and carefully evaluate the effects of the development prior to forging ahead with new projects. Industry must be required to protect the air and water quality of the area, reclaim all disturbed areas, and be good stewards of the land. The greed of companies like Enron should be a wake-up call that the bottom-line is more important to industry than the long-term effects of such development.	individual
21677	Other Resource Concerns	Other resources: Please simplify the planning process so that the livestock permittees and general public can meaningfully participate in the various stages from start to finish.	individual
21596	Other Resource Concerns	Other resource: The RMP must be based on sound science. Grazing allotments should be addressed seperately and should have baseline data. Do not designate any rivers wild or scenic.	individual

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12962	Other Resource Concerns	Pinedale Resource Management Plan Comments	individual
10990	Other Resource Concerns	Please remove me for your future email	individual
21999	Other Resource Concerns	Guidelines must be established and monitoring of activities initiated in order to minimize the impacts which inevitably come from such rapid growth and eagerness to maximize production.	individual
22021	Other Resource Concerns	I think it's important that the RMP be completed before the environmental analysis of the South Piney Gas/Coalbed Methane Project (and other new gas projects) in order for the BLM to properly complete an impacts analysis (including evaluating the impacts of CBM) and to adopt and strictly enforce meaningful mitigation and monitoring requirements.	individual
22026	Other Resource Concerns	I am concerned that we plan carefully and thoroughly for the development of the resources in our uniquely rich area, so that in another 75 years my relations can visit and enjoy the same wildlife and spectacular recreational opportunities.	individual
21998	Other Resource Concerns	I strongly recommend that BLM keep traditional uses and values intact in the Upper Green River.	individual

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21994	Other Resource Concerns	The recent on going energy boom has left the quality and our way of life in serious doubt. More importantly, the great diversity of this wildlife complex is being stretched over a threshold, breaking the essence of integrity of the habitat. We have so much to loose to this energy industrialization of the landscape, that no amount of tax revenues could justify such a loss.	individual
14210	Other Resource Concerns	Subject: Protect the Upper Green River Valley in the Pinedale RMP	individual
21993	Other Resource Concerns	Our family holds Bureau of Land Management (BLM) grazing permits on lands administered by the Pinedale Field Office, and the modified Pinedale RMP will provide guidance for those permits. These grazing permits are intrinsic to our family's ranching operation, and are irreplaceable. Without BLM grazing permits our ranch would go out of business, which could further reduce open space in the Green River Valley.	individual
13993	Other Resource Concerns	Upper Green River Valley devel.	individual
13876	Other Resource Concerns	please balance!!	individual
13334	Other Resource Concerns	Please Protect the Upper Green River Valley in the Pinedale RMP	individual

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22013	Other Resource Concerns	We recommend that an analysis of the following types of effects be included in the environmental consequences section of the RMP: Effects on opportunities to explore for lease and develop oil and gas resources resulting from restrictive surface management decisions. The application and viability of reasonable mitigation. Limit the study to any residual effects that may be present after standard lease terms and conditions have been imposed. It is critical for BLM to settle upon a single template for AEM so that interested parties have a reasonable expectation as to what the process entails. The individuals who are on a work group must have scientific and working knowledge of the issues being. Project proponents must be represented on a work group. Costs associated with any monitoring must be considered by the work group, along with the input of the	Affiliation Public Lands Advocacy
22005	Other Resource Concerns	very detailed original comment: The BLM is now in a position to uproot the primary causes of declining habitat conditions, especially by minimizing human disturbance in fragile ecosystems already severely damaged by years of excessive over-utilization. The EIS must comprehensively analyze preventative measures in order to reduce the need for treatment measures down the road. For example, the BLM should aggressively pursue opportunities to buy out and/or exchange existing oil and gas leases that blanket many highly sensitive and critically important areas in the PFO and to severely restrict or prohibit future development. In addition, stocking rates for livestock should be dramatically reduced, and preferably eliminated, to allow for the re-population of wildlife species, including predator species. Additionally, the BLM must identify and encourage opportunities to improve the natural quality and quantity of wildlife habitat through acquiring essential areas identified through the planning process via the land tenure adjustments/exchange program. -National security regarding pipeline corridors: How will BLM address the national security implications? -Monitoring stipulations and COAs: BLM monitors lease stipulations and COAs to ensure necessity and reasonableness. -Cumulative impacts of reasonably foreseeable development (RFD). Incorporate historical data when determining cumulative impacts of RFD for oil/gas development. -Areas of oil and gas potential: BLM is responsible to assess the occurrence of mineral potential in the area.□□	Affiliation The Fund for Animals
22002	Other Resource Concerns	The following comments are submitted on behalf of Wyoming Outdoor Council, American Lands, Biodiversity Conservation Alliance, Defenders of Wildlife, the Greater Yellowstone Coalition, the Jackson Hole Conservation Alliance, Natural Resources Defense Council, The Wilderness Society, the Upper Green River Valley Coalition, Wildlands CPR, the Wyoming Chapter of the Sierra Club, and the Wyoming Wilderness : ·CONSIDER CONNECTED, CUMULATIVE, AND SIMILAR ACTIONS ·THE BLM MUST INVOLVE THE PUBLIC ·THE RMP MUST INSURE THAT THE POLICIES AND GOALS SET FORTH IN THE NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY ACT ARE MET ·IDENTIFY THE PURPOSE AND NEED	Affiliation Wyoming Outdoor Council
21693	Other Resource Concerns	Other resources: The BLM should streamline and simplify the MSA process. The process currently includes too much detail and is redundant. BLM should manage for multiple use.	Affiliation Wyoming State Grazing Board
22185	Recreation/OHV use	Ban all use of OHV's and preserve all roadless areas	Affiliation
22188	Recreation/OHV use	I recreate on the Green River and want to see its wild and scenic beauty protected. Don't give in to private interests on the Green River.	Affiliation

