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INTRODUCTION

This chapter describes the public participation opportunities made available throughout the development of the resource management plan/environmental impact statement (RMP/EIS), formal consultation that has occurred to date, and collaborative efforts. It also lists preparers of the document and the agencies and organizations that received copies of the RMP for review.

An interdisciplinary team of specialists from Bureau of Land Management's (BLM) Eastern Montana/Dakotas District, Miles City Field Office (MCFO), and the Montana State Office prepared the Miles City RMP. Twenty-seven agencies, including tribal, federal, state, and county governments, participated in development of the document as cooperating agencies. BLM District, field, and state office staff provided technical review and support.

Members of the RMP team consulted formally or informally with numerous agencies, groups, and individuals during the RMP development process. Consultation, coordination, and public involvement consisted of scoping meetings; alternative development and input into the BLM's preferred alternative meetings; briefings; and individual contact with representatives of federal, state, tribal, and local governments.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

The BLM prepared a public participation plan to guide project management and team efforts in the development of the RMP and to ensure public involvement before and during RMP preparation. Major public participation events are described below.

SCOPING

During the scoping for and preparation of the RMP, formal and informal public input was encouraged. The 30-day scoping period began when the notice of intent was published in the Federal Register on February 4, 2005 (BLM 2005d). The formal scoping period ended March 5, 2005, although comments received after that date were also considered.

The BLM hosted nine public scoping meetings during February and March of 2005 to explain the planning process and gather input. News releases to local and regional media sources advertised the times and locations of the scoping meetings. The total registered attendance for all nine meetings was 199 people, with some people attending more than one meeting (Table 5-1). Sign-in sheets were used to record the attendance at each public meeting. The BLM mailed more than 9,000 scoping brochures to agencies, organizations, and individuals. The brochures invited comments and provided information about the planning process.

While each public scoping meeting raised unique issues and concerns, a number of common themes emerged. Although ideas and concerns relating to mining and oil and gas development were mentioned most frequently, access (including off-highway vehicle use [OHV] use), fire management, and invasive vegetation species (weeds) were also mentioned often.

In addition to identifying issues of concern, nominations for special management areas such as areas of critical environmental concern (ACECs) and OHV recreation areas were requested during scoping. Informal comments addressed to BLM staff during conversations at the open houses were not formally recorded but were noted generally.

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The BLM also met with interested county commissioners at this time. Details from those meetings are included in the *Final Scoping Report* (Parametrix 2005).

Also, on December 9, 2011, the BLM issued a notice of intent to plan for sage-grouse in the Federal Register and public scoping was conducted to identify issues. Those comments were taken into consideration in the preparation of the RMP.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD ON THE DRAFT RMP/EIS

A notice of availability announcing the release of the Draft RMP/EIS was published in the Federal Register on March 8, 2013, initiating a 90-day public comment period. The public comment period ended on June 5, 2013. During the 90-day public comment period, the public was provided the opportunity to review and comment on the Draft RMP/EIS.

Notification

The BLM issued news releases on March 7, 2013, announcing the availability of the Draft RMP/EIS, and provided the dates and times of the public meetings. Several articles, news bulletins and radio announcements were made regarding the release of the Draft RMP/EIS. Many of the articles listed the dates for the public meetings. The Draft RMP/EIS was posted on the RMP website, and compact disc copies of the document were distributed to the RMP mailing list. A limited number of hard copy books were also available upon request and reading copies were placed in the BLM public rooms.

Public Meetings

During the public comment period, the BLM held eight public meetings in towns and cities throughout the planning area (see Table 5-1). The public meetings provided information on how to navigate the Draft RMP/EIS and how to prepare and submit substantive comments. The public also had an opportunity to ask questions of BLM specialists and submit comments.

Table 5-1
Public Involvement, Coordination, and Consultation Events

Date	Location
May 6, 2013	MSU Sidney Extension Office, Sidney, MT VFW Hall, Jordon, MT
May 7, 2013	Ekalaka Events Center, Ekalaka, MT Thee Garage Showroom, Baker, MT
May 8, 2013	Terry Elementary School, Terry, MT
May 9, 2013	Forsyth Haugo Center Broadus Community Hall, Broadus, MT
May 13, 2013	Miles City BLM Field Office, Miles City, MT

Comment Analysis

The BLM received comment letters (submissions) by mail, e-mail, fax, and submitted/hand-delivered. The comments covered a wide spectrum of thoughts, ideas, opinions and concerns. According to the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), BLM is required to identify and formally respond to all substantive public comments. Substantive comments from each comment submission were coded to appropriate categories based on content of the comment. The categories generally follow the sections presented in the Draft RMP/EIS, although some relate to the planning process.

