

ERRATA SHEET

On March 15, 2019, the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) noticed in the Federal Register (84 FR 10327) the availability of the Record of Decision (ROD) and Approved Resource Management Plan Amendment (ARMPA). The BLM has identified the need for clarification related to the BLM's protest resolution process. These modifications do not substantially change the alternatives or the analysis of effects on the human environment, therefore there is no need to supplement the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) analysis or issue a new ROD.

Attached you will find an errata sheet that corrects Section 2.5 (page 15) of the Wyoming Greater Sage-Grouse ROD/ARMPA. The new text has been highlighted on the attached errata sheet. You should replace these pages in your copies of the ROD/ARMPA with the corrected sheet.

2.5 Protest Resolution

The BLM's planning regulations at 43 CFR 1610.5-2 allow any person who participated in the planning process and has an interest that may be adversely affected by the BLM's planning decisions to protest proposed planning decisions within 30 days of when the notice of availability (NOA) of the Proposed RMP/Final EIS was published in the *Federal Register* (December 10, 2018).

Pursuant to the BLM's 2016 Delegation of Authority Manual (MS-1203 Delegation of Authority, Rel. 1-1779), the BLM Assistant Director for Resources and Planning and staff at the BLM Washington Office reviewed all of the protest issues. The Assistant Director concluded that the BLM Wyoming State Director followed all applicable laws, regulations, and policies and considered all relevant resource information and public input in developing the Proposed RMPA/Final EIS. Each protesting party has been notified in writing of the BLM Assistant Director's findings and the disposition of their protests. The Assistant Director resolved the protests without making significant changes to the Proposed RMPA/Final EIS, though minor clarifications were made and are summarized in Section 2.4. The Assistant Director's decisions on the protests, which are the final decisions of the US Department of the Interior (43 CFR 1610.5-2(b)), are summarized in the Protest Resolution Report which is available on the following BLM website: <https://www.blm.gov/programs/planning-and-nepa/public-participation/protest-resolution-reports>.

The BLM received seven timely protest submissions. Six of the protesting parties had standing. One submission was dismissed because it did not contain any valid protest points, pursuant to 43 CFR 1610.5-2. Valid Protest issues addressed in the Assistant Director's Protest Resolution Report are as follows:

- Compliance with FLPMA
- Compliance with NEPA
- Compliance with the BLM special status species policy in BLM Manual 6840
- Rights governed by the Mining Law of 1872
- Delegation of authority to states and local government
- Compensatory Mitigation
- Compliance with the Administrative Procedures Act
- RDFs / Best available science