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22098	Recreation/OHV use	To the extent that the Continental Divide National Scenic Trail is situated in the Planning Area, management (including issues related to OHV use) should be undertaken in accordance with the CDNST Comprehensive PI	Continental Divide Trail Society
22175	Recreation/OHV use	Upper Green River Valley area has substantial impact from recreational/tourist activities; concerned with associated impacts to wildlife.	individual
22123	Recreation/OHV use	All lands must managed for multiple use. Recreation, wildlife, livestock and "riding a trail" can take place side by side with oil and gas development. Recreational oportunities can coexist with oil and gas development.	individual
22103	Recreation/OHV use	Protect recreational values on public lands.	individual
22144	Recreation/OHV use	All Existing routes and areas must remain open.	individual
22135	Recreation/OHV use	More than likely this designation will provide much needed funds to protect this very valuable resource.	individual

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22095	Recreation/OHV use	To the extent that the Continental Divide National Scenic Trail is situated in the Planning Area, management (including issues related to OHV use) should be undertaken in accordance with the CDNST Comprehensive Plan.	individual
22184	Special Management Areas	Urge the BLM to consider sections of the Green River as Wild and Scenic Rivers designation in the RMP.	Affiliation
22197	Special Management Areas	The RMP should include recommendation for promotion of eligible stream segments for National Wild and Scenic River designation.	Affiliation
22187	Special Management Areas	Upgrade the area surrounding the Green River Ranches to VRM Class II	Affiliation
22098	Special Management Areas	It is our understanding that the designated location crosses a small part of the southeasternmost portion of the Planning Area. Assuming this to be the case, the CDNST should be identified as a SRMA and afforded special management attention in accordance with the National Trails System Act and the CDNST Comprehensive Plan.	Affiliation Continental Divide Trail Society
22200	Special Management Areas	A report submitted by the Defenders of Wildlife organization requests that the following areas be designated as ACEC's to protect wildlife from oil and gas development: Trapper's Point mule deer and pronghorn migratory bottleneck; Cora Butte Mule deer and pronghorn transition range; Fremont Lake Mule deer migratory bottleneck; LaBarge Creek native elk winter range; Wind River front area; key corridor areas for elk, pronghorn and mule deer migrations; and key areas for mule deer winter range and parturition areas.	Affiliation Defenders of Wildlife

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22095	Special Management Areas	It is our understanding that the designated location crosses a small part of the southeasternmost portion of the Planning Area. Assuming this to be the case, the CDNST should be identified as a SRMA and afforded special management attention in accordance	Affiliation individual
22140	Special Management Areas	The designation of special management areas has a significant negative cumulative impact on livestock grazing and other multiple uses.	Affiliation Wyoming Stock Growers Association
5135	Transportation and Access	Increased transportation corridors are favorable because they provide access to out of the way spots.	Affiliation individual
22140	Wild Horses	There is currently no authorized wild horse use in the Pinedale RMP area and no such use should be considered in the plan revision.	Affiliation Wyoming Stock Growers Association
22185	Wilderness	To fully preserve all streams and wilderness areas, designate the following areas as Wilderness: Red Creek, Rock Creek, Beaver Creek, Upper Green River, Boulder Lake.	Affiliation
22109	Wilderness	Wilderness: Protect Wild Cow Creek, the Ferris Mountains addition, the Pedro Mountains, and the lands surrounding Adobe Town as wilderness study areas.	Affiliation individual

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22144	Wilderness	NO NEW WILDERNESS -- ACTIVE MANAGEMENT IS THE KEY TO PROTECTING PUBLIC LANDS.	individual
22003	Wilderness	Wilderness: Protect Wild Cow Creek, the Ferris Mountains addition, the Pedro Mountains, and the lands surrounding Adobe Town as wilderness study areas.	individual
22109	Wilderness	Wilderness: Protect Wild Cow Creek, the Ferris Mountains addition, the Pedro Mountains, and the lands surrounding Adobe Town as wilderness study areas.	individual
22123	Wilderness	All Wilderness areas are adequately protected now and I hope will remain so.	individual
22000	Wilderness	Wilderness: Protect Wild Cow Creek, the Ferris Mountains addition, the Pedro Mountains, and the lands surrounding Adobe Town as wilderness study areas.	individual
22109	Wilderness	Wilderness: Protect Wild Cow Creek, the Ferris Mountains addition, the Pedro Mountains, and the lands surrounding Adobe Town as wilderness study areas.	individual

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22109	Wilderness	Wilderness: Protect Wild Cow Creek, the Ferris Mountains addition, the Pedro Mountains, and the lands surrounding Adobe Town as wilderness study areas.	individual
22140	Wilderness	Consideration of new or expanded wilderness study areas is outside of the statutory mandate and should be eliminated as a criteria.	Wyoming Stock Growers Association
22177	Wildlife and Fisheries	Designate the following as ACEC's: Trapper's Point, Fremont Lake, Cora Butte, and LaBarge. Implement long-term wildlife monitoring w/ a well designated study to assess impacts of oil and gas development.	
22197	Wildlife and Fisheries	The RMP should establish creative ways to permanently protect big game migration routes, parturition areas and critical/crucial winter habitat.	
22180	Wildlife and Fisheries	Concerned with the winter/summer range transmission of disease from potential impacts occurring within the RMP area. How will development in the RMP area effect the world-renowned fisheries in the area, and the local economics that are based off of these activities?	
22173	Wildlife and Fisheries	The revised resource plan must place primary emphasis on wildlife protection	

