Documentation of Land Use Plan Conformance and NEPA Adequacy (DNA)
U.S. Department of the Interior Bureau of Land Management
Grand Junction Field Office, Colorado
Grand Valley Power Line to Mesa County Sewer Vault
DOI-BLM-CO-N030-2015-0006-DNA

A. Purpose and Need:
The purpose of the application is to provide legal use of public land for power transmission to Mesa County's sewer vault. The need is established by the BLM's responsibility under FLPMA to respond to a request for a right-of-way grant for transportation systems on federal lands.

B. Proposed Action:
An amendment of existing right-of-way grant COC40208 is requested for an overhead 14.4 kV electric power line (See map). This power line would be 753 feet in length, 50 feet in width for a total disturbance of 0.865 acres. This line would come south to an existing power pole, (355') located in the BLM storage yard, and then continue on southeast (325') to a pole within the right-of-way of Hookless Boulevard (COC74788). The 753' of line is a 240 kV slack span to a pole that has a light and service meter to the BLM building. The portion of the line coming southeast from the pole in the BLM storage yard to a proposed 40' tall pole with electric transformer (325') would be set by a bucket truck. A bucket truck would attach the line in the BLM storage yard and a man would walk the line to the other pole where the bucket truck would attach it to the new pole. Within the 50' right-of-way, the guy wire/anchor would be set along with an underground cable to the meter pedestal. The underground cable would be installed by a walk-behind auger. The construction would take one week. In addition, Mesa County would require an amendment to COC73951, which is a sewer line along Hookless Boulevard. Mesa County has installed a sewer vault to access the sewer pipe for proper operation (ancillary use). The vault is located within the existing right-of-way.

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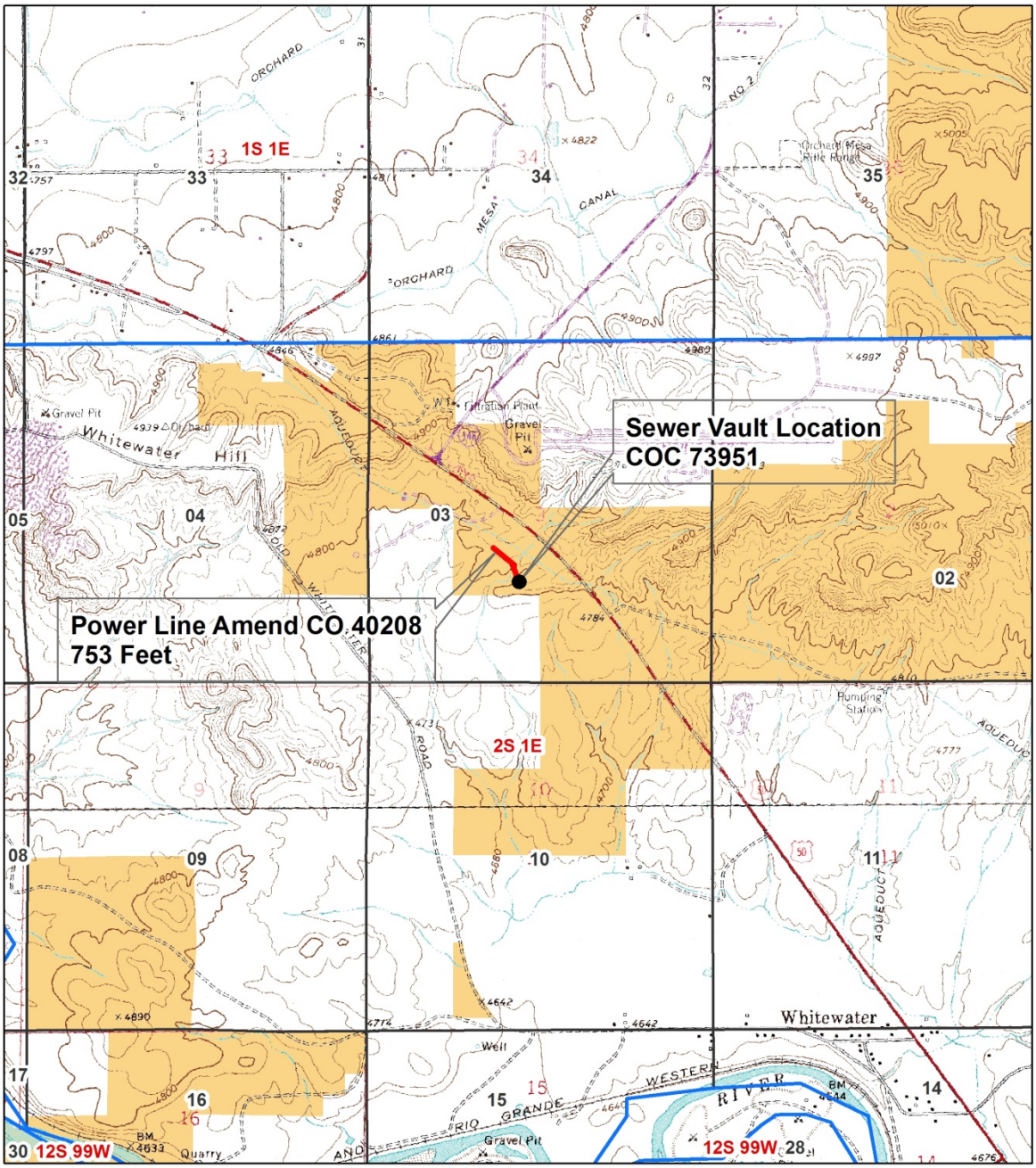

