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Comments to the Goals and objective Document

Vegetation

A. Add and meets the needs of livestock and wildlife users.

Sage brush management

B. Create mosaic of canopy cover as well as seral stages

Riparian

A1 should say mimic natural role of disturbance instead of minimize  
(These areas evolved under disturbance)

Wild horses

Aml should be lowered to fit year long grazing capacity.  
Remove horse outside herd area period.

Cultural resources

Unsure what is proposed? Needs more clarification

Visual Resources

VRM objectives must meet and respect local needs

Air

Provide exemptions for allowing prescribe burning

Transportation

Recognize county and private landowner road ROW's

Livestock

Section wholly inadequate

Goal

Sustain and enhance industry

Objective

By creating DPC that maintains historic preference

See county land use plan and earlier comments to AMS and scoping  
Reserve common allotments were rejected in earlier blm initiatives and they should not be created here  
Livestock should be the emphasis of this section not the management tool  
Many of the fish and wildlife habitat objectives should be include in livestock section as well

Lands and realty  
Western Moffat County has lands that should be consolidated exchanged sold or disposed of as well

Fish and wildlife  
Section shall include reducing game populations to sustainable carrying capacities respecting other users

Special management Areas  
Goal Minimize management fragmentation of the landscape  
Objective  
1 create maximum management flexibility for landscape scale management  
2 reduce and minimize eliminate special land designations

Vermillion ranch incorporates and endorses Moffat county's comments herein  
Vermillion ranch reserves the right to revise and extend our comments on this document in the future.  
We wish to thank the BLM for this opportunity to comment

Sincerely  
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