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21545	Wildlife and Fisheries	Wildlife and Fisheries: Consider impacts of land uses, especially coalbed methane development on livestock grazing, and the viability of sage grouse in the planning area.	American Lands Alliance and Grouse Inc.
21598	Wildlife and Fisheries	Wildlife and Fisheries: Address the number of Elk on all the feed grounds. Keep the elk on the North Piney and Middle Piney Feed grounds.	Bray Ranch Inc.
22007	Wildlife and Fisheries	<p>It is vital that the BLM provide strenuous oversight of Wildlife Service so the public can be assured that there is species' viability and diversity is maintained, and that floral and faunal communities are preserved.</p> <p>The criteria we feel are important for developing a cost-benefit analysis are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Analysis of economic sectors showing the relative importance of wildlife control actions compared with all other economic activities in this region. · Analysis of the economic advantage (if any) derived by the agriculture sector by predator damage management. - <input type="checkbox"/> Analysis of the cost effectiveness of the program (include descriptions of costs of lethal vs. nonlethal wildlife damage controls). - <input type="checkbox"/> Analysis of the opportunity costs that include impacts to ecosystems by elimination of carnivores, prairie dogs, or other native species, including disruption of the predator/prey balance, and changes in floral communities. - <input type="checkbox"/> Analysis of the cumulative economic impacts to society from the continuation of wildlife damage management programs. - <input type="checkbox"/> Cost-benefit analysis for wildlife damage management in terms of society's willingness to pay for such control. <input type="checkbox"/> 	Carnivore Protection Program
22200	Wildlife and Fisheries	Designation of the Upper Green River Valley Big Game ACEC's as outlined in a report submitted by the Defenders of Wildlife would protect and maintain critical migration corridors and bottleneck areas essential for the continued persistence of populations of big game ungulate species in the UGRV and beyond throughout the southern Greater Yellowstone Ecosystem.	Defenders of Wildlife
22091	Wildlife and Fisheries	Please protect our Upper Green River Valley habitat for wildlife and migration corridors,,and in doing so, protecting our little bit of paradise that we have left. It's a national treasure and priceless to all of us.	individual
22094	Wildlife and Fisheries	an alternative in the rmp with no net wildlife loss address declines in Net Primary Productivity require off-site mitigation for wildlife in all alternatives preserve or reserve migration corridors in all alternatives no surface use within 2 miles of sage grouse leks monitoring of all wildlife populations funded by industry global warming impacts	individual

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16004	Wildlife and Fisheries	FORM LETTER SEE Comments_FL1_Wildlife TABLE for 6758 RECORDS: Protect big-game migration corridors, bottlenecks, winter and transitional ranges, sage grouse nesting habitat, the Green and New Fork River corridors, and the scenic Wind River and Wyoming fronts.	individual
22082	Wildlife and Fisheries	We urge you to consider the IRREVERSABILITY of allowing drilling in the upper Green River and Hoback Rim and basin areas of Sublette County. These areas are a significant part of the Greater Yellowstone Ecosystem, provide important wildlife habitat and migration paths from the north, as well as unique scenic and recreational values. Once the wilder areas have been invaded, there is no recovery possible. We urge the BLM to include in its "multiple use" plans the protection of the scenic and wildlife values of the northern third of Sublette County. (this could also be considered a "reserve" for future generations.)	individual
22097	Wildlife and Fisheries	NSO stips should apply within 3 miles of sage grouse leks.	individual
22062	Wildlife and Fisheries	I urge you to ensure that any plans for energy development are compatible with the protection of the Upper Green River Valley's world-class natural values. It is especially important to protect wildlife migration corridors and winter and transitional wildlife ranges.	individual
292	Wildlife and Fisheries	FORM LETTER SEE Comments_FL2_Wildlife TABLE for 4583 RECORDS: Protect migratory big-game migration corridors.	individual
22000	Wildlife and Fisheries	Wildlife and Fisheries: Protect wildlife resources such as the pronghorn antelope, mountain plover, burrowing owls, and ferruginous hawks.	individual

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22123	Wildlife and Fisheries	In the years I have seen and worked on more than 1,000 wells. At the same time I have seen and worked with Deer, Antelope, Elk, Moose, BigHorn Sheep and numerous specie of birds frquently visible, alngside drilling rigs actively operating, and actually on locations while operations were ongoing. I don't believe I have ever witnessed wildlife being disturbed or acting like they were. Wildlife will ignore and walk past to go where they are wanting to go or will graze, feed or whatever they wish and seem to pay no mind to operations. The only time they will move away is if they actually are or feel threatened.	individual
22086	Wildlife and Fisheries	Wildlife needs protection, and, the numerous statutes now on the books are doing the job they were intended to do in the first place. Mineral development was among the purposes for which this land was open for settlement. We have an excellent example of development in the ANWR and Gulf of Mexico. Environmentalist proclaimed that there would be no caribou around should the oil wells be drilled. The birth rates actually increased. The tree huggers had to go to Canada to find biologist to back their claims. Fishing has boomed since production platforms were added to the gulf. This is not to prove a point that wildlife will flourish with the drilling of wells, rather it is a statement that wildlife can survive with the increased development of minerals. The are and will be adequate protections sustain wildlife.	individual
681	Wildlife and Fisheries	Wildlife may adapt to changes to landscape and habitat areas.	individual
21597	Wildlife and Fisheries	Wildlife and Fisheries: Address the number of Elk on al the feed grounds. Keep the elk on the North Piney and Middle Piney Feed grouds.	individual
10885	Wildlife and Fisheries	FORM LETTER SEE Comments_FL3_Wildlife TABLE for 5170 RECORDS: Protect migratory big-game migration corridors.	individual
21679	Wildlife and Fisheries	Wildlife and Fisheries: Implement multiple use and sustained yields. The plan should outline how new knowledge and science will be integrated into day to day adaptable management operations. Critical environment and wildlife habitat should be safeguarded to meet long-term multiple use and sustainable goals for public lands. Protect Sage Grouse habitat.	individual

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19617	Wildlife and Fisheries	Wildlife: Prevent the reintroduction of wolves. The way of life and income has been threatened by the restoration of the wolves a threat that greatly out-weighs that of the Resource Management Plan.	individual
22003	Wildlife and Fisheries	Wildlife and Fisheries: Protect wildlife resources such as the pronghorn antelope, mountain plover, burrowing owls, and ferruginous hawks.	individual
22109	Wildlife and Fisheries	Wildlife and Fisheries: Protect wildlife resources such as the pronghorn antelope, mountain plover, burrowing owls, and ferruginous hawks.	individual
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22103	Wildlife and Fisheries	Protect wildlife, fish, air and water.	individual

