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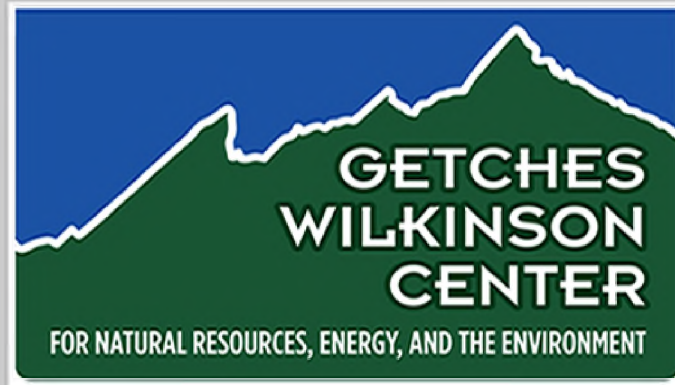
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- Roan Plateau, Colorado BLM web site
<http://www.co.blm.gov/gsra/roanplateau>
- Roan Plateau Travel Map & Visitor Guide, BLM
Glenwood Springs Field Office (pocket)
- Roan Plateau Vicinity Map, Colorado BLM web site
<http://www.co.blm.gov/gsra/roanplateau>
- Roan Plateau RMP map, BLM Glenwood Springs
Field Office
- Roan Plateau photos, BLM Glenwood Springs Field
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**INFORMATION
IN GLENWOOD SPRINGS**

Roan Plateau



Transferred to the BLM in 1997 from the Department of Energy, just west of Rifle, the plateau rises 3,000 feet above the surrounding area and covers approximately 73,602 acres. The BLM is in the process of amending the Resource Management Plan for the Roan Plateau area. You, as a citizen, are a part of deciding what should be done with this area.

PLANNING AREA AND ALTERNATIVES

Six preliminary alternatives have been developed for the 73,602 acres of public lands within the planning area located northwest of Rifle primarily in Garfield County (a small portion is also in Rio Blanco County), Colorado. Alternatives being considered include a mix of multiple uses for federal mineral and surface estate. Major topics or issues being considered in the alternatives include: Oil and Gas Development, Wilderness and Roadless Areas, Recreational Opportunities, Travel and Transportation, Influences of Changing Population, Growth and Development on Public Lands, Management of Fish and Wildlife Habitat, Livestock Grazing Management, Visual Aesthetics, Economic Benefits from Gas Leasing, Grazing, Recreation and/or Tourism.

Alternatives consider a range of uses or actions for the management of resources.

INFORMATION FOR PUBLIC REVIEW

Maps, a comparison table, information regarding Areas of Critical Environmental Concern (ACECs), a Wild and Scenic Rivers Eligibility Report, copies of newsletters explaining the land use planning process, and an updated purpose and need statement and planning criteria will be available for review starting October 14, 2002 at: the BLM Office in Glenwood Springs, Colorado located at 50629 Highways 6 & 24, any Garfield County (Colorado) Public Library (Carbondale, Glenwood Springs, Parachute, Rifle, and Silt).

Additional information may be posted on this site, in addition to the above locations, as it becomes available, and will generally be available for 30 days for comment.

PUBLIC MEETINGS

Public Meetings will be held where interested individuals can learn more about BLM's planning process and specifically the alternatives being considered:

October 22, 2002 at 7:00 p.m. City Council Chambers, Rifle City Hall, 202 Railroad Ave., Rifle, Colorado

October 23, 2002 at 7:00 p.m. Battlement Mesa Activity Center, 0398 Arroyo Drive, Parachute, Colorado

October 24, 2002 at 7:00 p.m. Glenwood Springs Community Center, 100 Wulfsohn Road, Glenwood Springs, Colorado

COMMENTS AND CONTACT

BLM is taking this opportunity to share several documents and is looking for comments regarding the range of alternatives, and the mix of different uses on the public lands. Simply put, is what you want included in one or more of the alternatives? BLM will also accept comments on information (see Information for Public Review above) regarding this land use plan amendment process, send your comments to:

Greg Goodenow – Roan Plateau Plan
Bureau of Land Management
Glenwood Springs Field Office
P.O. Box 1009
Glenwood Springs, CO 81602

Or email them to: Colorado_RoanPlateau.co.blm.gov

Subject: Roan Plateau Comments

Please be sure to include your: Name, Business affiliation (if any), Address, City, State, Zip Code and telephone number if you would like to share it.

BLM would appreciate the inclusion of your email address. We are trying to make an efficient use of taxpayer dollars by distributing information electronically whenever possible. This opportunity will also allow you to receive information more quickly, as it becomes available.

For more information, or to add yourself to a mailing list for further updates, you can contact Greg Goodenow at 970-947-2824 or e-mail him at Colorado_RoanPlateau@co.blm.gov.

For your information the following background documents are available as a PDF file:

(Some of the following files are more than 1 Megabyte in size - please right click on the filename to download to your computer)

[The Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 As Amended](#)

[Land Use Planning Handbook](#)

[Area of Critical Environmental Concern BLM Manual](#)

[Surface Operating Standards for Oil and Gas Exploration and Development](#)

New information specific to the Roan Plateau Plan Amendment. Comments are due by November 14, 2002:

[Letter and contact/comment form](#)

[Comparison of Preliminary Alternatives \(table and maps\)](#)

[Wild and Scenic Rivers Eligibility Report](#)

[Updated Purpose & Need and Planning Criteria](#)

[Evaluation of Proposed Areas of Environmental Concern](#)

[Vicinity Map](#)

[Planning Area Map](#)

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