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SENSITIVITY LEVEL RATING SHEET

Field Office: Rawlins

Date: 12/9/2010

Evaluators: GBrady KSchwarzler

Sensitivity Level Rating Unit: Red Lake Dunes

Unit Number: 1

Type of Area: Outlier of Red Lake Wilderness Study Area

Predominant Types of Users: Recreationists

	H/M/L	Explanation of Rating (Mandatory)
Type of Users	M	People interested in the dune system
Amount of Use	M	Some use, but not as much of draw as adjacent areas
Public Interest	M	Dunes in other areas of the Field Office are more diverse in size and form; increased viewer interest
Adjacent Land Uses	H	Red Desert Watershed, East Sand Dunes WSA
Special Area Sensitivity	M	Adjacent to Red Lake WSA
Other Factors	M	Within boundary of Red Desert watershed
Overall Rating	M	Playa and sand dunes provide interest.

Narrative:

Area also provides habitat for wildlife and has a wild horse herd.

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Field Office: Rawlins

Date: 10/29/2010

Evaluators: CBrandt GLong

Sensitivity Level Rating Unit: Red Desert Basin

Unit Number: 2

Type of Area: Industrial, open space

Predominant Types of Users: Oil & gas

	H/M/L	Explanation of Rating (Mandatory)
Type of Users	L	Oil & gas, minimal recreation, travelers to adjacent points of interest
Amount of Use	M	Primarily oil & gas traffic
Public Interest	M	Some interest in maintaining natural qualities but more in pursuing industrial development; part of the Great Divide Basin
Adjacent Land Uses	L	More open desert and oil & gas; Red Desert watershed management area
Special Area Sensitivity	L	Interest in the "Red Desert"
Other Factors	M	Continental Divide goes through the unit; historic trail corridor
Overall Rating	M	Low; large, dry lake bed and greasewood flats; lacks distinguishing features

Narrative:

While there is a significant level of interest in the "Red Desert" area, there have never been significant land use decisions to favor maintenance of scenic values over industrial development. Red Desert supports abundant wildlife.

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Date: 8/31/2010

Evaluators: CBrandt GLong

Sensitivity Level Rating Unit: Stratton Draw

Unit Number: 3

Type of Area: Vast open area

Predominant Types of Users: Recreationists, livestock, industry

	H/M/L	Explanation of Rating (Mandatory)
Type of Users	M	Recreational interest
Amount of Use	L	Use is mostly seasonal
Public Interest	M	Part of the "Red Desert," an area of high public interest
Adjacent Land Uses	L	Ranching, recreation; does not contribute
Special Area Sensitivity	NA	N/A
Other Factors	NA	N/A
Overall Rating	M	Vast open space and scenic landscape; significant public interest in scenic values

Narrative:

For many years the "Red Desert" has been an area of high public interest. Public interest has centered around the idea of preserving the overall natural character and scenic quality of the Great Divide Basin, often identified as the "Red Desert."

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Date: 10/29/2010

Evaluators: CBrandt GLong

Sensitivity Level Rating Unit: Chain Lakes

Unit Number: 4

Type of Area: Low, rolling hills; hummocky with scattered natural ponds and lakes

Predominant Types of Users: Recreation/wildlife-oriented

	H/M/L	Explanation of Rating (Mandatory)
Type of Users	M	Recreation/wildlife-oriented
Amount of Use	M	Seasonal use
Public Interest	M	An area of concern to the public
Adjacent Land Uses	L	Ranching, recreation
Special Area Sensitivity	M	N/A
Other Factors	NA	N/A
Overall Rating	M	Moderate visual sensitivity; an outgrowth of concern for environment/wildlife habitat

Narrative:

Noted at most public meetings as an area of concern for visual sensitivity. All publicly owned land.

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Field Office: Rawlins

Date: 10/25/2010

Evaluators: CBrandt GLong

Sensitivity Level Rating Unit: Great Divide Basin

Unit Number: 5

Type of Area: Broad basin

Predominant Types of Users: Recreationists, industry, ranchers

	H/M/L	Explanation of Rating (Mandatory)
Type of Users	L	Dominant use is industrial
Amount of Use	L	Overall low use
Public Interest	M	Known as the "Red Desert;" interest in preservation within conservation groups
Adjacent Land Uses	L	Ranching, industrial
Special Area Sensitivity	M	Not a designated special are but identified as the "Red Desert"
Other Factors	NA	N/A
Overall Rating	M	Located north of I-80; vast, open landscape with considerable public interest

Narrative:

Broad basin, mostly leased for mineral development. No decisions in the past have earmarked the area for special interest. I-80 is an industrial transportation and energy corridor.

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Field Office: Rawlins

Date: 10/27/2010

Evaluators: CBrandt GLong

Sensitivity Level Rating Unit: I-80 Corridor

Unit Number: 6

Type of Area: Utility corridor

Predominant Types of Users: Industry, commercial, tourists

	H/M/L	Explanation of Rating (Mandatory)
Type of Users	L	Industrial, tourism, commercial
Amount of Use	M	Very high year-round traffic volume
Public Interest	L	Low interest in preserving scenic quality
Adjacent Land Uses	M	Oil & gas, ranching, wind energy, scenic landscapes, National Forest
Special Area Sensitivity	NA	N/A
Other Factors	NA	N/A
Overall Rating	M	Medium due to high traffic volume. A corridor for transportation, communications, utilities.

Narrative:

Highway corridor with heavy traffic volume, greater than 45,000 visits/year. I-80 west of Rawlins traverses an area of growing oil & gas development as well as the most scenic parts of the I-80 corridor in southern Wyoming.

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Field Office: Rawlins

Date: 9/1/2010

Evaluators: CBrandt GLong

Sensitivity Level Rating Unit: Barrel Springs

Unit Number: 7

Type of Area: Rolling hills

Predominant Types of Users: Oil & gas exploration and development

	H/M/L	Explanation of Rating (Mandatory)
Type of Users	L	Oil & gas, recreational, ranching
Amount of Use	L	Primary use is industrial
Public Interest	L	Not a lot of interest in maintaining scenic quality
Adjacent Land Uses	L	More rangeland and oil & gas
Special Area Sensitivity	NA	N/A
Other Factors	NA	N/A
Overall Rating	L	Lacks visual variety or scenic value; heavy industrial development

Narrative:

An area of extensive oil & gas development. The prevailing uses of the area suggest that maintaining scenic quality is not a high priority.

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Date: 10/25/1010

Evaluators: CBrandt GLong

Sensitivity Level Rating Unit: 789 Corridor

Unit Number: 8

Type of Area: Highway corridor

Predominant Types of Users: Industry, commercial, tourists

	H/M/L	Explanation of Rating (Mandatory)
Type of Users	L	Industrial users predominate
Amount of Use	H	More than 45,000 visits per year
Public Interest	L	Low interest in preserving scenic quality
Adjacent Land Uses	L	Oil & gas and ranching, seasonal recreation (hunting)
Special Area Sensitivity	NA	N/A
Other Factors	NA	N/A
Overall Rating	L	Land use decisions have always favored industrial development.

Narrative:

Highway corridor from I-80 to Baggs. Seasonal hunting; year-round industrial/commercial use. Heavy oil & gas development along entire corridor.

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Date: 10/29/2010

Evaluators: CBrandt GLong

Sensitivity Level Rating Unit: Horse Butte

Unit Number: 9

Type of Area: Oil & gas; open, rolling hills

Predominant Types of Users: Oil & gas, ranchers

	H/M/L	Explanation of Rating (Mandatory)
Type of Users	L	Oil & gas, ranching
Amount of Use	L	Low use levels
Public Interest	L	Low public interest
Adjacent Land Uses	L	Ranching, oil & gas
Special Area Sensitivity	NA	N/A
Other Factors	NA	N/A
Overall Rating	L	Low overall; lacks unique or distinguishing features

Narrative:

An area consisting of low, rolling hills, lacking in distinguishing characteristics

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Field Office: Rawlins

Date: 10/29/2010

Evaluators: CBrandt GLong

Sensitivity Level Rating Unit: Doty Mountain

Unit Number: 10

Type of Area: Anticline, oil & gas

Predominant Types of Users: Industry, recreationists

	H/M/L	Explanation of Rating (Mandatory)
Type of Users	M	Oil & gas with extensive fall hunting
Amount of Use	M	Recreational use is seasonal, September-October; industrial use year-round
Public Interest	L	Public interest favors a multiple-use (oil & gas and recreation) approach to management
Adjacent Land Uses	L	Agriculture, oil & gas, recreation
Special Area Sensitivity	NA	N/A
Other Factors	L	N/A
Overall Rating	M	Moderate; scenic values are subordinate to oil & gas development

Narrative:

Important area for oil & gas and wildlife. Recreation is an important use and the area is known for quality hunting. In land use decisions, oil & gas is the dominant value.

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Field Office: Rawlins

Date: 8/26/2010

Evaluators: CBrandt GLong

Sensitivity Level Rating Unit: Overland Trail

Unit Number: 11

Type of Area: Historic trail corridor

Predominant Types of Users: Recreationists, history buffs

	H/M/L	Explanation of Rating (Mandatory)
Type of Users	H	History buffs
Amount of Use	L	Low levels of use
Public Interest	H	An area of high public interest
Adjacent Land Uses	L	Private lands, oil & gas activity
Special Area Sensitivity	H	Major historic trail (not a designated National Historic Trail)
Other Factors	NA	N/A
Overall Rating	H	Most important historic trail in southern Wyoming; high public interest

Narrative:

Historic trail that traverses the Rawlins and Rock Springs Field Offices.

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Field Office: Rawlins

Date: 8/26/2010

Evaluators: CBrandt GLong

Sensitivity Level Rating Unit: Greater Adobe Town Area

Unit Number: 13

Type of Area: Badlands, Wilderness Study Area

Predominant Types of Users: Recreationists, industry

	H/M/L	Explanation of Rating (Mandatory)
Type of Users	H	Recreational
Amount of Use	M	Relatively low levels of use
Public Interest	H	High public interest
Adjacent Land Uses	L	Ranching, oil & gas
Special Area Sensitivity	H	Part of the area is a Wilderness Study Area
Other Factors	M	Highly visible wild horse herd
Overall Rating	H	Very high on the list of areas important to conservation groups.