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22109	Wildlife and Fisheries	Wildlife and Fisheries: Protect wildlife resources such as the pronghorn antelope, mountain plover, burrowing owls, and ferruginous hawks.	individual
22141	Wildlife and Fisheries	It is important that the plan reflect the multiple and cumulative impacts to the remarkable living resources found in this planning area and which are dependant upon its health.	Affiliation Izaak Walton League of America
22016	Wildlife and Fisheries	Generally, I am opposed to any leasing in much of the area outlined in the map I received. There are just too many factors relating to wildlife, agriculture and the beauty of the area that would be adversely affected.	Affiliation Ranchers, citizens, long time residents of Sublette Co.
21544	Wildlife and Fisheries	Wildlife and Fisheries:Please protect species pursuant to the Endangered Species Act of 1973, listed as Endangered, Threatened, Proposed, and Candidate species located in the resource area. Please take into consideration the impacts of powerlines, dunal ponds and coal bed methane development on wildlife.	Affiliation US Department of Interior, FWS
22136	Wildlife and Fisheries	While we realize that the BLM is only responsible for providing habitat for wildlife, something has to be done about the quickly expanding numbers.	Affiliation V Cross Cattle Company
21559	Wildlife and Fisheries	Wildlife and Fisheries: Please revise the Pinedale RMP to protect mule deer, pronghorn and elk populations in the Upper Green River Basin. Please refer to attached recommendations.	Affiliation Western EcoSystem Technology Inc.

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21658	Wildlife and Fisheries	Wildlife and Fisheries: Implement multiple use and sustained yields. The plan should outline how new knowledge and science will be integrated into day to day adaptable management operations. Critical environment and wildlife habitat should be safeguarded to meet long-term multiple use and sustainable goals for public lands. Protect Sage Grouse habitat.	Wildlife Management Institute
22196	Wildlife and Fisheries	It does little good to protect parts of a wildlife resource if conditions and habitats throughout the rest of a species range cannot sustain a population. These issues need to be considered in total just as habitats need to be considered at a landscape scale.	WY Game and Fish Department
22192	Wildlife and Fisheries	The WGFD wants to stress the importance of the RMP to wildlife and the relative value of wildlife in the RMP area. The area supports large amounts and diversity of wildlife in winter and transitional ranges. In correlation to this fact, hunting and fishing serves as a major industry to the RMP area/communities. RMP needs to address the maintenance and improvement of existing wildlife habitats and populations, and the associated hunting, fishing, and non-consumptive uses associated with those resources. The following is a list of issues that the WGFD would like to see the RMP address: The need for grass banks and the benefits they provide for pastures; the need to assess the current vegetative conditions of the RMP area; the need to address wildlife needs through habitat management planning; the need for vegetative and habitat monitoring; the disclosure of the cumulative effects of development activities. Disclose and analyze existing forage resources through the RMP area to determine if adequate forage exists for wintering elk. The need of coordinated habitat/range improvements with oil/gas company funding and the need to develop a strategic and programmatic process to streamline implementation of projects. Staged development should be considered, as should cumulative impacts. BLM should consider past plans and evaluations and the issues and concerns they addressed. The need for a programmatic Rx fire plan, to address the issue of aspen and mixed shrub health. The need for reviews of grazing management and associated habitat and forage allocation. The consideration of significant habitats in realty actions. Improving habitat in timber operations. Short and long term reclamation of wildlife habitat. Big game seasonal range designation maps are being revised, some have changed significantly and some are not complete. Protection of wildlife crucial/transitional ranges, migratory corridors and bottlenecks should be disclosed as vital to the maintenance of existing wildlife populations. Specific terrestrial wildlife issues such as: sage grouse, appropriate fencing, herd unit objectives, ACEC designations, the economic value of wildlife related recreation & socioeconomics, level of roads and access, gas field development/directional drilling/well spacing, transplanting wildlife, and WY BLM Standard Mitigation Guidelines for Surface-Disturbing Activities and the amount and type of mitigation required. Aquatic issues: disclosure of declining native game species and details about the CO river cutthroat, consideration of native non-game fish species, non native and native game fish should be addressed and protected, provide habitat for and protect native amphibians, and address aquatic nuisance species.	WY Game and Fish Dept.



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DEPARTMENT OF INTERIOR**Bureau of Land Management****[WY-030-02-1610; WY-100-02-1610]****Resource Management Plans;
Pinedale, WY****AGENCY:** Bureau of Land Management, Interior.**ACTION:** Notice of Intent to Revise the Pinedale Resource Management Plan (RMP) and Call for Coal and Other Resource Information for the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Pinedale Field Office, Pinedale, Wyoming.

SUMMARY: The BLM Pinedale Field Office is initiating a revision of the Pinedale Resource Management Plan (RMP) to guide future management actions on the public lands within the Pinedale Field Office administrative (or management) area. The existing Pinedale RMP will continue to guide management actions and decisions for the Pinedale Field Office until the RMP revision is completed.

The revised RMP will be a comprehensive land use plan that will allocate and identify allowable public land and resource uses, land use and resource condition management goals, public land and resource use conditional requirements, and general management practices needed to achieve RMP objectives. It will also identify lands available for consideration for transfer from BLM jurisdiction (via public disposition or transfer to another agency). Requirements, standards, and procedures for preparing RMPs are contained in 43 CFR 1600, BLM Manual 1601 and BLM Handbook H-1601-1. The BLM Washington Office provides further guidance for BLM land use planning. The BLM Wyoming State Office will continue to provide guidance for land use planning in the ten Field Offices in the State of Wyoming to guide BLM managers in producing balanced public land and resource use decisions that meet requirements of law and regulation. The Pinedale Field Office will develop planning criteria applicable to the planning effort to provide the public a preview of the types of considerations that will be made in developing the RMP decisions for the planning area.

Freedom of Information Act Considerations: Public comments submitted for this planning effort, including names and street addresses of respondents, will be available for public review in their entirety after comment periods close, during regular business hours (7:45 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.), Monday

through Friday, except holidays, at the Pinedale Field Office. If you wish to withhold your name or address from public review or from disclosure under the Freedom of Information Act, you must state this prominently at the beginning of your comments. Such requests will be honored to the extent allowed by law. All submissions from organizations or businesses, and from individuals or officials representing organizations or businesses, will be made available for public inspection in their entirety.

