

Table 3.11-1. Recreational Management System Information on Recreation Participants and Visitor Days in the RMPPA.

Recreation Participants and Visitor Days Rawlins Field Office¹						
	Fiscal Year 1999		Fiscal Year 2000		Fiscal Year 2001	
	Number of Participants	# Visitor Days	Number of Participants	# Visitor Days	Number of Participants	# Visitor Days
Backpacking	1,935	6,440	1,935	6,440	156	747
Bicycling – Mountain	4,865	1,633	4,865	1,633	1,334	447
Camping	14,658	43,371	16,044	47,797	12,661	31,144
Canoe/Kayaking	0	0	0	0	8	5
Caving	50	25	50	25	0	0
Driving for Pleasure	122,552	61,275	122,550	61,275	24,000	12,000
Environmental Education	1,950	1,267	2,025	1,100	42	56
Fishing – Freshwater	99,541	59,095	98,959	58,988	49,279	19,457
Gather Non-Commercial Products	3,700	2,467	3,700	2,467	2,400	800
Hiking/Walking/Running	16,078	9,089	16,075	9,088	14,600	5,350
Horseback Riding	5,191	2,205	5,535	2,732	2,770	1,387
Hunting – Big Game	73,603	248,184	74,180	251,754	30,997	59,453
Hunting – Small Game	1,650	1,100	1,650	1,100	0	0
Hunting – Upland Bird	1,600	1,067	1,600	1,067	0	0
Hunting – Waterfowl	2,600	1,733	1,040	1,360	500	333
Nature Study	2,600	967	2,600	967	300	25
OHV – ATV	3,350	1,117	3,350	1,117	4,800	1,600
OHV – Cars/Trucks/SUVs	46,611	31,068	46,618	31,068	33,984	16,838
OHV – Motorcycle	1,600	1,067	1,600	1,067	0	0
Photography	2,250	1,283	2,950	1,517	0	0
Picnicking	22,601	3,892	21,050	3,629	11,878	973
Power Boating	1,235	823	1,235	823	0	0
Rockhounding/Mineral Collection	1,890	1,212	1,910	1,222	0	0
Row/Float/Raft	14,492	5,309	11,109	4,296	7,180	2,409
Skiing – Cross Country	1,600	1,067	1,600	1,067	0	0
Snow Play – General	1,600	533	1,600	533	0	0
Snowmobiling	1,760	1,147	1,760	1,147	1,200	600
Target Practice	4,850	1,608	4,850	1,608	3,600	300
Trapping	1,800	1,167	1,644	1,089	0	0
Viewing – Wild Horses	1,600	1,067	1,600	1,067	0	0
Viewing – Wildlife	181,228	25,509	181,025	25,408	86,601	8,100

Source: BLM Recreation Management Information System, BLM Rawlins Field Office

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1 - Changes to the RMIS system of data collection and estimation were made after Fiscal Year 2000. Recreation estimates prior to Fiscal Year 2001 were believed to be overestimates, so methodology for FY 2001 was improved and visitation estimates are significantly lower for the Rawlins Field Office in 2001. Large declines in visitation estimates between 2000 and 2001 should not be interpreted as an actual decrease in visits, but rather a change in estimation methodology.