

“Dolores River Dialogue”

Lower Dolores River Management Plan Update

Working Group Framework

Principles of the Process

- ❑ *Themes:* * Science * Ecology * Community
 - ❑ Integrate DRD science & past DRD work
 - ❑ Involve affected voices and stakeholders
 - ❑ Open-ness & transparency
 - ❑ Working Group made up of people *who know about and care* about the Lower Dolores River Valley
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Composition of the Working Group

- Bureau of Reclamation
 - Colorado Division of Wildlife
 - Colorado Water Conservation Board
 - Dolores Public Lands Center Staff
 - Dolores River Coalition
 - Dolores Water Conservancy District
 - Montezuma Valley Irrigation Company
 - San Juan Citizens Alliance
 - The Nature Conservancy
 - Trout Unlimited
 - Other DRD-TC members*
 - Counties
 - Livestock/Grazers
 - Downstream Water Rights Owners
 - Oil and Gas, Mining and Mineral Leaser Holders / Owners / Company Representatives
 - Recreationalists
 - Other?
 - Other?
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Framework

- ❑ 20 to 30 Working Group Members
 - ❑ Start: 11/08 & End: 9/09
 - ❑ Meetings @ Dolores Public Lands Office
 - ❑ Public comment will be taken at each meeting
 - ❑ Meeting notes produced and Web site used
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Phase 1

- ❑ **Start and Orientation (11/08)**
 - ❑ Orientation to process & expectations
 - ❑ Cover timelines and outcomes
 - ❑ Establish ground rules
 - ❑ Determine if additional stakeholders need invited
 - ❑ Study area boundary
 - ❑ Past DRD science reviewed
 - ❑ Identification of Topics and ORVs
 - ❑ Field trip
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Phase 2

ORV Meetings (12/08 to 4/09)

- Cover 6 ORV topics in 3 meetings
- Meeting Components: accurate data; DRD science; issues and opportunity identification; discussions; speakers; maps; field trips; and power points...

= Working Group
recommendations

Phase 3

Wrap Up (7/09 to 9/09)

- Formulate alternatives for protecting ORVs and addressing issues identified in Phase II

 - Develop recommendations with proposed actions for consideration by the Dolores Public Lands Office in their completion of the Environmental Assessment
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- What do you think?
- Questions?
- Comments
- Suggested Workgroup Members

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