



FACT SHEET

Proposed Sutey Ranch and Haines Parcel Management Plan

The Bureau of Land Management acquired the 557-acre Sutey Ranch in Garfield County and the 112-acre Haines Parcel in Pitkin County in March 2017 through the Sutey Ranch Land exchange.

Highlights of the proposed plan for the Sutey Ranch:

- Balances seasonal protections for wintering concentrations of wildlife with access for hiking, horseback riding and mountain biking
- Protects wintering big game by seasonally restricting human disturbance between Dec. 1 and April 15
- Provides important forage for wintering big game by maintaining irrigated fields
- Reduces conflicts among recreational user groups by designating seasons of use (hiking and equestrian from April 16 to November 30; mountain biking from June 1 to September 30)
- Identifies the Sutey Ranch as a reserve common allotment for livestock grazing (could be temporarily used under specific circumstances)
- Guides subsequent implementation decisions that will address development of equestrian parking facilities, designated trail locations, and a mountain bike access route to the adjacent Red Hill SRMA

Highlights of the proposed plan for the Haines parcel:

- Becomes part of the adjacent Crown Special Recreation Management Area emphasizing mountain biking
- Continues the seasonal livestock grazing that had been occurring when it was in private land by adding it to the Prince Creek Grazing Allotment
- Continues the seven-mile trail system the BLM designated in February 2018, including designating new trails and closing existing trails that trespass on private land.