Narrative:

An area of intense public interest geared toward protection/preservation of scenic and natural values. Includes Haystacks and a portion of Desolation Flats.

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Date: 9/1/2010

Evaluators: CBrandt GLong

Sensitivity Level Rating Unit: Shell Creek Basin

Unit Number: 14

Type of Area: Desert basin

Predominant Types of Users: Ranchers, recreationists

	H/M/L	Explanation of Rating (Mandatory)
Type of Users	M	Recreation, ranching uses predominate
Amount of Use	L	Not an area that experiences high visitor use
Public Interest	L	This area is a part of the greater Red Desert that is always of public interest
Adjacent Land Uses	L	Ranching, oil & gas development; Adobe Town WSA
Special Area Sensitivity	NA	N/A
Other Factors	NA	N/A
Overall Rating	M	Medium; large public land area, scenic and open-space values. Important recreational use area.

Narrative:

The area isn't special per se but is part of the greater Red Desert area which is of concern to Wyoming residents and conservation groups.

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Date: 9/1/2010

Evaluators: CBrandt GLong

Sensitivity Level Rating Unit: The Rims

Unit Number: 15

Type of Area: Elongated hogback-type rim

Predominant Types of Users: Recreationists

	H/M/L	Explanation of Rating (Mandatory)
Type of Users	H	Recreational
Amount of Use	M	Relatively low use levels
Public Interest	H	Identified in recent VRM public meeting series
Adjacent Land Uses	L	Ranching, oil & gas
Special Area Sensitivity	NA	N/A
Other Factors	NA	N/A
Overall Rating	H	Fairly dramatic landform; high scenic quality, well-known to the public

Narrative:

A notable physical landmark. Noted by the public as an area that should be preserved in the recent VRM public meetings.

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Field Office: Rawlins

Date: 12/16/2010

Evaluators: GBrady KSchwarzler

Sensitivity Level Rating Unit: Rim Draws

Unit Number: 16

Type of Area: Open space, light industrial

Predominant Types of Users: Some oil & gas

	H/M/L	Explanation of Rating (Mandatory)
Type of Users	L	Mostly for work, accessing oil & gas facilities
Amount of Use	M	Primarily access to oil & gas facilities
Public Interest	L	Not a lot of designated uses other than oil & gas
Adjacent Land Uses	L	Pine Mountain SMA
Special Area Sensitivity	NA	Not present
Other Factors	M	Overland Trail goes through the unit
Overall Rating	L	Open space area between a series of rims

Narrative:

This unit is the infill area between the Rim features.

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Field Office: Rawlins

Date: 8/31/2010

Evaluators: CBrandt GLong

Sensitivity Level Rating Unit: Powder Rim

Unit Number: 17

Type of Area: Desert/juniper woodland

Predominant Types of Users: Recreationists

	H/M/L	Explanation of Rating (Mandatory)
Type of Users	H	Recreational
Amount of Use	M	Not an area of very high use
Public Interest	H	Of concern to Wyoming conservation organizations
Adjacent Land Uses	L	Adjacent to other areas of very high interest to conservation areas (Adobe Town)
Special Area Sensitivity	M	Proposed for protective status by conservation groups
Other Factors	NA	N/A
Overall Rating	H	An important focal point of public interest; high scenic value

Narrative:

An area of very high interest to Wyoming-based conservation groups. Large natural landscape.

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Field Office: Rawlins

Date: 12/9/2010

Evaluators: GBrady KSchwarzler

Sensitivity Level Rating Unit: Cherokee Historic Trail

Unit Number: 18

Type of Area: Trail corridor

Predominant Types of Users: History buffs, recreation

	H/M/L	Explanation of Rating (Mandatory)
Type of Users	M	People interested in trail use
Amount of Use	H	Proximity to I-80
Public Interest	H	Historic trail use
Adjacent Land Uses	M	Passes through multiple units, none with special designation
Special Area Sensitivity	M	Designated trail with historic use
Other Factors	NA	Not present
Overall Rating	M	Trails are not well marked, cross private lands.

Narrative:

First wagon trails through the Rocky Mountains that didn't use South Pass. Parts of trail closely parallel I-80. Wagon train re-enactments use part of trail.

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Date: 9/1/2010

Evaluators: CBrandt GLong

Sensitivity Level Rating Unit: Poison Buttes

Unit Number: 19

Type of Area: Rolling hills, breaks

Predominant Types of Users: Recreationists, oil & gas, ranching

	H/M/L	Explanation of Rating (Mandatory)
Type of Users	M	Recreational
Amount of Use	L	Low levels of use but persistent
Public Interest	M	Suggested as an area of concern in recent VRM public meetings
Adjacent Land Uses	L	Ranching, oil & gas, recreation
Special Area Sensitivity	NA	N/A
Other Factors	NA	N/A
Overall Rating	M	A visually diverse landscape, of moderate interest to the public; scenic and recreational values

Narrative:

Located west of Baggs. Scenic area; some oil & gas development.

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Date: 9/1/2010

Evaluators: CBrandt GLong

Sensitivity Level Rating Unit: Little Snake River Valley

Unit Number: 20

Type of Area: River valley

Predominant Types of Users: Area residents

	H/M/L	Explanation of Rating (Mandatory)
Type of Users	L	Area residents, highway travelers
Amount of Use	L	Limited to local residents
Public Interest	L	Low
Adjacent Land Uses	L	Agricultural, rangeland, oil & gas development
Special Area Sensitivity	NA	N/A
Other Factors	NA	N/A
Overall Rating	L	Scenic river/agricultural valley. Maintaining scenic quality is secondary to agricultural and residential uses.

Narrative:

Emphasis in the area is not on maintaining the natural scenic beauty of the area. An attractive, well maintained area of virtually all private land.

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Evaluators: CBrandt GLong

Sensitivity Level Rating Unit: Cottonwood Creek

Unit Number: 21

Type of Area: Rugged hills

Predominant Types of Users: Private landowners, area residents

	H/M/L	Explanation of Rating (Mandatory)
Type of Users	L	Area residents
Amount of Use	L	Low use
Public Interest	L	Not identified as being of public interest
Adjacent Land Uses	L	Ranching
Special Area Sensitivity	NA	N/A
Other Factors	NA	N/A
Overall Rating	L	Low scenic value; of low interest to the public

Narrative:

Not identified in VRM meetings as being of visual concern.

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Date: 10/29/2010

Evaluators: CBrandt GLong

Sensitivity Level Rating Unit: Horse Mountain

Unit Number: 22

Type of Area: Residential and recreation

Predominant Types of Users: Local residents, recreationists

	H/M/L	Explanation of Rating (Mandatory)
Type of Users	M	Local residents, recreational
Amount of Use	M	High usage October 1-15 and mid to late November during big game hunting season
Public Interest	L	Not widely known to the public
Adjacent Land Uses	M	National Forest
Special Area Sensitivity	NA	N/A
Other Factors	NA	N/A
Overall Rating	M	Scenic values of the area are the most notable feature

Narrative:

Very diverse landscape with mixed ownership, dramatic adjacent scenery.

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SENSITIVITY LEVEL RATING SHEET

Field Office: Rawlins

Date: 12/15/2010

Evaluators: CBrandt GLong

Sensitivity Level Rating Unit: Savery Canyon

Unit Number: 23

Type of Area: Recreational and ranching

Predominant Types of Users: Recreationists, hunters, ranchers

	H/M/L	Explanation of Rating (Mandatory)
Type of Users	M	Recreational including driving for pleasure, hunting; ranching
Amount of Use	M	Medium, mostly seasonal access to the area
Public Interest	M	Medium in terms of preserving scenic quality
Adjacent Land Uses	H	Within the viewshed of Carbon County public roads; dramatic scenery
Special Area Sensitivity	NA	N/A
Other Factors	NA	N/A
Overall Rating	H	A well-known area that is a focal point of interest to Rawlins-area residents. A dramatic canyon with significant scenic value.

Narrative:

Exhibits considerable visual variety and is one of the most notable landforms to the west of the Medicine Bow National Forest. Recreational use confined to late summer and fall; somewhat limited by lack of public access to parts of the area.

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SENSITIVITY LEVEL RATING SHEET

Field Office: Rawlins

Date: 9/1/2010

Evaluators: CBrandt GLong

Sensitivity Level Rating Unit: Browns Hill

Unit Number: 24

Type of Area: Agricultural area, private lands

Predominant Types of Users: Area residents, landowners

	H/M/L	Explanation of Rating (Mandatory)
Type of Users	L	Area residents, landowners
Amount of Use	L	Low use
Public Interest	L	Not of significant public interest
Adjacent Land Uses	L	Rangelands
Special Area Sensitivity	NA	N/A
Other Factors	NA	N/A
Overall Rating	L	Low due to extensive agricultural development of this predominantly private land area

Narrative:

An area of relatively flat ground, mostly private land and considerable agricultural development.

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SENSITIVITY LEVEL RATING SHEET

Field Office: Rawlins

Date: 9/1/2010

Evaluators: CBrandt GLong

Sensitivity Level Rating Unit: Deep Gulch

Unit Number: 25

Type of Area: Rugged hills

Predominant Types of Users: Recreationists, wildlife interests

	H/M/L	Explanation of Rating (Mandatory)
Type of Users	H	Recreational, wildlife interests
Amount of Use	H	Major attraction for recreation, particularly hunting
Public Interest	H	Known as an area of great interest to the public
Adjacent Land Uses	L	Ranching, recreation, oil & gas in adjacent areas
Special Area Sensitivity	M	Contains Red Rim/Grizzly Wildlife Habitat Management Area
Other Factors	M	Contains a portion of the Continental Divide Trail and the Cherokee Trail
Overall Rating	H	Major complex of recreational, scenic, and wildlife values. Very important recreation area for Rawlins and southern Wyoming.

Narrative:

A major recreation area for Wyoming residents. Strong sentiment toward maintaining environment and scenic quality of area. Identified in recent VRM public meetings as an area of concern. Includes virtually all of Red Rim/Grizzly WHMA.