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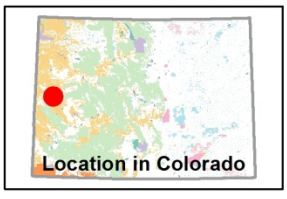

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C. Location: Ute Meridian, T. 2 S., R. 1 E., Section 3.

D. Land Use Plan (LUP) Conformance

Name of Plan: Grand Junction Resource Management Plan Date Approved: January, 1987

Decision Number/Page: Page 2-29

Decision Language: The objective of the GJFO RMP under Public Utilities Management is "to respond in a timely manner, to requests for utility authorizations on public land while considering environmental, social, economic, and interagency concerns."

E. Identify applicable NEPA documents and other related documents that cover the proposed action.

Grand Junction Resource Area RMP Environmental Impact Statement, January 1987

Mesa County Whitewater Sewer Pipeline Project (DOI-BLM-CO-130-2010-0017-EA), for which the FONSI and Decision Record were signed on July 22, 2010.

F. NEPA Adequacy Criteria

1. Is the current proposed action substantially the same action (or is a part of that action) as previously analyzed? Is the current proposed action located at a site specifically analyzed in an existing document?

Yes, the current Proposed Action is part of the action in the Mesa County Whitewater Sewer Pipeline Project. There are no changes in geographic location or scope of the project.

2. Is the range of alternatives analyzed in the existing NEPA document(s) appropriate with respect to the current proposed action, given current environmental concerns, interests, and resource values?

Given current environmental concerns, interest, and resource values, the range of alternatives analyzed in the Mesa County Whitewater Sewer Pipeline Project is appropriate with respect to the current Proposed Action. The basic elements of the Proposed Action in the Mesa County Whitewater Sewer Pipeline Project EA remain unchanged by this action.

3. Is the existing analysis valid in light of any new information or circumstances?

The existing analysis is valid. No new information or circumstances exist.

4. Do the methodology and analytical approach used in the existing NEPA document(s) continue to be appropriate for the current proposed action?

Yes. The methodology and analytical approaches used in the existing EA are appropriate for this action.

5. Are the direct and indirect impacts of the current proposed action substantially unchanged from those identified in the existing NEPA document(s)? Does the existing NEPA document analyze site-specific impacts related to the current proposed action?

