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## Current Items

<b>Who</b>	<b>What</b>
BLM/Jeremy	BLM will get clarification on Claire's comment regarding requirements that BLM apply the least restrictive stipulations to all alternatives ( <i>July 14, 2005</i> )
BLM/Jeremy	Try to answer question about how much flexibility and specificity there is regarding surface disturbance in RMP ( <i>July 14, 2005</i> )
BLM/Jeremy	Check on the idea of having a separate, flexible document of current sage grouse science, and have the RMP refer to this document without locking in any science or stipulations ( <i>July 14, 2005</i> )
BLM/Jeremy	Check on lease waiver, exception, and modification criteria ( <i>July 14, 2005</i> )
	Check on Alternative D all the way through for closures of CWP areas to OHVs and leasings—looking for consistency. [Facilitator's Note: Some, but not all, participants in the group believe that the Special Designations Subcommittee agreed to this as one of the goalposts for Lands with Wilderness Characteristics.] ( <i>July 14, 2005</i> )
BLM/Jeremy	Talk to Beverly Rave about access to state lands and minerals and valid existing rights ( <i>July 14, 2005</i> )
BLM/Jeremy	Check on need to specify in the RMP whom, how, and whether BLM will participate in Memoranda of Understanding partnerships ( <i>July 14, 2005</i> )
BLM/Jeremy	Get details on white-tailed prairie dog ACEC. Is size from Fish and Wildlife Service's Conservation Assessment or from environmentalists' proposal? If no ACEC is created, how will BLM protect prairie dogs? ( <i>July 14, 2005</i> )
BLM/Jeremy	Check on need to specify special species in RMP. Is this a directive from State Office? ( <i>July 14, 2005</i> )
BLM/Jeremy	Find out if BLM has the authority to limit crafts on the river ( <i>July 14, 2005</i> )
BLM/Jeremy	Clarify role of NWCOS in impact analysis. Is there a problem due to the impact analysis being pre-decisional information? ( <i>July 14, 2005</i> )
BLM/Jeremy	Find out if BLM has to do a new analysis if mix and match occurs after preferred alternative is identified in the draft RMP ( <i>July 14, 2005</i> )
BLM/Jeremy	Find out if there is funding available for monitoring of adaptive management? What are the possibilities for partnership funding? ( <i>July 14, 2005</i> )
BLM/Jeremy	Check on BLM's preferred language regarding desired plant communities and desired future conditions in RMP ( <i>July 14, 2005</i> )
BLM/Jeremy/BAH	Work on assessing idea of use thresholds for off-highway vehicles and on Sand Wash Special Recreation Management Area ideas ( <i>July 14, 2005</i> )
BLM/Jeremy/BAH	Get a rough outline of Appendix X to subcommittees by July 13 ( <i>July 14, 2005</i> )

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Keystone	Post to the NWCOS website data on prairie dogs in the Rangely Field [Facilitator's Note: This document has been posted and is available at <a href="http://nwcoss.org/Subcommittees/Areas of Spec Desig/Rangely EA's WRFO.pdf">http://nwcoss.org/Subcommittees/Areas of Spec Desig/Rangely EA's WRFO.pdf</a> .] (July 14, 2005)
Keystone	Post nominations for Areas of Critical Environmental Concern (ACECs) to the NWCOS website. [Facilitator's Note: These documents have been posted and are available at <a href="http://www.nwcoss.org/7155.html">http://www.nwcoss.org/7155.html</a> .] (July 14, 2005)
Keystone	Post responses to BLM's assessment of wilderness characteristics to the NWCOS website. [Facilitator's Note: These documents have been posted and are available at <a href="http://www.nwcoss.org/7155.html">http://www.nwcoss.org/7155.html</a> under "Miscellaneous NWCOS Member Comments".] (July 14, 2005)
Steve Hinkemeyer	Organize discussion of Sage Grouse Working Group and prepare report for discussion on July 19 or 20. (July 14, 2005)
Suzanne Jones	Organize discussion of Vermillion Basin Working Group and prepare report for discussion on July 19 or 20. (July 14, 2005)
Jeff Whilden	Organize discussion of OHV Working Group and prepare report for discussion on July 19 or 20. (July 14, 2005)
NWCOS	Send comments on this meeting summary to Heather by Friday, July 29 (hbergman@keystone.org, 800-574-8157, x 5806). Comments received by this date will be incorporated into the final draft. If no comments are received, this draft will become final on August 1. (July 14, 2005)
BLM	Please provide maps at the July 6 and 7 subcommittee meetings showing the proposed ACEC areas. Facilitator note: BLM may consider moving this action item to the next set of subcommittee meetings, given that many ACEC proposals may not be submitted by this date.
BLM (Jeremy)	Check on the currency of BLM's link to the Colorado Natural Heritage database and report back to the subcommittee.
BLM (Jeremy)	Check to see if the Class I Cultural Overview is a public document. If so, let subcommittee know and tell Keystone how to access it for posting to the NWCOS website.
BLM (Jeremy)	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Try to incorporate both definitions of adaptive management (BLM's definition and that provided in the meeting) into the June 27 version of the alternatives document.</li> <li>2. Redraft goals and objectives for livestock with language that reflects that management actions will seek to benefit both producers and resources.</li> <li>3. Include adaptive management components for sage grouse in Alternative C in 6/27 version of alternatives matrix.</li> </ol>
BLM (Jeremy/Tim)	Determine whether or not existing projects and programs to protect the black-footed ferret supercede anything that would be included in the RMP. Are those projects/programs more restrictive than anything that would be considered in this RMP?
BLM (Rob)	Provide subcommittee and Keystone with the consolidated travel/trail data for Sandwash Basin as soon as possible.