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SENSITIVITY LEVEL RATING SHEET

Field Office: Rawlins

Date: 10/25/1010

Evaluators: CBrandt GLong

Sensitivity Level Rating Unit: High Savery

Unit Number: 26

Type of Area: High hills, deep drainages

Predominant Types of Users: Recreationists, ranchers

	H/M/L	Explanation of Rating (Mandatory)
Type of Users	H	Recreational, ranching, second vacation homes
Amount of Use	M	Medium level of use; Savery Reservoir
Public Interest	H	Important recreational destination for Rawlins
Adjacent Land Uses	M	Recreational, ranching, second vacation homes
Special Area Sensitivity	H	A portion of the Cherokee Trail passes through the unit
Other Factors	NA	N/A
Overall Rating	H	A complex of values that suggest high visual sensitivity: scenic, recreational, and historic

Narrative:

Growing in importance for recreation that is wildlife-related (hunting, fishing). Located around the main travel corridor from Rawlins to the Medicine Bow National Forest.

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SENSITIVITY LEVEL RATING SHEET

Field Office: Rawlins

Date: 10/25/1010

Evaluators: CBrandt GLong

Sensitivity Level Rating Unit: Middlewood Hill

Unit Number: 27

Type of Area: High hills, bluffs, basins

Predominant Types of Users: Ranchers, recreationists

	H/M/L	Explanation of Rating (Mandatory)
Type of Users	M	Ranching and recreation
Amount of Use	H	Travel corridor to National Forest; hunting
Public Interest	H	Important recreational destination for Rawlins residents
Adjacent Land Uses	M	Extensive high hills, deep drainages, ranching, recreation
Special Area Sensitivity	NA	N/A
Other Factors	NA	N/A
Overall Rating	H	An area of very high interest to Rawlins area and Wyoming residents

Narrative:

Located around two travel corridors to National Forest. Recreational interest, high scenic values. Important public land, recreation area. Scenic backdrop for Continental Divide Trail.

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SENSITIVITY LEVEL RATING SHEET

Field Office: Rawlins

Date: 10/25/2010

Evaluators: CBrandt GLong

Sensitivity Level Rating Unit: Sage Creek

Unit Number: 28

Type of Area: Broad basin

Predominant Types of Users: Ranchers, recreationists

	H/M/L	Explanation of Rating (Mandatory)
Type of Users	M	Recreational, ranching
Amount of Use	L	Use confined to highways and sites
Public Interest	L	Public predisposed to limitations in checkerboard
Adjacent Land Uses	M	Scenic surroundings: Atlantic Rim, Miller Hill, Sheep Mountain/Bolton Rim
Special Area Sensitivity	M	Contains Overland Trail and Continental Divide Trail
Other Factors	L	Checkerboard land pattern
Overall Rating	M	Low expectations for visual management due to location in checkerboard landownership area; contains Overland Trail and portion of Continental Divide Trail.

Narrative:

Overall limited public access to most of area. Contains major recreational corridor to Medicine Bow National Forest. Great views of adjacent scenery.

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SENSITIVITY LEVEL RATING SHEET

Field Office: Rawlins

Date: 9/7/2010

Evaluators: CBrandt GLong

Sensitivity Level Rating Unit: Miller Hill Summit

Unit Number: 29

Type of Area: Plateau

Predominant Types of Users: Industry, ranchers

	H/M/L	Explanation of Rating (Mandatory)
Type of Users	M	Recreational, ranching, industrial
Amount of Use	M	Wildlife-related recreation, minimal Continental Divide Trail use
Public Interest	M	Recreational corridor
Adjacent Land Uses	M	Continental Divide Trail, Overland Trail; Summit area; not visible from Overland Trail
Special Area Sensitivity	NA	N/A
Other Factors	NA	N/A
Overall Rating	M	Checkerboard ownership inhibits recreational use and access in northern portion. Of high interest to Rawlins-area recreationists

Narrative:

A relatively small area limited to the checkerboard landownership area. Broad, flat area.

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SENSITIVITY LEVEL RATING SHEET

Field Office: Rawlins

Date: 8/26/2010

Evaluators: CBrandt GLong

Sensitivity Level Rating Unit: Continental Divide National Scenic Trail

Unit Number: 30

Type of Area: National Scenic Trail

Predominant Types of Users: Recreational hikers

	H/M/L	Explanation of Rating (Mandatory)
Type of Users	H	Hikers
Amount of Use	L	Low annual visitor use; highly specialized use
Public Interest	H	National constituency
Adjacent Land Uses	L	Ranching, recreational uses
Special Area Sensitivity	H	Designated National Scenic Trail
Other Factors	NA	None of relevance
Overall Rating	H	Nationally designated scenic trail, high public interest

Narrative:

Three miles or the visual horizon, whichever is less. Includes the landscape from Willow Hills north to the Lander Field Office boundary.

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SENSITIVITY LEVEL RATING SHEET

Field Office: Rawlins

Date: 8/26/2010

Evaluators: CBrandt GLong

Sensitivity Level Rating Unit: Atlantic Rim

Unit Number: 31

Type of Area: Elongated, dramatic ridge

Predominant Types of Users: Recreationists

H/M/L

Explanation of Rating (Mandatory)

	H/M/L	Explanation of Rating (Mandatory)
Type of Users	H	Recreational, hunting, hiking
Amount of Use	M	Overall moderate level of use
Public Interest	H	High local and regional interest
Adjacent Land Uses	H	Imposing visual presence from I-80 corridor
Special Area Sensitivity	H	Continental Divide Scenic Trail traverses part of the area
Other Factors	NA	N/A
Overall Rating	H	High scenic and associated values; public opinion supports maintaining scenic and environmental quality

Narrative:

An area of important management priority for wildlife, recreation and visual resources. Dramatic backdrop for Highway 71 corridor from Rawlins to Medicine Bow National Forest.

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SENSITIVITY LEVEL RATING SHEET

Field Office: Rawlins

Date: 12/8/2010

Evaluators: GLong

Sensitivity Level Rating Unit: Red Rim

Unit Number: 32

Type of Area: Hunting and important wildlife habitat area

Predominant Types of Users: Hunters, travelers

	H/M/L	Explanation of Rating (Mandatory)
Type of Users	H	Important wildlife habitat and of great interest to recreational big game and bird hunters in the fall; readily seen by travelers on I-80
Amount of Use	M	High when including travelers on I-80, but moderate and concentrated in the fall for hunting;
Public Interest	M	Of great interest for wildlife-related reasons and to a lesser degree for its open space character and interesting landforms; very representative of the Great Divide Basin
Adjacent Land Uses	M	Part of the I-80 viewshed
Special Area Sensitivity	M	Crucial Winter Range for big game, which attracts public interest and attention
Other Factors	NA	N/A
Overall Rating	H	The area rates high mainly because of its interest to hunters and its visibility from the I-80 corridor

Narrative:

Located between Atlantic Rim and the I-80 corridor. A notable wildlife area as well as being important to recreationists, and an area where maintaining environmental/scenic quality is important to local residents.

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SENSITIVITY LEVEL RATING SHEET

Field Office: Rawlins

Date: 9/1/2010

Evaluators: CBrandt GLong

Sensitivity Level Rating Unit: Bolton Ranch

Unit Number: 33

Type of Area: Rugged hills, rims

Predominant Types of Users: Private landowners

	H/M/L	Explanation of Rating (Mandatory)
Type of Users	L	Private landowners
Amount of Use	L	Low use, access; limited by checkerboard landownership pattern
Public Interest	L	Public interest in maintaining scenic quality is low
Adjacent Land Uses	L	Ranching
Special Area Sensitivity	NA	N/A
Other Factors	NA	N/A
Overall Rating	L	Low; public access and knowledge of the area has been limited for the past 35 years

Narrative:

Checkerboard landownership. No public access to area. Not an area of significant visual sensitivity, partly because the public accepts commercial/industrial development as inevitable.

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SENSITIVITY LEVEL RATING SHEET

Field Office: Rawlins

Date: 10/25/1010

Evaluators: CBrandt GLong

Sensitivity Level Rating Unit: Separation Flats Southeast

Unit Number: 34

Type of Area: Broad basin

Predominant Types of Users: Ranchers, recreationists

	H/M/L	Explanation of Rating (Mandatory)
Type of Users	L	Recreation and ranching
Amount of Use	L	Low use, limited mostly to the hunting season
Public Interest	L	Low interest
Adjacent Land Uses	L	Ranching, recreation
Special Area Sensitivity	NA	N/A
Other Factors	NA	N/A
Overall Rating	L	Low basin lacking in visual variety or distinguishing features.

Narrative:

A low basin that sees only limited seasonal recreational use. Not seen from highways. Checkerboard limits public access.

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SENSITIVITY LEVEL RATING SHEET

Field Office: Rawlins

Date: 12/8/2010

Evaluators: GLong

Sensitivity Level Rating Unit: Rendle Hill

Unit Number: 35

Type of Area: Residential, recreation

Predominant Types of Users: Local residents, hunters

	H/M/L	Explanation of Rating (Mandatory)
Type of Users	M	Ranching, residential, and recreational; recreational use is limited mostly to fall hunting
Amount of Use	M	The vast majority of the people who see the area are highway travelers passing by on Highway 287
Public Interest	L	People care about the area but it is not a focal point for interest in maintaining scenic quality
Adjacent Land Uses	M	Sharp contrast to Separation Flats to the north and the Rawlins Uplift to the west; in the viewshed of Highway 287 to the west
Special Area Sensitivity	NA	N/A
Other Factors	NA	N/A
Overall Rating	M	Notable because it is in stark contrast with surrounding areas

Narrative:

Red Outcrops are notable and as seen from the north the landforms are visually imposing.