Although all comments were considered, the comment analysis process involves determining whether a comment was substantive or nonsubstantive in nature. In performing the analysis, BLM relied on the Council on

Environmental Quality’s regulations to determine what constitutes a substantive comment. A substantive comment does one or more of the following:

- Questions, with a reasonable basis, the accuracy of the information and/or analysis in the Draft RMP/EIS;
- Questions, with a reasonable basis, the adequacy of the information and/or analysis in the Draft RMP/EIS;
- Presents reasonable alternatives other than those presented in the Draft RMP/EIS that meet the purpose and need of the proposed action and addresses significant issues;
- Questions, with a reasonable basis, the merits of an alternative or alternatives;
- Causes changes in or revisions to the proposed action; and
- Questions, with a reasonable basis, the adequacy of the planning process itself.

Comments that failed to meet the above description were considered nonsubstantive. Many comments received throughout the process expressed personal opinions or preferences, had little relevance to the adequacy or accuracy of the Draft RMP/EIS, or represented commentary regarding resource management without any real connection to the document being reviewed. Although not responded to, opinions, feelings, and preferences for one element or one alternative over another, and comments of a personal or philosophical nature were read and considered.

Response to Comments

The categorized comments include excerpts or portions of the comment, along with the BLM’s response. The response indicates whether or not the commenters’ points resulted in a change to the document. See the RMP Public Comment Appendix for substantive comments and BLM’s response.

Comments citing editorial changes to the document were reviewed and incorporated as appropriate. The Proposed Resource Management Plan/Final Environmental Impact Statement (PRMP/FEIS) has been edited and revised to fix typographic errors, missing references, definitions, acronyms, and other needed clarifications.

During the public comment period, the BLM received 196 unique comment submissions from a range of entities, as listed in Table 5-2. Several individuals and agencies requested an extension of the 90-day public comment period. No extensions were granted.

Comments were classified government agency or non-governmental organization if the comment document was received on official letterhead or was received through an official agency or organization e-mail address. The BLM classified all other comment documents as unaffiliated individuals.

Table 5-2. Number of Submissions by Affiliation		
Group	Number of Submission	Number of Comments
Associations (user groups, recreational clubs, realty associations, industry associations, partnerships, etc.)	23	220
Industry groups (pipeline companies, energy companies, utility companies, transmission companies)	9	118
Environmental protection groups and organizations	15	217
Federal agencies (USEPA, USFWS, USFS, NPS)	4	64
Local government (county commissions and departments)	15	102
State government (state agencies, Governor’s Office)	4	45
Private individuals	126	87

SUMMARY OF CHANGES BETWEEN THE DRAFT RMP/EIS AND THE PRMP/FEIS

In addition to the changes described above, modifications between the Draft RMP/EIS and PRMP/FEIS and to the proposed alternative (E) include:

Chapter 1

- Purpose and Need statement refined;
- Issues added and refined;

Chapter 2

- Information and guidance on Greater Sage-grouse habitat management added;
- Alternatives Considered but Eliminated from Detailed Analysis section modified;
- Comparison of Alternatives Table 2-1, is now Table 2-5 and references to following policy or laws deleted;
- Goals and objectives modified;
- Fish and Wildlife section reorganized into the Fish, Aquatic and Wildlife Habitat, Including Special Status Species section;
- Oil and gas leasing stipulation added for Tier 4 Engines;
- Actions on slopes are now part of actions for badlands and outcrops;
- Source water protection area actions added;
- Harvest of nonnative hay or seed now proposed to be allowed;
- Colonial water bird nesting colonies, raptor nests, piping plover, black-footed ferret habitat and pallid sturgeon habitat now proposed No Surface Occupancy for oil and gas leasing;
- Sage-grouse General Habitat Areas now referred to as Greater Sage-grouse General Habitat Management Areas (GHMAs);
- Sage-grouse Protection Priority Areas now referred to as Greater Sage-grouse Priority Habitat Management Areas (PHMAs);
- Sage-grouse priority habitat modified to match the areas identified by Montana Fish, Wildlife and Parks (MFWP);
- Oil and gas leasing now proposed No Surface Occupancy within 0.6 miles of a Greater Sage-grouse leks in GHMAs;
- The oil and gas leasing No Surface Occupancy stipulation with WEMs in PHMAs is now NSO with no WEMs;
- Recommendations for ROWs in Greater Sage-grouse habitat are now grouped as "Minor" and "Major";
- Sage-grouse Source Population area is now restoration habitat;
- A disturbance cap is recommended on Greater Sage-grouse PHMAs;
- An MLP is no longer recommended for the Carter area.
- The policy of conducting a validity examination on mining claims within SRMAs and other Recreation Areas if surface disturbing operations are proposed on the subject mining claims would be discontinued;
- Prescribed fires are no longer proposed to be allowed in a portion of the planning area;
- The Terry and Glendive open OHV areas are now proposed limited OHV use;
- Management recommendations are modified for Zook Creek and Buffalo Creek (former) WSAs;
- The Black-footed Ferret and Piping Plover ACECs and the Yonkee site are no longer recommended ACECs;
- The size of the Smoky Butte ACEC is reduced;

Chapter 3

- Edited based on public comment;

