Lower Dolores Plan Working Group
Planning Process
List of Major Interests

(Note: These are not listed in priority order.)

ORVs and Other Natural Values

- Protection of the ORVs (this is the charge to DPLO – USFS/BLM)
- Protection of the landscape and water for locals, visitors and future generations
- Ability of local, visitors and future generations to enjoy the natural beauty, recreational options, wildlife and ecology of the area
- Biodiversity of plant and animal species

Rights

- Respect for and protection of private rights in the corridor (land and water and access)
- Protection of various land and water uses (economic and recreational)
- Desire for the fewest and less cumbersome regulations as is possible
- Desire to use one’s land to make a living
- Privacy

Level of Protection

- Desire for permanent, long term and lasting protections
- Desire for flexibility in the protection mechanisms
- Local control and local input into Federal and State decision making, policy setting & rule making

Economic

- Jobs and economic development and vitality for the surrounding community (ies)
- A need to capitalize on future opportunities (for example, more rafting days or oil and gas development)

Various Groups and How they Use the Land/Water

- Finding solutions that make sense; that work "on the ground" for as many interests/groups as is possible
- Avoid over use of the land by one group or another (for example, certain camp sites)

Other

- Desire to keep things the way they are
- Desire to see the area not impacted by too much use of one kind or another
- Protection of water quality and the health of the river

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