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Date: 12/8/2010

Evaluators: GLong

Sensitivity Level Rating Unit: Rawlins Uplift

Unit Number: 36

Type of Area: Recreation

Predominant Types of Users: Hikers, hunters, sightseers

	H/M/L	Explanation of Rating (Mandatory)
Type of Users	M	Recreational hiking, some hunting, viewing scenery
Amount of Use	M	Medium levels of hiking; seen daily by large numbers of people
Public Interest	M	The Rawlins Uplift is immediately adjacent to the city of Rawlins
Adjacent Land Uses	H	Directly in the viewshed of Rawlins; the backyard for the town and travelers on I-70 and Highway 287; the single most visible landform in the area
Special Area Sensitivity	NA	N/A
Other Factors	NA	N/A
Overall Rating	H	A notable mountain mass clearly distinguished from the surroundings; the backyard for Rawlins and clearly seen daily by thousands of people from I-80 and Highway 287.

Narrative:

Visual sensitivity is mostly a function of its location next to the town and major highways.

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Field Office: Rawlins

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Evaluators: GLong

Sensitivity Level Rating Unit: Shamrock Hills

Unit Number: 37

Type of Area: Recreation, hunting

Predominant Types of Users: Hunters, ranchers

	H/M/L	Explanation of Rating (Mandatory)
Type of Users	M	Recreational uses (mostly hunting), ranching; partly in the I-80 viewshed
Amount of Use	L	Mostly seasonal hunting
Public Interest	L	Not of significant public interest in terms of preserving scenic quality
Adjacent Land Uses	L	Adjacent to and seen from the I-80 corridor
Special Area Sensitivity	NA	N/A
Other Factors	NA	N/A
Overall Rating	M	Interesting in terms of scenic values and contributes to overall open space value of the landscape surrounding Rawlins.

Narrative:

Not a major focal point of public interest in terms of maintaining the scenic quality of the area. Recreational use is limited to the late summer and fall.

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SENSITIVITY LEVEL RATING SHEET

Field Office: Rawlins

Date: 8/31/2010

Evaluators: CBrandt GLong

Sensitivity Level Rating Unit: Separation Flats East

Unit Number: 38

Type of Area: Open desert basin

Predominant Types of Users: Recreationists, ranchers

	H/M/L	Explanation of Rating (Mandatory)
Type of Users	M	Recreational
Amount of Use	M	Moderate use levels
Public Interest	M	Part of the Great Divide Basin (Red Desert) area of interest
Adjacent Land Uses	L	Ferris Mountains, ranching
Special Area Sensitivity	NA	N/A
Other Factors	NA	N/A
Overall Rating	M	Adjacent to major travel route (Highway 287); recreational uses. Public interest expressed in recent meetings.

Narrative:

Part of the landscape seen from Highway 287 north of Rawlins. Recreational use is seasonal but significant.

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SENSITIVITY LEVEL RATING SHEET

Field Office: Rawlins

Date: 10/25/1010

Evaluators: CBrandt GLong

Sensitivity Level Rating Unit: 287 Corridor North

Unit Number: 39

Type of Area: Open, low hills; flat plains

Predominant Types of Users: Highway travelers

	H/M/L	Explanation of Rating (Mandatory)
Type of Users	M	Highway travelers, limited recreation
Amount of Use	L	Use mostly limited to highway. Limited recreational use: Continental Divide Trail and hunting
Public Interest	M	Public interest in maintaining scenic quality limited to Continental Divide Trail and Fort Washakie Stage Road
Adjacent Land Uses	L	Rawlins Uplift is the scenic backdrop for the highway corridor
Special Area Sensitivity	NA	N/A
Other Factors	NA	N/A
Overall Rating	M	Highway/transportation corridor; checkerboard landownership limits management options.

Narrative:

Highway corridor and corridor for Continental Divide Trail from Rawlins to Willow Hill. Also locations of Rawlins of Rawlins-Fort Washakie Stage Road. See also Continental Divide Trail.

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Field Office: Rawlins

Date: 8/31/2010

Evaluators: CBrandt GLong

Sensitivity Level Rating Unit: Bairoil

Unit Number: 40

Type of Area: Oil field

Predominant Types of Users: Industry, area residents

	H/M/L	Explanation of Rating (Mandatory)
Type of Users	L	Industrial users
Amount of Use	L	Not a high level of use
Public Interest	L	Not an area where scenic quality is a priority
Adjacent Land Uses	L	Ranching, recreation; does not contribute
Special Area Sensitivity	NA	N/A
Other Factors	L	Reclamation has been of concern in the past
Overall Rating	L	Heavy industrial footprint on the landscape; low public interest

Narrative:

Industrial activity is the current priority.

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SENSITIVITY LEVEL RATING SHEET

Field Office: Rawlins

Date: 8/31/2010

Evaluators: CBrandt GLong

Sensitivity Level Rating Unit: Muddy Creek (south of Ferris Mountains)

Unit Number: 41

Type of Area: Drainage

Predominant Types of Users: Ranchers, highway travelers

	H/M/L	Explanation of Rating (Mandatory)
Type of Users	M	Ranching, highway travelers
Amount of Use	L	Low use
Public Interest	L	Not of significant public interest
Adjacent Land Uses	M	Ferris Mountains add to perceived scenic quality and visual sensitivity of the area
Special Area Sensitivity	NA	N/A
Other Factors	NA	N/A
Overall Rating	M	Scenic backdrop for Highway 287; scenic ranching valley

Narrative:

The foreground between Highway 287 and the Ferris Mountains

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SENSITIVITY LEVEL RATING SHEET

Field Office: Rawlins

Date: 8/26/2010

Evaluators: CBrandt GLong

Sensitivity Level Rating Unit: Ferris Mountains

Unit Number: 42

Type of Area: Mountain range, recreational

Predominant Types of Users: Recreationists

	H/M/L	Explanation of Rating (Mandatory)
Type of Users	H	Recreational hunting, hiking
Amount of Use	M	Moderate level of use
Public Interest	H	Identified in recent VRM public meeting series
Adjacent Land Uses	H	Visual backdrop for adjacent travel corridor and Oregon Trail
Special Area Sensitivity	H	A Wilderness Study Area
Other Factors	H	Dramatic visual landmark
Overall Rating	H	High public interest and scenic quality; Wilderness Study Area, important recreational area.

Narrative:

Dramatic visual landmark along Highway 287 and the Oregon Trail corridor. A Wilderness Study Area, high-quality recreational and wildlife area.

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SENSITIVITY LEVEL RATING SHEET

Field Office: Rawlins

Date: 10/29/2010

Evaluators: CBrandt GLong

Sensitivity Level Rating Unit: Oregon Trail Corridor

Unit Number: 43

Type of Area: Open, gently rolling hills; historic trail corridor

Predominant Types of Users: Highway travelers, recreation

	H/M/L	Explanation of Rating (Mandatory)
Type of Users	H	Trail buffs, recreational, ranching
Amount of Use	H	A combination of highway travelers, recreation, and trail/history buffs
Public Interest	H	High public interest in maintaining the present setting around historic trails
Adjacent Land Uses	H	Very sensitive due to Wilderness Study Areas and adjacent trails
Special Area Sensitivity	H	National historic trails and Wilderness Study Areas
Other Factors	H	Important wildlife and wildlife viewing area
Overall Rating	H	A portion of the landscape surrounding the Oregon/Mormon/California/Pony Express National Historic Trails; part of the noted South Pass segment

Narrative:

Part of the natural setting surrounding the Devil's Gate/Martin's cove area for the historic trails.

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SENSITIVITY LEVEL RATING SHEET

Field Office: Rawlins

Date: 8/31/2010

Evaluators: CBrandt GLong

Sensitivity Level Rating Unit: Pathfinder West

Unit Number: 44

Type of Area: Open, rolling hills

Predominant Types of Users: Ranchers, recreationists

	H/M/L	Explanation of Rating (Mandatory)
Type of Users	M	Ranching, recreation
Amount of Use	L	Low use levels
Public Interest	L	Not of high public interest
Adjacent Land Uses	L	Ranching, recreational uses of the public lands
Special Area Sensitivity	NA	N/A
Other Factors	NA	N/A
Overall Rating	M	A large ranch area surrounded by scenic lands (Pathfinder Reservoir, Ferris Mountains) scenic western ranchlands

Narrative:

An area that sees sporadic, seasonal recreational use; mainly a ranching area. Scenic lands are part of the complex of amenity values for western ranches. An area of scenic, wide-open spaces.

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Field Office: Rawlins

Date: 8/26/2010

Evaluators: CBrandt GLong

Sensitivity Level Rating Unit: Seminole Mountains

Unit Number: 45

Type of Area: Mountain range

Predominant Types of Users: Recreationists

	H/M/L	Explanation of Rating (Mandatory)
Type of Users	H	Recreational
Amount of Use	H	Travel corridor to important recreational areas
Public Interest	H	Identified in recent VRM public meeting series
Adjacent Land Uses	M	Ranching, recreation
Special Area Sensitivity	NA	N/A
Other Factors	H	Traversed by Sinclair/Alcova Backcountry Byway
Overall Rating	H	Highly scenic area. High public interest in maintaining scenic quality.

Narrative:

Recreational interest. Adjacent to Backcountry Byway, recreational travel corridor.

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Field Office: Rawlins

Date: 8/31/2010

Evaluators: CBrandt GLong

Sensitivity Level Rating Unit: Ferris Dunes

Unit Number: 46

Type of Area: Rolling hills, stabilized and active sand dunes

Predominant Types of Users: Recreationists

	H/M/L	Explanation of Rating (Mandatory)
Type of Users	M	Recreational
Amount of Use	L	Low seasonal recreational use
Public Interest	M	Identified as an area of interest in VRM public meetings
Adjacent Land Uses	M	Ferris Mountains, recreation, ranching
Special Area Sensitivity	NA	N/A
Other Factors	L	N/A
Overall Rating	M	Unique landscape, scenic values; interest expressed in recent VRM public meetings

Narrative:

Unique, scenic landscape. An area of local interest, recreational use.

