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Teal Purrington  
Bureau of Land Management  
3050 NE Third Street  
Prineville OR 97754

Dear Mr. Purrington:

I wish to comment on the Draft Upper Deschutes Resource Management Plan and Environmental Impact Statement.

I live in Cimmaron City adjacent to the Mayfield BLM parcel. I am a horseback rider and ride with some frequency over this portion of BLM land and am quite familiar with the surrounding area as well as other portions such as the Badlands, Dry Canyon in the Cline Buttes area, Reynolds Pond, all areas off of Alfalfa Market Road and the Tumalo Reservoir area.

I agree with the preferred Alternative 7 for the most part with the following exceptions:

If you are going to allow motorized use in the Mayfield block; there must be some type of law enforcement to make sure that motorized vehicles stay on the open roads. At the present time there is widespread environmental damage caused by vehicles driving on closed roads and across open ground. The dumping problem along the open road and adjacent areas is acute.

It is extremely dangerous to ride anywhere near the open road on weekends due to irresponsible gun fire. Many trees have been shredded due to being used for target practice. On several occasions I have had stray bullets whistle past me. I would strongly suggest that the whole Mayfield block be closed to shooting except during hunting seasons when legal hunting would be allowed. Please designate safe shooting areas for target

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shooting. Sign the rest of the area at entry points as to designated shooting areas and close the rest of the area to shooting for the safety of other users and residents.

I think you should consider reclassifying the wildlife priority of the Mayfield block. There is a herd of elk in this area, quite a herd of Pronghorn, coyotes, mule deer are plentiful and we even have a resident cougar. There are flocks of Pinyon Jays, Mountain Blue birds, abundant flickers, Ravens, Prairie Falcons, Red Tail Hawks and many other birds. I have also seen bobcat tracks.

As for the cattle grazing in allotments, #5120, 5121, 5117 and 5127, I have ridden extensively over these areas. They are over grazed in the extreme. There are only occasional clumps of bunch grass, cheat grass and lots of bare soil and rabbit brush and sage. These areas need attention to return these lands to pregrazing condition. The only good grazing is around the irrigation overflows.

The idea of relocating the open road away from Mayfield Pond is excellent and should reduce the vandalism in this lovely area.

I especially like the idea of preserving the old growth Juniper and controlling the spread of young Juniper trees by fire or whatever other means are used.

The idea of creating staging and parking area at access points to the BLM is excellent and I like the idea of multiuse on nonmotorized trail systems. I think linking the Mayfield block with the Badlands is very good idea.

I might say that OHV use is not compatible with Equestrian use. Even though these trails are multi use; it is a real safety hazard to share them with motorized vehicles (motorcycles, Quads etc.) It is also not safe to share trails on hill sides with blind corners with Mountain Bikes such as on the Gray Butte Trail.

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I might say that the plan to permanently mark the endurance trails at Skull Hollow is excellent.

I also like the plan for the Reynold's Pond area with access to the Badlands from there.

I hope that funds will be forth coming so you can implement many of these plans.

Sincerely,

*Anne E. Hanson*

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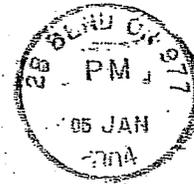
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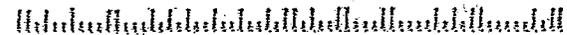
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# Comment Form

For public input on the Draft Upper Deschutes Resource Management Plan and Environmental Impact Statement

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### Comments:

The biggest problem is trying to provide multiple use areas that satisfy everyone. We need dedicated areas for noisy, motorized ATVs and snow mobiles that is kept separate from other uses.

We also need some dedicated wilderness areas, such as the Badlands where one can go to escape the noisy hustle + bustle of urban life and experience nature as it should be.

Keep ATVs out of the Badlands, please.

Continue your comments on the back of this page, or on additional pages

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SM: RAY CLARNO  
CLARNO CATTLE COMPANY  
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BEND, OREGON 97701

Grazing Permits:

#05208	LAUR 508 AUM'S	20,000 Ac M/L dry PASTURES except for pond NE <del>105</del> corners. Sinclair has no east side fence - Should be combined with michaels.
#05205	Dodds 75 AUM'S	
#05207	michaels 38 AUM'S	
#05204	Sinclair 28 AUM'S	

COMMENTS:

FOR the past 20 years I have advocated the removal of motorized vehicles from the area known as the Badlands, currently a WSA area. All or most illegal activities were associated to motorized vehicles, such as: 1) off road travel damaging the sensitive growth and topography 2) fence cutting leaving gates open and or destroying allowing for cattle to get out and sometimes into dry pasture where they die. 3) disrupting hikers wanting solitude 4) Dumping trash, tree cutting and removing rock formation 5) destroying or defacing native creativity, 6) shooting of livestock with rifle and bows. 7) Long term camping with dog running loose. 8) poaching of wildlife (5 pt bull elk this year & got only the head.