DATES: This initial call for coal and other resource information and identification of issues for this planning effort will be open for 60 days, and will commence with the date following publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**. Notification of future scoping activities and meetings and other meetings or hearings and any other public involvement activities that may be scheduled during the course of the planning effort will be handled through public notices, media news releases, internet postings, or mailings.

The purpose of this call for resource data, issues, and concerns is to help BLM identify specific problems, concerns, and issues pertaining to the various resource and land use values in the Pinedale planning area and to help identify any data gaps, data needs, and data sources pertaining to the planning area. This planning effort is scheduled to be completed by the fall of 2004.

ADDRESSES: Documentation of the planning process and completed documents for the Pinedale RMP planning area will be available at 432 East Mill Street, P.O. Box 768, Pinedale, Wyoming 82941-0768. All comments must include legible full name and address on the envelope, letter, or postcard.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: If you wish to be placed on the Pinedale RMP mailing list, or if you wish to comment on the preliminary list of public land and resource problems, conflicts, concerns, or issues being considered in the Pinedale RMP revision, contact Kellie Roadifer, Pinedale RMP team leader, at the Pinedale address above or phone (307) 367-5309.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The current Pinedale RMP provides guidance and direction for management of approximately 931,000 acres of BLM-administered public land surface and 1,185,000 acres of BLM-administered Federal mineral estate in Sublette, Lincoln, and Fremont counties, Wyoming. Approximately 919,000 acres are both Federal surface and Federal

mineral estate. The Pinedale RMP planning area includes two wilderness study areas (WSA—Scab Creek and Lake Mountain). These have been addressed in separate environmental impact statement (EIS) documents and will not be addressed in the revision of the Pinedale RMP. There are two areas of critical environmental concern (ACEC—Rock Creek and Beaver Creek), and three special recreation management areas (SRMAs—Scab Creek, Upper Green River, and Boulder Lake). Revision of the Pinedale RMP may result in altering the designation of these ACECs and SRMAs, and the management prescriptions for these areas could also change. The potential for additional special management areas will be explored, and if any other areas are nominated for special management area designation, they will be considered in the EIS for the planning effort.

To date, the BLM has identified eight preliminary issues associated with the existing management direction provided by the Pinedale RMP. The BLM invites the public to comment on these preliminary issues and to identify any additional issues, concerns, problems or conflicts that should be considered in the Pinedale RMP revision effort. Comments should be sent to the Pinedale address above.

Issue 1: Potential Conflicts Between Mineral Exploration and Development Activities and Other Land and Resource Uses and Values

Issue 2: Limited Accessibility to Public Lands and Resources and Land Tenure Adjustments

Issue 3: Conflicting Demands for Consumptive and Non-consumptive Vegetation Uses

Issue 4: Potential Conflicts of Various Public Land and Resource Uses with Recreation, Cultural Resources (including National Historic Trails) and Paleontological Resources

Issue 5: Wildland/Urban Interface Concerns

Issue 6: Special Status Plant and Animal Species Management

Issue 7: Concerns for Maintaining or Improving Water Quality and Meeting State and Federal Water Quality Standards

Issue 8: Special Management Area Designations or Changes

The BLM is requesting the public to help identify additional problems and conflicts and resource management opportunities that should also be addressed in the Pinedale RMP Revision process.

This notice includes a request for any available resource information and data pertaining to the Pinedale RMP

planning area. The purposes of this request are (1) to assure that the planning effort has sufficient information and data to consider the fullest possible range of public land and resource uses, management options and alternatives, and (2) to include the call for coal resource information required by the Federal Coal Regulations (43 CFR 3420.1-2).

The call for coal resource information in the Pinedale RMP planning area is primarily to update information on areas where coal occurs. There is little, if any, known potential for or interest in developing coal in the Pinedale RMP planning area. However, identifying the areas of coal occurrence is necessary to address potential coal bed methane development.

The usual purpose of the call for coal resource information is to obtain any available coal resource data and any other resource information pertinent to applying the coal unsuitability criteria, and to identify any areas of interest for possible Federal coal leasing. Coal resource information submissions would assist the BLM in determining those areas with coal development potential. As a part of the RMP planning process, the coal screening/coal planning procedures would be conducted on those areas with Federal coal development potential to determine which Federal coal areas are acceptable for further consideration for leasing. Identification at this time of definite interests in future leasing of Federal coal in the Pinedale RMP planning area, substantiated with adequate coal resource data, would allow the BLM to address this potential during the planning effort and possibly avoid unnecessary work, delays, or amendments to the RMP in the near future.

Some of the Pinedale RMP planning area is within the Green River-Hams Fork Coal Production Region. A Notice that the coal region was decertified was published in the **Federal Register**, Vol. 53, No. 77, April 21, 1988. Federal coal leasing regulations contained in 43 CFR 3425 are now in effect and coal reserves in the Pinedale RMP planning area are subject to potential "leasing by application". This type of coal leasing is essentially done on a case-by-case basis rather than through the regional leasing process under 43 CFR 3420. Note that the sale and issuance of Federal coal leases under these provisions is still done through a competitive bidding process.

The BLM has very limited capability to conduct additional coal or other resource inventories in the planning area. Thus, parties interested in Federal

coal leasing and development or in coal bed methane exploration and development will be expected to provide coal resource data for their areas of interest. The schedule for completing this planning effort requires that areas of interest and coal resource data must be submitted within 60 days following publication of this notice. If coal resource data is insufficient or unavailable for your area(s) of interest at this time, but can be obtained in 2002, the BLM will accept, until April 30, 2002, an estimate of the extent and locations of the coal resource and a schedule for providing the data. The adequacy and timing of the coal resource information provided will determine the extent to which the Federal coal resource, its development potential and coal bed methane development potential may be addressed in this planning effort.

Public participation will be an essential component of this planning effort. Several techniques for providing public involvement opportunities will be used during the planning process, including: **Federal Register** announcements, one-on-one discussion with interested groups and individuals, internet postings, articles in local news media, and individual mailings to all parties who have expressed an interest in the process. For those persons wishing to be placed on the Pinedale mailing list, notify the BLM contact provided in the **ADDRESSES** section of this notice.

Dated: January 17, 2002.

Alan R. Pierson,

State Director.