- Updated information has been added related to BLM's wilderness characteristics inventory findings;

Chapter 4

- Reformatted for clarity;
- RFDs and other assumptions for the analyses modified;
- Includes a cumulative impact assessment for sage-grouse zone MZ 1;

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- Public participation and tribal consultation updated;
- Public comment analysis included;
- Mailing list updated;

Appendices

- Cultural Resources, Economics, Forestry and Woodland Products, Paleontological Resources, Soils, Travel and Maintenance appendices deleted;
- The Best Management Practices (BMP) Appendix is modified and renamed to the (for Greater Sage-grouse) Greater Sage-grouse Required Design Features Appendix and (for all other wildlife) the Mitigation Measures and Conservation Actions Appendix.
- Greater Sage-grouse monitoring recommendations are now found in the Greater Sage-grouse Monitoring Framework Appendix and no longer in the Monitoring Appendix;
- Other new appendices include the Disturbance Appendix, Public Comment Appendix, GRSG Effects Analysis Process Appendix, the GRSG Conservation Buffer Appendix, the Greater Sage-grouse (GRSG) Disturbance Cap Appendix, the GRSG Regional Mitigation Strategy Appendix, and

Maps

- Several maps have been deleted or modified.

PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT

Following scoping for, and development and publication of the Draft RMP/EIS, the PRMP/FEIS considered all substantive comments received during the 90-day public comment period for the Draft RMP/EIS. Members of the public with standing have the opportunity to protest the PRMP/FEIS during the specified 30-day protest period. See the Dear Reader letter for instructions. No Record of Decision would be issued by the BLM until the Governor's Consistency Review has been completed, and any protests are resolved.

OTHER OUTREACH EFFORTS

The BLM established a website for information on the RMP. Throughout the development of the RMP, all individuals and organizations on the mailing list received copies of Miles City RMP newsletters each year. In general, the newsletters summarized the status of the RMP and outlined ways for the public to participate and stay involved in development of the plan. The 2009 newsletter also requested that the public contact the BLM if they had new issues to be considered by the BLM.

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COOPERATING AGENCIES

Cooperating agency status provides a formal framework for governmental agencies (local, state, tribal, or federal) to engage in active collaboration with a federal agency to implement NEPA requirements. "Jurisdiction

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by law or special expertise” (40 Code of Federal Regulations [CFR] 1501.6 and 1508.5) may qualify federal and state agencies and local and tribal governments as cooperating agencies.

As part of the initiation process for this RMP, the BLM sent letters to Native American Indian Tribes and more than 50 federal, state, county, and local agencies inviting them to participate in the planning process. The BLM held meetings with government agencies and tribes in which the BLM introduced the project to the agencies and initiated working relationships among project team members and agency personnel.

The following agencies and tribes are cooperating agencies who helped BLM prepare the RMP: Big Horn, Carter, Custer, Daniels, Fallon, Garfield, McCone, Powder River, Richland, Rosebud, Sheridan and Treasure counties; Carter, Wibaux, McCone, Garfield, Richland, and Prairie county conservation districts; Prairie County Cooperative State Grazing District; Bureau of Indian Affairs; USEPA Region 8; USFWS; Montana Department of Environmental Quality; Montana Department of Natural Resources and Conservation; Montana Fish, Wildlife and Parks; Fork Peck Tribes; and Lower Brule Sioux Tribe.

NATIVE AMERICAN INDIAN TRIBES

In accordance with the National Historic Preservation Act and in recognition of the government-to-government relationship between tribes and the federal government, letters of introduction were sent to 14 tribal governments to inform them of the RMP revision initiative. These letters, which also requested input on issues and concerns for the BLM to consider during the planning process, initiated efforts to identify areas of traditional cultural concern, and extended offers of cooperating agency status, were sent to the following tribes on these days:

- Fort Peck Tribes (November 18, 2004);
- Lower Brule Sioux Tribe (November 23, 2004);
- Turtle Mountain Band of Chippewa Indians (November 23, 2004);
- Crow Tribe (November 23, 2004);
- Northern Cheyenne Tribe (January 19, 2005);
- Pine Ridge Sioux Tribes (February 18, 2005);
- Standing Rock Sioux Tribes (February 18, 2005);
- Rosebud Sioux Tribe (February 18, 2005);
- Northern Arapaho Tribe (February 18, 2005);
- Eastern Shoshone Tribe (February 18, 2005);
- Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe (February 18, 2005);
- Blackfeet Tribe (February 18, 2005);
- Fort Belknap Community Council (February 18, 2005); and the
- Chippewa-Cree Tribe of the Rocky Boy’s Reservation (February 18, 2005).

The Fort Peck Tribes, the Northern Cheyenne Tribe, the Crow Tribe, and Trenton Indian Service representing the Turtle Mountain Band of the Chippewa and the Lower Brule Tribe issued responses.