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Field Office: Rawlins

Date: 8/31/2010

Evaluators: CBrandt GLong

Sensitivity Level Rating Unit: Cheyenne Ridge

Unit Number: 47

Type of Area: Ridges and sand dunes

Predominant Types of Users: Recreationists, some ranchers

	H/M/L	Explanation of Rating (Mandatory)
Type of Users	M	Recreational, OHV
Amount of Use	M	Moderate levels
Public Interest	L	Not of high public interest
Adjacent Land Uses	L	Seminole Reservoir, Seminole Mountains
Special Area Sensitivity	M	Traversed by Sinclair/Alcova Backcountry Byway
Other Factors	NA	N/A
Overall Rating	M	Recreational uses, Backcountry Byway, important recreational corridor for Rawlins

Narrative:

Traversed by Backcountry Byway, recreational OHV use.

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SENSITIVITY LEVEL RATING SHEET

Field Office: Rawlins

Date: 12/8/2010

Evaluators: GLong

Sensitivity Level Rating Unit: Haystack Mountains

Unit Number: 48

Type of Area: Recreational, ranching

Predominant Types of Users: Recreationists, ranchers

	H/M/L	Explanation of Rating (Mandatory)
Type of Users	M	Recreational, ranching
Amount of Use	L	The area is checkerboard land ownership with limited public access; accordingly, use is low
Public Interest	M	Well-known area; a visual backdrop for surrounding lands
Adjacent Land Uses	L	Seen from the Seminole-Alcova Backcountry Byway but not considered significant
Special Area Sensitivity	L	Important wildlife habitat, but not considered very important in terms of scenic values
Other Factors	NA	N/A
Overall Rating	M	Rawlins-area residents know and care about the Haystack Mountains in spite of the fact that public access is limited.

Narrative:

Although the area is well-known, somewhat physically imposing, and an important wildlife crucial winter range, it is not visited much because of limited legal access.

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SENSITIVITY LEVEL RATING SHEET

Field Office: Rawlins

Date: 12/15/2010

Evaluators: CBrandt GLong

Sensitivity Level Rating Unit: Seminole-Alcova Scenic Backway

Unit Number: 49

Type of Area: Rural public road corridor

Predominant Types of Users: Recreationists

H/M/L

Explanation of Rating (Mandatory)

	H/M/L	Explanation of Rating (Mandatory)
Type of Users	H	Recreational users concerned with the visual quality of recreational settings
Amount of Use	H	Major public access corridor to Seminole Reservoir, Miracle Mile, and Seminole Mountains
Public Interest	M	Public interest in the scenic quality of the corridor the Byway passes through
Adjacent Land Uses	M	Maintenance of scenic quality in the byway is an objective that is in harmony with management objectives of adjacent areas.
Special Area Sensitivity	M	A designated National Backcountry Byway
Other Factors	NA	N/A
Overall Rating	H	High concern for scenic quality and visual variety influenced Byway designation; high traffic volume, recreational access corridor.

Narrative:

Traverses a diverse landscape with excellent views of foreground/midground. Heavily used public access corridor to major recreational destinations for the surrounding region.

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SENSITIVITY LEVEL RATING SHEET

Field Office: Rawlins

Date: 8/31/2010

Evaluators: CBrandt GLong

Sensitivity Level Rating Unit: Seminole West

Unit Number: 50

Type of Area: Rangeland

Predominant Types of Users: Ranching

	H/M/L	Explanation of Rating (Mandatory)
Type of Users	M	Ranching
Amount of Use	L	Ranching; poor public access
Public Interest	L	Low public interest
Adjacent Land Uses	L	Seminole Reservoir, Haystack Mountains
Special Area Sensitivity	M	Area traversed by Sinclair/Alcova Backcountry Byway
Other Factors	NA	N/A
Overall Rating	M	Diverse topographic features and scenic quality; adjacent to Backcountry Byway

Narrative:

Rancher takes action to protect area's visual character. Checkerboard landownership limits public access to area.

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Field Office: Rawlins

Date: 10/25/1010

Evaluators: CBrandt GLong

Sensitivity Level Rating Unit: Fort Steele Breaks

Unit Number: 51

Type of Area: Elongated ridges

Predominant Types of Users: Recreationists, ranchers

	H/M/L	Explanation of Rating (Mandatory)
Type of Users	M	Recreational, ranching
Amount of Use	L	Use limited to adjacent users; low on-site use
Public Interest	M	Medium
Adjacent Land Uses	M	Platte River Valley, recreational
Special Area Sensitivity	NA	N/A
Other Factors	NA	N/A
Overall Rating	M	Visual or scenic backdrop for the Platte River and Sinclair Golf Course

Narrative:

The scenic backdrop for the Platte River from Fort Steele to the Dugway; a notable topographic feature.

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Sensitivity Level Rating Unit: Lake Creek Flats

Unit Number: 52

Type of Area: Open, rolling hills

Predominant Types of Users: Ranchers

	H/M/L	Explanation of Rating (Mandatory)
Type of Users	M	Ranching, recreation, tourism
Amount of Use	H	More than 45,000 visits per year
Public Interest	L	Low
Adjacent Land Uses	M	Recreation, tourism
Special Area Sensitivity	H	Overland and Cherokee Trails traverse the area
Other Factors	NA	N/A
Overall Rating	H	Corridor for tourism; adjacent scenery improves perceived scenic value

Narrative:

Lands along either side of Highway 130 leading from I-80 to Saratoga. Tourist route. Contains Overland and Cherokee Trails. Scenic corridor or gateway route to National Forest.

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Sensitivity Level Rating Unit: North Platte River, Middle Reach

Unit Number: 53

Type of Area: River valley

Predominant Types of Users: Recreationists

	H/M/L	Explanation of Rating (Mandatory)
Type of Users	H	Recreation
Amount of Use	H	High seasonal recreation use June through November
Public Interest	H	A focal point of public interest
Adjacent Land Uses	M	Agricultural/ranching
Special Area Sensitivity	NA	N/A
Other Factors	NA	N/A
Overall Rating	H	Recreational and scenic core of the Saratoga Valley

Narrative:

Platte River, Saratoga to Seminoe Reservoir. Major recreational river with good public access, very high public interest.

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Sensitivity Level Rating Unit: Saratoga Public Land Blocks

Unit Number: 54

Type of Area: Low, rolling hills; low table lands

Predominant Types of Users: Ranchers, recreationists

	H/M/L	Explanation of Rating (Mandatory)
Type of Users	L	Recreation, ranching
Amount of Use	L	Recreation mostly limited to seasonal hunting
Public Interest	L	Not an area of significant interest
Adjacent Land Uses	L	Agricultural lands
Special Area Sensitivity	NA	N/A
Other Factors	NA	N/A
Overall Rating	L	Lands lack distinguishing features, visual variety

Narrative:

High naturalness and open space values; relatively low scenic quality.

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Sensitivity Level Rating Unit: Saratoga Agricultural Lands

Unit Number: 55

Type of Area: Somewhat intensive agriculture

Predominant Types of Users: Ranchers

	H/M/L	Explanation of Rating (Mandatory)
Type of Users	M	Ranching
Amount of Use	L	Limited to ranching and guests
Public Interest	L	Not an area of significant public interest
Adjacent Land Uses	L	Public land areas, agriculture, recreation
Special Area Sensitivity	NA	N/A
Other Factors	NA	N/A
Overall Rating	M	Agricultural productivity is the primary use

Narrative:

Lands are scenic and well-maintained. Beautiful setting due to open space and adjacent scenery.
 Predominantly private land.

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Sensitivity Level Rating Unit: Sierra Madre Foothills

Unit Number: 56

Type of Area: Foothills of Sierra Madre Mountains

Predominant Types of Users: Recreationists, ranchers, vacation homes

	H/M/L	Explanation of Rating (Mandatory)
Type of Users	H	Recreation and others who value the scenic quality
Amount of Use	H	High use, highly visible from numerous major travel routes
Public Interest	M	High interest for recreational uses, medium for scenic values
Adjacent Land Uses	H	Viewshed for most residents and area travel route
Special Area Sensitivity	NA	N/A
Other Factors	M	Relatively high scenic value
Overall Rating	H	Scenic backdrop for surrounding valleys

Narrative:

Another of the many areas identified in the pubic meeting series as being important in terms of scenic values.

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Evaluators: CBrandt GLong

Sensitivity Level Rating Unit: Encampment River Area

Unit Number: 57

Type of Area: Wilderness Study Area and surroundings

Predominant Types of Users: Recreationists

	H/M/L	Explanation of Rating (Mandatory)
Type of Users	H	Recreation, wildlife interests
Amount of Use	H	High recreational use
Public Interest	H	Wilderness Study Area, recreational opportunities
Adjacent Land Uses	H	Adjacent subdivision, town; Medicine Bow National Forest, rural subdivisions
Special Area Sensitivity	H	A Wilderness Study Area
Other Factors	NA	N/A
Overall Rating	H	High; Wilderness Study Area, scenic canyon, high recreational interest

Narrative:

Recreation area, popular fishery, campground, adjacent to town of Encampment. Scenic river canyon, WSA.

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Sensitivity Level Rating Unit: Upper Valley

Unit Number: 58

Type of Area: Broad valley between mountain ranges

Predominant Types of Users: Local residents, travelers

	H/M/L	Explanation of Rating (Mandatory)
Type of Users	H	Local residents, landowners, visitors
Amount of Use	M	Medium level of use
Public Interest	L	Not of notable public interest
Adjacent Land Uses	L	Medicine Bow National Forest
Special Area Sensitivity	NA	N/A
Other Factors	NA	N/A
Overall Rating	H	Complex of historical wildlife, recreational, scenic values suggest high visual sensitivity

Narrative:

Scenic valley, location of spectacular ranch properties. Scenic quality is an amenity value that contributes to overall attractiveness of ranch properties. Highway 230 is also a travel and tourism corridor. Southern route of Cherokee Trail traverses area.

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Sensitivity Level Rating Unit: Prospect Mountain WSA

Unit Number: 59

Type of Area: Wilderness Study Area

Predominant Types of Users: Recreationists

	H/M/L	Explanation of Rating (Mandatory)
Type of Users	H	Recreational
Amount of Use	M	Seasonal use
Public Interest	H	Wilderness Study Area; it is important to note that Prospect and Big Creek Roads are used heavily for river access through late spring and summer months
Adjacent Land Uses	L	Medicine Bow National Forest, adjacent ranchlands
Special Area Sensitivity	H	Wilderness Study Area
Other Factors	NA	N/A
Overall Rating	H	Wilderness Study Area, lands that complement Platte River Wilderness; high interest for recreation

Narrative:

A Wilderness Study Area, corridor to North Platte River, launch/takeout point.