In recent years the pressure for use of the Public Lands has increased many folds due to population explosion in Central Oregon. In addition the increased building of homes on Dadds, Walker, Alfalfa market and Willard roads have put pressure on fencing of the north side of the Badlands. The recent closure of some roads in the western part of the "Badlands" has helped significantly but as long as any roads are open to motorized vehicles they will go where they want once they are on the "Badlands".

In general, over the past few years the "Badlands" have been adversely affected by drought conditions. The allotments have had reduce use except for Dadds & very much favor Alternate 7 whereby the allotment would become a Reserve Forage Allotment or grazing would be discontinued but only if the permittee voluntarily relinquished the permit. The permittee under Alternate 7 would have the opportunity to total review his operation and grazing practices. By voluntarily relinquishing a permit an operator may be able to purchase water and expands on desired acreages. This option fits our program and desired direction of Beef production.

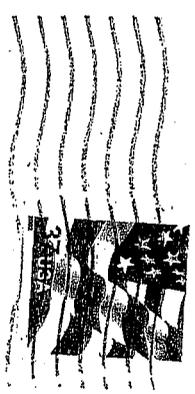
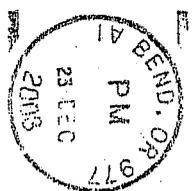
Molly, Neal and others who have developed the extensive review of the Upper Deschutes Resource management Plan are to be highly complimented for the content.

Clayton Cattle Company  
Ray E. [Signature]

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Print Name Vicki LammAddress P.O. BOX 760Signed Victoria Lamm

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Address 260 NE Shafford Estacada  
Signed Steve Lamm

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Address 17960 S. Deininger rd

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Address 32778 Prairie Creek Rd Joseph OR 97846

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Address P.O. BOX 65 Estacada OR 97023

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Tamara Bozarth

Address

237 SE 83<sup>rd</sup> Portland, OR 97216

Signed

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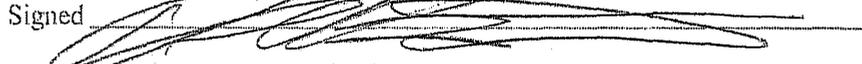
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Print Name TAROD BOURGFER

Address 36622 E. CROWN PNT HWY CORBETT OR 97044

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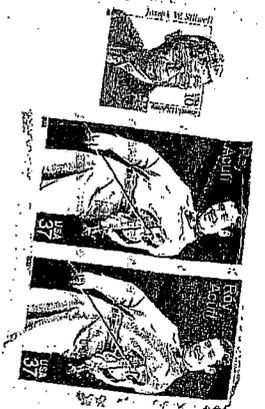
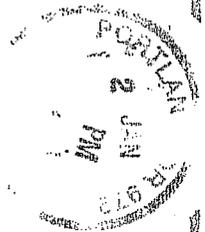
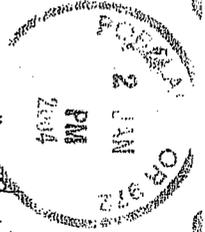
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Print Name Ty Sylvia  
Address 12960 Deninger Rd Og, OR 97045  
Signed Tyler Sylvia

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ATT: Teal PARRINGTON  
3050 NE 3rd St  
Prineville, OR  
97754



hondapros2@aol.com ()  
01/05/2004 10:33 AM

To: shaylor@realestatechampions.com, upper\_deschutes\_rmp@or.blm.gov  
cc:  
Subject: COMAC and BLM

Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
(hondapros2@aol.com) on Monday, January 5, 2004 at 13:33:11

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name: KevinClark

address: 7407 SE Jack St, Milwaukie, OR

comment: As a concerned citizen and recreationist I would like to be on record as supportive of motorized recreation on BLM lands in Central Oregon. The preferred alternative BLM is proposing does not adequately reflect how an interim policy will be implemented. This interim policy greatly affects our sport and the users as there are no assurances BLM will ever have the resources to put together a designated trail system in the areas proposed. The aggressive vegetation management in Alt. 7 of the Juniper woodlands will negatively impact a proposed trail system.

