

**GRAND JUNCTION CITY COUNCIL
WORKSHOP**

**THURSDAY, JUNE 6, 2013, 8:00 A.M.
CITY AUDITORIUM
250 N. 5TH STREET**

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- 1. BLM Briefing from Planning Lead Samantha Staley:** Dominguez-Escalante National Conservation Area Draft Resource Management Plan and Environmental Impact Statement
- 2. Briefing on BLM Comments for Current Resource Management Plan:** The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) has issued the draft Resource Management Plan (RMP) and Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the BLM administered lands within the Grand Junction Field Office. Staff will present an overview of the document and discuss City comments to be provided by June 24, 2013. [Attachment](#)
- 3. Workshop Items Review**
- 4. Other Business**



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Proposed Meeting Date:
6/6/2013

CITY COUNCIL STAFF REPORT WORKSHOP

Attachment

Topic: Bureau of Land Management Draft Resource Management Plan Recap

Staff: Terry Franklin, Utility Manager, Public Works, Utilities and Planning
David Thornton, Principal Planner, Public Works, Utilities and Planning
Kathy Portner, Economic Development and Sustainability

Summary:

The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) has issued the draft Resource Management Plan (RMP) and Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the BLM administered lands within the Grand Junction Field Office. Staff will present an overview of the document and discuss City comments to be provided by June 24, 2013.

Background, Analysis and Options:

The purpose of the BLM RMP revision is to ensure that public lands are managed in accordance with the Federal Land Policy and Management Act (FLPMA), under the principles of multiple use and sustained yield. This is accomplished by establishing goals, objectives, allowable uses, and management actions to maintain, develop and protect the resource values for present and future generations.

The City of Grand Junction was invited to be a cooperating agency and staff attended all of the cooperating agency meetings since November 2008. The RMP/EIS comprises three volumes, 50 months of preparation and 2,000+ pages.

Staff will highlight the purpose of the RMP and suggested comments from the City Council briefing on April 1st.

Seven items will be reviewed:

- Livestock Grazing
- Land Tenure
- Water Resource Protections
- Travel Management
- Tamarisk
- Fire Mitigation
- Trails

Board or Committee Recommendation: N/A

Financial Impact/Budget: N/A

Legal issues: N/A

Other issues: N/A

Previously presented or discussed:
April 1, 2013 Readiness Meeting

Attachments: None