Letters that included the *Miles City Resource Management Plan and Environment Impact Statement Socioeconomic Baseline Report* and the *Miles City Resource Management Plan and Environment Impact Statement Reasonably Foreseeable Development Scenario* were sent to the following tribes on June 28, 2005:

- Lower Brule Sioux Tribe,
- Northern Cheyenne Tribe, and the
- Crow Tribe.

Letters accompanying the *Miles City Resource Management Plan and Environmental Impact Statement Final Scoping Report* were sent to the Lower Brule Sioux Tribe on September 20, 2005.

An update via mail was sent to the Rosebud Sioux Tribe on August 1, 2007.

Letters to solicit tribal input into the selection of the preferred alternative were sent to the following tribes on August 22, 2007:

- Crow Tribe,
- Rosebud Sioux Tribe,
- Lower Brule Sioux Tribe,
- Fort Peck Tribes, and the
- Northern Cheyenne Tribe.

The Lower Brule Sioux Tribe and Fort Peck Tribes signed MOUs to become cooperating agencies and were included in all cooperating agency activities, including bimonthly email or telephone updates. The Northern Cheyenne Tribe participated as a collaborating agency and was included in collaborative activities. All three tribes received copies of the preliminary Draft RMP/EIS March 12, 2010 and November 19, 2010.

Meetings with tribes included the following dates and tribes:

- December 9, 2004 (Fort Peck Tribes and Trenton Indian Services representing the Turtle Mountain Band of Chippewa);
- February 25, 2005 (Crow Tribe);
- March 14, 2005 (Northern Cheyenne);
- April 18, 19, and 20, 2006 (Northern Cheyenne Tribe and Fort Peck Tribes);
- July 24, 2007 (Lower Brule Tribe and Standing Rock Sioux Tribes);
- January 10, 2008 (Three Affiliated Tribes or the Mandan, Hidatsa, and Arikara Nation);
- March 10, 2008 (Northern Cheyenne);
- September 18, 2008 (Standing Rock Sioux Tribes);
- September 25, 2008 (Standing Rock Sioux Tribes);
- August 6, 2009 (Fort Peck Tribes);
- November 9 and 10, 2010 (Cheyenne River Sioux, Lower Brule Sioux, Rosebud Sioux, Oglala Sioux, Sisseton-Wahpeton Oyate Sioux Tribe, Yankton Sioux Tribe, Standing Rock Sioux Tribes, Santee Sioux Tribe of Nebraska, and Northern Cheyenne Tribe);
- November 2, 2011 (Northern Cheyenne Tribe);
- March 25, 2010 (Northern Cheyenne Tribe); and
- December 15, 2010 (Northern Cheyenne Tribe).

The BLM also attended a public meeting in Poplar, Montana, for the Fort Peck Tribes' *Integrated Resource Management Plan in Indian Country* on December 13, 2004.

The BLM contacted the Montana State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) in 2005 to provide access to computerized databases for sites in projects. This information was incorporated into the 2006 Cultural Resource Class I Overview for the field office and serves as the basis for the information in Chapter 3 of the RMP. The Montana SHPO was sent a copy of the Draft RMP/EIS in 2013. No comments were received from the SHPO. Pursuant to the 2015 Montana SHPO/BLM Protocol implementing BLM's National Programmatic Agreement for Cultural Resources, BLM is consulting on the cultural resources sections in the PRMP/FEIS that may impact cultural resources.

UNITED STATES FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE

As required by Section 7 of the Endangered Species Act of 1973 (ESA), the BLM initiated consultation with the United States Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) by submitting a letter to the USFWS on March 15, 2011 (see the *Fish, Aquatic, and Wildlife Habitat, Including Special Status Species Appendix*). This letter introduced the project and requested a list of threatened and endangered species to be considered in the RMP. The USFWS responded with a June 27, 2011 letter that contained a species list. An updated list was also provided to BLM via a letter from USFWS dated March 30, 2015 (see the *Fish, Aquatic, and Wildlife Habitat, Including Special Status Species Appendix*). The BLM is preparing a biological assessment based on the proposed plan

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(Alternative E) for USFWS consideration. Consultation with the USFWS will continue throughout the RMP process.

SAGE-GROUSE HABITAT

The BLM presented or participated in the sage-grouse presentations described below.