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jessenmk@galaxynet.com  
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01/05/2004 11:31 AM

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cc:  
Subject: COMAC and BLM

Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
(jessenmk@galaxynet.com) on Monday, January 5, 2004 at 14:31:49

name: Matthew Jessen

address: Forest Grove, OR 97116

comment: As a concerned citizen and recreationist I would like to be on record as supportive of motorized recreation on BLM lands in Central Oregon. The preferred alternative BLM is proposing does not adequately reflect how an interim policy will be implemented. This interim policy greatly affects our sport and the users as there are no assurances BLM will ever have the resources to put together a designated trail system in the areas proposed. The aggressive vegetation management in Alt. 7 of the Juniper woodlands will negatively impact a proposed trail system. We do not support the closure of the Badlands and feel that providing no motorized opportunities at Prineville Reservoir and the Lapine area is a mistake. There is use occurring in those areas currently, where will that use go? Especially for the Lapine and Prineville residents. Our use is increasing approximately 20% annually with sales of OHV equipment listed at \$18 billion annually - the increasing use is not reflected in the severe limitations to OHV use on BLM land. Please adopt a more flexible road trail density to allow for the best use of the land and for a designated trail system that will succeed. By micromanaging your areas and attempting to designate different trails for several different uses in the same areas we feel the management will fail and ultimately our use will suffer further restrictions.

textarea: Thank you for your time  
VR  
Matt

Submit: Submit



lynned541@charter.net  
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01/05/2004 11:54 AM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
(lynned541@charter.net) on Monday, January 5, 2004 at 14:54:52

name: David Depweg

address: 9111 Cedar Way. Keno, Oregon 97627 P.O. Box 840

comment: As a concerned citizen and recreationist I would like to be on record as supportive of motorized recreation on BLM lands in Central Oregon. The preferred alternative BLM is proposing does not adequately reflect how an interim policy will be implemented. This interim policy greatly affects our sport and the users as there are no assurances BLM will ever have the resources to put together a designated trail system in the areas proposed. The aggressive vegetation management in Alt. 7 of the Juniper woodlands will negatively impact a proposed trail system. We do not support the closure of the Badlands and feel that providing no motorized opportunities at Prineville Reservoir and the Lapine area is a mistake. There is use occurring in those areas currently, where will that use go? Especially for the Lapine and Prineville residents. Our use is increasing approximately 20% annually with sales of OHV equipment listed at \$18 billion annually - the increasing use is not reflected in the severe limitations to OHV use on BLM land. Please adopt a more flexible road trail density to allow for the best use of the land and for a designated trail system that will succeed. By micromanaging your areas and attempting to designate different trails for several different uses in the same areas we feel the management will fail and ultimately our use will suffer further restrictions.

textarea: We thank you for considering this for us.

Submit: Submit

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steven.eldridge@office.xerox.com ()

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cc:  
Subject: COMAC and BLM

01/05/2004 02:07 PM

Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by (steven.eldridge@office.xerox.com) on Monday, January 5, 2004 at 17:07:42

name: Steven Eldridge

address: 7405 SW 172nd Ave, Beaverton, OR 97007

comment: As a concerned citizen and OHV recreationist I would like to be on record as supportive of motorized recreation on BLM lands in Central Oregon. The preferred alternative BLM is proposing does not adequately reflect how an interim policy will be implemented. This interim policy greatly affects our sport and the users as there are no assurances BLM will ever have the resources to put together a designated trail system in the areas proposed. The aggressive vegetation management in Alt. 7 of the Juniper woodlands will negatively impact a proposed trail system.

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textarea: I feel that the BLM should make the land available to all users. OHV users should have as much a right to these areas as non-motorized users.

Submit: Submit

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trailfolk@cableone.net  
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01/05/2004 07:43 PM

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cc:  
Subject: COMAC and BLM

Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
(trailfolk@cableone.net) on Monday, January 5, 2004 at 22:43:30

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name: Ben Reingold

address: 4275 E. Aphorodite Ct., Boise, Idaho 83716

comment: As a concerned citizen and recreationist I would like to be on record as supportive of motorized recreation on BLM lands in Central Oregon. The preferred alternative BLM is proposing does not adequately reflect how an interim policy will be implemented. This interim policy greatly affects our sport and the users as there are no assurances BLM will ever have the resources to put together a designated trail system in the areas proposed. The aggressive vegetation management in Alt. 7 of the Juniper woodlands will negatively impact a proposed trail system. We do not support the closure of the Badlands and feel that providing no motorized opportunities at Prineville Reservoir and the Lapine area is a mistake. There is use occurring in those areas currently, where will that use go? Especially for the Lapine and Prineville residents. Our use is increasing approximately 20% annually with sales of OHV equipment listed at \$18 billion annually - the increasing use is not reflected in the severe limitations to OHV use on BLM land. Please adopt a more flexible road trail density to allow for the best use of the land and for a designated trail system that will succeed. By micromanaging your areas and attempting to designate different trails for several different uses in the same areas we feel the management will fail and ultimately our use will suffer further restrictions.

textarea: Public lands not officially designated wilderness by congress shouldn't be managed as wilderness in terms of access.— These areas should be proactively managed for motorized access rather using the "off limits" policy. I work in the field of fisheries research yet I enjoy and appreciate responsible two-wheeled motorized travel on public lands. It is a great family sport, and makes for a great tool to see and spend time in beautiful country. Not all folks who choose motorized access are careless riders. It's not fair to generalize. We are out there for the same reasons as other users, except we choose to use a trail machine for access rather than a horse, foot, or bicycle. It's not fair to let a few bad apples ruin it for the responsible citizen. Our tax dollars are paying for government law enforcement to enforce and educate the public, and should be used to help manage rather than full closure. Closing these areas will destroy an enjoyable freedom that we ! hate to lose. I don't think it's fair to manage our public lands for specific user groups that don't believe in the way we recreate. We have just as much right to recreate in our fashion as there's, and we are american citizens who pay taxes and our voices should carry as much weight as anyone else. Please consider keeping my BLM public lands open to future motorized access in quality area's.

