

Milestones for May 2013

Press Releases, Public Notices, and Public Outreach

05-02-2013	<p>The BLM Vernal Field Office posts an online news release entitled “BLM Hosts Public Open Houses for Travel Management Planning in Vernal.” The news release can be viewed at: http://www.blm.gov/ut/st/en/info/newsroom/2013/may/blm_hosts_public_open.html.</p> <p>Approximately 30 days in advance of the open houses, the Vernal BLM webpage was notified the public of the upcoming TMP. The public was encouraged download a free copy of GoogleEarth so they could view a map of the planning area and the current route inventory map. Instructions on how the public could download a free version of GoogleEarth was provided. Two data files (one showing land ownership and the other showing inventory routes could be downloaded and viewed. Using the online comment form, the public could view the click on individual routes displayed on the electronic inventory map. Using the unique route ID number, the public could then make comments associated with a specific route. Once completed, the online comment form could be submitted directly to a BLM email inbox.</p>
05-07-2013	<p>A news article entitled “UTAH - BLM Hosts Public Open Houses for Travel Management Planning in Vernal” appears on the Blue Ribbon Coalition website. This article can be viewed at: http://www.sharetrails.org/node/15674</p>
05-07-2013 05-14-2013 05-21-2013 05-28-2013	<p>A series of four public notices were published in the Uintah Basin Standard newspaper announcing that the VFO Travel Management Plan was soon to begin. The public notices gave the dates and times of the Open House/Workshops. The public notice also states that a 30-day public scoping period for the North Travel Management and Transportation Plan Environmental Assessment (EA) would run from June 5, 2013, to July 6, 2013.</p>
05-08-2013 05-15-2013 05-22-2013 05-29-2013	<p>A series of four public notices were published in the Vernal Express newspaper announcing that the VFO Travel Management Plan was soon to begin. The public notices gave the dates and times of the Open House/Workshops. The public notice also states that a 30-day public scoping period for the North Travel Management and Transportation Plan Environmental Assessment (EA) would run from June 5, 2013, to July 6, 2013.</p> <p>A copy of these notices is also viewable at Utah Legal Notices at http://utahlegals.com/notice.php?id=181940.</p>
05-22-2013	<p>Jason West (Recreation Planner) has an interview on local radio station KVEL (AM 920) as part of Lincoln Brown Show.</p> <p>The public was told times and locations for the Open Houses. More importantly, these broadcasts encouraged the public to become involved, solicit comments, and participate in the planning process.</p>

05-23-2013	<p>Jason West (Recreation Planner) has an interview with VTV Channel 6 (the local TV station) about the North Travel Management Plan. The interview was aired multiple times between May 28 – June 5, 2013.</p> <p>The public was told times and locations for the upcoming Open House/Work Shops. More importantly, these broadcasts encouraged the public to become involved, solicit comments, and participate in the planning process.</p>
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