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In Reply Refer To:
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January 31, 2003

Re: Environmental Impact Statement and Resource
Management Plan for the Pinedale Planning Area

Dear Reader:

We are inviting you to participate in the public scoping process for the preparation of an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Pinedale Resource Management Plan (RMP). We are requesting your input in identifying resource issues and concerns, management alternatives, or other ideas in determining future land use decisions for the Pinedale Field Office management area.

Further information on the Pinedale Field Office management area and the background of the planning process for the RMP is enclosed. The planning issues and planning criteria that will be used to guide the identification and development of land management alternatives are also enclosed. We invite your comments on both the planning issues and the planning criteria.

The public scoping period for the Pinedale RMP will be 60 days, initiated with the availability of this Scoping Notice and the Management Situation Analysis (MSA) on our website (Monday, February 3, 2003), and ending on Monday, April 7, 2003. Written comments must be received by the close of the public scoping process. BLM will utilize the comments obtained during the public scoping period to develop a number of reasonable RMP alternatives.

A Pinedale RMP website has been developed at www.pinedalerm.com. This website is your source of information for participating in the planning process.

Comments on the preparation of the Pinedale RMP and EIS can be provided in a number of ways. The Pinedale RMP website at www.pinedalerm.com has been designed in such a way as to allow the user to type comments (categorized by resource subject area) directly onto the form page. Or, the user can upload an electronic version of their comment right onto the website. Alternately, comments can be submitted directly via email to comments@pinedalerm.com. Comments can also be provided during public scoping meetings (website access, voice recording, and hand written comments will be collected).

Finally, comments can be mailed directly to the BLM at:

Pinedale RMP/EIS
Bureau of Land Management
Pinedale Field Office
432 East Mill St.
P.O. Box 768
Pinedale, WY 82941

In order to decrease the costs for entering written comments into our tracking database, we strongly encourage the public to submit comments electronically via the website or email address above.

In fulfillment of the public participation process under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and the Federal Land Policy and Management Act (FLPMA), the BLM will host three scoping meetings to receive your input. These scoping meetings will be held in Pinedale, Rock Springs, and Marbleton, Wyoming, at the times and locations shown below. The meetings will be structured as open houses to allow the public to discuss issues and concerns and raise questions with resource specialists in an informal setting. Opportunities to make public comments during the open houses will also be available through a variety of media. Meeting locations and times are as follows:

LOCATION	DATE	ADDRESS	TIME
Rock Springs	March 03, 2003	BLM Office 280 Highway 191 North	3 p.m. – 8 p.m.
Pinedale	March 10, 2003	Sublette County Library 155 South Tyler	3 p.m. – 8 p.m.
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Sincerely,



Priscilla Mecham
Field Manager

Enclosure

PUBLIC SCOPING NOTICE

**PREPARATION OF AN
ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT
and
RESOURCE MANAGEMENT PLAN
for the
PINEDALE PLANNING AREA**

**BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT
PINEDALE FIELD OFFICE**

INTRODUCTION

We are requesting your input in identifying resource issues and concerns, management alternatives, or other ideas in determining future land use decisions for the Pinedale Field Office management area.

The public scoping period for the Pinedale RMP will be 60 days, initiated with the availability of this Scoping Notice and the Management Situation Analysis (MSA) on our website (Monday, February 3, 2003), and ending on Monday, April 7, 2003. Written comments must be received by the close of the public scoping process. BLM will utilize the comments obtained during the public scoping period to develop a number of reasonable RMP alternatives.

Another important function of the public scoping process is to reiterate the initial data call for resource information and the identification of issues for this planning effort. Originally made with the Notice of Intent (NOI), published February 25, 2002, in the *Federal Register* (enclosed), the purpose of this call for resource data, issues, and concerns is to help us identify specific problems, concerns, and issues pertaining to the various resource and land use values in the Pinedale planning area and to help identify any data gaps, data needs, and data sources pertaining to the planning area.

A Pinedale RMP website has been developed at www.pinedalermpl.com. This website is your source of information for participating in the planning process. Here you will find the latest information on the development of the RMP and EIS, including background documents, maps, meeting announcements, published bulletins, and other documents.

To initiate the public scoping period for the EIS and RMP planning process, we have made the Management Situation Analysis document available for public review on our website. The MSA describes pertinent physical and biological characteristics of the public lands in the planning area and evaluates the capability and condition of the resources in the planning area. Because it essentially describes our current management practices, the MSA will become the "No Action – Continuation of Existing Management Alternative" in the draft and final EIS. A printed copy of the document is also available for review at the Pinedale Field Office.

The analysis of the management situation (the process that results in the MSA document), along with comments received during scoping, will be used during future steps in the planning process to formulate alternatives and develop the draft EIS. The MSA document is an internal working document that is our initial effort to develop a comprehensive description of the existing environment, and a statement of existing decisions that drive the day-to-day management within the Pinedale Field Office planning area. The MSA is not a draft document, such as a draft EIS, and as such, scoping comments will not be used to correct the MSA or develop a final MSA. The MSA is, however, a work in progress and additional data, analysis, and supporting documentation will be incorporated throughout the planning process. The public

is asked to utilize the information in the MSA for what it is intended, to assist you in developing substantive comments concerning alternative uses of the public land and resources, alternative levels of use of existing resources, new or existing resource uses that should be expanded or contracted, and/or additional mitigation measures or protections that should be incorporated into our management actions.

We strongly encourage public comment throughout the RMP process. We encourage you to review the resource issues that should be addressed in developing the plan, the planning criteria that will guide the planning effort, and consider alternative courses of management to those actions contained in the existing Pinedale RMP.

Comments on the preparation of the Pinedale RMP and EIS can be provided in a number of ways. The Pinedale RMP website at www.pinedalerm.com has been designed in such a way as to allow the user to type comments (categorized by resource subject area) directly onto the form page. Or, the user can upload an electronic version of their comment right onto the website. Alternately, comments can be submitted directly via email to comments@pinedalerm.com. Comments can also be provided during public scoping meetings (website access, voice recording, and hand written comments will be collected).