Thank you.

Ben Reingold

Submit: Submit



rshroy@charter.net ()  
01/05/2004 11:17 PM

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name: Rick Shroy

address: 4050 Sunland ave., Central Point, OR 97502

comment: As a concerned citizen and recreationist I would like to be on record as supportive of motorized recreation on BLM lands in Central Oregon. The preferred alternative BLM is proposing does not adequately reflect how an interim policy will be implemented. This interim policy greatly affects our sport and the users as there are no assurances BLM will ever have the resources to put together a designated trail system in the areas proposed. The aggressive vegetation management in Alt. 7 of the Juniper woodlands will negatively impact a proposed trail system.

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textarea: I feel any further restrictions on any Oregon BLM lands will cause un-necessary excess damage to the lands by reducing the size of riding areas as the use of off road use continues to increase.

Submit: Submit

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martholst@wmconnect.com ()

01/06/2004 12:02 AM

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cc:  
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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by (martholst@wmconnect.com) on Tuesday, January 6, 2004 at 03:02:24

name: Marty Holstien

address: 2571 Southport way medford . Or. 97504

comment: As a concerned citizen and recreationist I would like to be on record as supportive of motorized recreation on BLM lands in Central Oregon. The preferred alternative BLM is proposing does not adequately reflect how an interim policy will be implemented. This interim policy greatly affects our sport and the users as there are no assurances BLM will ever have the resources to put together a designated trail system in the areas proposed. The aggressive vegetation management in Alt. 7 of the Juniper woodlands will negatively impact a proposed trail system.

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textarea: Please keep our land open. Everyone complains about not spending time with our family, this is how we spend time together. DON'T TAKE THAT AWAY FROM US!!!!

Submit: Submit

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dbuckalew@keyww .co  
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01/06/2004 08:00 AM

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name: Dave Buckalew

address: 2888 Brookdale Dr. Central Point, OR 97502

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kmorinville@att.net ()  
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name: Keith Morinville

address: 3402 Summerset Way Boise ID

comment: As a concerned citizen and recreationist I would like to be on record as supportive of motorized recreation on BLM lands in Central Oregon. The preferred alternative BLM is proposing does not adequately reflect how an interim policy will be implemented. This interim policy greatly affects our sport and the users as there are no assurances BLM will ever have the resources to put together a designated trail system in the areas proposed. The aggressive vegetation management in Alt. 7 of the Juniper woodlands will negatively impact a proposed trail system.

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textarea: I have vacationed in prineville, OR. Fly-fished on the crooked river as well as the Deshutes. I'd like to have the oppourtunity to bring my children to this area for future fishing/riding trips. My-family and I enjoy sightseeing and recreational off-road riding together. Thanks for your time. The Morinville's from Boise.

Submit: Submit

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"Cakes H."  
<max\_chic@hotmail .co  
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To: Upper\_Deschutes\_RMP@or.blm.gov  
cc:  
Subject: Implications for OHV

01/06/2004 09:18 AM

To Whom It May Concern:

I have been researching the Upper Deschutes Resource Management Plan, so as to make an informed comment on the draft. However I cannot determine the exact implications for OHV within this draft.

If you could please provide me with a specific site or information on the impacts and implications for OHV, that would be greatly appreciated.

Thank you for your time!

Sincerely,

Laurel Hall

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caruso@mind.net ()  
01/06/2004 09:57 AM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
(caruso@mind.net) on Tuesday, January 6, 2004 at 12:57:13

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name: Mike Caruso

address: 620 s. Oregon Box 882 Jacksonville, Or 97530

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cc:  
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To: upper\_deschutes\_RMP@or.blm.gov  
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Subject: RE: Upper Deschutes Resource Management Draft

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ATT: Teal Purrington  
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Prineville, Oregon 97754**

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-Tom Niemela  
1101 SE 53rd Court  
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To: <upper.deschutes.RMP@or.blm.gov>  
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Subject: Upper Deschutes Resource Management Area Comments

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I would at this time address my concerns of the Management Plan and the impact that it could have for years to come.

First of all many of us are getting up in age and still enjoy the great outdoors. I do see this plan as a means of limiting our access to many of the activities that we enjoy. My wife and I do rockhounding, prospecting, hunting and fishing. Much of what I have been able to digest out of your reports could have a major impact on our use of our public land.