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Sensitivity Level Rating Unit: Medicine Bow Foothills

Unit Number: 60

Type of Area: Foothills adjacent to Medicine Bow Mountains

Predominant Types of Users: Area residents, landowners

	H/M/L	Explanation of Rating (Mandatory)
Type of Users	H	Landowners, recreationists
Amount of Use	H	Highly visible area
Public Interest	M	Medium level of public interest
Adjacent Land Uses	H	Scenic views from highways and towns
Special Area Sensitivity	NA	N/A
Other Factors	NA	N/A
Overall Rating	H	Location of high-end guest ranches. Often associated with National Forest and scenic landscapes. Visible from travel routes.

Narrative:

Landowners: a mix of ranching, second homeowners, full-time residents. Maintaining scenic values contributes substantially to the property value of ranches and other properties.

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Sensitivity Level Rating Unit: Bennett Peak

Unit Number: 61

Type of Area: River canyon and adjacent mountain

Predominant Types of Users: Recreation

	H/M/L	Explanation of Rating (Mandatory)
Type of Users	H	Recreationists, fishermen, campers
Amount of Use	H	High recreational use in summer
Public Interest	H	High interest
Adjacent Land Uses	M	Ranching
Special Area Sensitivity	NA	N/A
Other Factors	NA	N/A
Overall Rating	H	High; dramatic river and adjacent landforms. Very high public interest, recreational use.

Narrative:

Mountainous, important recreational access to North Platte River; high scenic value. An area of high public interest.

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Sensitivity Level Rating Unit: Baggot Rocks

Unit Number: 62

Type of Area: Low, rocky mountain

Predominant Types of Users: Recreation, area residents

	H/M/L	Explanation of Rating (Mandatory)
Type of Users	M	Recreational
Amount of Use	L	Low public use, somewhat limited public access
Public Interest	L	Not an area of high or significant public interest
Adjacent Land Uses	M	Complements adjacent lands, adds to visual/scenic quality
Special Area Sensitivity	NA	N/A
Other Factors	NA	N/A
Overall Rating	M	Moderate; lands not singled out by the public as an important scenic area

Narrative:

Scenic backdrop for adjacent ranch lands; narrow scenic canyon. Wildlife winter range.

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Sensitivity Level Rating Unit: North Platte River

Unit Number: 63

Type of Area: River corridor

Predominant Types of Users: Local residents, recreationists

	H/M/L	Explanation of Rating (Mandatory)
Type of Users	H	Recreational, area ranchers
Amount of Use	H	High levels of use
Public Interest	H	High public interest; recreation is an important economic contributor to the area
Adjacent Land Uses	H	Adjacent ranch properties, agriculture
Special Area Sensitivity	NA	N/A
Other Factors	NA	N/A
Overall Rating	H	High scenic values; river is the scenic core of the Saratoga Valley. Important economic value.

Narrative:

Platte River corridor from the National Forest to Saratoga is a high-quality recreation area as well as an extremely attractive part of adjacent ranch properties.

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Sensitivity Level Rating Unit: Cedar Ridge

Unit Number: 64

Type of Area: Low hills, small mountain

Predominant Types of Users: Local residents, recreationists

	H/M/L	Explanation of Rating (Mandatory)
Type of Users	M	Local residents
Amount of Use	L	Low seasonal use
Public Interest	L	Only locally known
Adjacent Land Uses	M	Adjacent private land raises visual sensitivity for this area
Special Area Sensitivity	NA	N/A
Other Factors	NA	N/A
Overall Rating	M	Moderate; intermingled with rural residences

Narrative:

Adds visual variety to the Platte River Valley.

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Sensitivity Level Rating Unit: Pass Creek Basin

Unit Number: 65

Type of Area: Ranching, scenic meadows

Predominant Types of Users: Ranchers

	H/M/L	Explanation of Rating (Mandatory)
Type of Users	H	Ranching, scenery contributes to overall value of area
Amount of Use	L	Local use only
Public Interest	L	Not widely known to the public
Adjacent Land Uses	H	Surrounded by high mountains on three sides
Special Area Sensitivity	NA	N/A
Other Factors	H	Spectacularly beautiful setting
Overall Rating	H	Scenic value greatly contributes to overall value of the area

Narrative:

Spectacularly beautiful setting, surrounded by high mountains. Scenic value contributes greatly to overall value of the area.

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Sensitivity Level Rating Unit: Elk Mountain

Unit Number: 66

Type of Area: Mountain

Predominant Types of Users: Recreationists, scientists

	H/M/L	Explanation of Rating (Mandatory)
Type of Users	M	Recreational and scientific (weather)
Amount of Use	M	Low levels of use; high traffic on I-80
Public Interest	M	Not of intense public interest
Adjacent Land Uses	H	Adjacent ranches and private homes have Elk Mountain as their viewshed
Special Area Sensitivity	NA	N/A
Other Factors	H	The major visual landmark along Wyoming's I-80 corridor
Overall Rating	H	Highly scenic landmark; highly visible from I-80 and adjacent areas

Narrative:

The single most notable scenic landmark along the I-80 corridor in Wyoming.

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Sensitivity Level Rating Unit: Sheephead Mountain

Unit Number: 67

Type of Area: Rugged Mountain

Predominant Types of Users: Ranchers

	H/M/L	Explanation of Rating (Mandatory)
Type of Users	M	I-80 travelers, recreation, ranching
Amount of Use	H	Within I-80 viewshed
Public Interest	L	Not singled out as an area of high interest by the public
Adjacent Land Uses	M	Ranching, recreation, I-80 travel route
Special Area Sensitivity	NA	N/A
Other Factors	NA	N/A
Overall Rating	H	Part of the most scenic portion along the I-80 corridor

Narrative:

Often associated with Elk Mountain, predominantly private land. Located within the I-80 viewshed. Part of the most scenic portion of the entire I-80 corridor through southern Wyoming.

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Sensitivity Level Rating Unit: Pass Creek

Unit Number: 68

Type of Area: Agricultural

Predominant Types of Users: Ranchers

	H/M/L	Explanation of Rating (Mandatory)
Type of Users	M	Ranching
Amount of Use	L	Low use, limited to ranching
Public Interest	L	Low public interest
Adjacent Land Uses	M	Adjacent scenery enhances perceived scenic values of the area
Special Area Sensitivity	NA	N/A
Other Factors	NA	N/A
Overall Rating	M	Agricultural productivity is the primary objective for this area

Narrative:

Virtually all private surface. Lands mostly devoted to irrigated agriculture.

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Sensitivity Level Rating Unit: Dana Meadows

Unit Number: 69

Type of Area: Low basin, rolling hills

Predominant Types of Users: Ranchers

	H/M/L	Explanation of Rating (Mandatory)
Type of Users	L	Ranching
Amount of Use	L	Checkerboard ownership inhibits public use
Public Interest	L	Not of high interest to the public
Adjacent Land Uses	L	Ranching, mining
Special Area Sensitivity	NA	NA
Other Factors	NA	N/A
Overall Rating	L	Industrial uses and ranching are priority values and uses for the area

Narrative:

A landscape lacking in character that attracts interest or attention.

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Sensitivity Level Rating Unit: Hanna Basin

Unit Number: 70

Type of Area: Geologic uplift, traditional mining area

Predominant Types of Users: Industry, ranchers, recreationists (limited)

	H/M/L	Explanation of Rating (Mandatory)
Type of Users	L	Use mostly limited to mining and ranching
Amount of Use	L	Current use levels are low
Public Interest	L	Public interest in maintaining scenic quality is low
Adjacent Land Uses	L	Ranching, limited recreation
Special Area Sensitivity	NA	N/A
Other Factors	NA	N/A
Overall Rating	L	Scenic values are subordinate to commercial/industrial uses

Narrative:

A long-standing traditional mining (coal) area. Most mines are not operational at present. Area has scenic quality but it has not been a major factor in overall management.

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Sensitivity Level Rating Unit: Shirley Mountains

Unit Number: 71

Type of Area: Mountain range

Predominant Types of Users: Recreationists, residents, landowners

	H/M/L	Explanation of Rating (Mandatory)
Type of Users	H	Recreationists, landowners
Amount of Use	M	Moderate levels of recreational use
Public Interest	H	Identified in recent VRM public meeting series
Adjacent Land Uses	L	Ranching
Special Area Sensitivity	NA	N/A
Other Factors	NA	N/A
Overall Rating	H	High interest to Wyoming residents for recreational and scenic values

Narrative:

An area popular for hunting and recreation; some second-home development.

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Sensitivity Level Rating Unit: Bennett Mountain

Unit Number: 72

Type of Area: Small mountain range

Predominant Types of Users: Recreationists

	H/M/L	Explanation of Rating (Mandatory)
Type of Users	H	Recreational
Amount of Use	L	Low levels of use; seasonal
Public Interest	H	Identified in recent VRM public meeting series
Adjacent Land Uses	M	Visual backdrop for adjacent travel routes and recreation areas
Special Area Sensitivity	H	A Wilderness Study Area and related national constituency
Other Factors	NA	N/A
Overall Rating	H	High public interest; Wilderness Study Area, high scenic values

Narrative:

Small mountain range, a portion of the Seminole Mountains.

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Evaluators: CBrandt GLong

Sensitivity Level Rating Unit: Miracle Mile

Unit Number: 73

Type of Area: River, recreational use area

Predominant Types of Users: Recreationists

	H/M/L	Explanation of Rating (Mandatory)
Type of Users	H	Recreational fishermen and women
Amount of Use	H	High levels of use nearly year-round
Public Interest	H	Regionally known as an important trout fishery with high scenic values. Almost no BLM-administered lands on the river itself. An area of very high regional public interest.
Adjacent Land Uses	M	Ranching, recreational uses
Special Area Sensitivity	NA	N/A
Other Factors	NA	N/A
Overall Rating	H	High scenic values, Sinclair/Alcova Backcountry Byway, high recreational use

Narrative:

A regionally if not nationally known fishing area. Very high recreational use nearly year-round.