- 02/18/2010: Public presentation in Alzada, Montana, with Montana Fish, Wildlife, and Parks and the southeast Montana Local Sage Grouse Working Group.
- 02/22/2012: Presentation to the Eastern Montana/Dakotas Fire Group related to fire management and sage-grouse.
- 02/22/2012: Presentation to Spring Creek Mine executives related to coal development and sage-grouse.
- 03/01/2012: Presentation at the Annual Meeting of the Montana Chapter of The Wildlife Society on the BLM National Sage-Grouse Strategy.
- 03/05/2012: Presentation to the Prairie County Cooperative State Grazing District on the BLM National Sage-Grouse Strategy.
- 03/14/2012: State Director Connell, David Wood, and John Thompson met with and briefed members of the Montana Governor's cabinet or their representatives concerning BLM's Sage-Grouse Planning Strategy in Montana.
- 04/25/2012: State Director Quarterly Congressional Briefing via WebEx, RMP was included in hot topics summary provided to attendees.
- 09/12/2012: State Director Quarterly Congressional Briefing via WebEx, RMP was on the agenda.
- 02/06/2013: State Director Quarterly Congressional Briefing via teleconference, RMP was on the agenda.
- 04/05/2013: RMP briefing via WebEx requested by Representative Steve Daines and acting State Director Kate Kitchell.
- 05/15/2013: State Director Quarterly Congressional Briefing via WebEx, RMP was on the agenda.
- 06/20/2013: State Director briefing via teleconference on RMP requested by Senator Baucus; all Montana delegations were represented.
- 06/25-26/2013: State Director courtesy visits with Congressional Delegations on the Hill, RMP was discussed as a topic.
- 08/28/2013: State Director Quarterly Congressional Briefing via teleconference, RMP was on the agenda.
- 12/18/2013: State Director Quarterly Congressional Briefing via teleconference, RMP was on the agenda.

Dale Tribby, MCFO wildlife biologist, is also a point of contact for the Eastern Montana Stockgrowers Association for the BLM's National Sage-Grouse Strategy. From August through October of 2011, the MCFO coordinated with the BLM's National Greater Sage-Grouse Land Use Planning Strategy Team. This team was charged with developing guidance to be implemented into the land use planning efforts for the conservation of greater sage-grouse and their habitat.

AIR RESOURCES

On February 22, 2012, BLM hosted a conference call concerning the MCFO RMP air quality impact analysis with an Air Quality Technical Workgroup consisting of representatives from the United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA), United States Forest Service (USFS), USFWS, and the National Park Service. This call formally initiated collaborative planning and review activities under the *Memorandum of Understanding among the U.S. Department of Agriculture, U.S. Department of Interior, and U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Regarding Air Quality Analysis and Mitigation for Federal Oil and Gas Decisions through the National Environmental Policy Act Process* (USDA, USDI, and USEPA 2011). During the February 22, 2012 call, the BLM presented background information on existing air quality within the planning area, predicted oil and gas activities, estimated emissions associated with the

reasonably foreseeable development scenario (RFD), and a proposed air quality analysis approach for the MCFO RMP. The BLM solicited comments from each of the agencies participating in the memorandum of understanding and will continue to coordinate with these agencies throughout the development process for the MCFO RMP revision.

OTHER BLM OFFICES

The MCFO also consulted across interagency boundaries, working with the Montana Hilene and Billings field offices; North and South Dakota field offices; and the Buffalo, Wyoming field office to define wildlife habitat (including greater sage-grouse), vegetation occurrence, and ecological systems and to coordinate proposed alternative management. Existing, proposed, and future resource use (such as oil and gas development) were also a factor in these discussions and coordination efforts.

CONSISTENCY

The BLM's planning regulations require that RMPs "be consistent with officially approved or adopted resource related plans, and the policies and programs contained therein, of other Federal agencies, State and local governments, and American Indian Tribes, so long as the guidance and RMPs are also consistent with the purposes, policies, and programs of Federal laws, and regulations applicable to public lands..." (43 CFR 1610.3-2).

BLM assessed consistency between the PRMP/FEIS and the following available county plans: Big Horn County Growth Policy (2002); Carter County Resource Management Plan (2006); Custer County Growth Policy (2013); Dawson County/Glendive Growth Policy (2006); Fallon County Growth Policy (2006); McCone County Comprehensive Plan and Growth Policy (2007); Powder River County Growth Policy and Land Use Plan (2012); Prairie County, Montana, Growth Policy (2006); Richland County, Sidney and Fairview Growth Policy (2007); Rosebud County Growth Policy and Land Use Plan (2013); and Sheridan County Growth Policy (2013). For Valley County, see the HiLine PRMP/FEIS. In summary, the PRMP/FEIS is consistent with the majority of the goals, objectives, or policies of the county plans. One common inconsistency are those counties who desire no increase in acreage of public lands within their county. The PRMP/FEIS would allow acquiring private lands within counties to obtain resources important to fulfillment of public values (BLM 2014). The Montana Governor's Clearinghouse has been provided copies of the PRMP/FEIS for their consistency review of the PRMP/FEIS with the State plans.

The BLM is aware that there are specific State laws and local plans relevant to aspects of public land management that are discrete from, and independent of, Federal law. However, BLM is bound by Federal law. As a consequence, there may be inconsistencies that cannot be reconciled. The FLPMA and its implementing regulations require that BLM's land use plans be consistent with State and local plans only if those plans are consistent with the purposes, policies, and programs of federal laws and regulations applicable to public lands. Where State and local plans conflict with the purposes, policies, and programs of Federal law there will be an inconsistency that cannot be resolved. While County and Federal planning processes, under FLPMA, are required to be as integrated and consistent as practical, the Federal agency planning process is not bound by or subject to County plans, planning processes, or planning stipulations.