Many of events over the years have changed to landscape whether caused by mother nature or man. All of the changing of the landscape is just another page in the book of time. I do not agree with many that the activities of man are bad but rather, what was needed at the time and the knowledge they had. As for man, many of the changes that occurred to the landscape were what made our nation strong and supported life as we know it. Now that is not all bad nor is it all good. This old land has the ability to heal it's self or change it's self. What could be an eye sore to one could be fond memories to others.

There is also an element of trust or lack of trust. I have met many within BLM who I feel a trust in but also on the other hand I have seen documented cases where both endangered plants, animals and birds have been placed into areas of concern just to sway the results of studies such as this. I also know that there are groups of highly interested people from the outside that tend to do the same kind of thing. I caution you to look at this activity very close and act responsibly.

There is something else that I feel really needs to be addressed. I know it is hard to get the general public to take the time to provide input. But on the other hand I know it is easy to get a group of people with an axe to grind to provide the largest amount of responses on a project such as this. I do hope this is also taken into the process.

I saw very little in your reports that provided access to the prospector which is covered by the 1872 mining act. Even if there is not much activity taking place at this time, it does not mean that it won't. There has to be something to the legend of the Blue Bucket Mine from the Oregon Trail days, it very well could be located within the study area. The research that has been done on this topic suggests that it is. It is also another example how mother nature could of changed the face of the earth so as not to show the location of the Blue Bucket very easy or other events such as this.

In my opinion, I strongly prefer Alternative #2 if change is to be made. I would rather have number 1 but I do realize that man plays a part into this. I also see the other alternatives being to restrictive.

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I will be most interested in watching the outcome of this costly project and pray that it be done honestly and fairly.

Jim Williams  
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La Pine, Oregon 97739

PS, please let me know if this was received.



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name: Jess Risenmay

address: 5903 Aspen Way NE Salem, OR 97301

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Doug Heiken  
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Please respond to Doug  
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To: upper\_descutes\_RMP@or.blm.gov, Doug Heiken  
<onrcdoug@efn.org>

cc:  
Subject: ONRC comments on the DEIS for the Upper Descutes RMP revision

Dear BLM:

Please accept the following comments from Oregon Natural Resources Council on the Upper Deschutes RMP DEIS dated October 2003.

1. Wilderness study areas should be given stronger protection to ensure that their values are preserved for the long-term.
2. Roadless areas are of such critical importance that the BLM should conduct an analysis on how to expand existing roadless areas and create new ones, where ecological processes such as fire can be permitted to play out with minimal human intervention. The recognized values of roadless areas, include: (1) High quality or undisturbed soil, water, and air; (2) Sources of public drinking water; (3) Diversity of plant and animal communities; (4) Habitat for threatened, endangered, proposed, candidate, and sensitive species and for those species dependent on large, undisturbed areas of land; (5) Primitive, semi-primitive non-motorized and semi-primitive motorized classes of dispersed recreation; (6) Reference landscapes; (7) Natural appearing landscapes with high scenic quality; (8) Traditional cultural properties and sacred sites; and (9) Other locally identified unique characteristics. 36 CFR §294.11
3. More areas should be considered for closure to livestock. Grazing has serious adverse impacts on soil, recreation, native plant communities, water quality, fish habitat, fuel profiles and fire regimes, wildlife populations, etc.
4. The critical value of snags and decayed wood need to be more fully recognized and considered. See Rose, C.L., Marcot, B.G., Mellen, T.K., Ohmann, J.L., Waddell, K.L., Lindely, D.L., and B. Schrieber. 2001. Decaying Wood in Pacific Northwest Forests: Concepts and Tools for Habitat Management, Chapter 24 in *Wildlife-Habitat Relationships in Oregon and Washington* (Johnson, D. H. and T. A. O'Neil. OSU Press. 2001) <http://www.nwhi.org/nhi/whrow/chapter24cwb.pdf>
5. Invasive weeds must be given more consideration and more aggressive steps taken to PREVENT rather than merely mitigate new invasive species sites.
6. Juniper should be dealt with by excluding livestock and reintroducing fire, not through mechanical means that will spread weeds and remove nutrients from the site. The scientific basis for juniper control is highly questionable. Juniper will take care of itself after you remove livestock and reintroduce fire.

"Many ranchers, rangeland managers, and range scientists in the Pacific Northwest consider western juniper (*Juniperus occidentalis* Hook.) to be an invading weed that reduces water infiltration, dries up springs and streams, increases erosion, reduces biodiversity, and reduces the quality and quantity of forage for livestock and wildlife species. Although there is little scientific evidence supporting most of these beliefs, they are currently being used as rationales for controlling juniper on public and private lands. Similar views were held about pinyon-juniper woodlands in the Southwest and Great

Basin from the 1940's through the 1960's, when efforts were also made to control woodland expansion.