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Sensitivity Level Rating Unit: Leo

Unit Number: 74

Type of Area: Hilly; Backcountry Byway and recreation corridor

Predominant Types of Users: Recreationists

	H/M/L	Explanation of Rating (Mandatory)
Type of Users	M	Backcountry Byway corridor, recreational corridor
Amount of Use	M	Moderate use, long seasons
Public Interest	L	Not of high public interest
Adjacent Land Uses	M	Foreground for several scenic areas: Pedro Mountains, Miracle Mile, Bennett, Seminoe Mountains
Special Area Sensitivity	NA	N/A
Other Factors	NA	N/A
Overall Rating	M	Backcountry Byway between Casper and Rawlins; recreational value

Narrative:

Area lies between the Miracle Mile, Pedro Mountains, and Bennett Mountains. A travel corridor from Casper and Medicine Bow to recreation areas.

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Sensitivity Level Rating Unit: Dome Rock

Unit Number: 75

Type of Area: Granite outcrop, meadows

Predominant Types of Users: Recreationists, ranchers

	H/M/L	Explanation of Rating (Mandatory)
Type of Users	H	Travelers along Backcountry Byway; recreationists (rock climbing, fishing)
Amount of Use	L	Not an area of high use
Public Interest	M	Moderate public interest
Adjacent Land Uses	M	Sinclair/Alcova Backcountry Byway
Special Area Sensitivity	NA	N/A
Other Factors	NA	N/A
Overall Rating	H	High scenic values, visual variety; high recreational use

Narrative:

Rock climbing area, fishing, visual backdrop for Backcountry Byway.

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Sensitivity Level Rating Unit: Pedro Mountains

Unit Number: 76

Type of Area: Mountain range

Predominant Types of Users: Recreationists

	H/M/L	Explanation of Rating (Mandatory)
Type of Users	H	Recreational users: hunters, hikers, and climbers
Amount of Use	L	Low levels of recreational use
Public Interest	M	Identified in recent public meeting series
Adjacent Land Uses	H	Adjacent rural subdivisions
Special Area Sensitivity	NA	N/A
Other Factors	H	Citizens' Proposed Wilderness Area
Overall Rating	H	High public interest, mainly by recreational and wilderness interests

Narrative:

An area with limited public access and yet a priority for management for wildland uses.

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Sensitivity Level Rating Unit: Dry Creek Rim

Unit Number: 77

Type of Area: Open plains

Predominant Types of Users: Ranchers, recreationists

H/M/L

Explanation of Rating (Mandatory)

Type of Users	M	Recreational uses
Amount of Use	L	Low levels of use; seasonal
Public Interest	L	Not an area of high interest
Adjacent Land Uses	L	Ranching, recreational uses
Special Area Sensitivity	NA	N/A
Other Factors	NA	N/A
Overall Rating	M	Dramatic open space and scenic values; high seasonal recreational uses.

Narrative:

Backcountry Byway traverses area; recreational hunting. Extension of Shirley Basin.

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Evaluators: CBrandt GLong

Sensitivity Level Rating Unit: Bates Hole

Unit Number: 78

Type of Area: Rugged drainage basin

Predominant Types of Users: Highway travelers, ranchers, recreationists

	H/M/L	Explanation of Rating (Mandatory)
Type of Users	M	Landscape seen by highway travelers, local ranchers
Amount of Use	M	Moderate amount of highway travelers, recreational uses
Public Interest	L	Not an area of high public interest
Adjacent Land Uses	L	Ranching, recreational
Special Area Sensitivity	NA	N/A
Other Factors	NA	N/A
Overall Rating	M	Rugged, diverse topography; high scenic values; moderate recreational uses

Narrative:

A rugged landscape surrounding Highway 487 (Medicine Bow to Casper). High scenic quality.

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Sensitivity Level Rating Unit: Shirley Basin

Unit Number: 79

Type of Area: Vast, open plains

Predominant Types of Users: Recreationists, travelers

	H/M/L	Explanation of Rating (Mandatory)
Type of Users	H	Recreational and travelers passing through area
Amount of Use	M	Recreational use concentrated during fall season
Public Interest	H	A prominent Wyoming landscape
Adjacent Land Uses	L	Ranching, recreational uses
Special Area Sensitivity	NA	N/A
Other Factors	NA	N/A
Overall Rating	H	High public interest; a classic Wyoming open-space landscape

Narrative:

A widely known Wyoming landscape, the type that to Wyoming residents almost has landmark status.

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Evaluators: CBrandt GLong

Sensitivity Level Rating Unit: Freezeout Mountains

Unit Number: 80

Type of Area: Low mountain range

Predominant Types of Users: Ranchers, recreationists

	H/M/L	Explanation of Rating (Mandatory)
Type of Users	M	Ranching, recreational
Amount of Use	L	Low levels of use
Public Interest	M	Identified in recent VRM public meetings series
Adjacent Land Uses	NA	Visual backdrop for adjacent highways
Special Area Sensitivity	NA	N/A
Other Factors	NA	N/A
Overall Rating	M	Natural-appearing landscape of significant scenic value; moderate public interest

Narrative:

An area with limited public access, not well-known to the general public.

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Evaluators: CBrandt GLong

Sensitivity Level Rating Unit: TB Flats

Unit Number: 81

Type of Area: Open, rolling hills

Predominant Types of Users: Ranchers, industry

	H/M/L	Explanation of Rating (Mandatory)
Type of Users	L	Predominant type of users concerned with commercial and industrial development
Amount of Use	L	Overall level of use is low
Public Interest	L	Not of high public interest
Adjacent Land Uses	L	Ranching
Special Area Sensitivity	NA	N/A
Other Factors	NA	N/A
Overall Rating	L	Lacks scenic quality. An area earmarked for industrial (wind) development

Narrative:

A vast area of mostly private land. Available for industrial development (wind farms).

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Evaluators: CBrandt GLong

Sensitivity Level Rating Unit: Laramie Mountains

Unit Number: 82

Type of Area: Low mountainous area

Predominant Types of Users: Ranchers, local residents, guests

	H/M/L	Explanation of Rating (Mandatory)
Type of Users	M	Ranching, second home areas, outfitting
Amount of Use	M	Moderate use levels
Public Interest	L	Not widely known due to high amount of private land
Adjacent Land Uses	L	Ranching
Special Area Sensitivity	M	Portions are intensively managed for wildlife and scenic (natural values)
Other Factors	NA	N/A
Overall Rating	M	Includes all rugged lands and foothills for the Laramie Range in northern Albany County. Mostly private land, second home area, ranching.

Narrative:

Rating unit was not subdivided further because public input did not specifically do so. Except for Sybille Canyon, all the drainages are included.

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SENSITIVITY LEVEL RATING SHEET

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Date: 10/28/2010

Evaluators: CBrandt GLong

Sensitivity Level Rating Unit: Sybille Canyon

Unit Number: 83

Type of Area: River Canyon

Predominant Types of Users: Highway travelers, local residents

	H/M/L	Explanation of Rating (Mandatory)
Type of Users	M	Highway travelers, local residents and their guests
Amount of Use	M	Modest traffic volume
Public Interest	M	Of public interest because of Wyoming Game & Fish research station and scenic quality
Adjacent Land Uses	L	Not a factor
Special Area Sensitivity	M	Special due to location of Wyoming Game & Fish research station
Other Factors	NA	N/A
Overall Rating	M	Sybille Canyon is distinguished from surroundings; also a transportation corridor

Narrative:

Predominantly private land, location of Wyoming Game & Fish research station. A scenic canyon along the route from Highway 30 to Wheatland. Of greater interest because of the research station.

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Date: 10/28/2010

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Sensitivity Level Rating Unit: Laramie Plains

Unit Number: 84

Type of Area: Vast open space

Predominant Types of Users: Ranching, recreation, industrial

	H/M/L	Explanation of Rating (Mandatory)
Type of Users	M	Ranching and recreation
Amount of Use	M	Mostly dispersed recreation
Public Interest	H	Mostly dispersed recreation, seasonal hunting; Lake Hattie and Twin Buttes Reservoir are highly used recreation areas year-round
Adjacent Land Uses	L	Vast, open landscape; distant mountains
Special Area Sensitivity	NA	N/A
Other Factors	NA	N/A
Overall Rating	M	Identified as an area of interest in public meeting series. A segment of the population appreciates the vast open spaces of Wyoming.

Narrative:

Vast, open plains with scattered ponds, reservoirs, lakes. Minimal topographic diversity. Lots of short-grass prairie.

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SENSITIVITY LEVEL RATING SHEET

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Date: 10/28/2010

Evaluators: CBrandt GLong

Sensitivity Level Rating Unit: Medicine Bow

Unit Number: 85

Type of Area: Ridges, hills, and low drainages

Predominant Types of Users: Ranchers, industry

	H/M/L	Explanation of Rating (Mandatory)
Type of Users	L	Ranching, industrial
Amount of Use	L	Low use of the type that would favor maintaining scenic quality
Public Interest	L	An area where industrial activity is somewhat dominant
Adjacent Land Uses	L	Ranching
Special Area Sensitivity	NA	N/A
Other Factors	NA	N/A
Overall Rating	L	Land use decisions favor commercial/industrial development

Narrative:

Transportation corridors, industrial, wind farms, reclaimed mining areas. Industrial development and emphasis seem to be encouraged.

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Evaluators: CBrandt GLong

Sensitivity Level Rating Unit: Rock Creek

Unit Number: 86

Type of Area: Riparian, agricultural valley

Predominant Types of Users: Ranchers, industry, residents, some recreation

	H/M/L	Explanation of Rating (Mandatory)
Type of Users	M	Residential, ranching, some recreation, some industrial (oil & gas)
Amount of Use	L	Relatively low levels of use
Public Interest	M	Scenic riparian, agricultural valley
Adjacent Land Uses	L	Ranching, industrial
Special Area Sensitivity	NA	N/A
Other Factors	NA	N/A
Overall Rating	M	Scenic valley; contains residences and ranches

Narrative:

Mentioned in public meetings as a scenic area and used by the public.

