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**WORKSHEET FOR OCTOBER 19 NWCOS MEETING ON
ASSUMPTIONS AND CRITERIA FOR THE IMPACT ANALYSIS**

Facilitator Notes:

- *Please ensure you are looking at the October 14 version of the Assumptions and Criteria. This document can be found at: http://nwcoss.org/Resources/BAH/Materials/LS_RMP_DRAFTsignificance_criteriaassumptions_14Oct05modified.pdf.*
- *We will address everyone's top three concerns at the meeting prior to addressing other ideas.*

Name: Stephen Hinkemeyer

Your first (greatest) concern

Topic: Visual Resources (e.g., ACECs, Energy and Minerals, Recreation, etc.)

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Line: I don't know

Your concern with the text as written:

VRM classes are prescriptive for all resources – My concern is the language “prescriptive”.

Your recommended new language:

VRM classes are have been identified for all resources. Class objectives would be adhered to through project design, avoidance or mitigation.

Your second concern

Topic: Energy and Minerals

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Line: I don't know

Your concern with the text as written:

In the Significant Criteria – second bullet point

Cumulative management actions or mitigation requirements that render resource development to be infeasible or not economically viable can refer to Coal, Other minerals, Alternate Energy Sources (Wind, Geothermal or Solar) as well as oil and gas drilling.

Your recommended new language:

Cumulative management actions or mitigation requirements that render resource development to be infeasible or not economically viable in exploration areas or resource areas (including but not limited to : high potential oil and gas areas, coal leasing areas, wind potential areas, other locatable or salable mineral areas, geothermal, solar, and wind energy potential areas or energy transmission corridors)

Your third concern

Topic: Transportation and Access

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Line: Don't know

Your concern with the text as written:

Section does not appear to address the goal of *“Acquisition land tenure adjustment actions will be allowed on lands that met the following criteria: (third bullet point) Lands that would provide public access to public lands or other public assets such as but not limited to river access”*

And there is no assumption relating to the Significance Criteria – Impairment of public access to public lands

Your recommended new language:

Add an assumption under Transportation and Access that reads :

BLM would increase access to public lands through acquisition land tenure adjustments, and other means at their discretion.

Your fourth concern

Topic: Transportation and Access

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Line: I don't know

Your concern with the text as written:

Text as written : BLM would increase the managed transportation system. I am unsure what this means. If this means the ability to increase the amount of roads and trails throughout the LSFO I like it. I am just unclear exactly what the statement means. (Jeremy was going to check on this for the meeting)

Your recommended new language:

BLM would increase the managed transportation system throughout the management area to accommodate to growth of use throughout the life of this RMP.

Your fifth concern

Topic: Fish and Wildlife _____

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Line: I don't know _____

Your concern with the text as written:

6th bullet point : *Sufficient habitat exists to maintain current CDOW DAU objectives.* I have a fundamental problem with this assumption. DAU objectives and goals do not fully take into account drought conditions and severe weather, but take in an average.

Your recommended new language:

Sufficient habitat does not exist to maintain current CDOW DAU objectives, nor the current populations for some wildlife species.

Your sixth concern

Topic: Fish and Wildlife
Page: 3
Line: I don't know

Your concern with the text as written:

**All three bullet points for Significance Criteria talk to “Vital to the population”. This is not defined for all species which is worrisome at best. I know that species can be moved and habitat mitigated. I don't see an assumption that talks to Mitigating habitat and moving species.
I am also a bit disturbed about funding for species monitoring programs.**

Your recommended new language:

Relocating species through mitigating components of species habitat can be successful. These plans must include a monitoring component to measure their effectiveness. If they are revealed to be unsuccessful, immediate measures to prevent further impacts would be implemented as appropriate to the species affected.

Your seventh concern

Topic: _____
Page: _____
Line: _____

Your concern with the text as written:

Your recommended new language:

