

LAND USE PLAN (LUP) AMENDMENT / MAINTENANCE SHEET

Plan Name: Record of Decision and Approved Resource Management Plan
Location: Bureau of Land Management – Vernal Field Office
Program: Realty & Pariette ACEC
Revision: 1 Maintenance Change Sheet No.: 2014-01

LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION OF CHANGES¹

Item	Page	Paragraph	Change Description		
			Federal	Acres	Percent
2014-01-001	4	Land Ownership Table	BLM Vernal Field Office	1,697,039 <u>1,679,199</u>	30.75%
			Private	Acres	Percent
			Total	1,223,791 <u>1,223,631</u>	22.17%
2014-01-002	21	VRM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Designate the following visual resource management classes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ VRM Class I 57,776 acres ◆ VRM Class II 259,734 acres ◆ VRM Class III 759,977<u>760,137</u> acres ◆ VRM Class IV 642,450 		
2014-01-003	36	ACEC Acreage Table	Pariette Wetlands	special status bird and plant habitat, wetlands ecosystem	10,437 <u>10,597</u>
2014-01-004	91	LAR-21	<p>Land ownership changes will be considered on lands not specifically identified in the Approved RMP (Figure 6a) for disposal or acquisition if the changes are in accordance with resource management objectives and other RMP decisions, determined to be in the public interest, and will accomplish one or more of the following criteria:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The changes are determined to be in the public interest. The public will benefit from land resources coming into public ownership, while at the same time accommodating the needs of local and state governments, including the needs for public purposes, community growth and the economy. 		
2014-01-005	97	GRA-8	<p>However, Upon relinquishment, the BLM may determine through a site-specific evaluation and associated NEPA analysis, that the public lands involved are better used for other purposes.</p>		
2014-01-006	116	TMD-6	<p>TMD-6 Up to 400 miles of hiking, horseback riding, and mechanized (non-motorized) trails will be signed, improved, and/or developed in the following areas:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bitter Creek • Boulevard Ridge • Burnt Timber Canyon 		

¹ Page references and paragraph numbering on this LUP Maintenance Sheet correspond to the Vernal ROD / Approved RMP reissued in June 2009.

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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Centennial Book Cliffs Trail • Chipeta Canyon • Daniels Canyon • Devils Hole • Green River • Dry Fork • Ely/Rainbow Park • Home Mountain • Little Mountain • <u>Mountain Home</u>
2014-01-007	117	RIP-2	<p>Allow no new surface-disturbing activities within active flood plains, public water reserves, or 100 meters of riparian areas unless:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There are no practical alternatives, <u>or</u> • Impacts will be fully mitigated, <u>or</u> • The action is designed to enhance the riparian resources
2014-01-00X	125	ACEC-11	<p>Pariette Wetlands (10,437-10,597 acres) will continue to be designated as an ACEC. A comprehensive integrated activity plan will be developed/implemented that will address protection of special status bird and plant species and habitat, wetlands ecosystem, waterfowl production, and soil. OHV use will be limited to designated routes. Visual Resources will be managed as Class III.</p> <p>For oil and gas leasing within Pariette Wetlands:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Zero acres will be open to leasing subject to the terms and conditions of the standard lease form • Zero acres will be open to leasing subject to moderate constraints such as TLs and CSU • About 10,437-10,597 acres will be open to leasing subject to major constraints such as NSO stipulations • Zero acres will be unavailable for leasing

RATIONALE / JUSTIFICATION

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The BLM Vernal Field Office acquired 160 acres located within the Pariette Wetlands Area of Critical Environmental Concern (ACEC). See the attached Notice of Acquisition. The Vernal Resource Management Plan (RMP) is updated to reflect the change in acreage. Visual resources for Pariette ACEC will be managed as Class III per Management Decision ACEC-11.			
<u>Changes 2014-01-004 through 2014-01-006</u>			
General cleanup changes to reduce redundancy, improve clarity, and name correction.			
<u>Change 2014-01-007</u>			
Changes made to be consistent with Utah Riparian Management Policy UT-2005-091 language.			

	SIGNATURES	DATE
Program Lead	Kelly Buckner	04-02-2014
Environmental Coordinator	Kelly Buckner	04-02-2014
Field Office Manager	Michael Stiewig 	4/2/14

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IN REPLY REFER TO:
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UTU-4493/UTU-88491

Memorandum

To: Field Office Manager, Vernal (UTG01)

From: Deputy State Director, Lands and Minerals (UT920) *ZA ZL Am*

Subject: Notice of Acquisition and Change in Ownership of Land under Federal Mineral Lease UTU-4493

The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) recently acquired the following described lands within the Pariette Wetlands Area of Critical Environmental Concern:

T. 9 S., R. 19 E., SLM, Utah
sec. 8, NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$, NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$, E $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$.

Containing 160 acres.

The acquisition included the surface estate, all minerals not previously reserved by the United States, and two water rights (47-1513 and 47-1490). The acquired acreage is included in Federal oil and gas lease UTU-4493, held by Newfield Production Company (Newfield). The parcel was acquired subject to a Memorandum of Easement, Right-of-Way and Surface Use Agreement between the prior landowner and Newfield. Your office will need to alert Newfield that the BLM is now the surface owner and that your office will need to be contacted regarding any new improvements or use of the surface in connection with their Federal lease operations. If Newfield wishes to retain this surface use agreement for any reason, the BLM must honor the terms and conditions of the agreement. However, Newfield should be directed to provide the BLM with a copy of the signed agreement, so the BLM will be aware of its specific terms and conditions, and any payments that may be required under the agreement.

Copies of the recorded Memorandum, unsigned agreement, and serial register pages for the lease and the acquisition case are attached for your reference. The original case file for this acquisition will be forwarded to your office for retention as soon as the final title evidence has been approved by the Solicitor. The master title plats and the GIS ownership layer will be updated by UT921 to reflect the acquisition. Please provide the appropriate to your staff so they are aware of the change in ownership.

If you have any further questions, please contact Joy Wehking of this office at (801) 539-4114.

Attachments:

1. Memorandum/unsigned Surface Use Agreement
2. SRPs

cc: Branch of Fluid Minerals (UT922)