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Reed Morris, T. Wright Dickinson, and Brad Petch.	Get together to discuss vegetation goals and alternatives regarding native and desirable non-native plants.
T. Wright Dickinson, Brad Petch, and Ann Oliver	Work together to draft possible objectives for Goal C under Livestock Grazing. Forward suggestions to Jeremy Casterson at <a href="mailto:Jeremy_casterson@blm.gov">Jeremy_casterson@blm.gov</a> or (970) 826-5071.

### **Completed Items**

<b><u>Who</u></b>	<b><u>What</u></b>
Ann Oliver and Tom Gray	Work together to draft alternative language for Goal E under Fish and Wildlife Habitat. [Facilitator's Note: This has been done. Suggested language has been forwarded to BLM.]
BLM	Clarify whether or not new trails (for hiking or OHVs) can be created in existing Wilderness Study Areas (WSAs). [Facilitator's Note: David Blackstun of BLM has determined that no new trails of any kind can be created in existing WSAs.]
BLM	Review Ann Oliver's list of plants and assess possibility and means of protecting them. [Facilitator's note: Since this meeting, BLM has determined that their current approach for addressing rare plants is sufficient and thus, this issue will not be a main focus of the RMP.]
BLM (Fred)	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Provide subcommittee with information about how much land is currently leased and how much land might be coming back into system from unused and/or expiring leases.</li> <li>2. Provide subcommittee with data on the percentage of existing leases that are currently in production.</li> <li>3. Provide information on where existing oil/gas fields are.</li> <li>4. Provide definitions on what is meant by "potential" in BLM documents and maps for oil and gas.</li> <li>5. If possible, get a GIS layer of leases and stipulations governing existing leases.</li> </ol> <p>[Facilitator note: A general review was provided at the July Subcommittee meetings.]</p>
BLM (Jeremy)	BLM will aim to provide NWCOS with its determinations on the assessment of wilderness characteristics on the Citizens Wilderness Proposal (CWP) lands by June 24. [Facilitator's note: This document was posted on June 27, 2005.]
BLM (Jeremy)	Re-evaluate 6/15 deadline for comments on wilderness characteristics determinations. [Facilitator's Note: This deadline was changed to July 8.]
Keystone	Create a single, central calendar on the NWCOS website of all deadlines for comments to BLM. [Facilitator's Note: A central calendar is now available on the front page of the NWCOS website at <a href="http://www.nwcoss.org">www.nwcoss.org</a> . We are working on getting all the information posted to it ASAP.]

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Keystone	Post BLM guidance on sage-grouse on NWCOS website. [Facilitator's Note: This document has been posted and is available at <a href="http://nwcoss.org/Subcommittees/Veg%20Hab%20Mngmt/BLM%20Guidance%20Sage%20Grouse%20Mngmt.pdf">http://nwcoss.org/Subcommittees/Veg%20Hab%20Mngmt/BLM%20Guidance%20Sage%20Grouse%20Mngmt.pdf</a> or <a href="http://www.nwcoss.org/79505/44494.html">http://www.nwcoss.org/79505/44494.html</a> .]
Keystone	Post revised Alternatives document and HOT topics document on June 27. [Facilitator's Note: This document has been posted and is available at <a href="http://nwcoss.org/Resources/BLM%20Documents/Preliminary%20HOT%20TOPICS%206-27-05.pdf">http://nwcoss.org/Resources/BLM Documents/Preliminary HOT TOPICS 6-27-05.pdf</a> .]
Keystone	Post to NWCOS website BLM Instruction Memorandum on economically versus technologically recoverable resources in preparation of BLM's Reasonable Foreseeable Development (RFD) document. [Facilitator's Note: This document has been posted and is available at <a href="http://nwcoss.org/79505/44432.html">http://nwcoss.org/79505/44432.html</a> with the rest of the materials from this meeting.]
Keystone	Take Josh Pollock off listserv; add Jacob Smith in his place. [Facilitator's Note: This change has been made.]
Keystone (with Valerie's help)	Talk to wild horse advocates and people with grazing permits in Sandwash about having a special meeting to address grazing and wild horses in Sandwash. [Facilitator's Note: This meeting has been scheduled for July 21, 2005.]
Keystone and NWCOS	Hereafter, refer to this subcommittee by its new name, Lands with Wilderness Characteristics (LWCs), in order to bring clarity to its focus on resources not on management tools (such as special designations).
NWCOS	Comment on the BLM determinations of the CWP proposals by close of business on July 8. People submitting comments are encouraged to specifically note what they disagree with and provide evidence to the contrary. Given how busy BLM staff are right now, those submitting comments are discouraged from mailing their entire file cabinets of information to BLM unless this is essential.
NWCOS	Comments on the Draft Wild and Scenic River Eligibility Report are due to BLM by June 24.
NWCOS	NWCOS members wishing to have topics addressed at the July 6 and 7 subcommittee meetings must submit written comments by no later than July 5 at 4:00 p.m. to Keystone. Comments must include a summary of the problem and a proposed solution, and must be reviewed and approved by another NWCOS member of a differing perspective.
NWCOS	Subcommittee meetings on July 6/ 7 and July 19/ 20 as needed. Scheduling details will be made available as soon as possible.
NWCOS	Submit ALL proposals for Areas of Critical Environmental Concern (ACECs) to Jeremy by June 15. [Facilitator's Note: Due to a mix-up between this deadline and the deadline for comments on the CWP proposals (above), BLM has extended this deadline to July 8.]

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T. Wright Dickinson and Andrea Minor	Work together to write some common language to address Common Reserve Allotments in the RMP in a way that the interested parties will find acceptable. [Facilitator's Note: This has been completed and ideas were forwarded to BLM.]
Vanessa Cameron	Send Rangely Field prairie dog data to Brad Petch, Jeremy Casterson, and Kristi Parker.