DISTRIBUTION LIST

The Draft RMP/EIS was distributed to the following individuals; business; non-governmental organizations; schools and libraries; tribes; federal, state, and local agencies; and legislators.

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Agri News
Alkali Inc.
Ambre Energy
American Colloid
Anchor Island Land & Livestock
Anderson Diamond Ranch, Inc.
Apsalooka Energy
Archer Ranch, Inc.
Arledge Ranches
Arnston Ranch, Inc.
Arrow Cattle Co., Inc.
Associated Press
B&B Farms Inc. and Betty Buerkle
Bainter & Sons, Inc.
Ball Ranch Co., LLC
Ballard Petroleum Holdings LLC
Balsam, Inc.
Ban Ranch, Inc.
Barbero, Inc.
Barnaby Cattle Co.

Bass Ranch
Beach Farms, Inc.
Beartooth Oil & Gas
Belle Fourche Pipeline Company
Beltz Ranch Inc.
Benge Ranch, Inc.
Bennett Livestock, LLC
Bent Eleven Ranch, Inc.
Bergin Land & Livestock, Ltd
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Bickle Cattle Co.
Big Dipper Ranch, Inc.
Big Sky Mine-Peabody Coal Co.
Billings Gazette
Billings Outpost
Bittercreek Pipelines LLC
Black Ranches, Inc.
Blackstone Energy
Bliss Livestock
Bones Brothers Ranch
Boone-Shoberg Land & Cattle Co.
Booth Land & Livestock Co.
Boucher Ranch, Inc.
Brassring Galloways
Brian Creek Cattle Company LLC
Bridger Pipeline LLC
Broadus Inc.
Brost Ranch
Brown Ranch
Brownfield Ranch, Inc.
Browning Brothers
Buck Mountain Ranch
Buerkle & Sons, Inc.
Buffalo Creek Cattle Company
Buffalo Creek Ranch Properties, LLC
Burk Enterprises, LLC.
Burlington Northern Railroad
Burlington Resources
Buxbaum Brothers
C&B CSGD
C&H Ranches, DBA
C/A Weeding & Sons, Inc.
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Carter Co. S&C Growers Association
Castleberry, Inc.
C-B Gropping Coop Pres.
Cedar Hills Ranch
Chapman Ranch
Charles and Kathy Larsen/Padlock Ranch
Cherry Creek Ranch
Citizens for Balanced Use
Clark Land & Livestock
Clementine Ranch
Cloud Peak Energy Resources
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Cottonwood Resource Council
Coulter Ranches
Crane Ranch Partnership and Garfield County Fire Foundation
Cross Four Ranch
Cullinan Ranch
Dahlman Ranch Inc.
Dale Edwards, Inc.
Damm Brothers
Deadman Ranch, LLC
Decker Coal Co.
Decock Ranch Co.
Deep Creek Valley, Inc.
Devlin Ranch Co.
Denbury Onshore, LLC
Diamond Cross Properties, LLC
DJ Bar, Inc.
Dukart, Inc.
DX Land & Livestock Company
EB Ranch
Egan Ranch Inc.
Ehret Land Company
Elenburg Exploration Inc.
Elk Ridge Limited Partnership
Enviro. Tech NCT
Erwin Gackle, Inc.
Environmental Adventure Co.
Exodus Inc.
F&R Ranches, Inc.
Farwell Land & Livestock, Inc.
Felton Angus Ranch, Inc.
Fidelity Exploration & Production Company
Fisher Sand & Gravel Co.
Fitch, Inc.
FL Ranch
Flight Wings Inc.
Fluss Ranch Co.
Four Aces, Inc.
Four L Land & Livestock Co.
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Franko Ranch
Friez Circle 4 Ranch
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Great Northern Properties
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Green Mountain Angus
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Grue Ranch, Inc.
Guy Metals, Inc.
Hammel Ranch, Inc.
Hanghian Livestock
Harbaugh Ranch Co.
Harding Land & Cattle Co., Inc.
Harmon Creek Cattle LLC
Harrington & Bibler, Inc.
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Harris Creek Grazing Company
Haughian Livestock Company
Hay Creek Ranch
Hay Creek, Inc.
Hayden Wing Association
Heitz Land & Livestock
Herzog & Son, Inc.
Hess Arabians, Inc.
Hess Ranch, Inc.
Hidden Valley Ranch
Highland Rim Properties, Inc.
Hirsch Ranch Inc.
Holland & Hart, LLP.
Holmes Ranch
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Hot Bar Land & Cattle Company
Hougardy Ranch Co.
Hubbard Ranch, Inc.
Hubing Ranch, Inc.
Hunt Oil Company
Hydro Solutions
Hydrometrics Inc.
I U Ranch, Inc.
Infinity Exploration
Integrated Weed Services
Interstate Diesel
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J P Ranch, Inc.
J&K Livestock, Inc.
Jackson Trailblazer Ranch
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Keith Ranch Co.
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Killen Land & Livestock
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Knight Brothers, LLC
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Kuehn Ranch Co.
Kummerfeld Construction Co.
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L&L Ranch, Inc.
L-7 Ranch, Inc.
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Lang & Sons, Inc.
Larsen Land & Livestock Company
Larsland Water Disposal
Lawrence Rath, Inc.
Lazy U Cattle Co.
Lee State Bureau
Livingston Enterprise
Loehding Ranch Inc.
Log Cabin Ranch
Lone Pine Ranch Inc.
Macioroski Family Ranch
Mahlstedt Ranch Inc.
Mangen Ranch
Mathers Brothers
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MBT, Inc.
McAulay Ranch Co.
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McKeever Land & Cattle
McMillen Ranch, Inc.
Medearis Corporation
Medicine Rocks Ranch
Melvin Wolenetz & Sons Inc.
Mercury Exploration Co.
MF Allerdings Ranch, Inc.
MFB Dist 5
Milam Basin Creek Ranch
Miles City Star
Miller Cattle Company
Mom and Pop Products Co.
Montalban Oil and Gas Operations CBM Bldg
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Montana Power
Moore's Sunday Creek Ranch Company
Morrison Maierle Inc.
Mothershead Land & Livestock
MSE Technology Applications Inc.
Mullendore Farms
Murnion Livestock, Inc.
Murphy & Son, Inc.

