

Price River Area Route Inventory

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An essential component of the Resource Management Planning process is area and route designation for Off-Highway Vehicle (OHV) use. BLM Planning Manual directs:

All public lands are required to have OHV designations (see 43 CFR 8342.1). All OHV designations, including road and trail designations or re-designations (see 43 CFR 8340.0-8 and 8342.2), must be made through the land use planning process described in 43 CFR 1600. OHV designations should be reviewed periodically to ensure that resource objectives are being met see 43 CFR 8342.3).

In February 2003, the Price Field Office released the final decision for the San Rafael Route Designation Plan. This plan will be adopted into the new Resource Management Plan by reference. The Price River Area of the Field Office was not part of the San Rafael Plan. Designations in this area will be reviewed and areas will maintain existing designations or be redesignated through this planning process.

A major step in reviewing the Price River Area OHV designations is a baseline route inventory. BLM is working to compile the most accurate route inventory possible. In coordination with the State of Utah, Carbon and Emery Counties, and the use of satellite imagery, BLM has developed a map showing routes in the Price River Area. This map is available for review at www.pricermp.com, or may be picked up at the Price Field Office.



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Steps of Inventory To Date

In an effort to assemble an accurate route inventory, BLM is coordinating with The State of Utah, Carbon and Emery Counties. The Price Field office maintains its own route database in a Geographic Information System (GIS). The database has been built from recorded surveys, maintenance agreements with Carbon and Emery Counties, BLM survey work, and the use of Global Positioning Systems (GPS). This BLM database has served as the first step in this inventory. (BLM Route Coverage identified in **ORANGE** and **GREEN** lines on the map.)

In on-going efforts, Carbon and Emery Counties have been building their own GIS databases. This information has also been used to supplement the overall database. (County coverage identified in **LIGHT BLUE** and **DARK BLUE** lines on the map.)

As this information has been compiled, the information has been integrated with a satellite image of the area. Utilizing advanced software developed for identifying routes, BLM has been able to supplement the other data sources and augment the route inventory. (Routes identified from satellite imagery identified in **RED** lines in the map.)



Request for Data

In an effort to improve the accuracy of the route inventory, BLM requests any additional information you may have indicating routes that have not been included in the base map. If you have additional route information that will improve this inventory, please contact Jack Wood, BLM GIS Specialist, at the Price Field Office (435)-636-3600 to arrange a time when you can meet to submit and review this information. Information is best if submitted in GIS format, although a marked up map is acceptable. Information will need to be submitted before August 25 to be included in this inventory.

Data should be submitted according to the following standards:

- ▶ **Data should be collected using a method that ensures the greatest accuracy practical, as determined in consultation with the BLM.**
- ▶ **The method of collection must be documented.**
- ▶ **All data must be collected in or converted to UTM Zone 12, using the 1927 North American Datum (CONUS).**
- ▶ **The data shall be collected as or converted to a GIS compatible format, such as Arc Info coverages or shapefiles.**
- ▶ **All data must be linked to a Theme Attribute Table matching the format set up by BLM for its GIS database.**
- ▶ **Linear data shall be collected as or converted to lines, and polygons as polygons.**
- ▶ **GPS points preferably should be averaged from numerous positions, and the number of positions averaged must be documented.**
- ▶ **GPS data shall be differentially corrected.**
- ▶ **GPS correction status and receiver type must be documented.**
- ▶ **Other information on GPS data quality, such as maximum PDOP should also be documented.**
- ▶ **PDOP values should not exceed 8.0 (6.0 is preferable).**

Digital arc segments can also be obtained from the Utah Automated Geographic Reference Center at the web address (www.agrc.its.state.ut.us) or may be obtained from other sources and placed into ArcInfo coverages or shapefiles and converted according to the standard in the paragraph above. Data should be on a CD or 3.5" floppy disk.

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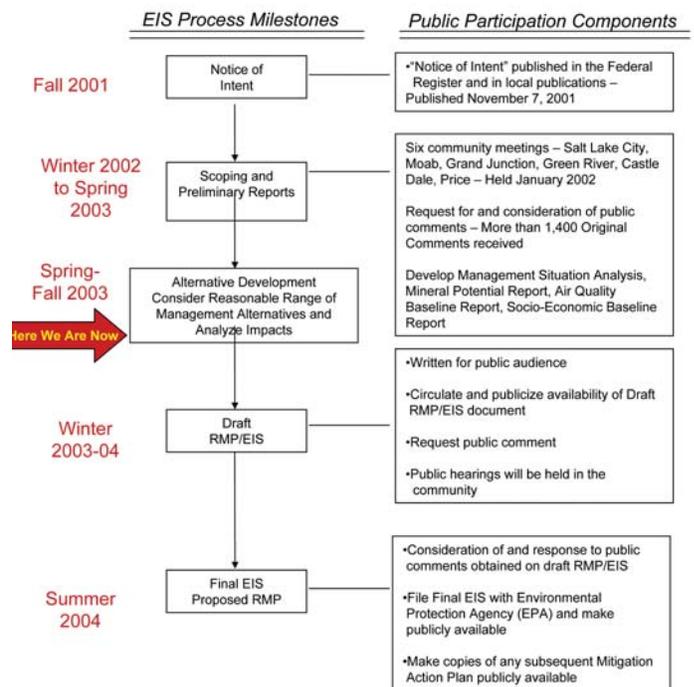
RMP Update

The Resource Management Planning effort for the Price Field Office is continuing to progress. This process that began in November 2001, is moving through the alternative development stage. Beginning in January 2002, BLM received public insight and input in how the Public Lands in the Price Field Office should be managed. This input was used to develop the Scoping Report, which is available on the Price RMP website (www.pricermp.com). This report has served as a guide to the BLM in identifying improved management of Public Lands.

At this time, BLM is working with an Interdisciplinary Team to identify a reasonable range of management alternatives that will be analyzed in a Draft Environmental Impact Statement. This analysis should be ready for public review in Winter 2003-04. Information about the planning process, including the development of preliminary data reports can be found at the project website, www.pricermp.com.



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