"Pressures to control the further spread of western juniper and reduce its density in woodlands are increasing. Because of the paucity of information on the environmental effects of western juniper expansion in the Northwest, this paper primarily reviews evidence from earlier studies of pinyon-juniper woodlands in the Southwest and Great Basin. These studies rejected similar assumptions about the deleterious effects of pinyon-juniper expansion on ecosystem properties and call into question current rationales for controlling western juniper in the Northwest. These studies also suggest that while the expansion of juniper might alter species composition and decrease herbaceous biomass in grasslands and shrublands, they have few detrimental effects on streamflow, aquatic organisms, soil properties, or wildlife habitat.

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1. 1. In arid and semi-arid climates, most snow- and rain-water simply recharges the soil column; little excess is available to move downslope to streams (Hibbert 1983, West 1984),
2. Herbaceous plants and shrubs that replace trees also intercept rain and snow, reducing the amount of water reaching the ground;
3. Replacement plants also transpire and deplete soil water (Clary et al. 1974, Brown 1987a);
4. Tree removal exposes the soil and understory plants to direct sunlight, causing elevated temperatures and increased evapotranspiration (Clary et al. 1974, Everett and Sharrow 1985);
5. Tree removal exposes soils and understory plants to more wind, which increases evapotranspiration (Everett and Sharrow 1985); and
6. In areas where water is in excess of that needed to recharge the soil, this water may go to shallow aquifers rather than to streams (Hibbert 1983).

In other words, studies showing that junipers intercept precipitation and transpire water (Young and Evans 1987, Eddleman and Miller 1992) cannot be used to conclude that this lost water would have ended up in streams and springs. To do so, water budgets of juniper-dominated and juniper-free sites would have to be compared, or long-term changes in streamflow following juniper removal

"The consequences of large-scale prescribed burning on wildlife in the Pacific Northwest are largely unknown because studies have been limited to investigating the effects of small prescribed burns on specific species for a relatively short time after burning. The potential effects of prescribed burning on a landscape scale should be examined carefully to determine if the changes caused by prescribed burning are compatible with other management objectives for wildlife."

Tiedemann, A.R., Klemmedson, J. O., and Evelyn L. Bull, *Solution of forest health problems with prescribed Fire: Are forest productivity and wildlife at risk?*, Forest Ecology and Management 127 (2000) 1±18 3,  
[http://147.46.94.112/forestfire/f14\\_20001271301.pdf](http://147.46.94.112/forestfire/f14_20001271301.pdf)

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Increased homogeneity (reduced patchiness) has negative attributes of increased continuity of fuels and insect hosts that create significant problems in the management of sustainable forests.

Everett, Schellhaas, Ohlson, Spurbeck, Keenum; 2001; Continuity in Fire Regimes Between Riparian and Adjacent Sideslopes in the Douglas-fir Forest Series;  
<http://www.srs.fs.usda.gov/pubs/viewpub.jsp?index=4740>

Sincerely,

/s/ Doug Heiken

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Doug Heiken  
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To: <upper\_deschutes\_RMP@or.blm.gov>  
cc:  
Subject: Upper Deschutes Resource Management Draft

01/06/2004 02:43 PM

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Prineville, Oregon 97754

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
(huskyrider250@msn.com) on Tuesday, January 6, 2004 at 18:22:44

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name: adam charlton

address: 4835 N.W Salishan Drive Portland, Oregon 97229

comment: As a concerned citizen and recreationist I would like to be on record as supportive of motorized recreation on BLM lands in Central Oregon. The preferred alternative BLM is proposing does not adequately reflect how an interim policy will be implemented. This interim policy greatly affects our sport and the users as there are no assurances BLM will ever have the resources to put together a designated trail system in the areas proposed. The aggressive vegetation management in Alt. 7 of the Juniper woodlands will negatively impact a proposed trail system.

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jdfergus@mind.net ()  
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(jdfergus@mind.net) on Tuesday, January 6, 2004 at 19:07:11

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name: Doug Fergus

address: 305 Hillcrest St. Ashland, OR

comment: As a concerned citizen and recreationist I would like to be on record as supportive of motorized recreation on BLM lands in Central Oregon. The preferred alternative BLM is proposing does not adequately reflect how an interim policy will be implemented. This interim policy greatly affects our sport and the users as there are no assurances BLM will ever have the resources to put together a designated trail system in the areas proposed. The aggressive vegetation management in Alt. 7 of the Juniper woodlands will negatively impact a proposed trail system.

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textarea: Please leave these areas open!! There are precious few places for us to ride as it is. Believe it or not, off road riding is one of the best FAMILY activities that any family can do together.  
Thanks for listening to us!

