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RE. Oct. 21 Draft Significance Criteria and assumptions

Dear Jeremy

Thank you for considering our comments in this latest draft. I believe you have generally improved the document.

I would like to make the following recommendations for your further consideration for inclusion or revision of the document.

1. Culutural Resources

Assumptions

Include new

Livestock grazing in addition to being a historic resource, it's continued presence dose
Not harm cultural resources.

2. Wilderness Study areas

I object to the removal of lines 11&12 page 7 from the Oct. 14th draft and want to that language reinstated.

3. Lands with or likely to have wilderness character

I continue our long standing objection that these lands exist based upon all prior Correspondence and evidence of the lack of such character previously submitted by Vermillion Ranch and Moffat County. With that said I recommend that you replace new language with that deleted from the Oct. 14. The vast majority of NCOs supported its retention last Wednesday.

Lines 21&22 Delete the word "Some" I like the rest of the revised sentence

4. VRM

New Criteria

VRM's will complement the existing uses in the working landscape of the little Snake Field office.

5. Livestock Grazing

Line 28 Add the word “Maintaining” in front of the word private