Finally, comments can be mailed directly to the BLM at:

Pinedale RMP/EIS
Bureau of Land Management
Pinedale Field Office
432 East Mill St.
P.O. Box 768
Pinedale, WY 82941

In order to decrease the costs for entering written comments into our tracking database, we strongly encourage the public to submit comments electronically via the website or email address above.

In fulfillment of the public participation process under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and the Federal Land Policy and Management Act (FLPMA), we will host three scoping meetings to receive your input. These scoping meetings will be held in Pinedale, Rock Springs, and Marbleton, Wyoming, and the times and locations shown below. The meetings will be structured as open houses to allow the public to discuss issues and concerns and raise questions with resource specialists in an informal setting. Opportunities to make public comments during the open houses will also be available through a variety of media. Meeting locations and times are as follows:

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LOCATION, PURPOSE, AND NEED

The Pinedale Field Office of the Wyoming Bureau of Land Management (BLM) has determined that modification of the current Pinedale Resource Management Plan (RMP) is necessary. Under the requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), the Pinedale Field Office is also developing an accompanying Environmental Impact Statement (EIS).

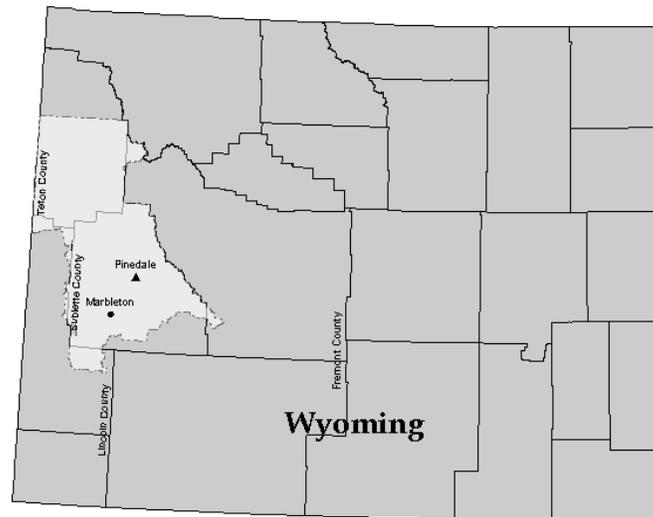
The overall objective of the Pinedale Field Office RMP planning effort is to provide a collaborative, community-based planning approach that assists BLM in updating the management and resource allocation decisions of the existing RMP. The existing plan, which was finalized in 1988, needs to be modified due to new data, changing resource conditions, revised policies, and changing demands and uses on BLM-administered public lands and resources.

The Pinedale RMP provides guidance and direction for management of approximately 931,000 acres of BLM-administered public land surface and 1,185,000 acres of BLM-administered Federal mineral estate in Sublette, Lincoln Counties in western Wyoming.

RESOURCE ISSUES

Through a collaborative process, the Pinedale RMP will seek to address the issues that were identified in the Pinedale Preparation Plan. Some basic issues were carried forward from the 1988 Pinedale RMP, while others were added following RMP evaluations. Issues include:

- **Development of Energy Resources and Minerals Related Issues** - Special attention is needed to address mineral development, specifically regarding oil/gas, coalbed methane, and related transportation network conflicts with other land and resource uses and values.
- **Land Tenure Adjustment** - There are some areas in the Pinedale Field Office Area that are isolated and difficult (legally or physically) to access and manage. Land disposals and acquisitions could provide improved access and manageability of public lands.
- **Vegetation Management** - There are conflicting demands for consumptive and nonconsumptive uses of the vegetation resources in the planning area. The basic problem is maintaining resource values and nonconsumptive uses while allowing for consumptive uses.
- **Resources Management** - There are certain resources and areas that need protection, while others need to be considered for more public and recreational uses. Off-highway vehicle use can conflict with other land and resource uses and can cause damage to resources, including wildlife and watershed values and other recreation values.



Overview of the Wyoming State Area



- **Range Management** – Effective range management decisions must consider other uses and natural influences on rangeland. These decisions will balance resource goals with social, cultural/historic, and economic values to sustain viable local communities.
- **Wildland/Urban Interface** - New demands are being placed on public lands due to accelerated growth in and around cities and towns and around rural developments and subdivisions in the planning area. Growth has changed the way communities relate to surrounding public lands and has changed the expectations of communities. The basic problem is providing for public land management along with increased demands for public land and resource uses.
- **Special Status Species Management** - Management of special status species (threatened and endangered, proposed, candidate, and sensitive plant and animal species) and their interrelationships with other resource uses and activities is needed. Principal considerations include management of species habitat to ensure continued use by these species. Areas where other resource activities may conflict with special status species and their habitat requirements need to be identified and addressed.
- **Air and Water Quality** - There are concerns with maintaining or improving air and water quality, and complying with State and Federal requirements.

- **Special Management Designations** - There are unique areas or sensitive lands and resources in the planning area that meet the criteria for protection and management under special management designations. There are two areas designated as areas of critical environmental concern (ACEC--Rock Creek and Beaver Creek) that contain unique resources requiring special management attention. There are three special recreation management areas (SRMA--the Upper Green River, Boulder Lake, and Scab Creek SRMAs) containing recreation values that require special management attention. In some places, unique or sensitive lands and resources may be in danger of being lost or compromised. There are also concerns that special management area designations may result in too many restrictions on the use of public lands.

PRELIMINARY PLANNING CRITERIA

The preliminary planning criteria for the Pinedale RMP are the ground rules that guide the planning effort and how various alternatives are to be developed and considered prior to selecting the final RMP.

The planning criteria ensure that the planning effort complies with all legal requirements; addresses all issues affecting public land resources and land use activities in the planning area; and identifies the scope of the planning effort.

The Pinedale RMP will focus on the potential environmental consequences of reasonably foreseeable mineral development and reasonably foreseeable levels of other land use activities in the planning area. Types of development may include oil and gas and locatable mineral exploration and development; range, watershed and road improvements; and recreational and interpretive facilities. All impacts of mineral development and other activities must be assessed in accordance with the National Environmental Protection Act (NEPA), which requires the preparation of an EIS for this project. In addition, the RMP that is developed must comply with the Federal Land Policy and Management Act (FLPMA), which requires the BLM to use and observe the principles of multiple use, sustained yield, and environmental integrity in the planning for the management of the public lands.

