

**Northwest Colorado Stewardship (NWCOS)  
Travel and Recreation Subcommittee Meeting  
April 19, 2005  
Draft Agenda**

- 5:30 p.m. Welcome**
- Introductions
  - Review of Where We Are
    - Where we are in BLM's Resource Management Plan (RMP) process
    - Where we are in the alternative identification process
  - Review of Agenda and Suggestions for Changes
- 5:45 p.m. Subcommittee Process Issues**
- ◆ Make-Up of Subcommittee
    - ◆ Do we have the necessary/appropriate representation from the other issue groups on this subcommittee?
    - ◆ If not, who else should be at the table?
  - ◆ Overview and Goals of Subcommittee
    - ◆ Quick review of where we are in the Resource Management Plan (RMP) process
    - ◆ Proposed goals for subcommittees (all in coordination with BLM and through an iterative process):
      - Develop goals and objectives for resource
      - Develop alternatives for analysis, including where resource uses (and the subcommittees that deal with them) overlap
      - Comment on how alternatives should be analyzed, if above and beyond BLM's process
      - Comment on implementation issues that are critical to any alternatives (e.g., monitoring funds for any adaptive management options)
      - Take periodic field trips to resource first-hand
  - ◆ How the Subcommittee Will Function
    - ◆ Subcommittees are not decision-makers. Subcommittees make recommendations to NWCOS, and NWCOS makes recommendations to BLM
    - ◆ Subcommittee membership will be open, but new members will be obligated to read past information and comply with NWCOS protocols
    - ◆ Subcommittees aim for consensus, though recommendations with at least 90% support will be carried to NWCOS along with the pros and cons of both the majority and minority positions
- 6:00 p.m. Introduction to Maps**
- BLM maps (by Rob Schmitzer)
  - Maps provided by other NWCOS members

**6:20 p.m. Quick Review of Goals and Objectives**

- BLM's Goals and Objectives Document
  - Comments/suggestions that were discussed and shared with BLM
    - How BLM has incorporated those suggestions, or reason why BLM has not
  - In general, what BLM can and cannot do with NWCOS comments
    - What constitutes an RMP-level decision
- Table further discussion on goals and objectives until AFTER alternatives

**6:40 p.m. BLM's Alternative Shell**

- BLM staff introduce the shell
- BLM input on NWCOS information proposed to date (Rob Schmitzer)
  - Ideas that folks have generated and discussed
  - BLM initial feedback on constructive ideas received so far
- Issues/questions for NWCOS to consider
  - General thoughts on the options presented?
  - Are the goal posts wide enough?
  - Is any major issue/concern missing? Suggestions on how could it be addressed?
  - Additional considerations for alternatives that BLM should consider? Suggestions on how could these issues could be incorporated?
  - Expected impacts (and how to measure them) to resources or the community that BLM should consider? Suggestions on how they could be mitigated? [If time allows.]
- New Ideas Based on Alternative Shell
  - What problem or resource conflict does your idea address?
  - How will your idea address this problem?
  - Who would need to be on board to make your idea work?
  - Initial BLM response?

**7:50 p.m. Review of Goals/Objectives in Light of Discussion on Alternatives**

- New/revised thoughts or suggestions on BLM's Goals and Objectives document?

**8:10 p.m. Summary**

- Quick review of resource overlap issues
- Quick review of the constructive ideas on the table
- Next steps

**8:30 p.m. Adjourn**