Murphy Ranch, Inc.
N Triangle Ranch, Inc.
Nance Petroleum Corporation
Nelson Livestock Co.
Nicklin Earth & Water
NNN Ranch, Inc.
No Land Cattle Co.
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Northern Industrial Hygiene Inc.
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Oil Gas Oper Inc.
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Pineridge Ranch
Pinnacle Ranch, Inc.
Pladco
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Powder River Gas
Powell Cattle Co.
Pumps Plus
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Quarter Circle DB, Inc.
Quarter Circle U Ranch Co.
Quarter Circle U Ranch
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Rancholme Cattle Co.
Ranger Review
Ray Jerrel, Inc.
Red Canyon Ranch, Inc.
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River Ranch of Montana, LLC
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Romo Brothers
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Royan Ranch, Inc.
Rumph Ranch Partners
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SM Energy
S&L Sheep Ranch Inc.
Sackman, Inc.
Sampson Family Ranch Inc.
Seldo Company, Inc.
Seven Blackfoot Co., LLC
Shane Creek Ranch
Shell Western E&P Inc.
Shepherd Ranch, Inc.
Shortgrass & Company
Shumakers, Inc.
Sidney Oil Company, Inc.
Smith Livestock Inc.
Snowbelt Angus Ranch Company
Soda Creek, Inc.
Sonsalla, et al.
Spear J. Inc.
Spring Creek Coal Company
Square Top Three Ranch, Inc.
Star X Ranch
Stauffer Bury Inc.
Steadman's Ranch & Properties, LLC
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Stillwater County News
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Switchback Ranch, LLC
Switzer Land Co.
T.A. Ree Inc.

T&Y Irrigation
T Triangle Ranch Inc.
T&C Smith Ranch, Inc.
Tauck Land & Livestock Co.
Terrett Ranch
Terry Tribune
Thielen Ranch Co. Inc.
Third Creek Land Co.
Thomas Ranch Inc.
Tibbetts Ranches Inc.
Tongue River Farm
Tooke Ranch Inc.
Miles City Town & Country Club
Tranel Ranch
Tri-Can Ag
Trudell Brothers
Tveit Land & Cattle Company
US-Ranch Pr
Uthaug Livestock Co.

Valley Nursery
Vassau's Flying X
VI Ranch
VS Inc.
W Butte Ranch
Waters, Inc.
Wayne Pawlowski, Inc.
WBI Holdings Inc.
Weder Agricultural Limited Partnership
Wenz & Sons
Wesco Resources Inc.
Westech Environmental Services
Western Energy Company/Westmoreland Mining
LLC
Weyerbacher Farms Inc.
Whiteside Livestock Company
Whitney Creek Ranch
Whitney Patten and Patten Ranch Co.
Wild Wood Ranch
Williams Ranches, Inc.
Williston Basin Interstate Pipeline Co.
Willys Petroleum
Wittkopp, Inc.
Wolenetz Farms, Inc.
Wolff & Sons, Inc.
Wolff Ranch
Wolff Ranch, Inc.
Wood's T Bar 6 Ranch, LP
WSC Livestock, Inc.
Zempel Ranch, Inc.