1. Criteria for Specific Resource Programs

The following categories of planning criteria and guidelines, as delineated in the BLM Land Use Planning Handbook, will be applied in this planning effort:

- Criteria for Hydrocarbon Leasing and Development Potential
- Criteria for Locatable Minerals
- Criteria for Using Wyoming BLM Mitigation Guidelines
- Criteria for Healthy Rangelands
- Criteria for Coal Screening and Planning Process
- Criteria for Wilderness Study Areas and Identification of Potential New Wilderness Study Areas
- Criteria for Areas of Critical Environmental Concern
- Criteria for Wild Horses
- Criteria for Wild and Scenic Rivers
- Criteria for Livestock Grazing
- Criteria for Withdrawals and Other Classifications
- Criteria for Multiple Use Considerations

2. Criteria for Using NEPA Environmental Analysis Procedure to Develop the RMP

The basic principles of NEPA state that the Federal Government shall:

- Fulfill the responsibilities of each generation as trustee of the environment for succeeding generations
- Assure for all Americans a safe, healthful, productive, and aesthetically and culturally pleasing surroundings
- Attain the widest range of beneficial uses of the environment without degradation, risk to health or safety, or other undesirable and unintended consequences
- Preserve important historic, cultural, and natural aspects of our national heritage and maintain, wherever possible, an environment that supports diversity and variety of individual choice
- Achieve a balance between population resource use that will permit high standards of living and a wide sharing of life's amenities
- Enhance the quality of renewable resources and approach the maximum attainable recycling of nonrenewable resources.

A complete public involvement process is included in the development of the Pinedale RMP and accompanying EIS. The basic steps of this process include:

- Public Scoping Period
- Development of Alternatives
- Public Review of Alternatives
- Development of a Preferred Alternative
- Public review of the draft EIS
- Governor's Review and Public Protest Period
- Issuance of the Proposed Pinedale RMP and final EIS
- Resolution of Any Protests
- Record of Decision

The result of this process will be an approved Pinedale RMP that addresses all issues raised by the public within the context of the project.

3. Management Level Criteria and Considerations for the Formulation of Alternatives

The primary purpose of preparing the EIS is to guide the BLM in designing and implementing management strategies that affect resource and land use activities in the planning area. The following factors will be key considerations in the development of alternatives to be analyzed:

- Fire management
- Providing for unique cultural and historic resources, including archaeological sites, historic trails and sites, and Native American respected places
- Providing for vegetative quality and preservation of sensitive and rare plant species
- Watershed management and water quality protection
- Potential for mineral and energy resource exploration and development
- Identification of transportation needs as well as vehicular use area limitations
- Opportunities for land disposal or acquisition that could be useful in meeting BLM resource management goals
- Opportunities for acquisition of access rights to accommodate planned uses
- Identification of needed protective withdrawals to improve resource manageability

- Livestock grazing
- Recreational and interpretive opportunities
- Wildlife habitat management, including threatened and endangered species protection
- Maintenance of wilderness resources

4. Criteria for Selection of a Preferred Alternative

In developing a Preferred Alternative, the goal is to obtain a balance of allowable activities and management strategies that meet all legal mandates. Specifically, the approved Pinedale RMP should meet the following objectives:

- Identify levels of land use conditional requirements needed to protect natural and cultural resources for future generations while accommodating reasonable levels of current and sustainable multiple uses
- Produce guidelines for reduction of sedimentation and salinity, as required by the Water Quality Act
- Accommodate reasonable public access for land use and resource development and comply with the Americans with Disability Act for barrier-free access
- Comply with existing applicable land use plans, programs, and policies of state, local, and federal agencies and Native American tribes
- Comply with the objectives of the National Fire Plan and 10-year Comprehensive Fire Strategy
- Comply with existing legal conservation strategies and recovery plans for threatened, endangered, and sensitive species
- Acknowledge and strive to help meet the socioeconomic goals of local communities.

Pinedale Resource Management Plan

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From scoping meetings to public workshops, bulletins, and newsletters like this one, BLM wants to keep you informed of the process.

The Pinedale Field Office of the Wyoming Bureau of Land Management is modifying the Pinedale Resource Management Plan (RMP).

RESOURCE MANAGEMENT PLAN April 2002

Revising the Plan

The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) is developing a new Resource Management Plan (RMP) for the Pinedale Field Office. The plan, known as the Pinedale Resource Management Plan, will provide future direction for managing over 900,000 acres of federal surface estate lands and over 1.1 million acres of federal mineral estate lands in Sublette and Lincoln Counties, Wyoming.

The planning area is the Pinedale BLM Field Office administrative area in southwestern Wyoming. All BLM planning decisions, however, will only apply to the BLM-administered public land and federal mineral estate within the Pinedale Field Office administrative area in Sublette and Lincoln Counties.

The Planning Approach

Through scoping meetings and draft documents, BLM will involve the public in updating the management objective, management action, and resource allocation decisions in the RMP. The existing plan, which was developed in 1988, needs to be modified due to new data, changing resource conditions, and changing uses of BLM-administered public lands and resources. The schedule for completion of the planning process is October 2004.



A critical component of the Pinedale RMP planning effort is public involvement. Public input is very important in developing a RMP that will provide guidance and direction for management of the planning area.

The Pinedale Resource Management Plan will address a wide variety of important issues, including:

- Development of Energy Resources & Minerals Related Issues
- Land Tenure Adjustment
- Vegetation Management
- Recreation, Cultural Resource, & Paleontological Resource Management
- Livestock Grazing
- Wildland/Urban Interface
- Special Status Species Management
- Air & Water Quality
- Special Management Designations

Throughout the project, local interest groups and residents will have opportunities to participate and share their insights and comments.

This newsletter, and others that will follow, have been developed to keep you informed about the progress of the planning effort and upcoming involvement opportunities. BLM encourages you to get involved.



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**Bureau of Land Management - Scoping Meetings
Pinedale Resource Management Plan (RMP) - March 3, 10, and 11th, 2003**

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