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BLM OKLAHOMA FIELD OFFICE Providing Comments During Public Scoping

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- Identify additional planning criteria
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- Present reasonable alternatives
- Present information that can be used when BLM considers impacts of alternatives
- Raise concerns, with reasoning, regarding public land resources within the planning area
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- Recommend specific changes to the landscape or management actions
- Question, with reasonable basis, the accuracy of information in a report already created

Comments that are not substantive include:

- Comments in favor of or against an action without any reasoning (such as "I don't like" without providing any rationale)
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- Comments without justification or supporting data (such as "allow more grazing")
- Comments that don't pertain to the planning area (such as "the government should eliminate all dams throughout the west")
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Please provide substantive comments, which will be the most useful kind during this planning effort. Thank you for your interest in the OFO RMP.





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OFO RMP Webpage: http://www.blm.gov/nm/ oktrmp

Comments can also be mailed to: Larry Levesque **RMP Project Manager** 7906 E. 33rd Street, Suite 101

Tulsa, OK 74145

Email address for public comments: BLM_NM_OKT_RMP@blm.gov



For the BLM to formally consider your comments regarding the Notice of Intent for the Oklahoma Field Office to prepare a Resource Management Plan, written comments are required. To assure consideration you should provide your comments by January 31, 2014. Please fax this completed form to (918) 621-4130 or mail it to the following address:

Oklahoma Field Office RMP Comments c/o Larry Levesque Bureau of Land Management Oklahoma Field Office 7906 E. 33rd Street, Suite 101 Tulsa, OK 74145-1352

You may e-mail comments to BLM_NM_OKT_RMP@blm.gov or complete an online comment form at http://www.blm.gov/nm/oktrmp. In order to continue receiving information and future mailings about the Oklahoma Field Office RMP, you must ask to be added to the official RMP mailing list by submitting this form by January 31, 2014.

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	r, group, government, agency or organization 2500 Exchange Avenue	on (if applicable) Oklahoma Cattlemen's Association					
City*	Oklahoma City	State*_ OK Zip Code*73108					
,		Address (optional)mkelsey@okcattlemen.org					
		/EIS mailing list to receive future project-related information? No \square					

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Please mark the appropriate category below and write your comments necessary.	on the lines provided. Feel free to attach additional pages if					
☐ Access/Transportation	☐ Recreation/OHV (Hunting, Fishing, Hiking, Biking, etc.)					
☐ Energy (Wind, Geothermal, Solar, etc.)	☐ Social/Economic Concerns					
☐ Fire Management	☐ Vegetation/Noxious Weeds					
☐ Historic, Cultural & Paleontologic Resources/Traditional Values	☐ Wild Horses & Burros					
☑ Land Tenure (Retention/Acquisition/Disposal)	☐ Wilderness, Wilderness Study Areas & Other Special					
☐ Livestock Grazing	Designations					
☐ Minerals (Hardrock, Oil & Gas)	☐ Wildlife/Sensitive Species					
☑ Planning/RMP Process	☐ Other Concerns (please define)					
Soil / Water / Air / Visual Resources						
On behalf of the members of the Oklahoma Cattlemen's	Association, we appreciate the opportunity to submit					
comments on the proposed plan. We regret that we were not awa	are of this comment period until this week however. As					
well, our members along the north side of the river have not bee	n adequately notified and thus have not had time to study					
the plan.						
Therefore we request that BLM extend the comment per	riod for an additional 90 days. Further we request that					
BLM host a series of public input sessions specific to this propos	al in immediate locations along the north and south side					
of the river. The sessions held earlier were bit adequately publici	zed, were not specific to this proposal and several were					
held quite far from the citizens that will be most affected.						
We would like to publicize the comment period and input sessions to our members in our newsletter media						
which will not cost the agency any funds.						
We thank you for your consideration of these comment	s and we request that you place us on your communica-					
tion distribution lists so that can receive information in the future.						
Sincerely,						
Michael Kelsey, Executive Vice President, Oklahoma Cattlemen	's Association					
405-403-6097						

Public comments submitted for this planning review, including names and street addresses of respondents, will be available for public review at the Oklahoma Field Office, 7906 E. 33rd Street, Suite 101. Tulsa, OK 74145-1352, during regular business hours (7:30 AM to 4:30 PM), Monday through Friday, except federal holidays. Individual respondents may request confidentiality. If you wish to withhold your name or address from public review or from disclosure under the Freedom of Information Act, you must state this prominently in your written comments. Such requests will be honored to the extent allowed by law. Anonymity is not allowable for submissions from organizations or businesses, and from individual identifician themselves as representatives or afficials of acquirements or the product of the extent allowed by law.