## Landscape Profile: La Plata
### 20,000 Acres

**District:** Columbine  
**February 22, 2005**

### Outstanding Features
- Scenic – high peaks
- Historic mining
- Four wheel drive trails w/ good access

### Active Uses
- Grazing
- Historic mining
- Outfitters
- Multiple recreation use

### Landscape Concerns
- Atv’s in non-motorized area
- Camping and overcrowding
- Area wide wildfire risk
- Noxious weeds – along motorized routes
- Old mines have degraded the resource.
- Disturbing of bat habitat

### Landscape Opportunities
- Develop loops trails both motorized and non-motorized
- Separate motorized use from non-motorized use
- Expand recreation use.
- Wildland fire use area

### Land Ownership (Acres)
- National Forest 15,000  
- BLM 0  
- Private 5,000  
- State 0

### Vegetation Data

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History of past harvesting and grazing  
Currently Suitable  
Timberlands: 0 ac

### Dominant Recreation Uses
- Car camping
- Hunting
- Back country and cross country skiing
- Hiking
- 4wheel driving
- Driving for pleasure
- Mtn. Biking
- Single-tracks
- ATV

### Roads and Trails

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Total Miles 88

### Oil and Gas (Acres)
- Current leases 0
- Available 11,000  
- W/restrictions 4,000  
- (No Surface Occupancy)