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## ADDENDUM

### **Updates Regarding the scoping report titled “Potential Amendments to Land Use Plans Regarding Greater Sage-Grouse Conservation”**

After preparation and public release of the scoping report “Potential Amendments to Land Use Plans Regarding Greater Sage-Grouse Conservation,” a technical error was uncovered that may have precluded the BLM from receiving certain public comments. Supporters of the National Wildlife Federation submitted comments through that organization’s website and an online petition hosting service. BLM has no record of receiving those comments during the public scoping period. Because this error was uncovered after the scoping report was released, about 37,000 comments are not reflected in the report. National Wildlife Federation has recently submitted those comments to BLM as part of the ongoing planning process and BLM has added these comments to its project record.

Additionally, supporters of Backcountry Hunters and Anglers submitted about 3,500 comments that did not contain identifying information attributable to Backcountry Hunters and Anglers. While BLM received and considered these comments during the public scoping period, the report does not attribute these comments directly to the organization Backcountry Hunters and Anglers because of the lack of identifying information.

The scoping report and online version of this addendum can be found under **Documents & Reports** at the BLM project website: <https://goo.gl/2D5WTw>

1. Table I-2 Form Letter Submissions, Page I-6 – The following organizations were missing from the summary table:

- Backcountry Hunters and Anglers 3,545 submissions
- National Wildlife Federation 29,960 submissions

2. Table I-3 Petition Submissions, Page I-7 – The following organization was missing from the summary table:

- National Wildlife Federation 12,372 signatures

Public participation is vital to successful land-use planning efforts. The BLM continues to investigate the nature of the technical error and ensure it doesn't reoccur in any future public scoping periods. We encourage organizations and individuals to remain engaged in the important effort to conserve sagebrush-steppe habitat through BLM's planning activities.