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Date: 9/7/2010

Evaluators: CBrandt GLong

Sensitivity Level Rating Unit: Centennial Valley

Unit Number: 87

Type of Area: Broad, irrigated valley

Predominant Types of Users: Local residents, visitors

	H/M/L	Explanation of Rating (Mandatory)
Type of Users	H	Visitors, tourists, local residents, subdivisions
Amount of Use	M	Medium use level, year round
Public Interest	M	Not of broad public interest
Adjacent Land Uses	M	Medicine Bow National Forest
Special Area Sensitivity	NA	N/A
Other Factors	NA	N/A
Overall Rating	H	High; local ranches and rural subdivisions, scenic highway traverses the area

Narrative:

Located along a tourist highway, the gateway to the Medicine Bow National Forest, with year-round tourist and visitor traffic. Location of subdivisions and ranches.

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Evaluators: CBrandt GLong

Sensitivity Level Rating Unit: Big Hollow

Unit Number: 88

Type of Area: Plains

Predominant Types of Users: Viewers from Wyoming Highway 130

	H/M/L	Explanation of Rating (Mandatory)
Type of Users	M	Landowners, viewers from Wyoming Highway 130
Amount of Use	L	Low recreational, ranching use
Public Interest	M	Moderate public interest
Adjacent Land Uses	L	Livestock grazing, rural subdivisions
Special Area Sensitivity	M	National Natural Landmark
Other Factors	NA	N/A
Overall Rating	M	Private land area, of interest due to geologic character

Narrative:

A geologic oddity. Scenic open space; 5 percent BLM-administered surface. Broad, wind-sculpted basin. Lacks significant visual features.

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Date: 9/1/2010

Evaluators: CBrandt GLong

Sensitivity Level Rating Unit: Upper Laramie River

Unit Number: 89

Type of Area: River valley

Predominant Types of Users: Recreationists, area residents

H/M/L

Explanation of Rating (Mandatory)

	H/M/L	Explanation of Rating (Mandatory)
Type of Users	H	Area residents, recreationists
Amount of Use	H	Public access, the backyard for area residents
Public Interest	H	One of Albany County's treasured scenic areas
Adjacent Land Uses	M	National Forest, Jelm Mountain
Special Area Sensitivity	NA	N/A
Other Factors	NA	N/A
Overall Rating	H	Deep, scenic canyon with high scenic quality; high public interest in maintaining scenic quality

Narrative:

A scenic river valley adjacent to a scenic drive (Wyoming 10). Quality fishery with legal public access.

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Sensitivity Level Rating Unit: Jelms Mountain

Unit Number: 90

Type of Area: Mountainous

Predominant Types of Users: Recreationists, area residents

	H/M/L	Explanation of Rating (Mandatory)
Type of Users	H	Recreational, area residents, second-home owners
Amount of Use	H	Daily presence of residents, visitors
Public Interest	H	Local concern for scenic quality of landscape
Adjacent Land Uses	H	Residents of New Jelms, highway corridor
Special Area Sensitivity	NA	N/A
Other Factors	M	Location of I.R. Observatory
Overall Rating	H	Dramatic mountain adjacent to Medicine Bow National Forest; high scenic quality, high on list of local concerns

Narrative:

Jelms Mountain is a visual backdrop for the Laramie Valley. Local residents and adjacent to Highway 10, a scenic drive to Colorado. Concerns about wind energy development have heightened concern for overall scenic quality in the area.

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Date: 8/31/2010

Evaluators: CBrandt GLong

Sensitivity Level Rating Unit: Boulder Ridge

Unit Number: 91

Type of Area: Low mountain area

Predominant Types of Users: Private landowners

H/M/L

Explanation of Rating (Mandatory)

	H/M/L	Explanation of Rating (Mandatory)
Type of Users	L	Area landowners
Amount of Use	L	Low levels of use
Public Interest	L	Not of significant public interest
Adjacent Land Uses	L	Ranching, limited second-home development
Special Area Sensitivity	M	Sand Creek National Natural Landmark is located within this unit
Other Factors	NA	None known
Overall Rating	L	95% private land; limited public interest or knowledge of the area; modest scenic value

Narrative:

Mostly private land. An area of somewhat rugged topography that straddles the Wyoming/Colorado border; low public interest.

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Date: 8/31/2010

Evaluators: CBrandt GLong

Sensitivity Level Rating Unit: Laramie Range Front

Unit Number: 92

Type of Area: Slopes of mountain ranges

Predominant Types of Users: Area residents, adjacent landowners

	H/M/L	Explanation of Rating (Mandatory)
Type of Users	H	Adjacent landowners, residents of Laramie
Amount of Use	H	Seen by large numbers of people
Public Interest	M	Moderately important issue
Adjacent Land Uses	H	Area residents living close to the Laramie Range
Special Area Sensitivity	NA	N/A
Other Factors	NA	N/A
Overall Rating	H	Proximity to Laramie and East Laramie residents who have expressed concern for the area's scenic values

Narrative:

The Laramie Range Front is seen by large numbers of people; the visual backdrop for the Laramie Valley. Adjacent to Laramie. Preserving the scenic quality of the Laramie Range Front is a recurring issue.

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Evaluators: CBrandt GLong

Sensitivity Level Rating Unit: Laramie Range

Unit Number: 93

Type of Area: Low mountain area

Predominant Types of Users: Private landowners, ranchers

	H/M/L	Explanation of Rating (Mandatory)
Type of Users	M	Ranching, private landowners
Amount of Use	L	Low levels of use
Public Interest	L	Not of significant public interest
Adjacent Land Uses	L	Ranching
Special Area Sensitivity	NA	N/A
Other Factors	NA	N/A
Overall Rating	M	Somewhat limited public interest outside of Medicine Bow National Forest; modest scenic values

Narrative:

Vast majority is private land. Low mountain range with scattered forested areas.

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SENSITIVITY LEVEL RATING SHEET

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Date: 10/29/2010

Evaluators: CBrandt GLong

Sensitivity Level Rating Unit: Happy Jack Corridor

Unit Number: 94

Type of Area: Low, mountainous, forested

Predominant Types of Users: Recreationists, local residents

	H/M/L	Explanation of Rating (Mandatory)
Type of Users	H	Recreation, intermingled private landowners
Amount of Use	H	High use year round
Public Interest	M	An area of considerable interest to Cheyenne residents
Adjacent Land Uses	L	Ranching, housing
Special Area Sensitivity	M	Contains rural subdivisions and State Park units
Other Factors	M	Scenic alternative route between Laramie and Cheyenne
Overall Rating	H	Contains State Park units. A scenic alternative to I-80.

Narrative:

Located east of the Pole Mountain unit of the Medicine Bow National Forest. Recreational land uses, rural subdivisions.

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SENSITIVITY LEVEL RATING SHEET

Field Office: Rawlins

Date: 10/25/1010

Evaluators: CBrandt GLong

Sensitivity Level Rating Unit: I-80 Corridor East

Unit Number: 95

Type of Area: Transportation corridor

Predominant Types of Users: Highway travelers

	H/M/L	Explanation of Rating (Mandatory)
Type of Users	L	Highway travelers including tourists
Amount of Use	H	More than 45,000 visits per year
Public Interest	L	Public interest is not known to be high for preserving scenic quality along I-80
Adjacent Land Uses	M	Scenic areas including Medicine Bow National Forest
Special Area Sensitivity	NA	N/A
Other Factors	NA	N/A
Overall Rating	M	Most scenic portion of I-80 corridor in Wyoming

Narrative:

The I-80 corridor east of Rawlins traverses lots of diverse and scenic landscapes.

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SENSITIVITY LEVEL RATING SHEET

Field Office: Rawlins

Date: 9/7/2010

Evaluators: CBrandt GLong

Sensitivity Level Rating Unit: North Laramie County

Unit Number: 96

Type of Area: Broad plains area

Predominant Types of Users: Local residents, ranchers, farmers

	H/M/L	Explanation of Rating (Mandatory)
Type of Users	L	Local residents, ranching
Amount of Use	L	Low use, limited mostly to ranching, agriculture
Public Interest	L	Low public interest
Adjacent Land Uses	L	None that would suggest medium or high visual sensitivity; ranching, agriculture
Special Area Sensitivity	NA	N/A
Other Factors	NA	N/A
Overall Rating	L	Low; never known as a scenic area. Has open space value but low scenic value.

Narrative:

Broad plains, agricultural area, predominantly private land.

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Field Office: Rawlins

Date: 8/31/2010

Evaluators: CBrandt GLong

Sensitivity Level Rating Unit: Laramie County

Unit Number: 97

Type of Area: Vast, open plains

Predominant Types of Users: Ranchers, agriculture

	H/M/L	Explanation of Rating (Mandatory)
Type of Users	L	Private landowners, ranching, agriculture
Amount of Use	L	Low levels of use
Public Interest	L	Low public interest in preserving scenic quality
Adjacent Land Uses	L	Ranching, agriculture
Special Area Sensitivity	NA	N/A
Other Factors	NA	N/A
Overall Rating	L	Low; an area of low scenic value that is not identified by the public as an important scenic area.

Narrative:

Vast plains area, much of which has a significant human footprint. Virtually all private lands.

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SENSITIVITY LEVEL RATING SHEET

Field Office: Rawlins

Date: 8/26/2010

Evaluators: CBrandt GLong

Sensitivity Level Rating Unit: Pine Bluffs

Unit Number: 98

Type of Area: Forested ridge

Predominant Types of Users: Adjacent landowners and farmers

H/M/L

Explanation of Rating (Mandatory)

Type of Users	M	Adjacent landowners and area residents
Amount of Use	M	Seen by large numbers of residents and travelers
Public Interest	M	Travelers on I-80 and the Pine Bluffs area
Adjacent Land Uses	M	Adjacent landowners
Special Area Sensitivity	M	An area of archeological interest
Other Factors	NA	N/A
Overall Rating	M	A unique landscape for eastern Wyoming; significant public interest.

Narrative:

Pine Bluffs is a scenic landmark from which the adjacent town takes its name. The vast majority is private land.