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
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name: Jerry Kelly

address: 2365 eastside rd. Jacksonville ,OR 97530

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textarea: January 5, 2004

Bureau of Land Management,  
Prineville District Office  
3050 NE Third St  
Prineville, Oregon 97753

Upper Deschutes RMP Team,

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BLM Upper Deschutes Resource Management Draft - Specific area issues, and objections;

In regard to Cline Buttes:

Pecks Milkvetch ACEC expansion - not what general consensus was during issue team discussions. Increase of 6,000 acres impacts historical OHV use to an unacceptable level.

Separate systems for motorized and nonmotorized is not realistic and a prescription for failure. It will polarize the users, decrease every ones area of usage, does not support a multiple-use philosophy, micromanages the area, and will increase conflicts among users. You should be questioning the goals your agency followed that led you to propose a "solution" such as this.

The management direction in Alt. 7 is unrealistic and beyond the scope of BLM administrative resources.

The Tumalo canals are thought to be some of the best riding areas in the area and too important to the users to close.

The Plan will not accommodate current use in Cline Buttes, and does not address increased use/demand for the life of the plan. This is not logical, and it is not good scientific problem solving.

The Interim Plan is not defined enough for comment.

In regard to Lapine:

Closure of historically open designation in all of BLM land bordering Lapine, except Rosland Play area is not possible to implement with current resources nor necessary for wildlife concerns. Wildlife does not need ALL of the planning area. Area residents will be dramatically impacted without due cause.

Snowmobiling needs to be exempt from the limitations completely.

In regard to South Milican:

Issue team discussion of the area proposed an increase in the seasonal use that is not noted in Alt 7. August thru April would be a necessary addition to recreational opportunities considering all the recreational opportunities Alt 7 takes from motorized recreation and it would not negatively impact wildlife concerns.

In regard to Badlands:

This area is not critical habitat or deer winter range and ODF & W did not have issue with usage in the Badlands. If wildlife concerns are minimal, it is

not good management to close it to OHV use due to social issues unrelated to the use, i.e., fence cutting, garbage dumping, partying and illegal hunting. The issue is inadequate on-the-ground management by your agency. Own it, and fix it.

In regard to Prineville Reservoir:

Managing current OHV use by closure without any recreational opportunities is unwarranted.

There are many opportunities for improvement in this for us all. I look forward to discussing the upcoming OHV actions in the final management plan with you.

Sincerely,  
Jerry Kelly

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To: shaylor@realestatechampions.com, upper\_deschutes\_rmp@or.blm.gov

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cc:

Subject: COMAC and BLM

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Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by (ringo-chica@charter.net) on Wednesday, January 7, 2004 at 00:23:56

name: Ben Franco

address: 2570 Samoan Way Medford, OR

comment: As a concerned citizen and recreationist I would like to be on record as supportive of motorized recreation on BLM lands in Central Oregon. The preferred alternative BLM is proposing does not adequately reflect how an interim policy will be implemented. This interim policy greatly affects our sport and the users as there are no assurances BLM will ever have the resources to put together a designated trail system in the areas proposed. The aggressive vegetation management in Alt. 7 of the Juniper woodlands will negatively impact a proposed trail system.

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textarea: I love Oregon because of the wonderful riding parks that did not exist in other states that I have lived in. Please don't take away the thrill, fun and escape from the city.

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Lorni.R.Jarmie@lessch  
wab.com

To: upper\_deschutes\_rmp@or.blm.gov  
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01/07/2004 08:24 AM

Subject: comments on plan

Input on the Draft Upper Deschutes Resource Management Plan

I am an avid OHV enthusiast and, therefore, my comments will be focused on the aspects of the plan that impact my chosen form of recreation.

I do not believe the plan is realistic because it does not address the needs of a burgeoning OHV community. It is a fact that sales of OHVs are increasing. It is a fact that riders from all over the state come to Central Oregon to enjoy East Fort Rock and Millican. Our popular riding areas are showing the evidence of over use, yet to my knowledge, no new trails have been developed in over 5 years and the plan actually calls for reductions in trails! As more recreationalists are confined to smaller areas two things will happen that will eventually lead to total closure. First, there will be damage. Over use will make the trails impossible to maintain. Second, there will be more accidents. Take a fixed number of people and put them into a dwindling environment and pretty soon they will start bouncing off each other.

Here are my suggestions:

1. For every closure, create an opening. At the very least keep the status quo. If a trail must be closed (for instance the 10 miles of trails that is in dispute in the Badlands) then open 10 miles of trail somewhere else.
2. Create new riding areas. Preferably as far away as possible from the public eye. Riding areas next to highways get noticed and can become targets for anti-OHV groups.
3. If new areas can not be created, then expand existing areas.
4. Open sections of hiking or mountain biking trails to motorized use once a year and rotate them. For example, identify 12 trails that are currently off-limits to motorized use and for one weekend each month open one of them to OHVs. Rotate through the 12 so that each month there is a special place to ride. Charge for the privilege or have a club host a poker run and donate a portion of the entry fees back to the BLM. You would have to post notices to hikers and publish a calendar but it would be a tremendous boost for the OHV community. This could also be useful if there are trails that need to be cleared before hikers can use them.