Yes. The direct and indirect impacts of the Proposed Action are similar to those identified in the Mesa County Whitewater Sewer Pipeline Project. There are no new direct or indirect impacts that were not previously analyzed.

6. Are the cumulative impacts that would result from implementation of the current proposed action substantially unchanged from those analyzed in the existing NEPA document(s)?

Yes. The current Proposed Action would not result in any new cumulative impacts.

7. Are the public involvement and interagency review associated with existing NEPA document(s) adequate for the current proposed action?

Yes. The public involvement and interagency review associated with existing NEPA documents; specifically the Mesa County Whitewater Sewer Pipeline Project is adequate for the current Proposed Action.

G. Interdisciplinary Analysis: Team members conducting or participating in the documentation of NEPA adequacy for the Mesa County Whitewater Sewer Project (DOI-BLM-CO-130-2010-0017-EA), for which the FONSI and Decision Record were signed on July 22, 2010 can be found on page 52 of the above referenced document. The following ID Team members participated in the preparation of this document.

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CONCLUSION

Based on the review documented above, I conclude that this proposal conforms to the applicable land use plan and that the NEPA documentation fully covers the proposed action and constitutes BLM's compliance with the requirements of NEPA.

SIGNATURE OF AUTHORIZED OFFICIAL:

Dan Muller
Acting Field Manager

DATE SIGNED: 4/2/2015

The signed Conclusion on this document is part of an interim step in the BLM's internal decision process and does not constitute an appealable decision. However, the grant authorization based on this DNA is subject to protest or appeal under 43 CFR Part 4 and the program-specific regulations.

Attachments:
Stipulations

SITE_SPECIFIC STIPULATIONS:

1) All persons in the area who are associated with this project shall be informed that any person who, without a permit, injures, destroys, excavates, appropriates or removes any historic or prehistoric ruin, artifact, object of antiquity, Native American remains, Native American cultural item, or archaeological resources on public lands is subject to arrest and penalty of law (16 USC 433, 16 USC 470, 18 USC 641, 18 USC 1170, and 18 USC 1361). Strict adherence to the confidentiality of information concerning the nature and location of archeological resources would be required of the proponent and all of their subcontractors (Archaeological Resource Protection Act, 16 U.S.C. 470hh).

2) Inadvertent Discovery: The National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA) [16 USC 470s., 36 CFR 800.13], as amended, requires that if newly discovered historic or archaeological materials or other cultural resources are identified during the Proposed Action implementation, work in that area must stop and the BLM Authorized Officer (AO) must be notified immediately. Within five working days the AO will determine the actions that will likely have to be completed before the site can be used (assuming in place preservation is not necessary).

3) The Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act (NAGPRA) [25 USC 3001 et seq., 43 CFR 10.4] requires that if inadvertent discovery of Native American Human Remains or Objects of Cultural Patrimony occurs, any activity must cease in the area of discovery, a reasonable effort made to protect the item(s) discovered, and immediate notice be made to the BLM Authorized Officer, as well as the appropriate Native American group(s) (IV.C.2). Notice may be followed by a 30-day delay (NAGPRA

4) Antiquities, historic ruins, prehistoric ruins, and other cultural or paleontological objects of scientific interest that are outside the authorization boundaries but potentially affected, either directly or indirectly, by the proposed action shall also be included in this evaluation or mitigation. Impacts that occur to such resources as a result of the authorized activities shall be mitigated at the operator's cost, including the cost of consultation with Native American groups.

5) At least 90 days prior to termination of the ROW, the holder shall contact the Authorized Officer to arrange a joint inspection of the right-of-way. This inspection will be held to agree to an acceptable termination and rehabilitation plan. This plan shall include, but is not limited to, removal of facilities, drainage structures, removal of surface material; re-contouring, top-soiling, or seeding. The Authorized Officer must approve the plan in writing prior to the holder’s commencement of any termination activities.

6) The holder shall conduct all activities associated with the construction, operation, and termination of the right-of-way within the authorized limits of the ROW.