NON-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS

Alberta Wilderness Association
American Bird Conservancy
American Cross
American Fisheries Society
American Sheep Industry Association
Audubon Rockies
Avian Power Line Interaction Committee
Bear Creek Council
Billings Motorcycle Club
Billings Rod & Gun Club
Cedar Creek Grazing Association
Church Universal & Triumphant
Coalbed Natural Gas Alliance
Crane Ranch Partnership & Garfield Co. Fire
Foundation
Custer-Fallon County Farm Bureau
Custer Resource Alliance
Custer Rod & Gun Club
Defenders of Wildlife
Fallon County Stockgrowers
Families for Outdoor Recreation

Glasgow Farm Service Agency
Friends of Missouri Breaks Monument
Greater Yellowstone Coalition
Lower Missouri River CRM Council
Missouri River Basin CSGD
Mondak Ridge Riders
Montana 4x4 Association
Montana Association of Churches
Montana Association of Conservation Districts
Montana Association of Counties
Montana Association of Oil Gas & Coal Counties
Montana Association of State Grazing Districts
Montana Audubon Council
Montana Bowhunters Association
Montana Cattlemens Association
Montana Chamber of Commerce
Montana Chapter Backcountry Hunters and Anglers
Montana Council of Trout Unlimited
Montana Environmental Information Center
Montana Farm Bureau Federation
Montana Farmers Union
Montana Grain Growers Association
Montana Mining Association
Montana Native Plant Society
Montana Outfitters & Guides
Montana Parks Association
Montana Petroleum Association
Montana Preservation Alliance
Montana Public Lands Council
Montana River Association
Montana Spiders Project
Montana Sportsmen Alliance
Montana Stockgrowers Association
Montana Trail Vehicle Riders Association
Montana Wilderness Association
Montana Wilderness Association Eastern Wildlands
Chapter
Montana Wilderness Association Island Range
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Montana Wilderness Society
Montana Wildlife Federation
Montana Woolgrowers Association
Montanans for Responsible Energy Development
National Rifle Association
National Trust for Historic Preservation
National Wildlife Federation
National Wildlife Society
North American Grouse Partnership
Northern Plains Resource Council
Northwest Mining Association
Pew Environment Group/The Pew Charitable Trusts
Pheasants Forever
Prairie Hills Audubon Society
Pompey's Pillar Association
Powder River Wife
Public Lands Foundation

Rosebud Protective Association
Sidney Chamber of Commerce
Skyline Sportsmen Association
Southeastern Montana Sportsmen Association
Stillwater Protective Association
The Mule Deer Foundation, Montana/Dakota
The Nature Conservancy of Montana
The Wilderness Society
The Wildlife Society
Theodore Roosevelt Conservation Partnership
United Property Owners of Montana
Walleyes Unlimited
Western Environmental Trade Association
Women's Voices for the Earth
World Wildlife Fund
Yellowstone County Green Party
Yellowstone Public Radio
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Fort Belknap Indian Community
Fort Peck Tribes
Lower Brule Sioux Tribe
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CHAPTER 5

CONSULTATION AND COORDINATION

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Turtle Mountain Band of Chippewa

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Department of the Interior Solicitors Office
Lewis and Clark National Historic Trail (DOI)
North Dakota BLM
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USFWS
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USFWS Montana Field Office
USFWS Montana State Office
USFS Ashland Ranger District
USFS Beartooth Ranger District
USFS Custer National Forest
USFS Musselshell Ranger District
USFS Sioux Ranger District
United States Geological Survey

STATE AGENCIES

Department of Justice-Attorney General
The Governor of Montana
The Governor's Range Council
Idaho Department of Fish and Game
Montana Board of Oil and Gas Conservation
Montana Department of Agriculture
Montana Department of Environmental Quality
Montana Department of Natural Resources and Conservation (MDNRC)
Montana House of Representatives
Montana Office of Indian Affairs
MDNRC Eastern Land Office
Montana Legislative Services Division
MDNRC Water Resources Division
Montana Department of Transportation
Montana Environmental Quality Council
MFWP
Montana State Historical Preservation Office
Public Service Commission

LOCAL AGENCIES

Big Horn Conservation District
Big Horn County Commissioners
Broadus Chamber of Commerce
C&B State Cooperative Grazing District
Carter County Commissioners
Carter County Conservation District
Cedar Creek Grazing Association
Custer County Commissioners
Dawson County Commissioners
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Fallon County Commissioners
Garfield County Commissioners
Garfield County Conservation District
Liberty County Conservation
Little Beaver Conservation District
McCone County Commissioner
McCone County Conservation District
Miles City Chamber of Commerce
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Powder River County Commissioners
Powder River Conservation District
Power River County Extension Service
Prairie County Commissioners
Prairie County Cooperative State Grazing District
Prairie County Montana
Prairie County Conservation District
Richland County Commissioners
Richland County Conservation District
Roosevelt County Commissioners
Rosebud County Conservation District
Rosebud County Commissioners
Rosebud County Extension Agent
Rosebud County Weed District
Sheridan County Commissioners
Sheridan County Planning
Sweetwater County
Trail Creek Grazing Association
Treasure County Commissioners
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Wibaux Conservation District
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