I'm sure that one of the main incentives to reducing riding areas is financial. I would hope that the money we pay for off-road stickers could be used to maintain riding areas but I don't know if that is the case. Therefore, here are a couple of suggestions that may help to bridge the financial gap.

1. Charge for camping at the staging areas. Most campgrounds charge a few dollars a night. You could use the honor system and have a collection box posted.
2. Charge for trail maps. I would gladly pay a buck for a map. Again, use the honor system and perhaps put up a notice that the funds collected will be used to create new trails.
3. Create a super new riding area and charge to use it. The rider would

purchase a special sticker or a key to get in. I guarantee that many riders would gladly pay for the privilege of using a new area.  
4. Do a fund-raiser. Contact COMAC or another club and see if they would be willing to put on an event and donate the entry fees. Again, advertise that the funds raised will be used to create more trails and I'll bet you get a terrific turnout.

I hope you will make every effort to increase the riding areas to support a growing population of OHV enthusiasts.

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name: Dave Paterson

address: 19865 J.W. Brown Rd. Bend, OR 97701

comment: As a concerned citizen and recreationist I would like to be on record as supportive of motorized recreation on BLM lands in Central Oregon. The preferred alternative BLM is proposing does not adequately reflect how an interim policy will be implemented. This interim policy greatly affects our sport and the users as there are no assurances BLM will ever have the resources to put together a designated trail system in the areas proposed. The aggressive vegetation management in Alt. 7 of the Juniper woodlands will negatively impact a proposed trail system. We do not support the closure of the Badlands and feel that providing no motorized opportunities at Prineville Reservoir and the Lapine area is a mistake. There is use occurring in those areas currently, where will that use go? Especially for the Lapine and Prineville residents. Our use is increasing approximately 20% annually with sales of OHV equipment listed at \$18 billion annually - the increasing use is not reflected in the severe limitations to OHV use on BLM land. Please adopt a more flexible road trail density to allow for the best use of the land and for a designated trail system that will succeed. By micromanaging your areas and attempting to designate different trails for several different uses in the same areas we feel the management will fail and ultimately our use will suffer further restrictions.

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name: Wes Molsberry

address: 9081 Lower River Rd.

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BLM Upper Deschutes Resource Management Draft - Specific area issues, and objections;

In regard to Cline Buttes:

Pecks Milkvetch ACEC expansion - not what general consensus was during issue team discussions. Increase of 6,000 acres impacts historical OHV use to an unacceptable level .

Separate systems for motorized and nonmotorized is not realistic and a prescription for failure . It will polarize the users, decrease every ones area of usage, does not support a multiple-use philosophy, micromanages the area, and will increase conflicts among users. You should be questioning the goals your agency followed that led you to propose a "solution" such as this.

The management direction in Alt. 7 is unrealistic and beyond the scope of BLM administrative resources.

The Tumalo canals are thought to be some of the best riding areas in the area and too important to the users to close .

The Plan will not accommodate current use in Cline Buttes, and does not address increased use/demand for the life of the plan . This is not logical, and it is not good scientific problem solving.

The Interim Plan is not defined enough for comment.

In regard to Lapine:

Closure of historically open designation in all of BLM land bordering Lapine, except Rosland Play area is not possible to implement with current resources nor necessary for wildlife concerns . Wildlife does not need ALL of the planning area. Area residents will be dramatically impacted without due cause.

Snowmobiling needs to be exempt from the limitations completely .

In regard to South Milican:

Issue team discussion of the area proposed an increase in the seasonal use that is not noted in Alt 7 . August thru April would be a necessary addition to recreational opportunities considering all the recreational opportunities Alt 7 takes from motorized recreation and it would not negatively impact wildlife concerns.

In regard to Badlands:

This area is not critical habitat or deer winter range and ODF & W did not have issue with usage in the Badlands. If wildlife concerns are minimal, it is not good management to close it to OHV use due to social issues unrelated to the use , i.e., fence cutting, garbage dumping, partying and illegal hunting. The issue is inadequate on-the-ground management by your agency. Own it, and fix it.

In regard to Prineville Reservoir:

Managing current OHV use by closure without any recreational opportunities is unwarranted .

There are many opportunities for improvement in this for us all. I look forward to discussing the upcoming OHV actions in the final management plan with you.

Sincerely, Wes Molsberry

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textarea: The mandate of government should be response to the people it serves. While we need to balance use with conservation, too often a vocal minority who may not be representative of the desires of the majority of their fellow citizens ends up closing off lands which should be maintained for the public use by all types of users (agriculture, motorized recreation, equestrians, hikers, snowshoers, mountain bikers, etc.).

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